

Group designates \$351,000 to improve community health

The Healthy Community Funders of Halton recently awarded a total of \$350,900 in funding to 24 collaborative projects involving over 70 organizations.

Eight of the projects were also approved in principle for a second or third year of multi-year funding.

This is the second year for

the fund which was designed to assist the community in making Halton a "Healthy Community."

"Both the projects funded and the Healthy Community Funders themselves serve as excellent role models of business and/or community groups working in partnership," said Healthy Community Fund Chairperson and United Way of

Milton Board Member, Lang Moffat.

Community groups formed partnerships and submitted prevention focused project proposals in one of three priority areas: Healthy Lifestyles, Public/Personal Safety and Community Systems Improvements. Proposals had to meet seven criteria including:

strengthening communities, collaborative partnerships, increasing community participation, volunteerism, and promotion of healthy public policies (i.e. address priorities from local community planning documents). Twelve of the projects had a child/youth focus, four dealt with women or family-related issues, four addressed seniors or disabled issues, and the remaining four were aimed at the general population.

Guidelines for Year 2000 Healthy Community Funding will be available in early January.

Some of the 1999 Healthy Community Funding allocations are: Recreational Programs for Autistic Children* \$9,000

FRIENDS \$18,000 - Children's Aid Foundation of Halton; Books for Babies- \$23,500 Oakville Public Library; Our Community

Cares- \$24,500 Children's Assessment & Treatment Centre; BRAVE (Begin Realizing Alternatives to Violence Exist) \$25,000; Youth Net Halton- \$25,000; Kerr Street Youth Program-\$20,000; People in Crisis- \$17,125; Women Survivors Reaching Out \$19,250; Halton Pride 2000 \$5,850; Community Road Watch-\$3,000; Concurrent Disorders Group-\$13,700

In Order To Keep You Informed!

As you will recall last year, Environmental Services Staff of Halton's Planning & Public Works Department cleaned/swabbed the water distribution system within the urban boundaries of the Town of Milton. This area included all water mains under 350mm in diameter.

As we advised at the end of the 1998 Watermain Cleaning Program, we would be back in 1999 to complete the cleaning, in particular the larger feeder mains west of Milton. This work started in late fall and is presently ongoing, with an attempt to complete the majority of the cleaning by the end of this year.

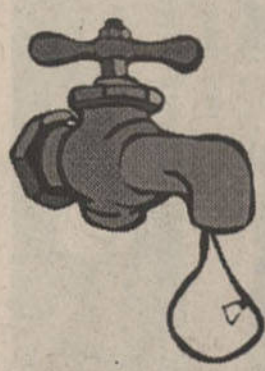
Those residents and or commercial/industrial complexes that will be directly affected because their water source is fed directly from these large trunk mains will be notified in advance of the work in order to prepare for any interruptions.

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Region of Halton

Gift will help improve knowledge of history

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governments for curriculum changes.

"Ottawa is very keen on partnering with us," said Wilson, a former senior executive with MacMillan Bloedel, Redpath Industries and the Bank of Nova Scotia.

Despite the circles of power from which Wilson has gained support, he insists the initiative is anything but an elitist "exclusive club." Instead, Wilson would love to see a groundswell of assistance from all quarters, be it financially or through volunteerism.

"The bigger the movement the better," he said.

Wilson's idea, though, had far more humble origins. Concerned about the waning emphasis on Canadian history

in the nation's schools, especially such larger issues such as why and how Canada was formed, he knew something had to be done. In an age of globalization and blurred borders, he believes this sense of identity is becoming that much more important.

"It is something I have been concerned with for years," he said.

Exposure to like-minded individuals, as well as books like "Who Killed Canadians' History," started crystallizing Wilson's resolve to do something about the sad state of affairs. He began speaking with history professors, senior statesmen, executives and others and realized he was far from alone on the issue.

"We all agreed something should be done about it," he

said.

Soon what was to have been a small speech at York University was transformed into a launch pad for what was to become Historica. He pledged the \$500,000 to start the foundation but had no plans to publicize the fact. In the audience, however, was a Globe and Mail writer who wrote a piece for the Report on Business section.

"That article created quite a response," said Wilson, who explained that support - financial and otherwise - started rolling in. "It grew tremendously."

From there it was meetings with business people, politicians and community leaders from all across Canada, then finally the official launch of the foundation on Oct. 21st.

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