

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

ANNUAL GRANTS 2020

1. How much funding is available in the Annual Grants program?

The Annual Grants are available for a maximum of \$20,000 plus up to an additional \$3,000 in access funds.

2. My organization does not have a charitable number. Can I still apply?

All applicants should be incorporated, non-profit organizations and have a valid charitable number from Canada Revenue Agency, or other [qualified donee](#).

If another group with a charitable number is working in partnership and can take on the responsibility of the grant, they may make the application using their CRA number and are responsible for the funds and the outcomes.

3. We have applied for a grant in the past and not been successful. Can we still apply?

Yes, try to gain insight as why you were not successful by speaking to staff from the Foundation or to someone with experience, and adjust your approach accordingly.

4. We already receive funds from Canadian Women's Foundation for another program. Are we still eligible to apply?

You can apply for another program within another grant area at the Foundation and it will not affect your application.

5. We currently have a Canadian Women's Foundation grant that is not finished. Can we still apply for a grant?

You can still apply as long as the grant application is for new work and not to finish parts of the project or program that were supposed to be completed during the timeline of the first grant.

6. Can we submit applications for more than one grant area at the Foundation? For example, can our organization apply for both a multi-year Girls' Fund grant and a one-year Annual grant?

Yes. You can apply to multiple grant streams so long as the applications are not for the same project/program; applications submitted must be for two separate programs. Applications to multiple grant streams for the same project will not be considered.

7. Can I submit two applications for the same granting cycle?

No. We only accept one proposal per organization per granting cycle.

8. Our audited financial statements are not yet ready. What should I do?

Provide the most recent financial statements and follow-up with the last year's statement as soon as it is available.

9. We do not have any letters of support from women's or gender equality organizations. Will that affect how our proposal is assessed?

It is preferable to have letters of support from groups with experience working with women, girls, Two-Spirit, trans, and non-binary peoples in the context of empowerment. Not having such partners involved in the project could adversely affect your application.

10. The program we are planning takes place over two years; can we apply for two years at once?

No. However, you may apply for funding for the same project again next year. A project can be funded for a maximum of three years.

11. Do you fund operations or provide core funding?

No. We fund projects or programs only. Some of the grant funds can be used for administrative or overhead costs related to the project/program.

12. Can I apply for funds for a men's program or programs involving men?

No. Canadian Women's Foundation supports work to end violence against women and while we recognize that men's programs are important doing this, in order to prioritize, we have chosen to focus our efforts in programs for women, girls, Two-Spirit, trans, and non-binary people.

13. Do you fund furniture and office equipment?

Yes, when it is part of the programmatic expenses.

14. How will I be informed of the status of my application and when will the grants be made?

Final decisions are made by the board in June which will be communicated with applicants in July 2020. The funds to be released in August 2020.

15. Can I call for updates about my grant?

Yes, but please remember that you are one of many, so getting an answer may take time. Generally, email requests receive faster responses.

16. What are the stages of the grant-making process?



17. I have read these FAQs and I would still like to contact staff from the Foundation.

We are always happy to hear from prospective grantees!

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