

Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

Report to Council

Report Title: 2025 Court Security Prisoner Transportation Grant

Prepared By: Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer

Department: Finance

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Report Number: FIN2025-09 **File Number:** C11FIN, P16PO, F11

Attachments:

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number FIN2025-09 – 2025 Court Security Prisoner Transportation Grant, prepared by Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer for information purposes.

Report:

Background:

On November 12, 2024, staff presented Council with Report FIN2024-35 – Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Costs Proposal. The report highlighted that Brockton's Court Security and Prisoner Transportation costs for 2025 are \$894,993, a significant increase from previous years. While a provincial grant has historically helped offset these costs, it has never fully covered them. Despite the Walkerton Courthouse serving multiple municipalities, Brockton continues to bear a disproportionate share of expenses.

During the budget process, staff had not yet received the 2025 funding allocation for the Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Grant (CSPTG). As a result, \$417,946 was included in the budget, aligning with 2024 funding levels. Additionally, \$125,000 in funding from Bruce County was incorporated to help offset courthouse costs.

Analysis:

On March 28, 2025, the Municipality received notification that its 2025 CSPTG allotment is \$528,225 for the calendar year.

The table below summarizes Brockton's Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Costs from 2020 to 2025:

Year	CSPT Cost	CSPTG	Bruce County Funding	Total Net Cost
2025	\$894,993.00	\$528,225.00	\$125,000.00	\$241,768.00
2024	\$531,685.00	\$379,503.00		\$152,182.00
2023	\$586,399.00	\$419,692.00		\$166,707.00
2022	\$410,718.00	\$267,504.00		\$143,214.00
2021	\$432,716.00	\$296,902.00		\$135,814.00
2020	\$326,381.00	\$245,287.00		\$81,094.00
Total	\$3,182,892.00	\$2,137,113.00	\$125,000.00	\$920,779.00

This updated information reflects the finalized **2025 CSPTG allocation** and highlights the continued financial impact of court security and prisoner transportation costs on Brockton.

Strategic Action Plan Checklist:

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

•	Recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision	N/A
•	Recommendations contribute to achieving Heritage, Culture, and Community	N/A
•	Recommendations contribute to achieving Quality of Life	N/A
•	Recommendations contribute to achieving Land Use Planning and the Natural Environment	N/A
•	Recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Development	N/A
•	Recommendations contribute to achieving Municipal Governance	N/A

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

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

Respectfully Submitted by:

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