

# NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE Police Service Board Report

**PUBLIC AGENDA** 

**Subject:** Special Fund Requests

**Report To:** Chair and Members, Niagara Police Service Board

**Report Date:** 2025-03-12

#### Recommendation(s)

That the Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Service Board (Board) authorizes special fund requests.

#### **Key Facts**

The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval for requests from the special fund for the following:

- Administrative Professionals Day \$5000.00
- Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Niagara For Kids' Sake Golf Tournament \$1300.00
- CALEO (Canadian American Law Enforcement Organization) 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Training Symposium \$400.00
- CMHA (Canadian Mental Health Association) Wellness For All Fundraiser \$2500.00
- FACS Niagara Fundraising Gala \$2500.00
- Human Trafficking Public Awareness Initiative \$5120.00
- Love Fore Niagara 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament \$700.00
- OWLE (Ontario Women in Law Enforcement) Awards Gala \$2200.00
- Hope Gala, Pathstone Mental Health Foundation \$3000.00
- United Way Early Bird and Summer Classic Golf Tournaments \$2600.00

Details of each special fund request are attached in Appendix 1.

#### **Financial Considerations**

The Board has a discretionary pool of funds, which it uses for grants and donations. Disbursements from the fund are in accordance with guidelines provided in the Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA), and also with Board By-law 403-2024, Special Fund Administration, Limitations and Guidelines. Section 258 (2) of the CSPA establishes that the Niagara Police Service Board has the sole authority for spending the proceeds from the sale of property which lawfully comes into the possession of the police service. The Act stipulates that "the Chief of Police may cause the property to be sold, and the Board may use the proceeds for any purpose that it considers in the public

interest, including charitable donations." These funds do not form part of the police operating budget and are separate from the Regional tax base.

## **Analysis**

These special fund requests are submitted to the Board with a detailed report for each.

#### **Alternatives Reviewed**

To not support the requests.

### Relationship to Police Service/Board Strategic Priorities

The special fund requests are aligned with the Niagara Regional Police Service 2022-2025 Strategic Plan and Niagara Regional Police Service Board By-Law 403-2024, Special Fund Administration, Limitations and Guidelines.

## **Relevant Policy Considerations**

By-Law 403-2024, Special Fund Administration, Limitations and Guidelines.

### **Other Pertinent Reports**

Not Applicable

This report was prepared by Inspector Nilan Davé, Office of the Chief, and reviewed by Bill Fordy, Chief of Police.

Submitted by:

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Bill Fordy O.O.M. #9615

Chief of Police

# **Appendices**

Appendix 1 - Administrative Professionals Day 2025

Appendix 2 - Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Niagara 2025 Golf Tournament

Appendix 3 - CALEO 2025

Appendix 4 - CMHA Niagara Wellness for all 2025

Appendix 5 - FACS Foundation Gala 2025

Appendix 6 - Human Trafficking Public Awareness Initiative

Appendix 7 - Love Fore Niagara Golf Tournament 2025

Appendix 8 - OWLE Awards Gala 2025

Appendix 9 - Hope Gala, Pathstone Mental Health Foundation

Appendix 10 - United Way Golf Tournaments 2025

#### A. Event

2025 Administrative Professionals Day – Collaboration, Learning and Recognition.

#### **B.** Date of Event

2025-04-23

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

Niagara Regional Police Service- Administrative Professionals of the Niagara Regional Police Service, Niagara Region and Niagara Municipalities

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

This Special Fund Request is to seek the Board's approval for a \$5000.00 donation to support a training, collaboration and mentoring day for administrative professionals from the Niagara Regional Police Service, Region of Niagara (RMON) and Niagara municipalities. The Administrative Professionals Day event will take place at the Leisureplex in Fort Erie. These professional staff work in partnership on many common issues, events and concerns in the community of Niagara. The day will also include training on artificial Intelligence, it's utility and increasing use, and on cyber security in protecting the integrity of organizations. Administrative professionals play a critical role in the success of organizations. These individuals are often the backbone of many businesses, managing a range of responsibilities such as coordinating schedules, organizing events, handling communications, and ensuring the smooth operation of daily activities. Without their efficiency and attention to detail, many businesses would struggle to maintain organization and productivity. This day serves as an opportunity to show appreciation for their dedication, hard work, and expertise in ensuring that everything runs seamlessly behind the scenes. In addition to acknowledging their essential duties, Administrative Professionals' Day also helps highlight the broad skill set required for these roles. Administrative professionals are often required to possess excellent organizational, communication, and problem-solving skills, all of which contribute to the overall success of the business. By honoring their contributions, the day reinforces the importance of investing in these employees and fostering a positive, supportive work environment. Recognizing their efforts not only boosts morale but also promotes a sense of belonging and value within the workplace. In turn, this encourages greater job satisfaction and enhances productivity, benefiting both the individual employees and organizations as a whole.

