

## Report to Council

**Report Title:** Donation to the 2019 Regional 55+ Games

**Prepared By:** Lynne Davidson, Brockton Programmer

**Department:** Parks and Recreation

**Date:** November 5, 2018

**Report Number:** REC2018-14                      **File Number:** C11REC, R06

**Attachments:** N/A

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### Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number REC2018-014-Donation to the 2019 Regional 55+ Games, prepared by Lynne Davidson, Brockton Programmer, and in doing so support a request for in-kind sponsorship by donating Brockton facility space for the 2019 Regional 55+ Games at a value of approximately \$1,000.00 for the use of the space.

### Report:

#### Background:

The concept of the Ontario Senior Games was initiated in 1982 by the Older Adults Centres Association of Ontario (OACAO). The (then) Ministry of Tourism and Recreation agreed to provide financial assistance to help develop this program and to promote activities for seniors throughout Ontario. In March 1984, the OACAO established an Ontario Senior Games Committee. This committee was to develop and implement a plan for Ontario Senior Games Provincial championships. The first Ontario Senior Games Championships known as Actifest (Activity Festival) were hosted by Kitchener in 1986. The success of those games provided the framework for the establishment of the Ontario Senior Games Actifest to be held in August in the even numbered years. District games would be held every year and on the odd numbered years would compete in a regional event.

Brockton Parks and Recreation Department has annually hosted the District 27 55+ Games including solo, contract bridge and cribbage for many years in partnership with Grey Bruce District 27 55+ seniors. Providing opportunities for individuals 55 years and over to enhance social interactions and increase physical and mental well-being through participation in recreational activities is the mandate of this partnership.

On August 14, 2019, District 27 will be hosting the Regional Games, which will see upwards of 600 participants from across Southwestern Ontario coming to Bruce and Grey Counties to participate in a one-day event.

Events will be held in Brockton, Hanover, Arran-Elderslie and South Bruce. Brockton will be hosting Billiards, Bocce, Contract Bridge, Duplicate Bridge, Cribbage, Prediction Run 1km and 5km, Shuffleboard and Slow-Pitch. Municipal facilities as well as local businesses, school board facilities and private park land will be involved in facilitating the above events.

As we continue to plan and develop an Age Friendly Action Plan as per Resolution 18-12-196, initiatives such as 2019 Regional 55+ Games are essential in connecting with community partnerships and community champions.

**Analysis:**

The 2019 55+ Regional Games committee has established a sponsorship packaged where monetary donations as well as in kind donations are being sought.

The Brockton facilities that would be required are the Cargill Community Centre, the Walkerton Community Centre auditorium and ball diamond #1, the Walkerton Library Seniors room and Gallery room. The combined cost of these rental spaces would be approximately \$1,000.00

**Sustainability Checklist:**

What aspect of the Brockton Sustainable Strategic Plan does the content/recommendations in this report help advance?

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| • Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision? | N/A |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy?       | N/A |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Prosperity?     | N/A |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to Environmental Integrity?           | N/A |
| • Do the recommendations contribute to the Social Equity?                 | N/A |

**Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:**

- Do the recommendations represent a sound financial investment from a sustainability perspective? Yes

**Reviewed By:**




**Chief Financial Officer**

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**Respectfully Submitted by:**

Lynne Davidson, Brockton Programmer

**Reviewed By:**

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**Chief Administrative Officer**