City of Saskatoon Assistance to Community Groups Grant Program Social Services Category Flagship Category Multi-Year Agreements

Purpose

The purpose of a multi-year funding agreement is:

- a) to reduce administrative workload, both internally within the City of Saskatoon (City) and externally within the agencies; and
- b) to provide agencies with a stable funding source to better enable them to strategically meet the needs of vulnerable populations with the city.

Criteria

Organizations that will be considered for multi-year funding must meet the following criteria:

- a) be eligible for funding under the Assistance to Community Groups Cash Grant Program, Social Services Category;
- have a long-term funding relationship with the City and currently receive a significant funding contribution provision of programs and services targeted to vulnerable populations that support access to clearly identified needs and basic service;
- c) demonstrate track record for service delivery, including quantity, scope, and quality;
- d) effective management practices;
- e) evidence of a collaborative approach with other community organizations; and
- f) diversity in funding base, including support by other major funders (i.e. Government of Saskatchewan, United Way of Saskatoon and Area).

Conditions and Reporting

All agencies in receipt of multi-year funding will be required to abide by the following conditions:

- a) all multi-year funding agreements will be for a period of three years in length;
- b) financial and program reporting will occur on an annual basis. The proposed reporting requirement will include the submission of the organization's annual financial statement and the annual program report that is normally prepared for each organization's annual general meeting;
- payments to agencies will be based on the same timing and procedures as those receiving ongoing annual funding through the cash grant social component;
- d) the agencies will not be eligible for increases, outside the terms of their current agreement, for the duration of the multi-year agreement, unless significant additional funds become available, or there is a significant change in their operations; and
- e) any increases considered will be based on available funding and would only be for the duration of the current agreement.