

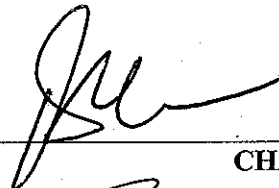
REPORT NO. 268 of the
ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC SAFETY
STANDING COMMITTEE
of its meeting held May 20, 2015

Present:
Councillor P. Borrelli
Councillor F. Francis
Councillor C. Holt
Councillor H. Payne
Councillor B. Marra (Chair)


That the following recommendations of the Environment, Transportation and Public Safety Standing Committee **BE APPROVED:**

Moved by Councillor Payne, seconded by Councillor Francis,
THAT the letter from the Student Senate of the Greater Essex County District School Board dated April 22, 2015 regarding the United Way \$500 grant for their Community Project entitled "Friendship Moves Us" **BE NOTED AND FILED.**
Carried.

Clerk's Note: The letter from GECD SB dated April 22, 2015 is attached as background information.



CHAIRPERSON



COUNCIL SECRETARIAT

NOTIFICATION:	
NAME	CONTACT INFORMATION
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Patrick Delmore
Executive Director
Transit Windsor
3700 North Service Road East
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April 22, 2015

Dear Mr. Delmore:

It is a pleasure to introduce ourselves. We are Kiemia Rezagian and Nicole Fletcher, Student Trustees with the Greater Essex County District School Board. We are writing on behalf of student leaders at the GECDSD known as Student Senate.

We are pleased to have received a generous grant from United Way for our community project entitled "Friendship Moves Us" and we are excited use this grant to purchase Transit Windsor bus tickets for the Windsor Youth Centre. We wish to use the entire \$500 grant to purchase bus tickets which will be distributed to clients in need of transportation within the city in order to attend school, work, medical or social services appointments or other errands.

The Windsor Youth Centre (WYC) is a drop in centre located on Wyandotte Street East which supports young people who are homeless or at risk by providing a safe and friendly atmosphere. The centre provides a range of amenities including access to social work services, a hot meal six days a week, a food pantry, laundry facilities, use of computers and homework help as well as programs to foster positive change and growth. In short, it is a safe space for young people who don't have that available to them.

We are thrilled to provide WYC with \$500 in Transit Windsor bus tickets. We would like to opportunity to discuss some options to leverage our grant in order to maximize our purchasing power. Specifically, we are hoping to explore the possibility of a discounted fare. We would also like to discuss the feasibility of creating a new bus pass program for young adults who are not eligible for a student pass, but who cannot afford an adult pass. In addition, we would like to explore the option of a program for youth community social service agencies to obtain discounted fare tickets. Perhaps there is a creative solution that can be found to ease the financial burden of transportation on homeless or at risk youth in the City of Windsor and provide greater opportunities to succeed.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to meeting with you to discuss this further. Our supervisor, Michelle Marcuz, Administrative Assistant in the Director's Office, will contact you shortly. She can be reached at 519-255-3200 x10289 or michelle.marcuz@publicboard.ca.

Sincerely,

Kiemia Rezagian

Nicole Fletcher

Kiemia Rezagian
Student Trustee

Nicole Fletcher
Student Trustee

CC: Councillor Bill Marra - Chair
Councillor Fred Francis
Councillor Chris Holt
Councillor Hilary Payne
Councillor Paul Borrelli

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