REGION OF OTTAWA CARLETON

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TO/DEST. Co-ordinator

Community Services Committee

FROM/EXP. Medical Officer of Health

SUBJECT/OBJET MINISTRY OF HEALTH FUNDING FOR

EXPANSION OF SITE PROGRAM

BACKGROUND

This is to inform you that the HIV Prevention Program has received a one time grant of \$75,000.00 from the Ontario Ministry of Health towards the expansion of the SITE Needle Exchange Program. These funds will allow us to operate our program 7 days a week, to support the network of community partners providing needle exchange and work with community agencies and associations in facilitating the safe disposal of needles. The money was granted due to the high HIV infection rates in injection drug users in the region.

Approved by

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