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## 1. PURPOSE

To provide a framework for a grant funding for an event hosted by residents to meet each other and build community connections.

## 2. DEFINITIONS

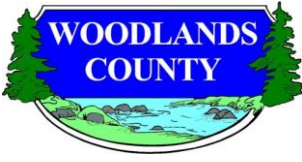
**3.1** *Block Party* - a party, event or gathering for all residents of a designated subdivision, neighborhood or hamlet located in Woodlands County.

**3.2** *Applicant* - the person or persons who apply for the Block Party Grant.

## 3. PROCEDURES

### 3.1 Deadlines and Applicant Conditions

- a) Applications must be made on the official Woodlands County Rural Community Connections grant application form.
- b) Applications will be accepted year-round.
- c) Grant funding is limited and is available for up to a maximum of \$500 once per calendar year on a first come first served basis.
- d) Purchases made prior to approval of the grant are not eligible for reimbursement.
- e) Applications are approved by the Community Services Committee.
- f) Applications must be submitted a minimum of 30 days prior to the event.
- g) Applications are considered on an individual basis.
- h) Applications will be accepted by Woodlands County Residents, Community Leagues, Community Societies or Agricultural Societies events. Businesses are not eligible.
- i) Rural Community Connections events must be held in Woodlands County in a hamlet, designated subdivisions, or pre-determined area. It cannot be held on Woodlands County recreation sites or public property.



- j) The Applicant must ensure the Rural Community Connections events complies with Woodlands County Community Standards Bylaw, including in relation to noise.
- k) Eligible items for funding may include but are not limited to:
  - i. Entertainment
  - ii. Food
  - iii. Decorations
  - iv. Printing invitations
  - v. Activity rentals

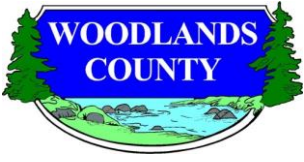
### 3.2 Application Process

- a) Applications are reviewed for eligibility and completeness by Administration. Administration may contact the applicant for clarification or to provide more information.
- b) Applications may be referred to other County departments for feedback and further direction.
- c) Eligible and complete applications and referral comments are provided to the Community Services Committee for approval.
- d) Administration will contact applicants after a Community Services Committee meeting to advise if the grant funding was approved.
- e) The Community Services Committee may impose additional conditions, as it deems necessary.
- f) The Community Services Committee will, among other things, consider the following in reviewing an application, including but not limited to:
  - i. Purpose of event and alignment with the Policy purpose
  - ii. Location of the event
  - iii. Date
  - iv. Event size
  - v. Neighbour support

## 4. INELIGIBILITY

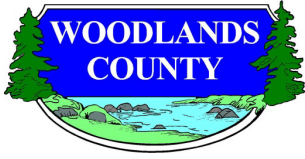
The following are not eligible to apply:

- a) Woodlands County Councillors
- b) Woodlands County Staff
- c) Businesses
- d) Persons who do not reside in Woodlands County



## **5. LIABILITIES**

Woodlands County, its Administration, employees, agents, servants, contractors, and Councillors are in no way liable for any injury or damage to any person or property resulting from or caused by any activity, condition, or action at the Block Party.



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| <b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b>   |                            |
| Applicant Name or Group  | Group Primary Contact Name |
| Mailing Address  |                            |
| Daytime Phone  | Email                      |
| <b>PROPERTY LOCATION</b>   |                            |
| Blue Sign Address or Legal Land Location   |                            |
| How many people are expected to attend?  | Number                     |
| <b>PURPOSE</b>   |                            |
| Please provide an overview of the purpose of your Block Party (ie: meeting new neighbours, building community, etc.) |                            |
| <b>NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT</b>   |                            |

Have property owners/occupants who are impacted by hosting this Block Party been informed of this and event and a majority are in support?

- Yes
- No

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Applicant's Signature

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Date