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Item No. 15.3.1 Halifax Regional Council March 18, 2025

TO:	Mayor Fillmore and Members of Halifax Regional Council
FROM:	Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon, Chair, Committee of the Whole on Budget
DATE:	February 12, 2025
SUBJECT:	Request for Letter – Drop-In Centre

ORIGIN

February 12, 2025 meeting of Budget Committee, Item 6 Community Safety.

RECOMMENDATION

The Budget Committee recommends that Halifax Regional Council direct the Mayor to write a letter to the Minister to increase funding and an additional drop-in centre.

BACKGROUND

Budget Committee received a staff recommendation report dated January 30, 2025 to consider the 2025/26 Community Safety Budget and Business Plan.

DISCUSSION

Budget Committee considered the staff report dated January 30, 2025 and approved an amendment to the motion as follows:

"5. Recommend that Halifax Regional Council direct the Mayor to write a letter to the Minister to increase funding and an additional drop-in centre."

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications with this report.

RISK CONSIDERATION

Not applicable

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Meetings of the Budget Committee are open to public attendance and members of the public are invited to address the Standing Committee for up to five (5) minutes during the Public Participation portion of the meeting. Meetings are live webcast on Halifax.ca. The agenda, reports, video, and minutes of the Standing Committee are posted on Halifax.ca.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

ALTERNATIVES

Not applicable

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Halifax Regional Council by motion can direct the Mayor send a letter on behalf of Council.

ATTACHMENTS

None

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