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ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY LIVING PROGRAMS
2003 ANNUAL RECONCILIATION REPORT

The Health and Emergency Medical Services Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report, October 22, 2004, from the Commissioner of Finance:

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. The Annual Reconciliation Report of Alternative Community Living Programs for the 2003 fiscal year be received; and

2. The "Certification by Agency" be signed by the Program Director and the Regional Chair.

2. PURPOSE

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care requires that a separate audited Annual Reconciliation Report be submitted for Alternative Community Living Programs (ACL). This report is based on Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

The final audit has been completed by the Region's audit firm for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003. A copy of the Reconciliation Report is appended as Attachment 1.

3. BACKGROUND

The Alternative Community Living Programs provide twenty-four hour personal care to vulnerable, at risk individuals in the community. Essential support services and homemaking were provided for a total of 65,804 units of service to frail vulnerable at risk seniors in York Region during 2003. The programs continue to have a waiting list of 235 individuals, far exceeding the 168 clients currently being served. Proposals are being prepared to expand supportive housing within the Region and meet the needs of the growing seniors' population.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Of the actual expenditures totalling $2,253,809 as reported on the final audited reconciliation: $1,906,709 was funded by the Province and $347,100 was from tax levy. The programs were $58,363 underbudget mainly because of Armitage Gardens, a 26 unit supportive housing program at Newmarket Health Centre not starting up until February, 2004.

The budgeted expenditures of $2,312,172 were approved by the Ministry for 2003 at an approximate subsidy rate of 91% or $2,111,233. The remaining program costs of $200,939 were to be funded from tax levy.

In accordance with the funding agreement, the Ministry funds indirect corporate costs provided in support of this program at the same subsidy level. Of the indirect costs of $74,912 (reported on the Annual Reconciliation Report as "Central Agency Charges"), $68,170 was funded by the Ministry. Indirect corporate services provided in support of these programs include Corporate and Legal Services such as Human Resources, and services provided by Finance such as Payroll, Accounting, Budgeting, Purchasing and Information Technology.

5. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

There are no local municipal implications associated with this report.

6. CONCLUSION

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care requires the attached financial return be received by the Committee and that the "Certification by Agency" be signed by the Program Director and the Regional Chair.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.

(The attachment referred to in this clause was included in the Agenda for the November 4, 2004 Committee meeting.)