



Grant Guide for Canadian Playgrounds

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PLAYGROUND GRANT GUIDE

The following is a list of grant opportunities across Canada, which we have compiled for your convenience. You may find additional grant opportunities by searching in your local community or Province, through organizations such as:

- Banks and financial services providers
- Telecommunications and internet providers
- Electricity and gas providers
- Manufacturing operations
- Mining and forestry
- Car dealerships, realtors, grocery stores
- Retailers, restaurants, hotels
- Service Clubs (Rotary, Elks, etc.)

For government grants, consult the resources, agencies and programs in your Province and City. Please note: Grants from the following organizations are made primarily to organizations that have received charitable status from the Canada Revenue Agency.

Visit <https://playpowercanada.ca/resources/playground-grant-guide/> for additional resources.

Air Canada

<https://www.aircanada.com/ca/en/aco/home/about/corporate-responsibility/community.html>

Air Canada and the Air Canada Foundation offer in-kind and monetary support for charitable causes, events or organizational sponsorships in exchange for brand visibility and engagement with communities, customers, and employees.

BMO (Bank of Montreal)

<https://our-impact.bmo.com/bmo-gives/>

Whether their giving to community organizations across North America, investing in partnerships to address societal needs, or supporting the giving and volunteer activities of our 55,000 employees, we pride ourselves on our 200-year-plus legacy of growing the good in the communities we serve.

Canada Post Community Foundation

<https://www.canadapost-postescanada.ca/cpc/en/our-company/community-foundation.page>

Since 2012, the Foundation has provided CAD\$16.4 million to over 1,400 projects nationwide. Supporting initiatives that benefit children and youth helps strengthen communities – Canada Post's commitment to building a stronger Canada in action.

Canadian Dermatology Association

<https://dermatology.ca/public-patients/sun-protection/shade-structure-grant-program>

The Canadian Dermatology Association Shade Structure Grant Program provides five grant(s) of up to CAD\$7,500 each for the purchase or construction of permanent shade structures to schools, daycares, city parks, and not-for-profit organizations.

Canadian National Railway

<https://www.cn.ca/en/delivering-responsibly/community/community-investments>

Beyond the tracks, we believe in making a difference where we live, work and play. Together with our employees and community partners, Canadian National Railway is helping to build safer, stronger, more sustainable and prosperous communities.

Cenovus Energy

<https://www.cenovus.com/Sustainability/Social/Social-Investment>

We understand that we play an important role in helping to address some of society's challenges and are committed to funding solutions that make people's lives better. We do this by investing our financial and human resources with purpose, including mobilizing our people through Cenovus Cares, our employee giving and volunteering program.

CIBC Foundation

<https://www.cibc.com/en/about-cibc/corporate-responsibility/community-and-sponsorship.html>

Built on their storied history of supporting our communities, the CIBC Foundation serves our commitment to creating a world without limits to ambition. We are demonstrating our purpose in action by supporting causes important to our clients and communities.

Co-Op Community Spaces

<https://www.co-op.crs/articles/detail/community-spaces-funding>

Developed to support projects in the communities across Western Canada in which they live, work, and operate. Projects can apply for between CAD\$25,000 and CAD\$150,000 in capital funding in three categories: recreation, environmental conservation, and urban agriculture.

Costco Canada

<https://www.costco.ca/community-relations.html>

Costco Wholesale's primary charitable efforts focus on programs supporting children, education, and health and human services in the communities where we do business.

Eli Lilly and Company

<https://www.lilly.com/en-CA/extending-our-impact/grants-donations-and-funding>

They support their local community by providing philanthropic support to organizations that address local community needs. Lilly Canada's Grants program provides support to organizations who have a registered charity number.

Farm Credit Canada (FCC) 'AgriSpirit Fund'

<https://www.fcc-fac.ca/en/community/apply-funding/agrispirit-fund>

The FCC AgriSpirit Fund supports projects in communities of less than 150,000 people. Eligible applicants can apply for CAD\$10,000 to \$25,000.

Ford of Canada Sponsorship Program

<https://www.ford.ca/sponsorship/overview/>

Ford believes in building communities. Vibrant communities, bursting with bustling parks and playgrounds where kids can be kids. Lively neighbourhoods where businesses thrive.

Government of Canada - Enabling Accessibility Fund (EAF)

<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/enabling-accessibility-fund.html>

The EAF provides funding for projects that make Canadian communities and workplaces more accessible for persons with disabilities. The EAF supports Canada's Disability Inclusion Action Plan, particularly Pillar 3 (Accessible and Inclusive Communities).

Honda Canada Foundation

<https://www.hondacanadafoundation.ca/home>

Created to lend a hand to registered non-profit charities that strive to make the lives of Canadians better.

Hydro One (for Ontario-based charities.)

<https://www.hydroone.com/about/energizing-life/2024>

The Energizing Life Community Fund supports local organizations that inspire caring connections between people to build strong local communities.

