

# City of Cold Lake

## Ukrainian Arrival Temporary Assistance Policy POLICY NUMBER:225-FC-22

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## 1.0 Policy Intent

The City of Cold Lake is committed to providing temporary assistance to eligible Ukrainian arrivals coming to live in the City of Cold Lake.

## 2.0 Purpose

The purpose of the Ukrainian Arrival Assistance Policy is to assist eligible Ukrainian individuals and families to offset the cost of expenses incurred by transit within the City limits and participate in recreational activities at the Energy Centre. This Policy provides guidelines and a transparent process to administer transit assistance within the City of Cold Lake and access to the City's Energy Centre recreational facilities and programs.

#### 3.0 Policy Statement

- 3.1 The City of Cold Lake shall establish the Ukrainian Arrival Temporary Assistance Policy to provide financial assistance to eligible Ukrainian individuals and families to offset the cost of expenses incurred by transit within the City limits and participate in recreational activities at the Energy Centre.
- 3.2 Stipulations of the temporary assistance are:
  - 3.2.1 Program funded to a maximum limit of \$15,000; and
  - 3.2.2 Ukrainian Arrival Temporary Assistance program will provide assistance for a period of three (3) months after the initial intake of the applicant.
- 3.3 Assistance will be offered to eligible individuals on a first come, first serve basis in the following amounts:
  - 3.3.1 Transit two (2) taxi vouchers for each family unit, for each week during the assistance period. The assistance will be for local taxi use only;
  - 3.3.2 Recreation one (1) punch pass for each immediate family member redeemed for recreational activities offered at the Energy Centre.

## 4.0 Managerial Guidelines

## 4.1 Eligibility criteria for applicants

To be eligible for a Ukrainian Arrival Temporary Assistance, claimants must meet the following criteria:

- 4.1.1 Be a resident of the City of Cold Lake;
- 4.1.2 Affirmation that resident was displaced, has a temporary work permit, and/or obtain a refugee status as a result from the Ukrainian/Russia conflict as of February 24, 2022;
- 4.1.3 Receive endorsement from Action for Healthy Communities.

## 4.2 **Application Process**

- 4.2.1 Interested individuals must submit their application for the Ukrainian Arrival Temporary Assistance program to the Cold Lake and District Family and Community Support Services (FCSS).
- 4.2.2 Grants will be administered on a first-come first-serve basis until funds in the program are exhausted.

## 4.3 Grant Fund

- 4.3.1 If the total funds are not allocated, Council shall determine during the budget process at the end of the year whether to restrict the funds or allow them to enter general surplus.
- 4.3.2 Council shall have the discretion to provide additional funding for the Grant in excess of what was originally budgeted, if deemed appropriate.

## 5.0 References

## 6.0 Persons Affected

- All individuals applying for a grant under this Policy
- Community Services Department
- Corporate Services Department
- FCSS Manager and General Manager Community Services

## 7.0 Revision/Review History

Nov. 10, 2022

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