

NEIGHBOURHOOD INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY CANADIAN INITIATIVES



Sandwich Street Enhancements

Timing: 2021

Partner: City of Windsor

 Further enhance Sandwich Street with new benches, waterless planters, themed wayfinding signage, etc. building upon the estimated \$12million Sandwich Street improvements to be completed as part of the project.

Ojibway Park Wildlife Eco-Passage Investment

Timing: To be confirmed

Partner: City of Windsor Ojibway Nature Centre

- Provide seed-funding for eco-passage (bridge) between Black Oak Heritage Park and Ojibway Park that will provide safe passage for area wildlife, including species at risk
- Funding to become available when/if the City of Windsor secures the necessary permits and additional funding to initiate the project.

Sandwich Park Improvements

Timing: To be confirmed Partner: City of Windsor

- Invest in improvements to McKee and Paterson Parks in the Sandwich neighbourhood
- Provide additional lighting, trail re-pavement and shade structures to complement the planned improvements to the parks by the City of Windsor.

Neighbourhood Green Improvements

Timing: 2020 and 2024

Partner: Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA)

 Host tree giveaways during the construction phase of the project.



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Expand Adjacent Trails to Connect to the Gordie Howe International Bridge Timing: 2024

Partner: City of Windsor

- Connect cycling infrastructure between Malden Park (Matchette Road entrance) and the Canadian Port of Entry; this also indirectly links into the Rt. Hon. Herb Gray Parkway trail system
- Create trailhead at Malden Park, including benches, wayfinding/interpretive signage and garbage cans.

Bike Rack Design Contest

Timing: 2023

Partner: To be confirmed

 Create and run a contest local artists to design one-of-a-kind, locally-inspired bike racks that will be installed at various locations/trailheads within the expanded adjacent trail network. Construction Observation Platform

Timing: 2020

Partner: City of Windsor

- Construct an observation platform at Malden Park that would allow students, residents and tourists to view ongoing construction of the Gordie Howe International Bridge project
- Features to include wayfinding signage within the park, benches, binoculars and photography area.



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Community Grant to Walpole Island First Nation (WIFN)

Timing: To be confirmed Partner: WIFN and YMCA

- Grant to aid WIFN in securing full funding for expansion of its existing recreation center in partnership with YMCA
- Funding will become available when/if all remaining funding has been committed to/secured by WIFN and YMCA.

ProsperUS Partnership

Timing: 2020 for five-year duration

Partner: ProsperUs Program, United Way Centraide Windsor-Essex County

- Multi-year financial support to United Way/Centraide Windsor-Essex County for investment in the ProsperUS program to support the work of cradle-to-career in neighbourhoods in Windsor
- The Community Benefits investment will be directed to programming specific to the Sandwich community.

Community Organization Investment

Timing: 2020 for five-year duration

Partner: Local Community Organizations

- Annual \$50,000 investment allowance for community organizations located in Sandwich or servicing Sandwich residents
- Eligible community groups to apply annually for funding between \$1,000 to \$25,000 for events, programming & infrastructure improvements. Funding will be released once annually over five years.

Sandwich Art Project

Timing: To be confirmed

Partner: Our West End/Life After Fifty

 Work with local artists/youth to create at least one mural or art piece within the Sandwich neighbourhood.



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Sandwich Business Development Program

Timing: 2020 for five-year duration

Partner: Windsor Essex Economic Development Corporation, Windsor Essex Small Business Centre, Local Academic Institutions, Downtown Windsor Business Accelerator, Ontario Tourism Innovation Lab

- Support the development and implementation of a business
 acceleration workshop series for businesses located in, or interested
 in locating in, the Sandwich area.
- These will be geared to developing strategies and approaches for businesses to employ during different phases of the project and will include experienced speakers and panelists discussing business district development, operating during construction and taking advantage of tourism opportunities
- Collaboration with local programs and consultants to initiate follow-up activities with workshop participants.

Windsor-Detroit Cross-River Tour – Canadian Features Timing: 2023 Partner: City of Windsor

 Create an international walking/cycling tour highlighting the unique culture and history of Sandwich and Delray communities through plaques/interpretive signage to be installed at key locations along pedestrian and cyclist routes on Sandwich Street and adjacent to the Canadian Port of Entry approaching the bridge. Complementary plaques to be installed on US side, along with a centre border marker.

Culinary Student Training Experience

Timing: Fall 2019 Partner: St. Clair College

- Partner with the Culinary Management and Business degree programs at St. Clair College to launch a mobile food truck business enabling hands-on learning experiences for students at the project site
- Invest in the purchase and outfitting of a mobile food truck to enable students of St. Clair College to provide food services to workers at the Canadian Port of Entry project site during design and construction



2020 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION INVESTMENT

As part of the Community Benefits Plan, the Gordie Howe International Bridge team has launched the 2020 Community Organization Investment to support eligible organizations located in or servicing **Sandwich/West Windsor or Delray/Southwest Detroit.**

Funding will be made available on an annual basis for a five-year duration from **2020 and 2024**. There is an annual **\$50,000** (CDN) investment allowance per country and requests for funding can range from **\$1,000 - \$25,000** (CDN).



Applications for the 2020 funding cycle will be accepted until **January 31, 2020**, and are available at **GordieHoweInternationalBridge.com**

Applications will be considered for funding if:

- The applicant is a registered charity or has a trustee relationship with a registered charity
- The applicant is located in or provides services to the Sandwich/West Windsor or Delray/Southwest Detroit communities
- The requested funding will be used to support events, programming and infrastructure improvements that will directly benefit Sandwich/West Windsor or Delray/Southwest Detroit
- The requested funding aligns with one of the Community Investment Priorities, including: community
 partnerships, community safety and connections, economic benefits, and/or aesthetics and landscaping.