

STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM #: COUNCIL MTG OF: 20-08

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SUBJECT:

2020 HealthTrust Wellness Grant

### **INTRODUCTION**

The request is to accept the 2020 Wellness Grant offered by HealthTrust and to approve the expenditure of the funds on employee wellness programs, as initiated by the Wellness Coordinators.

# **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS**

The Town Council's continued support for these employee wellness initiatives is appreciated and contributes to a healthy workforce, increases employee morale and helps reduce absences caused by illness.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Town of Derry continues to participate in HealthTrust's Wellness Coordinator Program. This year, HealthTrust awarded a Coordinator Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be spent on programs that raise awareness of physical activity, social, physical and mental health of the employees and their families. During the 2019 plan year, the grant was expended for various programs such as Wellness Bingo, Healthy Selfie, Yoga (offered at Town Hall after hours), and on water bottles and T shirts provided to employees who participated in the Take 5 for Balance and Couch to 5K programs.

# DISCUSSION

The specific use of the \$1,00.00 award is determined by the Wellness Coordinators and is typically used to fund any expenses of the programs and initiatives. The programs provided by the Wellness Coordinators, under the auspices of this grant are available to all employees of the Town of Derry and not just those who are enrolled in the town's insurance program.

# **FISCAL IMPACT**

The Town of Derry operating budget will not be impacted by the receipt or expenditure of these funds.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION BY COUNCIL

It is recommended the Derry Town Council approves receipt and expenditure of the 2020 Wellness Grant.

#### RECOMMENDED MOTION

Please see Resolution #2020-005