

Memorandum to the Council of Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Subject: Donation Request - Kimmy and Tracy Mixed Slo-Pitch Tournament

Memo No: 2025-M-125

Date: May 22, 2025

Attachment: Appendix A – 2025 Kimmy and Tracy Mixed Slo-Pitch Tournament Donation
Request Letter

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Recommendation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives Memo 2025-M-125, including Appendix A, as presented;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council choose one of the following options:

- **Option 1:** That the donation request be denied; or
- **Option 2:** That the 2025 in-kind donation request be approved, conditional upon the organizers providing proof of insurance with a minimum coverage of two million dollars (\$2,000,000), naming the Municipality of Temagami as an additional insured; and that municipal staff be authorized to coordinate a mutually acceptable schedule with the organizers for event setup and post-event cleanup requirements.

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1. Executive Summary

The Municipality has received a 2025 donation request from the organizers of the 22nd Annual Kimmy and Tracy Mixed Slo-Pitch Tournament. This longstanding community tournament supports scholarship funds and local emergency services and has demonstrated sustained social and economic contributions to Temagami. This is the fourth consecutive year the request has been made, triggering a secondary review under Council Donation Policy No. 1.3.1 (By-Law 20-1499).

Although a formal application was not submitted, the request letter contains sufficient information to support decision-making under the policy. Council is asked to either deny the request or approve it under the same conditional terms used in recent years.

2. Background

The 22nd Annual Kimmy and Tracy Mixed Slo-Pitch Tournament is scheduled to take place June 13–15, 2025, in Temagami. The event is organized by the Renaud and Gauvreau families and honours the memory of Kim Renaud and Tracy Gauvreau. Proceeds are divided equally between:

- Scholarship Funds
 - Kim Renaud Fund (aviation careers)
 - Tracy Gauvreau Fund (early childhood education or teaching)
(Administered by the Temagami Community Foundation and available to Temagami residents.)
- Community Donations
 - A portion of funds is donated annually to the Temagami Fire Department and other local initiatives.

3. Past Municipal Support

- The Municipality has supported this event in various ways:

Year	Type of Support
2008–2010	In-Kind Donation
2017	In-Kind Donation
2022	In-Kind Donation
2023	In-Kind Donation
2024	In-Kind Donation

- To date, the tournament has raised:
 - Over \$50,100 for scholarships,
 - Over \$21,100 for the Temagami Fire Department,

- Approximately \$2,000 for the Temagami Family Health Team.
- Clarification on In-Kind Donation Scope:
 - In-kind support has historically included waived facility rental fees, including use of the tent.
 - Municipal staff have assisted with event setup before and cleanup after.
 - The 2025 request letter does not specifically outlines these items.
 - It is understood the organizers seek the same level of support as in prior years.
 - This report and resolution are intended as blanket approval for that scope.
 - Approval is conditional upon proof of insurance and coordination with staff.

4. Policy Considerations

Under Council Donation Policy No. 1.3.1 (By-Law 20-1499):

- Eligibility: While scholarships are listed under the policy's ineligibility criteria, Council has previously exercised discretion for initiatives with broader community benefit.
- Application Process: The request letter substitutes for Annex A and is eligible for ad hoc consideration under Section 4.1.
- Cancellation Clause: Any financial contribution provided in cash must be refunded within 30 days if the event is canceled.
- Insurance: Proof of \$2M liability insurance naming the Municipality as additional insured is mandatory.
- Three-Year Threshold: This fourth consecutive request requires Council direction on whether to maintain it in the general donation budget or create a separate line item.

5. Fourth-Year Secondary Review Findings

Per policy, this fourth-year request triggered a secondary review. Staff evaluated the request based on:

- Community Benefit: Attracts 16+ teams and promotes tourism and volunteerism.
- Financial Impact: Over \$73,000 raised for local causes since inception.
- Organizational History: Strong cooperation with staff and effective event management.
- Insurance & Risk: Standard protections to apply.

6. Financial Considerations

- 2025 Donation Budget: \$15,000
- Spent to Date: ~\$2,000

As the request is for in-kind support only, it will not directly affect the donation budget. However, minor staffing costs for setup, cleanup, or coordination, and possible facility wear, may arise. These operational impacts are expected to be accommodated within the Municipality's existing operational capacity.

7. Options for Council

- Option #1: Deny the donation request, based on Council's discretion.
- Option #2: Approve the 2025 in-kind donation request, conditional upon the organizers providing required insurance coverage and coordinating setup/cleanup with municipal staff.

8. Conclusion

The Kimmy and Tracy Mixed Slo-Pitch Tournament continues to provide meaningful community benefit. Despite the lack of a formal application, the submitted letter meets the requirements for Council consideration under Policy 1.3.1. Council may choose to continue its support by approving the request with the same conditions applied in recent years, and this memo serves to clarify that such approval would cover the customary in-kind support of facility rental and staff assistance.

Municipality of Temagami
Mayor and Councillors;

On June 13, 14, & 15 2025, the Renaud and the Gauvreau families will be hosting what should be the 22ND annual mixed slo-pitch Kimmy and Tracy baseball tournament in Temagami, if you consider Covid won the 17th and 18th years. Half of all monies raised from this tournament will go to the Kim Renaud and the Tracy Gauvreau scholarship funds. The other half will be donated to the Temagami Fire Department.

Kim's scholarship fund is designed to help anyone pursuing a career in the field of aviation, while Tracy's is for someone pursuing a career in early childhood education or teaching. Each of these scholarships are active and can be applied for in the 2025-2026 school year. The scholarships are both available to Temagami residents. The Temagami Community Foundation manages the funds.

We have made this tournament a very successful annual event that has benefitted both the scholarship funds and the local economy while bringing together family and friends for a weekend of activities. In the first 20 years we have raised over \$50,100.00 for the two scholarships. We have donated approximately \$21,100.00 to the Temagami Fire Department, and approximately \$2,000.00 to the Temagami Family Health Team, both local fundraising efforts. THANK YOU.

Without the local support we have received we would not have been so successful. The first year we had 14 teams participate, every year since we have usually had 16 or more teams participate. At this time, we are looking for volunteers and for donations to help make this weekend a memorable success. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us. I can be reached at (705)948-0507. Debby or Joan can be reached at 569-3423.

Again thank-you. As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated. It is a wonderful place we live in, when we can keep the memory of these two wonderful and extraordinary women alive and well.

Sincerely,

Wendy Allair