

Three local organizations receive Trillium grants

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Three local groups have received Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) grants totalling \$386,400.

The Acton Curling Club received \$18,900 over one year to install a new brine header that will improve the ice surface and overall playing conditions at the community curling facility on Churchill Rd. N.

St. Alban's Church (Acton) will get \$150,000 over one year to complete its accessibility renovations, including the installation of a chairlift, addition of a ramp and accessible washroom and the modification of existing washroom and kitchen areas. This will increase the amount of accessible and inexpensive community meeting space in downtown Acton.

Williams Mill Visual Arts Centre will get \$217,500 over 30 months to build educational, financial, professional and community partnerships that will help it achieve its vision of being a centre of excellence for visual art and education and maintain the heritage aspects of the Glen Williams centre.

"On behalf of members of council I wish to take this opportunity to congrat-

ulate all these volunteer-led groups on these funding proposals as they continue to enhance the services they provide to our community," said Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette, when he announced the awards at the April council meeting. "We should be proud that the Ontario Trillium Foundation is funding initiatives within our community and we look forward to working with these groups on their initiatives."

Also receiving grants that will benefit local residents are regional groups:

- Bereaved Families of Ontario Halton/Peel— \$188,000 over three years to enhance staffing, resource development and community partnerships that will strengthen and expand the delivery of support and services to bereaved individuals and families in the Halton Peel region.

- Sexual Assault & Violence Intervention Services of Halton (SAVIS)— \$190,000 over three years to enhance and diversify the centre's recruitment, training and support of community volunteers thereby improving its volunteer-supported program for the survivors of sexual abuse in Halton.

The grants were ratified by the OTF board of directors in March.

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