

#### CORPORATE REPORT

NO: R097 COUNCIL DATE: May 27, 2024

#### **REGULAR COUNCIL**

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: May 23, 2024

FROM: General Manager, Finance FILE: 1850-20

SUBJECT: Sponsorship Request - Car Free Day Surrey 2024

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Finance Department recommends that Council:

- 1. Receive this report for information; and
- 2. Approve from the Council Initiatives Fund, a sponsorship contribution of \$25,000 in support of the third annual Car Free Day Surrey festival.

#### INTENT

The City has received a request from the Newton Business Improvement Association (the "NBIA") to join as a sponsoring partner, along with Translink, in presenting the third annual Car Free Day Surrey festival. The festival will be held on Saturday, June 8, 2024, on 137th Street between 72nd and 74th Avenue.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The NBIA was established in 2014 by Surrey City Council to facilitate business improvement, community economic development, business revitalization, and area enhancement in the Newton Town Centre. The NBIA has since hosted several successful community events to promote vibrancy in Newton including Newton Fest and Spooktacular Halloween. Car Free Days is an internationally recognized brand, enjoyed in major cities across the globe. These free, inclusive events take place in key markets and encourage motorists to give up their cars for a day. The festival highlights numerous benefits including reduced air pollution and promotes walking, cycling and sustainable urban transportation. The Car Free Day Surrey festival will bring local artists, organizations, and businesses together to transform a busy downtown street into a pedestrian-friendly space, where participants and guests can enjoy an outdoor music event experience while learning about the promotion of active and accessible transportation within our communities. The City of Surrey is invited to join as a sponsoring partner by contributing \$25,000 to cover the costs for musicians, staging and production.

The City of Surrey will be recognized as a sponsor during the formalities of the event and will be acknowledged as a sponsor on the festival website, social media platforms and displays during the event. Staff recommends Council consider supporting this initiative through a sponsorship of \$25,000. Full details of the sponsorship request are attached in Appendix "1".

#### **FUNDING**

Staff have evaluated the request to ensure it is compliant with the Council Initiatives Fund Utilization Policy. Staff recommend Council consider supporting this initiative through a sponsorship of \$25,000 from the Council Initiatives Fund. Appendix "II" attached to this report documents the balance in the Council Initiatives Fund based on an assumption that Council will approve the recommendations of this report.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that Council approve from the Council Initiatives Fund, a sponsorship of \$25,000 in support of the third annual Car Free Days Surrey festival.

Kam Grewal, CFO/General Manager Finance

Appendix "I": Car Free Day Sponsorship Package 2024 Appendix "II": Council Initiatives – Allocations for 2024



# **CAR FREE DAYS**

Drawing from its global recognition in major cities around the world, Car Free Day stands as a distinctive festival uniting local musicians, artists, organizations, and businesses to reshape urban cores into pedestrian-friendly havens. These community festivities spotlight premier local musicians and convey a sustainability-focused message, enriching the overall event experience.



## **EVENT OVERVIEW**

1 DAY



Saturday, June 8, 2024

A VIBRANT COMMUNITY



137th Street, Surrey, BC

**PERFORMERS** 



Our lineup is curated with 16 of BC's most promising emerging musicians and performers

**FOOD TRUCKS** 



A diverse selection of food trucks serving up tasty snacks and drinks

**VENDORS & ARTISANS** 



Over 55 vendors, artisans, and businesses are invited to join in the fun at Car Free Day Surrey

# BY THE NUMBERS



**ATTENDEES** 10,000



**@NEWTONBIA FOLLOWERS** 1,112



FB EVENT REACH

9,734



**@NEWONBIA FOLLOWERS** 

818

# **DEMOGRAPHIC**

## Age & Gender



# NOTABLE FEATURES

Car Free Day Surrey extended a warm welcome to the local Host Nations, honoring the rich history and heritage of the land where the event took place. This gesture serves as a powerful symbol of respect and recognition of the Indigenous communities who have called this land home for generations. Additionally, Car Free Day Surrey invited Municipal Councilors & Dignitaries to take the stage alongside TransLink. Using this platform to share insights and perspectives on the sustainable practices being embraced within each unique community. This collaborative effort not only emphasizes the importance of environmental responsibility but also underlines the significance of community engagement and unity in working towards a more sustainable future.



