



STAFF REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

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2018 Grants

Date:	May 21, 2019
To:	Toronto Public Library Board
From:	City Librarian

SUMMARY

This purpose of this report is to inform the Toronto Public Library Board of grants in excess of \$50,000 received and recognized in 2018, excluding funding received from the Toronto Public Library Foundation. This report is required pursuant to article 22.3 of the Financial Control Policy.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

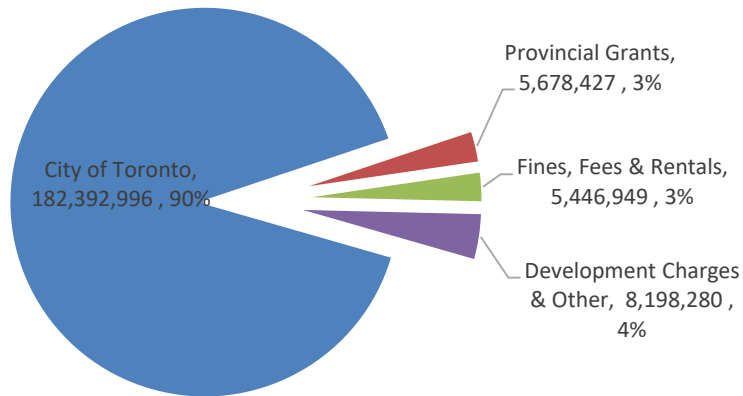
Grants serve to supplement the approved budget funding received from the City of Toronto, allowing Toronto Public Library (TPL) to enhance library services.

The Director, Finance & Treasurer has reviewed this financial impact statement and agrees with it.

ISSUE BACKGROUND

The City is the primary source of funding for the TPL operating budget. The approved 2018 operating budget was 90% funded by the City and the remaining portion was funded through Provincial grants (3%), fines, fees and rentals (3%), and other revenues (4%) comprised mainly of contributions from development charge reserves for Library collections.

**2018 Revenue Budget
(\$201,716,652)**



Source of Funding	2018 Revenue Budget (\$)	Percentage of Budget
City of Toronto	182,392,996	90%
Provincial Grants	5,678,427	3%
Fines, Fees & Rentals	5,446,949	3%
Development Charges & Other	8,198,280	4%
Total	201,716,652	100%

In addition to the Council-approved budgets, TPL receives additional funding from the Toronto Public Library Foundation and by applying for grants as opportunities arise. Pursuant to article 22.3 of the Financial Control Policy this report only contains grants over \$50,000. Also, funding received from the Foundation is reported to the Board separately and not included in this report.

COMMENTS

The Household Operating Grant (\$4,127,362) is provided under the Public Libraries Act as provincial funding for general operations and has been unchanged since 1999 despite inflation and a significant increase in households. The province also recognizes the Toronto Reference Library and its role in providing province-wide services by providing a Virtual Reference Library Grant (\$1,446,565) and that has been unchanged since 2000. These two provincial grants are covered by legislation, are provided every year and treated as part of the base budget funding; the grant amounts have not increased for 19 years.

Other government grants are designated for specific initiatives and so cannot be treated as base funding, though some may be budgeted (along with the associated costs) on a year-by-

year basis, such as the provincial Literacy & Basic Skills Program grant (\$132,660), which supports the delivery of adult literacy programming.

In 2018, TPL received and recognized grant revenues (in excess of \$50,000) totalling \$5,946,212, which is \$267,785 higher than budget, and includes \$109,678 in grant funding from the Ontario Library Capacity Fund. More details on the total grant amounts, purpose of the grants and grant periods are shown on Attachment 1.

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ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1. 2018 Summary of Grant Funding Recognized Over \$50,000

Toronto Public Library Board
2018 Summary of Grant Funding over \$50,000

(excludes funding from Toronto Public Library Foundation)

	Grant Program Name	Purpose / Comments	Grant Period	APPROVED Grant Amount	2018 Revenue	2018 Budget
<i>Provincial Legislative Grants:</i>						
Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport	Public Library Operating Grant Program	Household Operating Grant	1-Apr-18 to 31-Mar-19	4,127,362	4,127,362	4,127,362
Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport	Virtual Reference Library Operating Grant	To support the delivery of the Virtual Reference Library. To provide a suite of online resources that provide high-quality e-content to Ontarians	1-Apr-18 to 31-Mar-19	1,446,565	1,446,565	1,446,565
Subtotal				5,573,927	5,573,927	5,573,927
<i>Other Provincial Grants:</i>						
Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities	Literacy & Basic Skills Program	To support the delivery of adult literacy programming through one-on-one tutoring	1-Apr-17 to 31-Mar-18	106,500	49,813	
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Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport	Ontario Library Capacity Fund (Research & Innovation)	To research and evaluate technology based library programs and services	1-Apr-16 to 31-Mar-18	200,000	109,678	
Subtotal				439,160	258,986	104,500
<i>Federal Grants:</i>						
Citizenship & Immigration Canada	Library Settlement Partnerships	To partner with eight local agencies providing Newcomers with settlement information and related programs at 16 library branches.	1-Apr-17 to 31-Mar-18	100,160	40,115	-
Citizenship & Immigration Canada	Library Settlement Partnerships	To partner with eight local agencies providing Newcomers with settlement information and related programs at 16 library branches.	1-Apr-18 to 31-Mar-19	100,211	73,184	-
Subtotal				200,371	113,299	-
Total grants				6,213,458	5,946,212	5,678,427