

Community Funds



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Application for Funding

ABOUT THE FUNDS

In 2021, several employees of the Nova Scotia Career Development Association (NSCDA) formed the NSCDA Diversity and Inclusion Committee (NDIC). Later that year, NDIC developed two funding programs to support underrepresented communities in Nova Scotia, with financial support from the NSCDA.

The **Helping Hands Community Fund** is an event-based fund of \$10,000 to be used by a variety of organizations. This fund supports small, grassroots organizations that need resources to help grow influence within their communities.

Examples of the types of initiatives, events or programs we would like to support through the **Helping Hands Community Fund**:

- Local event for community members
- A school event/sponsor an event
- A food drive
- Educational workshop
- Providing new blankets for a shelter
- Books for school

The **Ubuntu Giving Fund** provides financial support for organizations with larger capacities and reach that are working on new or existing projects or initiatives within their communities. The program will provide \$40,000 and is intended to support multiple projects across the province.

The projects or initiatives should be centred around providing support for people in need, creating opportunities, providing experiences, or educating people.

This is a life-changing opportunity to evolve and advance an organization. This fund is meant to support a large-scale impact on an organization's ability to help the communities that they serve.

Examples of the types of initiatives, events or programs we would like to support with the **Ubuntu Giving Fund**:

- Food security in the community
- Temporary or permanent housing
- Career development and entrepreneurship experiences
- Development and delivery of cultural education
- Opportunities for youth recreation and experiences
- Immigration and settlement in Nova Scotia
- Healthy growth and development of children and youth
- Peer support and mentorship
- Re-entering the community

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

The following list includes some of the things you will need to think about before filling in this application:

- Which fund best suits your group's needs, the Ubuntu Giving Fund or the Helping Hands Community Fund?
- What are the primary areas of interest that you plan to address with the funding, should your application be approved? (Healthy growth for children and youth, family and community well-being, supporting inclusive communities, community engagement, etc.). The application includes a complete list.
- The dates of your event if applicable.
- A summary of how you plan to use the funding.
- Project objectives describing the community your project will benefit.
- If your project has been offered before, do you plan to do it differently this time, and if so, how will the changes improve the outcome for participants?
- Who will participate in and/or benefit from the project/initiative.
- Where will the participants and/or beneficiaries come from? (Schools, neighbourhoods, throughout the province, out of province, etc.).
- Which of the following focus areas will be included in the project? (Employment, skills/preparation, nutrition/food security, academic achievement/support, arts and culture, theatre, music, sports and recreation, social inclusion and social supports, etc.).
- At what level will the project/initiative or event primarily occur? (Individual, family, community).
- How often will the participants take part in the project?
- If you receive funding, how will you recognize the NSCDA's contribution?

Questions about the application process can be emailed to: difund@nscda.ca.

If you require more room for information, please attach a separate sheet.

APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	Position
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Telephone Number	
<input type="text"/>	
Organization Name	
<input type="text"/>	
Website and/or Social Media	
<input type="text"/>	
Civic Address	
<input type="text"/>	

Fund Selection (select only one)

Ubuntu Giving Fund

Helping Hands Community Fund

Requested amount of money: _____

PROJECT INFORMATION

Funding Objectives	
Indicate the areas of interest that your project will address. You may choose more than one.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Healthy growth and development of children and youth.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual, family, and community well-being.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Supportive and inclusive communities.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Community engagement and capacity building.	
Other: _____	
Funding Priorities	
From the list below indicate the priority areas that your project will address. <i>Select all that apply.</i>	
<i>Healthy growth and development of children and youth.</i>	<i>Individual, family, and community well-being.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Early childhood development <input type="checkbox"/> After school and/or weekend program <input type="checkbox"/> Summer camp or recreation program <input type="checkbox"/> Community-school partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Youth engagement or volunteerism or leadership <input type="checkbox"/> Youth programming and/or experiences Other: _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Increasing physical activity levels <input type="checkbox"/> Family support programming/experiences <input type="checkbox"/> Problem gambling awareness, education, and prevention <input type="checkbox"/> Violence/bullying awareness, education, and prevention <input type="checkbox"/> Program that promotes and encourages healthy lifestyles <input type="checkbox"/> Addiction's awareness, education, and prevention <input type="checkbox"/> Reducing barriers to enable access and participation Other: _____ _____
<i>Supportive and inclusive communities.</i>	<i>Community engagement and capacity building.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Community centennial <input type="checkbox"/> Organization anniversary <input type="checkbox"/> Other milestone events <input type="checkbox"/> Program/event around indigenous culture <input type="checkbox"/> An event showcasing NS artists <input type="checkbox"/> Celebrates diversity or intergenerational understanding Other: _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Encourages community participation and leadership <input type="checkbox"/> Community leader training and support <input type="checkbox"/> Not-for-profit staff/volunteer training <input type="checkbox"/> Increase collaboration among non-for-profits and others Other: _____ _____