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

There will be over 20 members of the Niagara Regional Police Service attending, including Chief's Executive Assistant Mandy Asher and Police Service Board Executive Assistant Dawn Cichocki.

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 b) Board/Police Service Relations To assist members of the police service to participate in policesponsored events, with the goal of enhancing the image of the Niagara Regional Police in other communities as well as home. And further 5.1 d) Special Board/Police Requirements - Intended to provide flexibility to the Board to fund one-time requirements associated with Board functions, such as the sponsorship of functions at police-related conferences, or special meeting requirements outside of normal budgetary provisions. This event will be hosted at the Leisureplex in Fort Erie and the Service is playing a lead role in the organization and execution of the event. This reflects the strong collaborative partnerships that the Service continues to build with the Regional Municipality of Niagara (RMON) and our municipalities with staff collaborating together for this mentoring, training, and collaborative event recognizing Administrative Professionals. The request also aligns with 2022-2025 Strategic Plan Goal 1: Public Safety, as the partnerships between the Service, Region Municipality of Niagara (RMON) and Niagara municipalities sees administrative professionals collaborating on community events, scheduling of senior staff, and coordination of appropriate host locations in addressing crime concerns in the region.

## G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

Donation to support the logistical requirements of the event \$5000.00

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$5000.00) to be issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the Finance Unit.

## I. Submitted By:

Inspector Nilan Davé, Chief's Executive Officer

J. Immediate Supervisors Approval: N/A

K. Program Manage Approval: N/A

L. Sponsored By (Member of Executive Leadership Team): Chief Bill Fordy

M. Date submitte	ed to Chief's Office: 2	025-03-07	
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#### A. Event

2025 Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Niagara For Kids' Sake Golf Tournament

#### **B.** Date of Event

2025-06-23

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Niagara

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

This Special Fund Request is to seek the Board's approval for a \$1300.00 donation to register a foursome of golfers for the 2025 Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Niagara For Kids' Sake Annual Golf Tournament. Monies raised from this golf tournament will go towards supporting programs and the on-going efforts of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara. The event will be held on Monday, June 23, 2025, at the St. Catharines Golf and Country Club. These funds will contribute to a worthwhile community partner. BBBS of Niagara has been in our community for decades doing meaningful work in supporting our young population. The agency partners adults with children and provides resources and assistance to families. BBBS has a wide variety of programs including youth (ages 6-18 years) mentoring in a community setting and in an educational setting building, healthy, caring relationship that are supported by experienced mentoring coordinators and can last a lifetime. Common referral reasons include lack of school engagement or poor school attendance, lack of self-confidence/self-esteem, lack of social skills or friendships, experience with bullying others or being bullied and lack of respect for authority figures. There is also a Parent Mentoring Program (YPMP) which matches young parents, aged 25 and under, with a caring mentor for bi-weekly social engagement and mentoring. The program is founded on the premise that a happier, healthier young parent will lead to better educational, social, and emotional outcomes for not only themselves, but for their child as well. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara continue to address waiting lists to match Niagara's children with mentors who can have a life-changing impact on the young people. The organization looks to community support in fundraising efforts, such as this golf tournament, to ensure their continued success.

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

Four representatives from the Niagara Regional Police Service will attend the tournament. The members are yet to be determined. In past fund-raising golf tournaments Board members, the Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Superintendents and Directors have been among those that have attended.

