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Funding Opportunities Update for Not-for-Profits

Key objectives of the Local Diversity and Immigration Partnership Council (LDIPC) are to create a culture of inclusion and support the two-way integration of diverse populations. One way to achieve these is to support the work of the not-for-profit sector in Durham Region.

We know that funding is very important to not-for-profit organizations. As we find out about grants and funding opportunities we are committed to sharing that information with our community partners. We know that a strong, well-funded not-for-profit sector can better meet the needs of Durham's diverse communities.

Please share this information with your own networks and contacts. If you would like to have additional email addresses added to this list or you would like to be removed from the list, please contact us by [email](mailto:ldipc@durham.ca) (ldipc@durham.ca).

Important Tip! Register your organization online at the [Grants Ontario website](http://www.grants.gov.on.ca) (www.grants.gov.on.ca). Grants Ontario provides information about available grants, how to apply for grants and how to check the status of your application.

Granting Opportunities by Deadline

[Government of Ontario - Seniors Active Living Centres Fund](#)

Expression of Interest Deadline: December 21, 2017

The Seniors Active Living Centres call for proposals intends to expand the number of centres offering programming for seniors. The Government of Ontario wishes to expand up to 40 new centres through an \$8M investment over the 2018/19 and 2019/20 fiscal years.

There is only one stream for this funding program. Eligible organizations must:

- Incorporated, not-for-profit organizations
- Have a viable governance structure (board of directors or elected body)
- Provide audited financial statements
- Secure a financial commitment from their local municipality for a minimum of 20% of the net annual cost of maintaining and operating the proposed seniors program.

<http://www.grants.gov.on.ca/GrantsPortal/en/OntarioGrants/GrantOpportunities/PRDR01784>

Status of Women

Deadline: January 11, 2018

Status of Women Canada is launching a Call for Proposals for projects to address the economic security of women in Canada and contribute to advancement of gender equality. With this call for proposals, organizations across the country will implement projects designed to address some of the root causes of economic insecurity for women in Canada (e.g. accessibility of childcare, wage gap, pay inequity).

Proposed projects must:

- Be partnership-based;
- Have secured confirmed partners at the time of application; and
- Provide a signed participation agreement letter from proposed partner organization(s). This letter must indicate: (a) formal support and participation by the partner organization; (b) defined roles and responsibilities; and (c) confirmed dedicated resources to support sustainability of project outcomes.

Funding Available

- Up to \$350,000 (regional projects)
- Up to \$500,000 (national projects)

<http://www.swc-cfc.gc.ca/fun-fin/index-en.html>

TD Friends of the Environment Foundation

Application Deadline: January 15, 2018

The TD Friends of the Environment Foundation supports a wide range of environmental initiatives, with a primary focus on environmental education and green space programs. Eligible projects include:

- Schoolyard greening and outdoor classrooms
- Park revitalization & restoration work
- Butterfly gardens & pollinator programs
- Community gardens
- Natural playgrounds (natural play elements only)
- Citizen science projects in public green spaces
- Bioblitzes
- Trail building and restoration
- Neighbourhood park programming
- Recycling/composting programs
- In-class/indoor and outdoor environmental education programming

<https://fef.td.com/funding/>

[Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation - Donations Committee](#)

Deadline: January 15, 2018

With the dissolution of the Baagwating Community Association (BCA), and the restructuring at the MSIFN complete, we are pleased to announce that the MSIFN Donations Committee is up and running! Following in the footsteps of the BCA, the MSIFN Donations Committee hopes to continue to help organizations, communities and individuals with charitable giving.

For all organizations requesting funding, the MSIFN Donations Committee requires a description of your organization, budget details, fundraising goals and the other sources funding your project or program.

<http://www.scugogfirstnation.com/Public/MSIFN-Donations>

[Government of Ontario - Sports and Recreation Fund](#)

Deadline: January 16, 2018

The Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund (OSRCF) is a grant program that supports a vision of getting and keeping Ontarians active in community sport, recreation and physical activity. The fund:

- increases opportunities for participation in sport and recreation by developing new programs or increasing access to existing programs to encourage individuals to become more active and keep those who are, engaged throughout their lives
- supports implementation of physical literacy as a foundation for lifelong physical activity among individuals enabling them to make healthier activity choices
- strengthens the community sport and recreation sector by providing training in areas such as coaching, youth development, and volunteer development to provide enhanced service and quality programming.

