



**TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL
ACTION ITEM**

Committee: Council

Date: October 28, 2024

Department: Recreation/Facilities

Topic: Grant Application for the Rehabilitation of Cardinal Tennis & Basketball Courts

Purpose: To provide Council with information about the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF) grant program and seek support to submit an application for funding to rehabilitate the tennis and basketball courts in Cardinal.

Background: The Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF) is a provincial program aimed at supporting the repair and rehabilitation of recreational infrastructure. The program focuses on projects that improve accessibility, safety, and inclusivity of community sport and recreation spaces. Eligible projects for Stream 1 may include renovations, retrofits, or replacements that enhance the quality of facilities used for physical activity.

The Township's proposed project involves rehabilitating the tennis and basketball courts located near the Ingredion Centre in Cardinal. The courts are currently in poor condition, making them unsuitable for use. The planned improvements include resurfacing the courts, installing energy-efficient LED lighting, replacing perimeter fencing, and adding new nets for tennis, pickleball, and basketball. The project will also include bleachers, picnic tables and a shelter for spectators.

An application has been prepared for this project. A Council resolution in support is required as part of the application. If approved, the grant would provide funding for up to 50% of the eligible project costs, with the remaining funds covered through the Township's budget. Construction is anticipated to begin in spring.

Policy Implications: Applying for grant funding that requires the municipality committing 50 % of the funding prior to budget approval requires prebudget approval by Council.

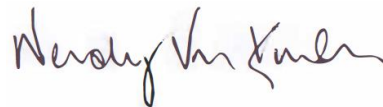
Strategic Plan Implications: The project aligns with the Township's Strategic Plan (2024-2028), particularly the strategic priority of building a livable community. It supports recreational infrastructure improvements, promoting health and well-being through accessible and safe facilities.

Financial Considerations: The estimated total cost of the project is approximately \$301,700. If successful, the CSRIF grant contribution would be up to \$ 150,850. The remaining amount would come from the 2025 Recreation/Facilities Capital budget.

Recommendation: THAT Municipal Council adopt the attached resolution in support of the Township's application to the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund for the rehabilitation of the Cardinal tennis and basketball court.



Facilities Manager



Community Development Coordinator