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 a) Community Relations through Involvement with Police-Related Organizations - Intended to enable the Board/Service to purchase tickets or contribute donations for individuals officially representing the Police Service Board and/or the Niagara Regional Police at external organizations and/or fundraising events. The attendance and participation of Board and Service members at fundraising events for organizations that work closely with the Niagara Regional Police Service serves to demonstrate the Board's goodwill and community involvement. This is related to the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan Goal 2: Community Engagement and Collaboration - Objective 1.0 To strengthen relationships and build trust with our community, supporting an event that enhances our relationships with social service agencies. This enhances the image of the Service and its members showing support for the betterment of the Niagara Region and furthers our relationships with our community, especially the young, showing our support for an agency dedicated to their well being and nurturing.

### G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Niagara For Kids' Sake Golf Tournament \$1300.00

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$1300.00) to be issued to Niagara Regional Police under the under the control of the Finance Unit.

## I. Submitted By:

Inspector Nilan Davé, Chief's Executive Officer

J. Immediate Supervisors Approval: N/A

K. Program Manage Approval: N/A

L. Sponsored By (Member of Executive Leadership Team): Chief Bill Fordy

M. Date submitte	d to Chief's Office: 2	2025-03-07	
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O. Chief's Comm	ents: Supported.		
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#### A. Event

CALEO 29th Annual Training Symposium

#### B. Date of Event

2025-04-15

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

CALEO - Canadian American Law Enforcement Organization

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

This Special Fund Request is to seek the Board's approval for a \$400.00 Special Fund donation for financial support for the 29th Annual CALEO Training Symposium. This year the symposium will be held at the Double Tree Hotel located at 6039 Fallsview Blvd, Niagara Falls. The organization's purpose is to provide a venue that allows for the interpersonal networking of U.S. and Canadian Law Enforcement Officers and for the sharing of criminal intelligence information with a view to effectively combat organized crime and other significant criminal activity throughout respective jurisdictions. In 2023, the Board approved a Special Fund donation of \$300.00 for the 29th Annual CALEO Training Symposium. If the request is approved by the Board, it will demonstrate the commitment of the Niagara Regional Police Service to CALEO and assist with the delivery of training on issues that are relevant to United States and Canadian law enforcement agencies. CALEO was established in 1978, in Niagara Falls, Ontario. Its purpose is to provide a venue that allows for the interpersonal networking of U.S. and Canadian Law Enforcement Officers and for the sharing of criminal intelligence information with a view to effectively combat organized crime and other significant criminal activity throughout respective jurisdictions including the Region of Niagara. The CALEO symposium is cosponsored by our partners; the Ontario Provincial Police, the Mid Atlantic Great Lakes Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network (MAGLOCLEN), United States Attorney's Office-WDNY, Criminal Intelligence Service of Ontario (CISO), United States Secret Service, United States Coast Guard, and several other international Police Services. It is attended by approximately 175 international police officers from almost 55 separate agencies.

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

In past years, upwards of 20 police officers/crime analysts from the Niagara Regional Police Service have attended this symposium.

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 a) Community Relations through Involvement with Police-Related Organizations - Intended to enable the Board/Service to purchase tickets or contribute donations for individuals officially representing the Police Service Board and/or the Niagara Regional Police at external organizations and/or fundraising events. The attendance and participation of Board and Service members at fundraising events for organizations that work closely with the Niagara Regional Police Service serves to demonstrate the Board's goodwill and community involvement. And also related to 5.1 b) Board/Police Service Relations -To assist members of the police service to participate in police-sponsored events, with the goal of enhancing the image of the Niagara Regional Police in other communities as well as home. Supporting this non-profit, membership driven, cross-border law enforcement organization. The request also aligns with 2022-2025 Strategic Plan Goal 1: Public Safety, reducing crime as CALEO symposiums covers a vast number of topics, including best practices and case studies on criminal activity that includes violent crime.

## G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

Donation to Support the symposium \$400.00

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$400.00) – cheque to be issued to "CALEO" with address TBD.