<http://www.grants.gov.on.ca/GrantsPortal/en/OntarioGrants/GrantOpportunities/PRDR006918>

[Government of Canada: Canada Learning Bond](#)

Deadline: January 23, 2018

The Government of Canada is currently accepting concepts from organizations interested in receiving funding through the Social Development Partnerships Program - Children and Families (SDPP), for projects to increase awareness and take-up of the Canada Learning Bond (CLB).

The objective of this call for concepts is to invite eligible organizations to submit a concept for new and/or innovative approaches designed to increase awareness and take-up of the

Canada Learning Bond, which will ease access to post-secondary education; thereby, helping improve life outcomes for children.

https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/learning-bond-concept.html?_ga=2.251628803.428651892.1512054917-601010039.1497820882

[Government of Ontario: Multicultural Community Capacity Grant Program](#)

Deadline: January 23, 2018

This program provides funding to not-for-profit organizations that focus on newcomers and ethno-cultural groups for projects that promote diversity and inclusion. This is to make it easier for newcomers and ethno-cultural communities to fully participate in all facets of life in Ontario.

Eligible projects can receive \$1,000 to \$8,000 each. Up to \$3 million is available this year. Organizations can apply for funding for one project.

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/multicultural-community-capacity-grant-program>

[Toronto Enterprise Fund - Mixed Capital Opportunities Fund](#)

Deadline: January 30, 2018

The Mixed Capital Opportunities Fund (Mixed Cap) aims to support non-profit social enterprises that are using innovative approaches to address social, environmental, economic or cultural changes and supports the expansion of early stage, high growth social enterprises by providing a hybrid form of capital, comprised of a combined loan (50%) and grant (50%).

Upcoming Information Session (Webinar) – Mandatory prior to applying

Tuesday, January 9, 2018, 2:30 - 4:00 pm.

Register at Eventbrite online: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mixed-capital-opportunities-fund-mixed-cap-webinar-january-2018-tickets-40183378567> Upcoming Information Session

For further information, please [contact Alexis Kane Speer](mailto:alexis@kanespeer.com) (alexis@kanespeer.com)

<http://www.torontoenterprisefund.ca/what-we-do/business-development-1/mixedcap>

[Ontario Trillium Foundation – Seed Grants](#)

Organization Registration Deadline: January 31, 2018

The Ontario Trillium Foundation distributes its funding to charities and not-for-profits based upon six different action areas:

- Encouraging more active lifestyles
- Building inclusive and engaged communities together
- Encouraging people to support a healthy and sustainable environment
- Enriching people's lives through arts, culture and heritage
- Supporting the positive development of children and youth
- Enhancing people's economic wellbeing.

Seed Grants

Organization registration deadline: January 31, 2018, 5 p.m. EST.

Application deadline: February 21, 2018, 5 p.m. EST.

<http://otf.ca/apply-grant/registration-application-deadlines>

[Government of Canada: Canadian Heritage: Building Communities through Arts and Heritage – Local Festivals](#)

Deadline for Local Festivals and Community Anniversaries: January 31, 2018

The Building Communities through Arts and Heritage Program delivers its funding through three separate components: Local Festivals, Community Anniversaries and the Legacy Fund.

Local Festivals: The Local Festivals component provides funding to local groups for recurring festivals that present the work of local artists, artisans, or historical performers.

Community Anniversaries: The Community Anniversaries component provides funding to local groups for non-recurring local events and capital projects that commemorate an anniversary of 100 years or greater in increments of 25 years.

<http://canada.pch.gc.ca/eng/1455310870059/1455310944929>

[The John & Pat McCutcheon Charitable Foundation](#)

Deadline: February 1, 2018

This foundation provides grants intended to provide start-up funds to develop projects to the point of self-sufficiency (up to 3 or 4 years). Project must either focus on environmental protection (establishing and maintaining ecological balance by protecting or reclaiming wildlife and its habitat) or community economic development (developing the skills and

capacities of individuals, groups and organizations to reach the point of economic self-sufficiency). See the website for a list of criteria.

