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Board approves funding for Evergreen, a United Neighbourhood

Funding will support the organization's day-to-day operations

THUNDER BAY, ON (June 29, 2023) — At last week's Board meeting, the Thunder Bay Police Services Board approved a funding proposal of \$10,000 for Evergreen, a United Neighbourhood, a not-for-profit charity established for the residents of the Simpson-Ogden community that provides support and access to resources that improve the quality of life and relief from poverty for its residents.

"Evergreen is an essential part of our community, and we are pleased to provide funding support so they can continue their daily operations," said Karen Machado, Chair of the Thunder Bay Police Services Board.

Evergreen, a United Neighbourhood, is the first charity in Ontario dedicated to helping the vulnerable children, youth, and seniors in the Simpson-Ogden neighbourhood. For instance, its drop-in youth program runs year-round and offers hygiene items, art supplies, snacks, and groceries to take home, and a daily hot meal.

"Our charity is about providing safety, food security, and community connectiveness to the most vulnerable people of society," said Linda Bruins, Executive Director of Evergreen, a United Neighbourhood. "We are very thankful that the Thunder Bay Police Services Board sees how important we are to the community, and we appreciate their funding support."

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Newly appointed Board Chair, Karen Machado (left), is shown presenting a cheque for \$10,000 to Linda Bruins (right), Executive Director of Evergreen, a United Neighbourhood.