I. Submitted By:

Inspector Nilan Davé, Chief's Executive Officer

J. Immediate Supervisors Approval: N/A

K. Program Manage Approval: N/A

L. Sponsored By (Member of Executive Leadership Team): Chief Bill Fordy

M. Date submitted to Chief's Office: 2025-03-07

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#### A. Event

Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) Wellness For All Fundraiser

#### B. Date of Event

2025-05-08

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) Niagara Branch

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

This Special Fund Request is to seek the Board's approval in authorizing the payment of \$2500 to sponsor the CMHA Niagara Annual Wellness For All fundraising event. CMHA Niagara has a long-standing community partnership with the Niagara Regional Police Service. CMHA Niagara works closely with the Niagara Regional Police Service. promoting public education, awareness, and crisis intervention services via the Crisis Outreach & Support Team (COAST), Mobile Crisis Rapid Response Team (MCRRT), Safe Beds and Court Diversion and Support programs. The event will be hosted at The Ovation Ballroom in Thorold on May 8, 2025. The purchase of a sponsorship includes four tickets and Service recognition on marketing materials, program, website, annual report, and on-screen during the event. CMHA Niagara is experiencing a high demand on their services which address a crucial need for those facing addiction and mental health challenges in our community. Proceeds from this annual fundraising event ensures individuals in our community continue to receive free access to CMHA Niagara's urgent, preventative and crisis intervention mental health & addictions services. In 2024, CMHA Niagara served 8,772 individuals with an additional 8,035 client telephone interactions. This sponsorship will directly benefit the outstanding services that CMHA Niagara provides and promotes our continued partnership.

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

The members attending is to be determined. Board members, senior staff and members who work in related areas attended these events.

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 a) Community Relations through Involvement with Police-Related Organizations - Intended to enable the Board/Service to purchase tickets or contribute donations for individuals officially representing the Police Service Board and/or the Niagara Regional Police at external organizations and/or fundraising events. The attendance and participation of Board and Service members at fundraising events for organizations that work closely with the Niagara Regional Police Service serves to demonstrate the Board's goodwill and community involvement. The request also aligns with 2022-2025 Strategic Plan Goal 2: Community Engagement and Collaboration - Objective 1.0 To strengthen relationships and build trust with our community; enhancing relationships with social service partner agencies.

G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

Sponsorship \$2500.00

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$2500.00) to be issued to Niagara Regional Police under the under the control of the Finance Unit.

I. Submitted By:

Inspector Nilan Davé, Chief's Executive Officer

J. Immediate Supervisors Approval: N/A

K. Program Manage Approval: N/A

L. Sponsored By (Member of Executive Leadership Team): Chief Bill Fordy

M. Date submitted to Chief's Office: 2025-03-11

N. Chief's Approved X or Denied

O. Chief's Comments: Supported

## 2. Post Event Report:

A. Please provide a follow-up report on the outcome of the event(s), achievement of the main objective, and members that attended the event (please limit to 2-3 paragraphs):

B. Final Financial Report\* (to be completed by Finance):

Items Funding Request Amount Spent Difference

<sup>\*</sup>Any unspent funds will be returned to the Special Funds Account.

#### A. Event

FACS Niagara Fundraising Gala - "The Hollywood Soirée

#### **B.** Date of Event

2025-04-24

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

**FACS Niagara Foundation** 

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

This Special Fund Request is to seek the Board's approval in authorizing the payment of \$2500 for the purchase of a corporate table at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual FACS Niagara Foundation Fundraising Gala. FACS Niagara has had a long-standing community partnership with the Niagara Regional Police Service and Superintendent Paul Koscinski is a member of the Board of Directors. The event will be hosted at John Michael's Banquet Hall in Thorold on Friday, April 25 2025, and is themed as "The Hollywood Soirée". The purchase of a Corporate Table Sponsorship includes a donation to send a child served by FACS Niagara to summer camp, as well as the NRPS logo displayed on the table, the gala program and screens located in the venue. These funds will contribute to a worthwhile charity supporting one of our community partners and ultimately aiding children in need of protection. In addition to supporting the event financially, it will allow the senior staff attending to represent the Niagara Regional Police Service and strengthen the relationship with FACS Niagara.

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

The members attending is to be determined. Senior staff including the Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Directors and Superintendents have represented the Niagara Regional Police Service in the past at this annual event.

F. Aligns with the Special Fund guiding principles (Community Relations, Board/Service Relations, or Public Education/Awareness) (*Please explain how the event aligns with the three categories as outlined in the Guiding Principles of Administration, Limitations and Guidelines of the Special Funds By-Law 403-2024*) and the Service's Strategic Plan (i.e., Goal 2.2 Objective):

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 a) Community Relations through Involvement with Police-Related Organizations - Intended to enable the Board/Service to purchase tickets or contribute donations for individuals officially representing the Police Service Board and/or the Niagara Regional Police at external organizations and/or fundraising events. The attendance and participation of Board and

Service members at fundraising events for organizations that work closely with the Niagara Regional Police Service serves to demonstrate the Board's goodwill and community involvement. The request also aligns with 2022-2025 Strategic Plan Goal 2: Community Engagement and Collaboration - Objective 1.0 To strengthen relationships and build trust with our community; enhancing relationships with special victim agencies.

