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Library Board's Response to CAF Grant Announcement

The Brock Township Public Library Board was genuinely delighted to receive the funding announcement regarding the \$1.4 Million dollar federal CAF grant. After 10 years of dealing with the numerous limitations of the current library branch in Cannington, we look forward to the advantages this new facility will bring to the entire community. Aside from housing a new library branch, additional benefits of the pending Information and Technology Centre will include:

- enhanced capacity building and further economic and community development
- converting an underutilized town building into a multifunctional community asset
- designing a fully accessible facility that respects the needs of all users and incorporates all aspects of quality library programs and services
- creating a central hub that meets the needs of all user groups including families, youth, seniors and community organizations
- establishing partnerships with institutions of higher learning to facilitate access to information technology education opportunities

The Board would like to gratefully acknowledge the efforts of Marlene Werry from the Region of Durham for completing the application which was spearheaded by Mayor Larry O'Connor and the Twp staff. Without their dedication and perseverance, we would not be in this enviable position. We would also like to express our gratitude to the Cannington Steering Committee chaired by Bernie Leroux, for their tireless efforts and commitment to the realization of this project. Finally, thanks to the government of Canada for their generous financial support.

While never losing sight of the March 2011 deadline, we are confident that the collaborative contributions of all stakeholders will result in the actualization of a local Information and Technology Centre which will accommodate the new Cannington branch of the Brock Township Public Library.