



2019

Social and Community Investment Fund

BULLETIN

The County of Simcoe provides a Social and Community Investment Fund (SCIF) to help local organizations develop community-based initiatives that address poverty.

SCIF is intended to provide opportunities for low-income families through community programs. The goals of the SCIF program are:

1. to support programs in the community that address services for low income families, particularly those in receipt of social assistance, and
2. to address pressures identified in the social service sector.

It is recognized that a continuum of supports is an ideal approach for a combination of interventions and preventative measures when addressing poverty.

The amount of funding available may change from year to year.

A community-based allocations committee is used to help review and make project funding recommendations for County Council consideration.

Agencies and programs receiving funding in 2019

- **Integration to Canadian Society**
(Bradford Immigrant & Community Services)
- **YouthReach Program Access Grants**
(Simcoe County YouthReach)
- **Bebminot – Protector of Children**
(Barrie Area Native Advisory Circle)
- **Health STAR**
(YMCA of Simcoe Muskoka)
- **Simcoe County Next Step Program**
(Catulpa Community Support Services/CAPC)
- **CAPC Children's Program**
(Catulpa Community Support Services/CAPC)
- **CAPC Young Parent Program**
(Catulpa Community Support Services/CAPC)
- **LGBTQ Youth Connection**
(The Gilbert Centre for Social and Support Services)
- **The Healthy Food Experience Project**
(The Sharing Place)
- **Ambe Tigadaw - Community Garden Collective**
(Orillia Native Women's Group)
- **Operation Grow**
(Huron Transition Homes)
- **Transportation Linking Communities**
(Community Reach North Simcoe)



SCIF Program Guidelines are based on the following eligibility criteria:

- Innovative projects that focus on prevention and community partnerships and collaborations to deliver programs and services for residents living on low-income in Simcoe County (examples could include community hub models)
- Inclusive service strategies to help break down the cycle of poverty for children, youth, adults and families
- Strength-based approach to interventions and other community development approaches
- Opportunities to enhance a culture of health and well-being
- Partnerships through data and program evaluation that demonstrates collective impact and sustainability

To learn more about poverty reduction initiatives and research in Simcoe County, visit:
simcoe.ca/communitydata



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