The John and Pat McCutcheon Charitable Foundation was established to provide support in the areas of environmental protection and social enterprise within the province of Ontario.

<http://www.jpacf.org/>

Canadian Women's Foundation: Violence Prevention Grants

Deadline: February 5, 2018

The Canadian Women's Foundation is now accepting proposals for 2018-2019 Annual Violence Prevention Grants.

Prevention Stream: Prevent gender-based violence through programs involving for girls only, or for teens of all genders (11 to 19 years old);

Rebuilding Lives Stream: Support for women's organizations and programs involving women and children in rebuilding their lives after experiencing violence;

Loan Funds: Provide interest-free loan funds to women who have experienced violence.

The submission deadline is February 5, 2018 at 11:59 pm PST. Proposals submitted after this date will not be considered.

<http://www.canadianwomen.org/grant-guidelines>

RBC Future Launch

Deadline: February 6, 2018 (for grants over \$100,000)

RBC Future Launch is a 10-year \$500 million commitment to help Canadian youth prepare for the jobs of tomorrow. We are moving beyond financial investment by engaging the public and private sectors to further understand the issue and make a significant impact on the lives of young Canadians. RBC Future Launch is a catalyst for change-bringing people together to co-create solutions so young people are better prepared for the future of work.

<http://www.rbc.com/community-sustainability/commitment-to-youth/index.html>

[Catherine Donnelly Foundation](#)

Letter of Inquiry Deadline: February 8, 2018

In supporting the mission of the Foundation, we are primarily interested in the following areas:

Adult Education Advancement Initiatives - The Foundation will consider applications that focus on the adult education and learning needs of new Canadians and marginalized populations and in particular, those that seek to address the most pressing contemporary problems and concerns of these groups. Next deadline February 8, 2018

Environmental Enhancement Initiatives - The Foundation will consider applications that aim to catalyze a significant increase in public support for fast and deep-reaching climate change solutions. Priority will be given to broad integrated approaches linking disparate initiatives, enhancing public engagement, and integrating marginalized sectors of the population into climate change dialogues and movements. Of particular interest is a desire to engage with and support Indigenous-led climate justice movements.

Letter of Inquiry Deadline: February 8, 2018

<http://www.catherinedonnellyfoundation.org/home.html>

[Government of Ontario - Summer Experience Program](#)

Deadline: February 28, 2018

The Summer Experience Program (SEP) provides not-for-profit organizations, municipalities and Aboriginal/First Nations communities with funding to create meaningful summer employment opportunities for students.

NOTE: Intake is not yet open – expected to open at end of January or early February

<http://www.grants.gov.on.ca/GrantsPortal/en/OntarioGrants/GrantOpportunities/OSAPQA005131>

[Municipality of Clarington: Community Grant Program](#)

Applications accepted: January 18 to February 23, 2018

The Community Grant Program provides financial assistance to not-for-profit, volunteer community organizations to provide direct programs, events or services that benefit the residents of Clarington.

Organizations must meet eligibility criteria, and go through the application process. Eligible organizations can receive funding for one (1) successful grant application per year up to a maximum of \$5,000. Applicants are further encouraged to pursue other opportunities for financial support and are eligible to apply for funding for events through the Community Event

Sponsorship Program. However, they must not receive funding through the annual municipal budget process. Organizations must be in and must remain in good financial standing with the Municipality of Clarington.

<http://www.clarington.net/en/be-active/community-grant-program.asp>

[Community One Foundation \(Rainbow Grants\)](#)

2018 grant application dates to be announced in February 2018

Rainbow Grants provide funding to foster new and innovative services and programs that have a positive impact on the LGBTTIQQ2S community in the GTA, in the areas of:

- health and social sciences
- arts and culture
- research, education and advocacy

Foundation Rainbow Grants are available for up to \$7,500 and are open to registered charities or groups trusted by a registered charity.

General Rainbow Grants are available for up to \$1,500 and are open to groups or individuals without charitable status.