G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

Corporate Table for 10 \$2500.00

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$2500.00) to be issued to Niagara Regional Police under the under the control of the Finance Unit.

I. Submitted By:

Inspector Nilan Davé, Chief's Executive Officer

- J. Immediate Supervisors Approval: N/A
- K. Program Manage Approval: N/A
- L. Sponsored By (Member of Executive Leadership Team): Chief Bill Fordy
- M. Date submitted to Chief's Office: 2025-03-07
- N. Chief's Approved \_\_X\_\_\_ or Denied \_\_\_\_\_
- O. Chief's Comments: Supported
- 2. Post Event Report:
- A. Please provide a follow-up report on the outcome of the event(s), achievement of the main objective, and members that attended the event (please limit to 2-3 paragraphs):
- B. Final Financial Report\* (to be completed by Finance):

Items Funding Request Amount Spent Difference

<sup>\*</sup>Any unspent funds will be returned to the Special Funds Account.

#### A. Event

Human Trafficking Public Awareness Initiative

#### **B.** Date of Event

2025-04-01

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

None

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

Working with the NRPS Human Trafficking Unit, adhesive decals (8"x10") have been created with information on indicators of Human Trafficking and support options available for victims and survivors. Community partners, inclusive of Pen Centre, have indicated participation in a campaign to display the stickers in washrooms to raise awareness.

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

Corporate Communications Unit in collaboration with Human Trafficking Unit.

F. Aligns with the Special Fund guiding principles (Community Relations, Board/Service Relations, or Public Education/Awareness) (*Please explain how the event aligns with the three categories as outlined in the Guiding Principles of Administration, Limitations and Guidelines of the Special Funds By-Law 403-2024*) and the Service's Strategic Plan (i.e., Goal 2.2 Objective):

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 c) Public Education/Awareness To provide funding to projects that assist the Board in communicating to the general public information related to crime prevention, community policing or other public safety issues. This initiative is also related to the Service 2022-2025 Strategic Plan. Specifically, Goal 1: Public Safety and as it relates to Objective 3 Enhancing support and improve outcomes for victims of crime.

## G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

2000 Vinyl decals 8"x10" \$5120

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$5120.00) to be issued to Niagara Regional Police under the under the control of the Finance Unit.

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I. Submitted By:			
Inspector Nilan Da	vé, Chief's Executive Off	icer	
J. Immediate Su	pervisors Approval:	N/A	
K. Program Man	age Approval: N/A		
L. Sponsored By	(Member of Executiv	ve Leadership Team):	Chief Bill Fordy
M. Date submitte	ed to Chief's Office: 2	025-03-10	
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#### A. Event

Love Fore Niagara - 3rd Annual Golf Tournament

#### **B.** Date of Event

2025-05-31

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

Love Fore Niagara -Community Crew

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

This Special Fund Request is to seek the Board's approval for a \$700.00 Special Fund donation to register a foursome of golfers for the 3rd Annual Love Fore Niagara Golf Tournament. Love Fore Niagara is a group of close friends who live in Niagara and had an idea to create an organization that will run an annual golf tournament in support of a different local charity/ organization community each year. This group is comprised of individuals who volunteer their time to make a difference in the community. Over the past two years the organization has raised 0ver \$26,000.00 for the Kristen French Child Advocacy Centre and Hotel Dieu Shaver Health and Rehabilitation Centre. The funds raised this year will go to Community Crew. Community Crew is a local, Canadian registered charity that exists to "provide hope to children, one lunch at a time." In their Lunch Program, Community Crew's largest initiative, they provide fresh, healthy boxed lunches at school to children who would otherwise go without. The 33 Catholic and DSBN schools they currently support are located in neighbourhoods experiencing the highest levels of poverty in the region, and they deliver over 4,000 lunches each week to these schools. The lunches feature a rotating menu comprised of all food groups, taking into account special dietary needs unique to each child enrolled, such as gluten-free, lactosefree, and Halal. The team of over 100 volunteers pack and deliver the lunches dispatching from their lunch pack sites located in Niagara-on-the-Lake and Fort Erie. No government funding is received for the programming, with financial support received through the generosity of individuals, businesses, and service organizations. Community Crew is the only Niagara charity that supplies a complete lunch to food insecure children at school, and proceeds raised from this golf tournament will go directly to purchasing the food to support the 1,400 children currently enrolled in the Lunch Program (identified by the school as being food insecure).

