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### Question received by email on December 16, 2025:

1. Will the City only approve a grant for the full amount requested?

The evaluation committee may recommend a lesser amount upon review of the application given the limited funds available and the number of qualified applications.

Questions received on December 8, 2025 (City of Delta Community Grants Information Session – FINAL ANSWERS):

1. Our organization is a non-profit incorporated as per the BC Societies Act, but we don't have CRA charitable status. Are we eligible to apply?

Yes – as an incorporated non-profit organization, you should have a BC Society Number. As long as you have this number, you are eligible to apply.

2. Can we use a Community Grant to support our staffing?

No. Staffing costs count as ongoing operational costs, and as such are not supported by the Community Grant program. However, if the initiative you are requesting funding for engages a contractor – for example, a guest speaker, facilitator or presenter – you can use your grant funding for their fees.

3. Do you accept applications from organizations that do not have audited financial statements?

Yes, currently we do not request financial statements from organizations.

4. When we fill out the budget breakdown, should we be focusing it on the specific initiative we're applying for, or on our organization in general?

Please focus your budget breakdown on the initiative you are applying for. The City of Delta Community Grants program is intended to support specific programs and initiatives rather than ongoing organizational funding; as such we ask that the budget breakdown be linked directly to those programs and initiatives.

5. How do you apply for funding for Delta facilities? Will this be included in the same application?

The City of Delta's Facility Rental Grant program is separate from the Community Grants program. To apply for a Facility Rental Grant, visit the application here: <u>Application Form for Facility Rental Fee Grants | City of Delta</u>

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#### 6. Will including other communities in my application disqualify my application?

While including other communities in your application will not disqualify you, please note that we prioritize applications that benefit Delta residents. As such, it is possible that including other communities will affect how your application will be scored.

## 7. Assuming the outcomes of our initiative are good, can we count on the Community Grants program for continued funding?

The Community Grants program is not intended to provide continuous funding. If you wish to receive funding for the same initiative for subsequent years, you will need to submit a new application annually and the application will be scored based on our criteria and considered among the pool of applications for each intake.

#### 8. Are we allowed to apply for more than one intake in the same year?

While you are welcome to apply for more than one intake in the same year, please note that the Community Grants program receives far more applications than we can provide funding for. As such, it is likely that the evaluation panel will consider new applications for each intake to give more organizations the chance to receive funding.

# 9. The program criteria mention working with community partners. Do you mean financial partners?

Not necessarily. The criteria mention community partners, broadly; this can mean financial partners, or other organizations that you will work closely with to meet the goals of the program (for example, other non-profit organizations or community groups.)

#### 10. Can we use the funding for resources that will support ongoing initiatives?

Community Grants funding can be used for capital costs that support ongoing initiatives – for example, to purchase office equipment. However, the funding is not intended to support ongoing operational funding.

#### 11. Do we need to have partnerships, or are support letters enough?

We encourage applicants to demonstrate that they are working in collaboration with community partners – be they service providers or community groups. While it is not a requirement, please note that working with partners is included in the evaluation rubric for the Community Grants program.

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12. Can we use the funding for more than one community initiative? For example, could we apply for \$10,000, with \$5000 for one initiative and \$5000 for another?

Yes, technically you can apply for two initiatives, provided they meet the criteria of the Community Grants program. However, keep in mind that the application form was developed for individual initiatives, so including more than one may be challenging and will present challenges in assessing both initiatives.

#### 13. Who makes up the Community Grants evaluation panel?

The evaluation panel is made up of City of Delta staff.

#### Questions received by email by December 6, 2025:

1. I noticed that the fields in the PDF have a character limit. Can I send a separate document with my answers on them so they can be longer?

The character limit is intentional to support applicants in keeping their responses concise. Please keep all responses within the provided fields and character limit.

2. Is there someone I can contact with questions about the Community Grants program?

Yes – please direct your questions to <a href="mailto:communitygrants@delta.ca">communitygrants@delta.ca</a>.

3. My organization already receives support from the City of Delta; however, we have an associated foundation that does not. Can the foundation apply for a City of Delta Community Grant?

Yes, if the foundation does not receive funding from the City of Delta already and meets the other requirements of the Community Grants program, it is eligible to apply for a Community Grant. Please ensure that your application does not include any partner organizations that already receive funding from the City of Delta Instead, focus on the foundation being a separate organization (i.e., the foundation is a totally different entity with different legal status, staff, etc.) and highlight how it supports other relevant work in the community.

4. I am wondering about applicable grants for my charitable organization. Can you give me some advice?

The City of Delta's Community Grant program is a good starting point. You can find the eligibility requirements on our website – in short, to be eligible your organization must:

- Be a non-profit organization with a BC Society Number or Registered Charity number
- Provide services that primarily benefit Delta residents, and
- Not receive other support from the City of Delta

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In addition, the program is intended to support initiatives that:

- Strengthen and enhance the well-being of Delta's community
- Benefit residents facing social, physical or economic disadvantages
- Promote volunteering, cultural understanding or inclusivity
- Partner with other service providers in Delta
- Come from organizations whose programs and services are inclusive and available to Delta residents

If you review our application form and scoring rubric, both available on the <u>Community Grants</u> webpage, you will see how applications are scored.

# 5. My organization is located outside of Delta, but we support Delta residents. Are we eligible for the Delta Community Grant program?

Yes, your organization is still eligible for the Delta Community Grant program. As long as you can demonstrate that your organization has an impact in Delta (i.e., it supports Delta residents), it would be eligible.

# 6. My organization is in the process of registering as a charity. Do you offer grants to non-registered charitable organizations?

At this time, we only offer grants to registered charitable organizations or non-profits with a BC Society Number. If your organization is in the process of registering, please note that we accept grant applications for two intakes per year, so you can always apply at a later time. Alternatively, you can partner with an eligible organization and apply for this intake.