Project/Initiative Title			
Start Date		End Date	
Location of Project Activities <i>(communities, facilities)</i>			
Executive Summary of Project/Initiative <i>(approximately 50 words for each question):</i> Provide a brief summary how you plan to use the funding, if granted.			
Participants and Community: Briefly describe the community your project will benefit.			
Project History and Evolution: If the project/initiative has been offered before, briefly describe the results and any changes that have been made to the project to improve outcomes for participants.			

Select the ages of the audiences who will benefit from your project. <i>Select all that apply</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Children 0 – 5 years	<input type="checkbox"/> Children 6 – 11 years
<input type="checkbox"/> Teens 12 – 16 years	<input type="checkbox"/> Youth 17 – 25 years
<input type="checkbox"/> Adults	<input type="checkbox"/> Older Adults (55+ years)
Identify the diverse background of the participants and their beneficiaries. <i>For example: newcomers who work as volunteers at the Language Support Group in Antigonish, or children in Dartmouth attending Hawthorn Elementary. (approximately 25 words)</i>	
Where will the participants and/or beneficiaries come from? <i>Select all that apply.</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> School(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Region
<input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Province
<input type="checkbox"/> Town/City	<input type="checkbox"/> Out-of-Province
<input type="checkbox"/> Town/City Surrounding Area	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Which of the following focus areas will be included in the project? <i>Select all that apply.</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Employment skills/preparation	<input type="checkbox"/> Reducing discrimination/racism
<input type="checkbox"/> Nutrition/food security	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal choices/coping skills
<input type="checkbox"/> Academic achievement/support	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing supports
<input type="checkbox"/> Arts and culture, theatre, music	<input type="checkbox"/> Public awareness/education
<input type="checkbox"/> Sport and recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> Aging independence
<input type="checkbox"/> Social inclusion and social supports	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation supports
<input type="checkbox"/> Health and wellness	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Crime reduction	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
At what level will the project/initiative or event primarily occur?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> Family
	<input type="checkbox"/> Community
How often will the participants take part in the project?	
<input type="checkbox"/> One-time event	<input type="checkbox"/> Daily
	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly
<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Project Activities and Timelines

Indicate the primary or major types of activities that will occur to carry out the project and their anticipated start and end dates.

Activity Description	Start Date	End Date

Expected Results

Estimate the number of people that will benefit from the project:

Gained Benefits: Describe the expected outcomes, benefits, or results that participants will get from their involvement with the project. *(approximately 50 words)*

Project Assessment: How will you measure and evaluate the overall success of the project? How will you evaluate the results experienced by participants? *(approximately 50 words)*

Acknowledgment of Funding if Received

If you receive funding, how will you recognize the NSCDA's Contribution? *(approximately 50 words)*

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS

Please note: if you are offered funding and accept, you could be asked to participate in photo shoots, grant interviews, or provide photos of the activities that will be used to promote the funding programs and the NSCDA in print, on social media and in other platforms. Please type "YES" if you understand and agree to this: _____

Fund Accountability: You may be asked to sign an "accountability agreement" or other agreement, if you are offered funding that you accept. This agreement may mean that you will be required to provide receipts for your use of the funds, and/or provide proof that an event or activity took place. Please type "YES" if you agree to this: _____

Additional information may be required before or after we make a decision on your application.

Please sign here to indicated you have read the three (3) paragraphs above, and agree to them: _____

Please also print/type your name here: _____

Date: _____