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

Four representatives from the Niagara Regional Police Service will attend. The members are yet to be determined. In past fund-raising golf tournaments Board members, the Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Superintendents and Directors have been among those that have attended.

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 a) Community Relations through Involvement with Police-Related Organizations - Intended to enable the Board/Service to purchase tickets or contribute donations for individuals officially representing the Police Service Board and/or the Niagara Regional Police at external organizations and/or fundraising events. The attendance and participation of Board and Service members at fundraising events for organizations that work closely with the Niagara Regional Police Service serves to demonstrate the Board's goodwill and community involvement. This is related to the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan Goal 2: Community Engagement and Collaboration - Objective 1.0 To strengthen relationships and build trust with our community, supporting an event that enhances our relationships with social service agencies. This enhances the image of the Service and its members showing support for the betterment of the Niagara Region.

## G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

Donation to register a foursome \$700.00

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$700.00) – cheque to be issued to "Love for Niagara" c/o 67 Commerce Place, Unit 1, St. Catharines L2S 0B3.

## I. Submitted By:

Inspector Nilan Davé, Chief's Executive Officer

J. Immediate Supervisors Approval: N/A

K. Program Manage Approval: N/A

L. Sponsored By (Member of Executive Leadership Team): Chief Bill Fordy

M. Date submitted to Chief's Office: 2025-03-07

N. Chief's Approved \_\_X\_\_\_ or Denied \_\_\_\_\_

O. Chief's Comments: Supported

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- A. Please provide a follow-up report on the outcome of the event(s), achievement of the main objective, and members that attended the event (please limit to 2-3 paragraphs):
- B. Final Financial Report\* (to be completed by Finance):

Items Funding Request Amount Spent Difference

<sup>\*</sup>Any unspent funds will be returned to the Special Funds Account.

#### A. Event

Ontario Women in Law Enforcement (OWLE) Awards Gala

#### B. Date of Event

2025-05-01

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

OWLE - Ontario Women in Law Enforcement

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

This Special Fund Request is to seek the Board's approval for a \$1000.00 donation to help recognize the significant contribution of women in law enforcement across Ontario. The donation will obtain the status of Silver Sponsorship for the event. Additionally, it is also being requested that an amount of \$1200.00 be provided to purchase a table for this year's event which takes place on May 1, 2025. The Service, in partnership with Ontario in Law Enforcement (OWLE) were host agencies for the International Association of Women Police (IAWP) 59th conference that the was held in Niagara Falls in 2022. This financial support from the Police Service Board serves as its commitment to the importance of police training and its recognition of the vital and important role of women in the profession and their outstanding contributions. The OWLE Annual Awards Gala recognizes the outstanding achievements of women in law enforcement across the province of Ontario. Included are long service awards for 25, 30, 35, 40 and 45 years of service. Additionally, several major awards are presented at this function. Included are awards for Leadership, Mentoring, Excellence in Performance, Community Service, Civilian Award of Achievement, Teamwork Award, Bravery, and Police Officer of the Year. We are proud to report that several of our members have received awards over the years and this year we also have a member nominated. This event is very well attended and typically has representation from every police service in Ontario.

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

The members attending is to be determined. Award recipients and nominee and Senior staff including the Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Directors and Superintendents have represented the Niagara Regional Police Service in the past at this annual event.

