

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS 2023-2027

PRACTICAL QUESTIONS

1. How much funding is available in the Economic Development grant program?

The Economic Development grants are available for a maximum of \$65,000 per year for 4 years.

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.

You can reach out to Michelle via email at mmusindo@canadianwomen.org or over the phone at 416365144 x249.

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. Note that the funding cannot be for the same project.

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 if 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. We have received an Economic Development grant previously. Can we still apply in this funding cycle?

Yes, you can apply. However, you cannot apply for the same project or program if it has already been funded in two previous grant cycles.

7. 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.

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

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

9. 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.

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

No. Canadian Women's Foundation supports interventions for women, girls, trans, non-binary and Two Spirit people. While we recognize programming for male-identify people is important, we have chosen to focus our funding efforts on programs for women, girls, trans, non-binary and Two Spirit people.

11. Do you fund furniture and office equipment?

Yes, when it is part of the programmatic expenses.

12. When will the grants be made?

Final decisions are made by the board November 2022 and the funds are released January 2023.

As this application is a two-stage process, those that are not invited to submit a full application after review of their Letter of Interest in June 2022.

13. How will I be informed of the different stages in the process?

All applicants will be advised upon review of the Letters of Interest, in June 2022 as to whether they will be invited to submit a full application. Upon review of the full proposals received,

organizations will be informed as to whether they have made it to the final step, a site visit, or if their proposal has been declined. Final decisions will be communicated in writing in November 2022.

14. 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.

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



Application Content Questions

16. 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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