

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA**

**REPORT NO. CSD-2024-0012**

**FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF  
COUNCIL**

June 19, 2024

**SUBJECT: JERICOHO YOUTH SERVICES (JYS) PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT**

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**1. RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That Council receive Report No. CSD-2024-0012 prepared by the Community Services Department dated June 19, 2024 respecting the Jericho Youth Services Partnership Agreement.
2. That Council authorize Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement between Jericho Youth Services and the Town of Georgina for the provision of “After-School Programs” in the communities of Pefferlaw, Sutton for a five-year term expiring on June 30, 2029.
3. That a By-law be passed to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement between Jericho Youth Services and the Town of Georgina for a five-year term expiring on June 30, 2029.

**2. PURPOSE:**

To obtain Council approval to enter into a Partnership Agreement with Jericho Youth Services (JYS) for the provision of after-school recreational programs.

**3. BACKGROUND:**

Jericho Youth Services (JYS) is a community-based, charitable, not for profit organization, delivering affordable, quality, community recreation programming opportunities to support low- and moderate-income residents that address the human service priorities and support community-based social service programs (after school programs) within the communities of Keswick, Pefferlaw and Sutton (Town of Georgina).

Prior to 2019, the Town of Georgina, through the Community Services Department, also provided an integral after-school recreational program opportunity (similar in format) in the communities of Sutton and Pefferlaw catering to circa 40 participants.

In 2019, Town of Georgina meet with JYS to establish a partnership collaboration for the delivery of sustainable, recreational after-school programs, redirect operation

dollars to fund the after-school program initiative in a more cost-effective manner, eliminate a duplication of services and offer enhanced outreach to the community.

Council supported the proposed after-school program initiative by allocating funding through the Community Services Department's existing operational budget and endorsing the scope, responsibilities for the provision of this service and terms of reference for a multi-year partnership agreement. Town and Jericho are approaching the end of the five-year term of the agreement.

#### **4. ANALYSIS:**

Town staff directed annual funding from Community Services operating budget in the amount of \$100,000.00 to JYS for the delivery of after-school recreational programs.

The partnership agreement between the Town and JYS to deliver after-school programs extended program capacity from 40 participants (children, aged 5-13 yrs.) within two (2) communities (Pefferlaw & Sutton) to 80 participants (children, aged 5-13 yrs.) with an additional 50+ remaining on the waitlist per year. These programs are in high demand.

In addition, due to the positive collaborative relationship, the Town and JYS were able to pivot during COVID-19 to continue to deliver services needed for the community. Jericho assisted with facilitating summer camp opportunities at the ROC and Georgina Sutton Arena during the time Recreation Services was redeployed to facilitate the mass vaccination clinic at the Georgina Ice Palace.

The Multi-Year partnership agreement reaffirms a positive and cohesive relationship between the Town of Georgina and Jericho Youth Services (JYS) while provide excellence program delivery service to the community. Within the agreement, the terms, roles and responsibilities will be outlined for the provision of the service.

#### **5. RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN:**

**Delivering service excellence**

**Creating a vibrant, healthy, and safe community for all**

#### **6. FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

There is no additional financial impact to the Town to extend this agreement. Allocation of existing funds will be disbursed by the Town Treasurer in equal monthly instalments to JYS for the provision of after-school recreational programming.

**7. PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS:**

Public consultations were not required.

Staff will maintain regular, on-going communication with the JYS Executive.

**8. CONCLUSION:**

Jericho Youth Services is a well-known, community-based, not for profit organization, delivering affordable, quality, community recreation programming opportunities (after school programs) to support low- and moderate-income residents of the Town of Georgina.

Continuation of the partnership agreement with Jericho will continue to provide a service that the community uses to its full capacity.

**APPROVALS**

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| Recommended By: | Rob Wheater<br>Deputy CAO\ Treasurer              |
| Approved By:    | Ryan Cronsberry<br>Chief Administrative Officer   |

***Attachments:***

Attachment 1 – Partnership Agreement TOG / JYS