F. Aligns with the Special Fund guiding principles (Community Relations, Board/Service Relations, or Public Education/Awareness) (*Please explain how the event aligns with the three categories as outlined in the Guiding Principles of Administration, Limitations and Guidelines of the Special Funds By-Law 403-2024*) and the Service's Strategic Plan (i.e., Goal 2.2 Objective):

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 a) Community Relations through Involvement with Police-Related Organizations - Intended to enable the Board/Service to purchase tickets or contribute donations for individuals officially

representing the Police Service Board and/or the Niagara Regional Police at external organizations and/or fundraising events. The attendance and participation of Board and Service members at fundraising events for organizations that work closely with the Niagara Regional Police Service serves to demonstrate the Board's goodwill and community involvement. Attendance and participation at this event is in accordance with our Service 2022-2025 Strategic Plan. Specifically, Goal 4: Member Wellness and Resiliency Objective 3.0 Promoting a culture that embraces equity, diversity, and inclusion. It is paramount that we recognize and acknowledge the outstanding accomplishments of our female members.

### G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

Silver Sponsorship Donation \$1000.00 Table for 8 \$1200.00

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$2200.00) to be issued to Niagara Regional Police under the under the control of the Finance Unit.

I. Submitted By:

Inspector Nilan Davé, Chief's Executive Officer

- J. Immediate Supervisors Approval: N/A
- K. Program Manage Approval: N/A
- L. Sponsored By (Member of Executive Leadership Team): Chief Bill Fordy
- M. Date submitted to Chief's Office: 2025-03-07
- N. Chief's Approved \_\_\_\_X\_\_ or Denied \_\_\_\_\_
- O. Chief's Comments: Supported
- 2. Post Event Report:
- A. Please provide a follow-up report on the outcome of the event(s), achievement of the main objective, and members that attended the event (please limit to 2-3 paragraphs):
- B. Final Financial Report\* (to be completed by Finance):

Items Funding Request Amount Spent Difference

<sup>\*</sup>Any unspent funds will be returned to the Special Funds Account.

#### A. Event

2025 Hope Gala

#### B. Date of Event

2025-06-14

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

Pathstone Mental Health Foundation

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

This Special Fund Request is to seek the Board's approval in authorizing the payment of \$3000.00 for the purchase of a corporate table at the Pathstone Foundation's 2025 Hope Gala on Saturday June14, 2025, at the Fallsview Casino Resort's Grand Ballroom. The event features a special keynote speaker offering insights on mental health. This donation will support services provided by Pathstone Foundation including a range of dedicated services tailored to children, youth, and families in the Niagara region. Services are designed to address the unique needs of the youth and families in Niagara, ensuring a compassionate and accessible approach to mental health support. Donations also help reduce the wait list, support research, and strengthen a child's experience at Pathstone. These funds will contribute to a worthwhile charity supporting one of our community partners. Pathstone has been providing world class mental health care for children in Niagara for over 50 years with the goal to improve the quality of life for children, youth and families across Niagara who are dealing with mental health challenges. Niagara's children face issues that are always changing and there is always a need for new and expanded services. Pathstone Foundation is inspired by the mission of raising much needed funds to support various programs and services geared to improving the mental health of Niagara's children, yet they cannot do this good work without the support of the community.

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

The members attending is to be determined. Senior staff including the Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Directors and Superintendents have represented the Niagara Regional Police Service in the past at this annual event.

F. Aligns with the Special Fund guiding principles (Community Relations, Board/Service Relations, or Public Education/Awareness) (*Please explain how the event aligns with the three categories as outlined in the Guiding Principles of Administration, Limitations and Guidelines of the Special Funds By-Law 403-2024*) and the Service's Strategic Plan (i.e., Goal 2.2 Objective):

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 a) Community

Relations through Involvement with Police-Related Organizations - Intended to enable the Board/Service to purchase tickets or contribute donations for individuals officially representing the Police Service Board and/or the Niagara Regional Police at external organizations and/or fundraising events. The attendance and participation of Board and Service members at fundraising events for organizations that work closely with the Niagara Regional Police Service serves to demonstrate the Board's goodwill and community involvement. The request also aligns with 2022-2025 Strategic Plan Goal 2: Community Engagement and Collaboration - Objective 1.0 To strengthen relationships and build trust with our community; enhancing relationships with social service partner agencies.

G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

Corporate Table for 10 \$3000.00

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$3000.00) to be issued to Niagara Regional Police under the under the control of the Finance Unit.

