



Media Release

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\$101,200 Ontario150 Grant for the Township of Essa

Angus - On Friday morning, local MPP Jim Wilson met with representatives from the Township of Essa at the Angus Community Centre to formally congratulate them on receiving a \$101,200 Ontario150 Community Capital Program grant. This capital grant will be used to help with the replacement and restoration of the roof and the popular centre. MPP Jim Wilson and Richard Kelly, a volunteer with the Ontario Trillium Foundation, which is administering the grant program, presented Mayor Dowdall with a plaque in recognition of the work that's getting underway soon.

Last year, with Council's support, Township staff submitted an application to the Ontario Trillium Foundation requesting financial assistance with getting a new roof at the Centre. The Township learned of the grant in the New Year and is eager to get the repairs to the popular facility to ensure better energy efficiency and building longevity.

"Council is extremely pleased to be receiving this important funding to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Canada," said Mayor Terry Dowdall. "The repair of the arena roof was desperately needed and we are grateful this large expense qualified under the program. The government recognizes the importance of arenas as a public place, community builder for all ages to meet, play and support one another. It is a great asset and with this funding will continue to be for many years to come."

Administered by the Ontario Trillium Foundation, which is an agency of the Government of Ontario, this one-time, Ontario150 grant has been designed to help honour the province's past, showcase the present and inspire future generations. For more information on the Ontario Trillium Foundation, please visit: www.otf.ca

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