

## From the Office of the Mayor

## THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF HEAD, CLARA & MARIA 15 Township Hall Road STONECLIFFE, ONTARIO, K0J 2K0

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Dear Head, Clara & Maria Property Owner

Thank you for your generosity. Past letters of request have prompted contributions of funds to specific projects within our community. Our improved community centre and Old Mackey Park improvements certainly speak to the positive benefits of those funds.

Many government and association grant opportunities require "fundraising" and some evidence of community support for award. Historically, past Councils have prudently made decisions which have leveraged grant money to provide benefits which would not have been affordable otherwise. With your continued assistance we'd like to maintain our record of success.

We appreciate that Council already receives money from you, in the form of taxes. Those taxes are required to cover general operating expenses and plan for the future (now legislated). Instead of raising taxes, in order to reach program goals, council is continuing its donation program. This way, those who wish to and are financially able may make additional contributions, which are tax deductible. Others would not bear the costs of these extras.

Donations will be kindly accepted from individuals, families, in memoriam, from your group or organization.

Please consider improvements to your community as you make your tax deductible donation decisions for 2015 and beyond. Through the generosity of our residents Council will be able to leverage your contributions and take advantage of available funding opportunities to help finance new projects and continue to improve HCM.

For more information, please contact the municipal office or any of your Council members. Additional information is on our website at <u>http://www.townshipsofheadclaramaria.ca/departments/fundraising-donations/</u>. To make a donation, simply include a separate cheque with your tax payment with "donation" in the memo line. Donations of \$10 and over will trigger a tax receipt.

Sincerely and on behalf of Council

Mayor Jim Gibson

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HCM Mission: At your service; working effectively to bring together people, partnerships and potential for a strong, connected community. HCM Vision: Providing a healthy, connected, and sustainable community teeming with possibilities for our citizens now and into the future.