I. Submitted By:

Inspector Nilan Davé, Chief's Executive Officer

J. Immediate Supervisors Approval: N/A

K. Program Manage Approval: N/A

L. Sponsored By (Member of Executive Leadership Team): Chief Bill Fordy

M. Date submitted to Chief's Office: 2025-03-07

N. Chief's Approved \_\_\_X\_\_ or Denied \_\_\_\_

O. Chief's Comments: Supported

2. Post Event Report:

A. Please provide a follow-up report on the outcome of the event(s), achievement of the main objective, and members that attended the event (please limit to 2-3 paragraphs):

B. Final Financial Report\* (to be completed by Finance):

Items Funding Request Amount Spent Difference

<sup>\*</sup>Any unspent funds will be returned to the Special Funds Account.

#### A. Event

2025 United Way Niagara Golf Tournaments

#### B. Date of Event

2025-05-27

## C. Hosting Agency and Benefactor of the Event (if any)

**United Way** 

### D. Brief Description of the Event:

This Special Fund Request is to seek the Board's approval for a \$2600.00 donation to register a foursome of golfers for the Early Bird Classic and Summer Classic for the United Way Niagara Annual Golf Tournaments. Monies raised from these golf tournaments will go towards fundraising efforts for the United Way Niagara. The events will be held on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at Cherry Hill Golf Club in Ridgeway and on Monday July 28, 2025, at Lookout Point Golf Club in Pelham. These funds will contribute to a strong partner organization with whom the Service enjoys a relationship forged over many years in supporting our community. The annual fundraiser golf tournaments result in funds that are invested to support the most vulnerable people, when and where they need it, by investing in life-changing programs that strengthen the social safety net and build capacity in Niagara. Investments focus on homelessness, food insecurity, isolation, mental health, and addiction. All funds raised from this event will support the United Way's 2024 campaign and will remain within the Region of Niagara. The Niagara Regional Police Service has been a long-time supporter of the United Way.

# E. Service Staff or Board Members Attending (if applicable) (Name, Rank of Members):

Four representatives from the Niagara Regional Police Service will attend each tournament. The members are yet to be determined. In past fund-raising golf tournaments Board members, the Chief, Deputy Chiefs, Superintendents and Directors have been among those that have attended.

F. Aligns with the Special Fund guiding principles (Community Relations, Board/Service Relations, or Public Education/Awareness) (*Please explain how the event aligns with the three categories as outlined in the Guiding Principles of Administration, Limitations and Guidelines of the Special Funds By-Law 403-2024*) and the Service's Strategic Plan (i.e., Goal 2.2 Objective):

This request aligns with the Police Service By Law #403-4024 Respecting the administration, limitations and guidelines of the Special Fund. 5.1 a) Community Relations through Involvement with Police-Related Organizations - Intended to enable the Board/Service to purchase tickets or contribute donations for individuals officially

representing the Police Service Board and/or the Niagara Regional Police at external organizations and/or fundraising events. The attendance and participation of Board and Service members at fundraising events for organizations that work closely with the Niagara Regional Police Service serves to demonstrate the Board's goodwill and community involvement. This is related to the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan Goal 2: Community Engagement and Collaboration - Objective 1.0 To strengthen relationships and build trust with our community, supporting an event that enhances our relationships with social service agencies. This enhances the image of the Service and its members showing support for the betterment of the Niagara Region.

### G. Detail account of funds requested and its intended uses:

Early Bird Classic \$1300.00 Summer Classic \$1300.00

H. Funds will be disbursed by (Please provide the cheque payable to "Name of Agency" and address to mail cheque OR issued to Niagara Regional Police under the control of the finance unit):

Funds (\$2600.00) to be issued to Niagara Regional Police under the under the control of the Finance Unit.

I. Submitted By:

Inspector Nilan Davé, Chief's Executive Officer

J. Immediate Supervisors Approval: N/A

K. Program Manage Approval: N/A

L. Sponsored By (Member of Executive Leadership Team): Chief Bill Fordy

M. Date submitted to Chief's Office: 2025-03-07

N. Chief's Approved \_\_\_\_X\_\_ or Denied \_\_\_\_\_

O. Chief's Comments: Supported

2. Post Event Report:

A. Please provide a follow-up report on the outcome of the event(s), achievement of the main objective, and members that attended the event (please limit to 2-3 paragraphs):

B. Final Financial Report\* (to be completed by Finance):

Items Funding Request Amount Spent Difference

<sup>\*</sup>Any unspent funds will be returned to the Special Funds Account.