

Request for proposals:

Oshki Annishinabe Nigaaniwak Grant Program • Application



Oshki Annishinabe Nigaaniwak, the City of Winnipeg's Indigenous Youth Strategy ("the Grant Program") was adopted by Winnipeg City Council in 2008 and has provided grant funding to community-based organizations serving Indigenous youth in Winnipeg. Since then, the Grant Program has supported urban youth programs and services aligned to the focus areas of (i) employment and employment development; (ii) physical, culture, and leisure; (iii) literacy and lifelong learning; and (iv) community connections.

This Request for Proposals process invites applications from community-based organizations that respond to the needs and priorities of urban Indigenous youth in Winnipeg, and is aligned to the focus areas of the Grant Program, and the priorities identified in the Final Reports of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirited peoples.

Funding proposals will be evaluated and selected **giving preference to urban Indigenous-led** non-profit/registered charity organizations in Winnipeg with Indigenous representation defined as:

- Á A minimum of 75% of the organization's board members (governing body) are Indigenous (First Nations, Métis, Inuit), **and**
- Á A minimum of 75% of the organization's employees are Indigenous (First Nations, Métis, Inuit).

Available Funding:

- Á Existing and ongoing available grant funding remains **subject to Council approval**, through the City of Winnipeg's multi-year (2024-2027) budget process and annually thereafter.
- Á If approved by Council, multi-year grant funding would be allocated annually for the 4-year period: **January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2027**. The total amount of annual grant funding available would be \$850,000.
- Á An applicant may submit a funding request for an annual amount between \$50,000 - \$850,000.
- Á An applicant may submit up to two (2) individual proposals involving two (2) separate projects; **or**
•Á An applicant may submit up to two (2) individual proposals for the same or similar projects for the purpose of identifying two different implementation and expenditures scenarios.

Funding eligibility:

1. Funding applicants must be organized as a Non-Profit (Manitoba) **or** as a Registered Charity as identified in the group's governing documents.
2. Funded activities must directly include and impact urban Indigenous youth (First Nations, Métis, Inuit), residing in Winnipeg, and between the ages of 15 – 30.
3. Charity/Non-Charity partnerships are eligible where: (i) the Registered Charity retains direction and control of the grant funding; **and** (ii) the activities of the Non-Charity must align with and advance the Registered Charity's mandate. Non-charity partners are defined for the purpose of this Grant Program as grassroots or community connected groups.

Funding proposal applications:

1. **Proposal applications must identify and demonstrate that funded activities are aligned to:**
 - One or more of the four broad focus areas of the Grant Program: (i) employment and employment development; (ii) physical, culture, and leisure; (iii) literacy and lifelong learning; and/or (iv) community connections; **and**
 - Á The final reports of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission **and/or** Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirited peoples.

2. **Proposal applications clearly define project/program activities, purpose, objective(s), and targeted outcomes.**
3. **Proposal applications include an attached activity budget sheet in an amount between \$50,000 to \$850,000, annually.**
4. **That the applicant identifies:**
 - If they are a community-based non-profit organization or registered charity organization, that is Indigenous-led (75% governance, 75% employees).
 - If they are a community-based non-profit organization, that is NOT Indigenous-led, but having established Indigenous relationships or associations acceptable to the community for delivering culturally appropriate programs, services, and supports for urban indigenous youth in Winnipeg.

Examples of activities that could be funded (but not limited to the following):

- Funding to expand or increase hours of operations, scope or depth of programs and services for urban Indigenous youth (First Nations, Métis, Inuit) in Winnipeg.
- Funding for new programs and services that directly support quality of life matters impacting urban Indigenous youth (First Nations, Métis, Inuit) in Winnipeg. Eg. employment development, employment, education supports, safe access to safe spaces, safe access to and safe experiences within systems youth are involved in.
- Funding for the creation of an urban Indigenous youth-led and youth-governed group organized for the purpose of building knowledge, skills, and resilient practices for community leadership within the urban Indigenous charity sector in Winnipeg.

