



May 5 2019

Dan Best, CAO
Municipality of South Huron

Re: Interest in donating to refurbishment of tennis courts

Dear Dan and members of South Huron Council,

The South Huron Optimist Club is hosting the 9th annual Great Community Challenge on September 14th 2019. Past tournaments have raised funds for several worthwhile community projects in South Huron, including:

- 2011 - Funds raised for Centralia playground
- 2012 - Funds raised for Crediton playground
- 2013 - Funds raised for Exeter Splash Pad
- 2014 - Funds raised for phase 2 of the splash pad project - the adjacent playground
- 2015 - Funds raised for the Huron County Food Bank commercial cooler
- 2016 - Funds raised going to support Jessica's House
- 2017 - Funds raised for accessible washrooms at Exeter Splash Pad
- 2018 - Funds raised for Huron-Perth Child and Youth Mental Health Services

All of the projects listed above have been completed and we are very proud of our contributions to this community through the funds raised at our Great Community Challenge.

In recent discussions within our club about this year's event, we identified an interest in supporting a refurbishment of the tennis courts located behind Exeter Elementary School. We feel that this area is in significant need of repair, and if completed it could become a place for youth and families to be active and spend time together.

We would be interested in donating the funds from this year's event if MOSH is moving forward with this project. We are also interested in working alongside other community groups who demonstrate a shared interest and commitment to the project in order to see it completed. Our commitment to this project would be \$5000.

We would be willing to meet with members of council and/or staff to discuss further. We also invite all members of council and staff to be part of this event by entering a team of 2 into our Holeyboard tournament! Information and registration can be found on our South Huron Optimist Club Facebook page.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration,

Rachel Skillen
President, South Huron Optimist Club