The RBC Community Rainbow Grant was created in partnership with RBC Royal Bank. This grant is available to a registered charity for up to \$10,000. The RBC Community Rainbow Grant focuses on one or more of the following key areas:

- seed new and innovative projects to combat discrimination on the basis of sexual/gender identity and create an atmosphere of respect and acceptance
- support needed but underfunded services to LGBT individuals and families
- provide programming specifically aimed at supporting newcomers to Canada who have identified themselves with the LGBT community

<http://communityone.ca/index.php?id=20>

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Ongoing/Open Calls for Applications

Note: Details are always subject to change so check the websites regularly

[The Allstate Foundation](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The Allstate Foundation of Canada was established in 1977 to provide grants to charities and not-for-profit organizations that are involved in a variety of activities or educational initiatives focused around crime prevention, road safety or home safety.

Grants will not be given for conferences, seminars, endowment funds, or to individuals for awards, fellowships, scholarships or bursaries.

<https://www.allstate.ca/webpages/about/foundation.aspx>

[Government of Canada: Events - Inter-Action: Multiculturalism Funding Program](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The Inter-Action: Multiculturalism Funding Program supports the socio-economic integration of individuals and communities and helps them to contribute to building an integrated, socially-cohesive society.

The Events component provides funding to community-based events that foster one or more of the following:

- Intercultural/interfaith understanding
- Civic memory and pride
- Respect for core democratic values

Approved applicants may receive up to 50% of the total cash expenses of the event (to a maximum of \$25,000).

<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/interaction/events.html>

[Canada Council for the Arts](#)

Deadline: All program area grants are accessible through their portal and registration must be complete at least 30 days before you wish to apply.

Canada Council grants are now organized into six programs:

1. Explore and Create;
2. Engage and Sustain;
3. Creating, Knowing and Sharing: The Arts and cultures of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples
4. Supporting Artistic Practice;
5. Arts Across Canada;
6. Arts Abroad.

<http://canadacouncil.ca/council/grants/new-chapter?platform=hootsuite>

[Government of Canada: Canadian Heritage: Building Communities through Arts and Heritage – Legacy Fund](#)

Legacy Fund Deadline: No fixed deadline for applications to the Legacy fund, but the application must be submitted at the latest by the date of the anniversary you want to commemorate (one year in advance).

The Legacy Fund component provides funding for community capital projects that commemorate a 100th anniversary or greater in increments of 25 years, of a significant local historical event or local historical personality.

<http://canada.pch.gc.ca/eng/1455310870059/1455310944929>

[Government of Canada: Canadian Heritage: Canada Cultural Spaces Fund](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The CCSF seeks to improve physical conditions for artistic creativity and innovation. It is also designed to increase access for Canadians to performing arts, visual arts, media arts, and to museum collections and heritage displays. The Fund supports the improvement, renovation and construction of arts and heritage facilities, and the acquisition of specialized equipment as well as conducting feasibility studies. Non-profit arts and heritage organizations incorporated under Part II of the Canada Corporations Act or under corresponding provincial or territorial legislation. Provincial/territorial governments, municipal or regional governments, and their agencies, as well as First Nations and Inuit equivalent governments, are also eligible. Federal organizations and federal Crown corporations are not eligible for funding.

<http://canada.pch.gc.ca/eng/1455203896312/1455204007503>

[Government of Canada: Canadian Heritage: Museums Assistance Program – Exhibition Circulation Fund](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The Museums Assistance Program (MAP) supports heritage institutions and workers in the preservation and presentation of heritage collections. MAP provides financial assistance to Canadian museums and related institutions for activities that:

- facilitate Canadians' access to our heritage;
- foster the preservation of Canada's cultural heritage, including the preservation of representative collections of Aboriginal cultural heritage; and
- foster professional knowledge, skills and practices related to key museum functions.

For the Museums Assistance Program, priority is now given to history-related projects, and the requirement that travelling history exhibits must circulate beyond their province or territory of origin is eliminated. Also, the program supports museums, including small museums, in borrowing artefacts from the national collection of the Canadian Museum of History and the Canadian War Museum.

A total amount of up to \$1 million per year is available for history-related projects.