Examples of activities that will not be funded:

- Capital expenditures, including maintenance of capital items
- Fundraising activities

Evaluation criteria for determining grant funding allocations:

1. Funding proposal activities described by the applicant include supports to increase the physical and cultural safety, and well-being of urban Indigenous youth in Winnipeg.
2. Funding proposal activities described by the applicant demonstrate alignment to one of the four broad focus areas of Oshki Annishinabe Nigaaniwak, the City of Winnipeg's Indigenous Youth Strategy.
3. Funding proposal activities described by the applicant demonstrate alignment to the TRC Calls to Action and/or MMIWG2S+ Calls for Justice, in Winnipeg.
4. Clearly established program/project activities, purpose, objective(s), and targeted outcomes.
5. The Applicant's organizational mandate and experience providing programs and services to urban Indigenous youth in Winnipeg.

Proposal Review Process and Timelines

All 2024-2027 Oshki Annishinabe Nigaaniwak Grant Program applications will be evaluated by a review committee.

June 19, 2023	Request for proposals opens
July 21, 2023	Request for proposals closes, final date to email applications
August 2023	Proposal review and evaluation period.

Funding proposal applications evaluated and selected to receive annual Oshki Annishinabe Nigaaniwak grant funding for the period January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2027, will be submitted to City Council in the form of a funding recommendation, **subject to Council approval** during the City of Winnipeg's 2024-27 multi-year budget process, commencing later in 2023.

All approved grantees will be subject to entering into an agreement with the City of Winnipeg setting the terms and conditions of such funding, and after submitting required supporting documentation where requested.

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Legal Name of Organization	
Mailing Address	
Applicant Contact Information	Contact name: Position title:
	Phone:
	Email:
Amount of funding and budget: What is the annual amount of grant funding you are requesting for the 4-year funding period? Enter the annual (\$) amount here: <i>** Please include an annual project budget spreadsheet with your grant application submission.</i>	<i>Please identify what the requested grant funding will be used for:</i>
Description of funded activities: Please describe the activities you will implement related to the requested annual grant funding, including the purpose, objective(s), and targeted outcomes for the program or project that will support urban Indigenous youth in Winnipeg.	

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<p>Alignment to MMIWG2S+ and/or TRC:</p> <p>Please explain in what way(s) your program/project activities for urban Indigenous youth in Winnipeg, are aligned to the priorities identified in the final reports of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and/or the Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirited peoples.</p>	
<p>Alignment to the Grant Program:</p> <p>Please identify one or more of the four broad focus areas of the Grant Program that your program / project activities are aligned to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • employment and employment development; • physical, culture, and leisure; • literacy and lifelong learning; • youth community connections. <p>Learn more about the Grant Program: Oshki Anishinabe Nigaaniwak</p>	
<p>Applicant description and experience:</p> <p>Is your organization an urban Indigenous-led non-profit, or registered charity, as defined above to include 75% Indigenous representation (governance body and employees)?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or,</p> <p>Is your organization a community-based non-profit organization, that is not Indigenous-led, but having established Indigenous relationships or associations acceptable to the community for delivering culturally appropriate programs, services, and supports?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or,</p> <p>Is your organization a non-profit (Manitoba) or registered charity that does not have an Indigenous mandate?</p>	<p><i>Select 1 of the 3 check-box options on the left that best describes your organization, and provide a brief explanation below about your (i) organization's mandate and (ii) experience serving urban Indigenous youth in Winnipeg.</i></p>

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Name of project or program:

Activity implementation timeline Funding for approved activities must be expended by December 31 annually, for the 4-year period (January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2027).	Annual project start date
	Annual project end date

The undersigned hereby certifies that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Organization Name: _____

I have the authority to bind the applicant.

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Funding Agreement reporting requirements:

All successful applicants (grantees) of the Grant Program will be required to report at the times and in the manner required by the City of Winnipeg. Grantees will be required to provide the following information annually:

- Observable positive outcomes or impacts that reflect successful implementation of the funded activities;
- The number of Indigenous youth (ages 15 - 30) involved directly in the funded activities annually;
- Audited financial reporting in each year of the funding agreement period; and,
- Other reporting that may be requested by the City of Winnipeg.

Funding Agreement preparation and verification:

- Additional supporting documentation, from applicants evaluated and selected to receive grant funding, will be requested at a later date.

Application Deadline - July 21, 2023:

Please return your completed **application and project budget** by email to: indigenousrelations@winnipeg.ca

Or, mail your completed application and project budget **before the deadline** to be received by July 21, 2023 to:

City of Winnipeg
Indigenous Relations,
Susan A. Thompson Building
3rd Floor, 510 Main Street
Winnipeg, MB R3B 1B9