

Community Needs

Goal: Huron County residents value and support community organizations and services which promote culture, diversity, recreation, education, entertainment, affordable housing and health.

Strategy: Support and Build Arts, Culture, and Heritage Programs to Inspire and Foster Creative Energy in Huron County (CN1)

PRIORITY PROJECT: Arts and Culture Resource Hub

Description

Working with the Cultural Services Coordinator, facilitate the establishment of an arts and culture resource hub which will support the development of arts, culture, and heritage efforts in Huron County. Activities will include:

- A kick-off forum to bring together all of the different arts and culture organizations together for an information sharing and brainstorming session;
- Identifying the resources needed to establish and operate the hub (e.g. assistance with grants, bookings, social enterprise, skills development programs for leaders, revenue generation etc.);
- Communications;
- Networking;
- Guidance and assistance with project development.

This action is expected to assist in ensuring a thriving arts and culture community which will foster creative energy, make Huron County an attractive place to live and work, and contribute to positive economic returns through tourism. The results of this action will support strategies under the following themes:

- Community Needs (Community/Social Pillar)
- Population (Community/Social Pillar)
- Economy (Economic Pillar)
- Liveable Communities (Environmental Integrity Pillar)

Actions will include

- Identify key leads from the Sustainable Huron Committee
- Develop an action team (Huron County member, Huron County Arts and Culture Coordinator, Huron Arts and Heritage Network)
- Develop goals of project and set clear tasks for coordinator
- Coordinator to undertake outreach with arts and culture groups to understand their needs
- Develop resource hub

- Get resources/information online

Lead and Coordination

- Huron Arts and Heritage Network

Resources

- Huron County Cultural Services

Collaborators

- Local Theatres
- Sustainable Huron Steering Committee Members
- Outreach to all local arts/cultural groups

Measures of Success

- Strategy is developed
- Action team is in place

Timeline

This action will be completed by 2013.

