Winnipeg Committee For Safety

2021 WORKPLAN & BUDGET

January 27th, 2021

All actions are within the current mandate and existing budget of the Winnipeg Committee for Safety (WCFS). The WCFS consults with Citizen Advisory Committees, Community Organizations and City Departments on a regular basis in the development and delivery of its initiatives.

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Directive	Policy Statement	Items	Target Delivery
Support	The Winnipeg Committee for Safety (WCFS) will assist citizens and community groups/organizations with their respective safety initiatives and goals. The WCFS will connect citizens/organizations with the appropriate City of Winnipeg department(s) that can best address their concerns, solidifying our position as a knowledge hub. The WCFS will foster a strengths-based approach and respect the unique assets intrinsic to each neighbourhood and community.	• Release WCFS Community Safety and Wellbeing Toolkit, geared to support individual citizens and community organizations invested in public safety, harm reduction and building community capacity; each "tool" will be publicized via City of Winnipeg News Release, promotion from WCFS Chairperson and social media promotion – heightening public awareness of the WCFS and its role in community safety • Engage in community consultation - work with citizens/community groups to respond to ongoing safety issue of missing back lane numbers; assist groups with coordination and implementation of back lane numbers; • Re-distribute *Please Slow Down* signs to support citizens who seek to address residential speeding; • Assist organizations with in-kind support (i.e., recommendation letters, grant writing, by-law information)	Q1-Q3 Q2; Q2 Ongoing

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Education & Awareness	The WCFS recognizes the invaluable contributions of community members, safety groups, businesses and various levels of government that contribute to making Winnipeg a safe city to live, work and play in. The WCFS will take leadership in the existing network of safety groups and avoid duplication. It will identify gaps, and make safety information, models, tools, and approaches known to existing and newly developing safety groups.	• Enhance public education and raise awareness on social issues that contribute to community safety (i.e.: Toolkit items); • Continue to work with Winnipeg Safe City Initiative partners for public education during Sexual Assault Awareness Month (April 2021) • Invite delegations to WCFS meetings to provide education on pertinent safety issues across the city; formulate policy recommendations for the Executive Policy Committee/Council	Q1-Q3 Q2 Ongoing
Research & Development	The WCFS will collaborate with City of Winnipeg departments, elected officials, intergovernmental partners and academic institutions to seek out best practices models in policy and practice. The WCFS aims to stay ahead of the curve with pro-active and forward thinking.	• Coordinate a series of workshops led by Jay Pitter, (external consultant) for inter-departmental staff to review and enhance equity-based placemaking policies, practices and guidelines • Engage in community consultation via community engagement workshop with Jay Pitter, focused on equity-based placemaking with participant worksheet and action-plan templates	Q1- Q4

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Bridge	The WCFS will assist community and neighbourhood safety groups to access and share information. The WCFS will act as a bridge between Council and community as well as amongst community groups themselves, fostering communication, cooperation, networking and creating inter-agency/sectoral partnerships.	• Enhance public discourse and awareness by promoting safety-related events/workshops and resources via social media (@WpgSafety and @WpgSafeCity) and WCFS website • In conjunction with other City of Winnipeg Departments, enhance City initiatives that address the MMIWG Inquiry's Calls for Justice and TRC's	Ongoing; Ongoing;
Advisory	The WCFS will bring forth recommendations to Council as warranted, and offer advisory input into process, policy and programs regarding safety.	• Continue partnerships and participation with Community Safety and Wellbeing Program Award Selection Committee, Transit Advisory Committee, Vehicle-for-Hire Advisory Committee, Winnipeg Safe City Initiative and Reconciliation Leadership Team • Support and contribute to ongoing review of Winnipeg's 911 Response Model, enhancing the quality of service for community members experiencing mental health concerns by utilizing evidence-based best practices; advise Council and Standing Policy Committees as necessary	Ongoing;

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Working Groups	The WCFS will create working groups, as required, to address specific issues and act as an extension of the Committee. Working group members will include individuals and representatives of organizations with relevant experience and expertise drawn from the community, City administration and Members of Council.	• Continue to form issue-based working groups as needed (i.e., Annual Report; Community Safety and Wellbeing Toolkit working group).	Ongoing;
Collaborate with City of Winnipeg Departments/ Other Levels of Government	The WCFS will work cooperatively with related federal, provincial and municipal efforts to maximize effectiveness and avoid duplication.	• Continue partnership with MB Status of Women as co-chair of Winnipeg Safe Initiative as well as partners (Klinic Community Health, WCWRC, WPS, Victim Services, etc) • Continue partnership with Indigenous Relations Division and participation with Reconciliation Leadership Team • Continue partnership with Community Services Division; attend staff meetings when possible and collaborate with Community Development Coordinator and Social Workers to distribute WCFS Toolkit items and expand WCFS presence in community • On behalf of the Winnipeg Safe City Initiative, coordinate and host quarterly cross-national conference calls with Canadian partner cities to discuss successes, challenges, best practices and opportunities for collaboration.	Ongoing

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Evaluation	The WCFS will work with community organizations and City departments to assist in monitoring and evaluating effectiveness by setting benchmarks, determining measurable goals and objectives, developing tools, and revisiting its terms of reference.	• Continue to monitor website 'hits', social media engagement, citizen/community organization requests • Track requests for "tools" from the WCFS Toolkit and related feedback from community groups/Council; develop new 'tools' as requested	Ongoing Ongoing
Accountability	Reporting to Council through Executive Policy Committee, the WCFS will be accountable to Council and community groups, incorporating a high degree of community involvement.	• WCFS draft, produce and release the 2020 Annual Report to the Community; appear before Standing Policy Committees, Committees of Council as required • Hold quarterly budget reviews at WCFS meetings; • Update and review Workplan as needed	Q3; ongoing Ongoing; Ongoing;

2021 BUDGET

Communications and Community Outreach	$10,580.00
Winnipeg Safe City Initiative	$3000.00
Education & Training	$1000.00
Meetings Costs	$1000.00
Office Expenditures	$1300.00
Contract Fee	$50,000.00
Total Budget	**$66,880.00**