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Report 2024-030

Report Title: Donation of a Decommissioned Ambulance to Habitat for

Humanity Northumberland

Committee Name: Community Health

Committee Meeting Date: March 5, 2024

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Approved by: Jennifer Moore, CAO

Council Meeting Date: March 20, 2024

Strategic Plan Priorities: ⊠ Innovate for Service Excellence

☐ Ignite Economic Opportunity

☐ Champion a Vibrant Future

Information Report

"**That** the Community Health Committee, having considered Report 2024-030 'Donation of a Decommissioned Ambulance to Habitat for Humanity Northumberland', recommend that County Council approve the donation of one decommissioned ambulance to Habitat for Humanity Northumberland."

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to request approval to donate one (1) decommissioned ambulance (2018) to Habitat for Humanity Northumberland. Northumberland Paramedics would like to continue our efforts in supporting the non-profit organizations within Northumberland County.

Background

Northumberland Paramedics were approached by Habitat for Humanity in July, and December of 2023 inquiring about the possibility of obtaining a de-commissioned ambulance. The purpose of this vehicle would be to assist Habitat for Humanity with the storage and transportation of supplies to the sites of their affordable home builds. The donation of a decommissioned ambulance would keep the cost of purchasing a vehicle as low as possible to help their financial expenses and assist with providing the community with affordable housing.

The goal of Habitat for Humanity Northumberland is to break the cycle of poverty through promoting home ownership within Northumberland County. Their program helps individuals and families in financially vulnerable situations build and buy a decent and affordable home.

Consultations

N/A

Legislative Authority / Risk Considerations

N/A

Discussion / Options

N/A

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact as the de-commissioned ambulance has reached and exceeded its lifespan as an emergency response vehicle.

Member Municipality Impacts

The impact to Member Municipalities would be to ensure that Habitat for Humanity Northumberland, has a reliable vehicle deemed necessary to help their volunteers in the storage and transportation of supplies for the purpose of building affordable housing. Assisting Habitat for Humanity with the resource of a decommissioned ambulance for storage and transportation thereby assisting with the builds of affordable housing benefits all of Northumberland County.

Conclusion / Outcomes

Northumberland Paramedics requests permission to donate one (1) decommissioned ambulance to Habitat for Humanity Northumberland.

Attachments

1. Report 2024-030 'Correspondence from Habitat for Humanity – Community & Fund Development Coordinator - Melissa Morrison'