Exhibition Circulation Fund:

The Exhibition Circulation Fund component assists museums with the costs of hosting travelling exhibitions originating from another museum or from a federal heritage institution and borrowing artefacts for exhibition from the Canadian Museum of History or the Canadian War Museum.

<http://canada.pch.gc.ca/eng/1456325095980>

[Futurpreneur Canada Newcomer Program](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

If you're new to Canada and don't have a credit history, Futurpreneur Canada wants to help you launch your business. We provide tailored support and eligibility criteria to reflect your new status in Canada. [Spark Centre](http://www.sparkcentre.org/) (<http://www.sparkcentre.org/>) in Oshawa is a community partner of the Futurpreneur Canada Newcomer Program.

<http://www.futurpreneur.ca/en/get-started/financing-and-mentoring/newcomer/>

[CIBC Children's Foundation](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

CIBC's foundation focuses on programs and projects that enhance the health, education and well-being of children in Canada.

CIBC Children's Foundation has three areas of focus: health, education and well-being of children. Programs that are funded by the Foundation provide vital support services and enrichment opportunities to young people in their formative years that may not otherwise be accessible.

Donation requests are reviewed by a donations committee between the months of February and September each year. Requests submitted outside our granting period will be held over until the next granting year begins.

<http://www.cibc.com/ca/inside-cibc/community-matters/miracle-day/donations-guide.html>

[Donner Canadian Foundation](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

This foundation supports environmental, international development, and social service projects. While this foundation does not respond to letters of inquiry or unsolicited requests for funding regularly, it does maintain files about charitable organizations and their work. Charitable organizations can send a 2-3 page description of their goals and programs to the Executive Director; should there be a potential match between the organization work and foundation interests, organizations will be contacted.

<http://www.donnerfoundation.org/granting.htm>

[Government of Canada Opportunities Fund \(OF\) for Persons with Disabilities](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The Opportunities Fund for Persons with Disabilities provides organizations with funding to support people with disabilities in preparing for, finding, obtaining and keeping employment or becoming self-employed, thereby increasing their economic participation and independence. OF projects may also assist persons with disabilities to acquire the skills necessary to maintain their new employment.

Local and regional submissions to the Opportunities Fund are accepted on an ongoing basis.

http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/of/index.shtml?utm_source=Opportunities+Fund+for+Persons+with+Disabilities&utm_medium=Link&utm_campaign=Action_Plan_Skills_Fall_2013

[Government of Ontario: Celebrate Ontario Blockbuster](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

This annual grant program supports local tourism by assisting festival and event organizers in developing new and improved experiences, attracting more tourists and increasing visitor spending.

<http://www.grants.gov.on.ca/GrantsPortal/en/OntarioGrants/GrantOpportunities/OSAPQA005140>

[The Greygates Foundation](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The Greygates Foundation was created in 2001 by J. Ronald Gibbs to provide grants to organizations that serve the needs of children, the elderly, the disabled, or the disadvantaged, and to organizations that promote animal welfare or wildlife preservation. Though funding may be provided for projects in any country, recipient organizations must be Canadian Registered Charities. The grant award limit is \$3,000, and grants are paid in Canadian dollars. The application process is described on the For Grant Seekers page.

The Greygates Foundation grants are generally awarded to smaller non-profit organizations, but are not limited to such organizations.

<http://www.adminitrustllc.com/the-greygates-foundation/>

[Infrastructure Ontario LOANS \(not grants\)](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

To date, Infrastructure Ontario (IO) has committed to the financing of over \$6 billion in infrastructure, helping clients improve the quality of life in communities across Ontario. Together with our clients, IO has helped finance more than a thousand infrastructure projects – from the construction of roads, bridges and facilities to the acquisition of assets, such as vehicles and equipment – most capital expenditures are eligible. The following public sector organizations are eligible to apply for loans:

- Aboriginal Health Access Centres
- Community Health & Social Service Hubs
- Hospices
- Housing Providers
- Local Services Boards
- Long-term Care Homes
- Municipal Corporations
- Municipalities
- Professional Arts Training

- Sports & Recreation Organizations
- Universities & Affiliated Colleges

<http://www.infrastructureontario.ca/Templates/LoanWithCarousel.aspx?id=50&langtype=1033>

[Innoweave - Practical Tools for Social Innovation](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

Innoweave offers grants to support groups of organizations as they develop Collective Impact initiatives.

