



Why we did this audit

Grant and Contribution (G&C) programs provide money for projects and initiatives that help achieve Council priorities and City objectives.

In 2019, the City's various departments awarded \$64.9 million to 806 recipients through 49 G&C programs. This spending is important to the viability of many organizations across the City who run programs that benefit the community.



What we found

We concluded that while departments generally adhere to the City's G&C policy and procedures, there are opportunities to:

- increase the efficiency and effectiveness of certain G&C administration processes; and
- enhance the overall monitoring of the City's G&C funding departments and increase the collaboration amongst departments.



We made twelve recommendations to ensure that:

- compliance with the G&C Policy and Procedures is monitored;
- departments collaborate to identify common processes that can be supported by shared systems or standardized procedures.
- funding frameworks are updated and where possible are made accessible to new organizations;
- sufficient information to evaluate programs is requested from funding recipients;
- departments are performing and documenting their analysis, review and approval of funding outcomes; and
- there is adequate reporting on how funds were used, whether priorities were achieved, and whether any improvements should be made to the various grant and contribution programs.

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