

# 2017 Annual Report

## Township of Warwick Community Improvement Plan (CIP)



The Township of Warwick’s Community Improvement Plan (CIP) provides a framework for encouraging redevelopment and reinvestment within the Township of Warwick through the implementation of financial incentives in defined downtown borders in Watford and Warwick Village. The Township of Warwick CIP program includes financial grants for signage, façade improvements, Brownfields redevelopment and historical murals.

### **CIP Committee**

The CIP Committee is made up of 5 local volunteers who are charged with the task of meeting to review relevant applications and policies as they relate to the Township of Warwick CIP and Mural Guidelines. Table 1.1 summarizes the number of CIP Committee meetings that have taken place over the last few years.

**Table 1.1: CIP Committee Meetings**

Year	Number of Meetings
2011	3
2012	4
2013	5
2014	3
2015	3
2016	1
2017	2

In addition to the two (2) formal CIP Committee meetings held in 2017, committee members have made extensive efforts to continuously promote the CIP, and its incentives, in the local community through participation in community events.

### **Applications and Expenditures**

In 2017 the CIP committee funded \$0 dollars for signage and façade improvements. The CIP committee allocated \$5000 dollars for Murals and \$0 dollars for Brownfield’s grants in 2017.

**The breakdown for the allocated 2017 CIP grants was as follows:**

Location	Grant	Total amount	Notes
5275 Nauvoo Road (Watford Legion)	Mural	\$5000	Approved in 2017 (completion scheduled for 2018)
Total 2017 expenditures		\$5000	

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### **Special Projects- Community Improvement Plan Open House**

The CIP committee members held a public open house to help promote and inform the general public on programs and grants which are available through the Warwick Township CIP. The open house was held on June 14, 2017 at the “Fire Hall/Museum” (515 Ontario Street) and Warwick Community Hall (7074 Egremont Rd). The open house drew interest from local residents and business owners. Approximately 12 people attended the open house with other interest coming from email correspondence.

### **2018 CIP Committee Projects**

The CIP committee will continue to work on the following revitalization initiatives in 2018:

- Expand the CIP program to include structural grants for downtown buildings
- Community group signage
- Continue to promote and provide grants for signage, façade and brownfields redevelopment
- Work with new economic development staff member on downtown revitalization initiatives