Organizations that have participated in an Innoweave Collective Impact Workshop 2 will be eligible to apply for up to \$40,000 of funding to help them launch their initiative. Groups which are clear on both the goals that they hope to achieve with Collective Impact and how they can use the resources to advance their plan are invited to apply for Launch Funding. Before application for Launch Funding, groups should explore Planning coaching. Planning coaching is designed to help get groups reach for launch funding. Groups which have completed Workshop 2 will also automatically be considered for Planning Coaching based on the work they submit following Workshop 2.

Organizations that have completed workshop 2 are invited to apply for Launch funding following the workshop. Organizations that have not completed a workshop are welcome to submit an expression of interest.

What Does a Launch Grant Cover?

- \$10,000 - \$40,000 over 6 months
- Backbone support (staff)
- Travel, coordination and convening costs
- Small capital costs

<http://innoweave.ca/en/modules/collective-impact/grants>

[Indigenous Culture Fund](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

This fund is part of the Government of Ontario's response to the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC). The OAC and Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (MTCS) acknowledge and thank all of the survivors, their relations and the TRC.

ICF was created through a process of extensive outreach and collaboration with Indigenous communities across Ontario. ICF exists to support cultural priorities and activities as defined by Indigenous peoples and communities, including on and off-reserve, urban, rural and remote.

The goals of ICF programs are to:

- Support the vitality and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis expression and ways of life.
- Create opportunities for Indigenous people to continue community building.
- Support community-based activities that foster well-being and resilience for Indigenous peoples of all ages.
- Support Indigenous peoples to engage in and share cultural practices, knowledge and learning.
- Support Indigenous language revitalization.

ICF Small Grants

This program supports short-term community, culture and way-of-life projects in Ontario with grants of up to \$5,000. Ontario-based Indigenous organizations, groups and individuals are eligible to apply. First-time applicants, youth and Elders are all encouraged to apply.

<http://www.arts.on.ca/grants/activity/indigenous-culture-fund>

[The McLean Foundation](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The McLean Foundation will only accept applications from organizations that have first submitted a letter of inquiry and then been asked to submit a full proposal. Applicants should note that their letters of inquiry are viewed by the Board of Directors along with the full proposal.

<http://mcleanfoundation.ca/index.html>

[Ontario Catapult Microloan Fund](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The Ontario Catapult Microloan Fund—created in partnership with the Province of Ontario, TD Bank, Microsoft Canada, Alterna Savings, KPMG and Social Capital Partners—is all about enabling social entrepreneurs and innovators to turn their ideas into world-changing impact by supporting promising early stage social enterprises with access to capital and CSI's existing programming and services.

The Ontario Catapult Microloan Fund will:

- Make between 15 and 25 investments in early stage social enterprises (non-profit and for-profit) that are tenants or Community Members of CSI (see socialinnovation.ca/become-a-member)
- Provide low interest loans of \$5,000 - \$25,000 to eligible social enterprises
- Provide a range of support to enable the social enterprises to succeed

- Undertake a full impact assessment of the investments over a 2-year process

http://socialinnovation.ca/catapult?utm_source=Innovators&utm_campaign=57c6370e95-Community_Innovation_Challenge&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_690d89cb87-57c6370e95-

[Ontario Youth Jobs Strategy – Starter Company](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

Get guidance and a grant for your small business. If you're starting, expanding or buying a small business, apply for training, mentoring and a grant through Starter Company Plus.

Through Starter Company Plus, you can:

- get one-on-one guidance from a Small Business Enterprise Centre advisor
- participate in business workshops, seminars or networking events °topics range from writing a business plan to budgeting to marketing campaigns
- talk to a mentor with experience in starting, expanding or buying a small business

You can also apply for a grant of up to \$5,000. These supports are available if you want to start a new company, expand an existing company or buy a business in Ontario.

Who can apply?

