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Board Chair  
Rideau Winter Trail  
c/o Rideau Sports Centre  
1 Donald Street

Dear Canada Community Revitalization Fund,

Action Sandy Hill is a neighbourhood community association located in central Ottawa, Ontario. We wholeheartedly support the Rideau Winter Trail application for funding from the Canada Community Revitalization Fund.

The Rideau Winter Trail has been very successful with many community members of all ages taking advantage of the scenic and well-groomed nearby trails for exercise, socialization and fresh air. The easy access to the trails from the Sandy Hill community is ideal for community members that may not have access to a vehicle to access parks outside of urban areas.

The scenic trail is a welcome break to our hectic lives and provides many physical and mental health benefits to the users. Community members find this a good place to meet and say hello to other neighbours while connecting with nature. This easily accessible trail truly improves the wellness of the community and the quality of life of our residents. Access to nature and exercise will be extremely beneficial to help our community recover from the global pandemic.

Given the early success of the Rideau Winter Trail, we anticipate it will be more popular in years to come. Investment in a longer and improved trail would be a key strategy in improving the health of our community.

The Rideau Winter Trail board has some wonderful ideas to introduce skiing to groups that may not have the equipment and opportunity to try the sport. This is an exciting and valuable initiative and we look forward to promoting these activities in our community.

As a community association, our objective is to preserve our greenspace, advocate for a healthy and safe environment for residents and promote a sense of community. We believe funding of the Rideau Winter Trail is money well spent towards these objectives.

With kind regards,



Dr. Susan Khazaeli, PhD  
Action Sandy Hill President



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Action Sandy Hill Member