# HEADLINERS & HIGHLIGHTS

Car Free Day Surrey is a remarkable celebration of community, culture, and sustainability. A significant part of the event is the incredible array of talent it showcases. With over 16 performers gracing the Main and Dance Stages, the festival ensures there's something for everyone. From local bands belting out infectious melodies to captivating street performers wowing the crowds, the eclectic lineup is a testament to the diversity of talent that thrives within the community. These performances not only provide an unforgettable entertainment experience but also amplify the festival's message of unity, sustainability, and the power of coming together to create positive change.



## PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

#### **PLATINUM PARTNER**

- Presenting level logo inclusion on all marketing materials
- Exclusive brand category rights
- Logo included on stage branding
- Key event elements branded and presented by partner
- Large onsite activation in key strategic location
- Customized advertising and social media campaign
- Recognition on stage throughout the event
- Logo included in onsite signage
- Presenting level logo inclusion on festival website with link to website



## PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



## **GOLD PARTNER**

- Key event element branded and presented by partner
- Large onsite activation in key strategic location
- Logo inclusion on all marketing materials
- Customized advertising and social media campaign
- Recognition on stage throughout the event
- Logo included in onsite signage
- Tier 1 logo inclusion on festival website with link

#### SILVER PARTNER

- 10x20 activation in key strategic location
- Logo inclusion on all select marketing materials
- 2 x social media mentions through festival channels
- Logo included in onsite signage
- Tier 2 logo inclusion on festival website with link



# PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

#### **BRONZE**

- 10x10 activation onsite
- Logo inclusion on all select marketing materials
- Logo included in onsite signage
- Tier 3 logo inclusion on festival website with link

### **EVENT FRIEND**

- Logo included in onsite signage
- 1 social media mention through festival channels
- Tier 4 Event Friend logo inclusion on festival website with link



## 2023 MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS















## 2023 MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



#### 20 fantastic things to do in Vancouver this week: June 5 to 11





#### Car Free Day in Surrey: 137 Street closure on Saturday, June 10









Photo: Newton BIA

CAR Free Day returns June 10, taking over 137 Street and transforming the street into a pedestrian paradise with multiple stages, artisan vendors, local merchants and family friendly fun, says Newton Business Improvement Association.

This event will celebrate the businesses with storefronts on 137 Street with extended patios and booths, in addition to multiple activities for people to take part in on Saturday, June 10 between noon and 8 p.m.

#### **Car Free Day Surrey in Newton**



Car Free Day Surrey is a street party-style event featuring free entertainment, an artisan market and family-friendly activities along 137th Street in Newton.





Car-Free Day Surrey: Community festival returns to Newton on Saturday, June 10 from noon to 8 p.m., on 137 Street. Free of cars, the Newton BIA-hosted event aims to promote active transportation, focused on families and the promotion of local business. Info: 604-593-2294, newtonbia.com/car-free-day.



# **SURREY HIGHLIGHTS**













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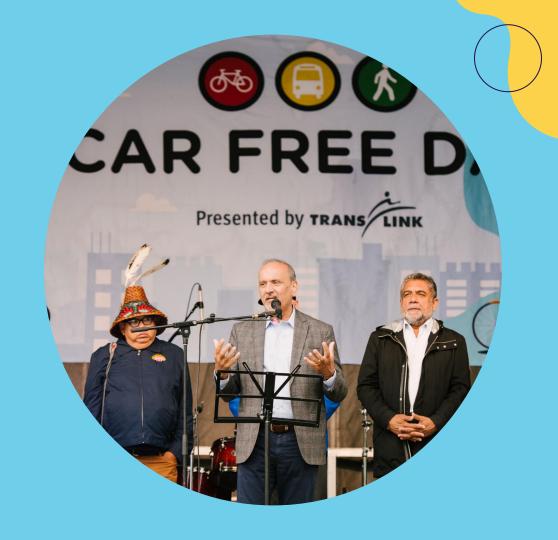


## **THANK YOU!**

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## 2024 FINANCIAL PLAN COUNCIL INITIATIVES

Description	Amount 240,000	Allocation to date	Remaining	
Carried Forward from Prior Year				
2024 Proposed Budget	260,000		\$	500,000
Surrey Hospitals Foundation - Celebration of Care Gala		12,500		
SFU President's Surrey Community Mixer		5,000		
Immigrant Link Centre Society		5,000		
Princess Margaret Secondary School - LeoCraft Design Team		15,000		
Balsar Community Foundation - Run Surrey Run		20,000		
Penmar Community Arts Society - Salmon Sessions Music Festival		15,000		
Surrey Pride Society - Rainbow Gala and Awards Night		4,000		
UNITI Employment Services		8,000		
Car Free Day Surrey (Proposed)		25,000		
Allocations for 2024		\$ 109,500	\$	390,50