- 18 years of age or older
- an Ontario resident and Canadian citizen (or permanent resident)
- not attending school full-time or returning to school

To qualify for a grant, you must be able to make a contribution in cash or in kind. It has to be for least 25% of the grant amount.

You apply through a Small Business Enterprise Centre. There's no application period or deadline. You can apply any time.

You can apply at any time; you need to apply through a Small Business Enterprise Centre. Connect with Patrice Esper, Youth Program Coordinator Business Advisory Centre Durham (BACD) (905) 668-4949 x227 pesper@bacd.ca or <http://bacd.ca/starter-company/>

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/start-company-young-adults>

[RBC Youth Mental Health Project](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

We fund programs that address youth and family's immediate need to access mental health services, a critical area identified by parents, youth and experts in the field. We have chosen to focus our funding on two areas where we believe our support can make the biggest difference:

- Navigation programs
- Technology based solutions

We will also consider supporting other programs that increase access to care if they are collaborative, have proven results and can demonstrate successful outcomes.

We will prioritize granting for programs that increase collaboration across service providers to reduce fragmentation. Our hope is that our funding will help achieve integration not just within the mental health system, but between the mental health and general health systems. We also prefer to fund programs that do not duplicate services provided by other organizations.

<http://www.rbc.com/community-sustainability/community/after-school-grants/index.html>

[TD Bank Financial Group](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The TD Bank Financial Group provides to registered Canadian non-profits in projects that focus on education and financial literacy, creating opportunities for young people, and the environment. Only Canadian organizations can receive funding, and funding must be used within Canada.

<http://www.td.com/corporate-responsibility/funding.jsp>

[TechSoup Canada](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

TechSoup Canada is the Canadian partner of TechSoup Global. Many non-profits and social benefit organizations worldwide serve the needs of low-income, underserved populations and create positive social change. We believe these organizations could have even greater impact through the appropriate use of technology. This requires assistance with obtaining, using, and sustaining technology.

<http://www.techsoupcanada.ca/>

[Town of Whitby - Community Development Fund](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

The Mayor's Community Development Fund (MCDF) utilizes net revenue from the Mayor's Golf Tournament and the Mayor's Fundraiser to provide financial support to community groups, events and initiatives that will benefit the community.

Applications will be evaluated by a Grants Review Committee that meets on a monthly basis. All applications will receive a formal notice of decision within two months of receipt of application.

<http://whitby.ca/en/townhall/Community-Development-Funds.asp>

[The Zukerman Family Foundation](#)

Deadline: Ongoing

This foundation funds various registered charitable organizations in Canada.

Please note, if the foundation decides to encourage a formal application, a request will be made. The submission of extensive documentation, videos, etc., is NOT encouraged.

<http://zukermanfamily.com>

Varying Dates for Applications

Note: Details are always subject to change so check the websites regularly

[Government of Canada: Canadian Heritage](#)

Deadline: Dates vary

Canadian Heritage funds more than 50 different programs around the vision of supporting the arts, Canada's two official languages and our athletes with a mission of promoting an environment in which all Canadians take full advantage of dynamic cultural experiences, celebrating our history and heritage, and participating in building creative communities.

<http://canada.pch.gc.ca/eng/1427741123839>

[Government of Ontario Grants Portal](#)

Deadline: Dates vary

Grants Ontario is your source for grants provided by the Ministry of Citizenship, Immigration and International Trade; Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport; and, the Accessibility Directorate of Ontario; and, selected grants from the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs.

<http://www.grants.gov.on.ca/GrantsPortal/en/OntarioGrants/GrantsHome/>

[Ontario Arts Council](#)

Deadline: Dates vary

The Ontario Arts Council currently offers more than 65 granting programs to individual artists, collectives, ad hoc groups and organizations in twelve sectors. If you're not sure if your project or organization is eligible, download the OAC Grant Survival Guide – an excellent resource to help you navigate the grant application process! See the following link for a list of application deadlines by date: [Ontario Arts Council](http://www.arts.on.ca/Page77.aspx) (<http://www.arts.on.ca/Page77.aspx>)

<http://www.arts.on.ca/page16.aspx>