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Ontario Trillium Foundation Grants Awarded to Community Organizations

(Orangeville, ON) – “Community groups across Dufferin-Caledon will be able to enhance their programs with their new Ontario Trillium Foundation grants,” said Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon. “I am pleased that municipalities and non-profit organizations in our community have access to lottery and gaming revenues to make their facilities accessible and enhance recreation and social services for our residents.”

The Ontario Trillium Foundation has awarded the following grants to groups in Dufferin-Caledon:

Organization / Municipality	Grant	Description
Town of Shelburne	\$34,000 over eight months	To purchase accessibility upgrades and equipment for Grace Tipling Hall. These will improve access to arts-and-culture activities for community members of all abilities as part of the town's economic-renewal strategy.
Orangeville Curling Club	\$58,800 over one year	To install a lift, new doors with automatic openers and upgrade washrooms. These renovations will make this well-used facility in Orangeville fully accessible so that community members of all abilities can enjoy its programs.
Community Living Dufferin	\$76,900 over 10 months	To help purchase and install a ground-source-heat pump at the new shared headquarters for Community Living Dufferin and Theatre Orangeville in East Garafraxa. The ground-source-heat system will provide the building with an energy-efficient source of heat.
Dufferin Not-For-Profit Support & Capacity Building Project c/o Community Living Dufferin	\$150,000 over two years	For staff, research and costs to implement a transformational project that will strengthen and support social service organizations in Dufferin County as they respond to the area's economic downturn.
LIFE Project - Ontario March of Dimes Peel Region	\$222,100 over three years	For staff, program materials and computer equipment. A day program will be launched to help youth with physical disabilities make the transition from high school to employment, volunteer

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		opportunities and independent living.
Peel Children and Youth Initiative c/o Peel Children's Aid Society	\$65,000 over one year	To retain a planning consultant and engage youth in an initiative to gather suggestions and ideas about priorities for planning purposes.
Peel Elder Abuse Prevention Network Steering Committee c/o Catholic Family Services of Peel Dufferin	\$216,400 over three years	To hire a coordinator, conduct training, outreach and a strategic planning process. Awareness will increase about elder abuse and strategies will be implemented to enhance the safety and well-being of seniors in the region.

"I am delighted these projects were chosen," said Jones. "As the PC Critic for Community and Social Services, I am pleased that more of our community facilities are going to be accessible for all residents."

For over twenty-five years, the Ontario Trillium Foundation has been providing grants to community organizations across the province. The Foundation's funding supports non-profit organizations focusing on arts and culture, sports and recreation, the environment and human and social services.

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