IA Financial Group

<https://ia.ca/about-us/donations-sponsorships>

Their objective is to provide support to causes that focus on improving quality of life for Canadians. They target our donations to organizations working in the areas of health, education, social and community support, and the environment.

KAL's RePlay Fund

<https://www.kaltire.com/en/replay/>

Kal's RePlay Fund provides grants for public infrastructure upgrades using recycled rubber products. Since 2019, we have worked with non-profits, school boards, First Nations and municipalities to aid in recycling millions of pounds of rubber tires to build enhanced, inclusive spaces.

Manulife Financial

<https://www.manulife.ca/about-us/community-investment.html>

Dedicated to advancing positive, measurable, social and environmental change to build a better business to better the world. Through their community investments, they work with organizations to foster healthier, more equitable communities.

National Bank of Canada

<https://www.nbc.ca/about-us/esg.html>

Through their philanthropic efforts, they're able to give back to the community. They support many organizations in a variety of fields, selected according to strict guidelines.

Nutrien

<https://www.nutrien.com/sustainability/community-investment/introduction>

Nutrien strives to contribute meaningfully to the communities, globally and locally, where they operate. They collaborate with community partners who share their values, approach, and will contribute to the impact they seek to make.

RBC Foundation

<https://www.rbc.com/community-social-impact/apply-for-funding/index.html>

RBC helps communities around the world by funding initiatives through sponsorships and community investments (including donations).

Scotia Bank

<https://www.scotiabank.com/ca/en/about/responsibility-impact/scotiarise/funding-guidelines-application.html>

ScotiaRISE is their 10-year, CAD500 million initiative to promote economic resilience among disadvantaged groups. By working together to remove barriers to advancement and increase access to opportunities, they will create a more inclusive and resilient world.

Suncor

<https://www.suncor.com/en-ca/sustainability/community-investment>

Suncor is committed to purposeful community investment through targeted and meaningful actions rooted in the places where our employees live and work. They support the development of resilient local economies, health and well-being, quality education and strong Indigenous communities through donations, sponsorships and employee giving.

TC Energy

<https://www.tcenergy.com/community-giving/build-strong/>

Their social impact program, Build Strong, invests in organizations that are vital to communities. Whether they are providing grants, awarding scholarships to future energy problem solvers, or providing in-kind support, their goal is to help build mutually beneficial relationships that address social challenges, while building strong communities.

TD Charitable Foundation

<https://www.tdbank.com/corporate-responsibility/the-ready-commitment/funding-opportunities/>

Since 2002, the TD Charitable Foundation has contributed over \$361 million to nonprofit organizations, in pursuit of its mission to support, respect and improve the quality of life in the diverse communities we serve.

Teck Resources

<https://www.teck.com/sustainability/sustainability-topics/communities-and-indigenous-peoples/community-investment/>

Teck recognizes that the well-being of our communities is fundamental to the long-term success of the company. Teck is committed to maximizing its investments in communities to foster trusted relationships and resilient, thriving communities in collaboration with the people that live in the areas where we operate.

Tim Hortons 'Smile Cookie Campaign'

<https://www.timhortons.ca/smile-cookie>

Last year, Smile Cookie raised \$19.8 million, supporting over 600 charities and community groups across Canada and in the United States. Recipients include local hospitals, community care organizations, food banks, and schools.

Viterra

<https://www.viterra.ca/en/Sustainability/How-We-Give-Back>

Viterra is committed to contributing to positive social outcomes in the communities where they have operations and their employees live, work and play, through community development.

Walmart

<https://www.walmartcanada.ca/purpose/community/corporate-giving>

They encourage funding requests that align with their areas of focus, however all proposals that work toward strengthening Canadian communities will be considered.

YOUR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Your local, regional or Provincial community foundation is one of the best places to begin your fundraising journey. The following is a short-list of leading community foundations across Canada.

To identify one operating in your area, visit: <https://communityfoundations.ca/find-a-community-foundation/>

Calgary Foundation

<https://calgaryfoundation.org/>

They inspire philanthropy, support the charitable sector and build a permanent endowment to address the current and future needs of people in the community.

Community Foundation of Nova Scotia

<https://cfns-fcne.ca/>

Their ultimate vision is to build vibrant communities of respect, belonging and possibility across Nova Scotia that have the resources to care for their own needs.

Edmonton Community Foundation (ECF)

<https://www.ecfoundation.org/>

ECF strengthens the community by connecting donors to charities and causes.

Quebec Philanthropic Foundation

<https://www.quebecphilanthrope.org/>

A philanthropic organization that enables individuals, families, organizations, and corporations to create philanthropic funds to address current and future community needs.

Fundy Community Foundation

<https://fundycommunityfoundation.ca/>

The Foundation has been connecting donors with needs and opportunities since 1993.

Foundation of Greater Montreal

<https://fgmtl.org/>

Mobilizes philanthropic resources, disseminates knowledge, catalyses initiatives and supports the community, to advance the sustainable development goals in Greater Montreal.

Ontario Trillium Foundation – Capital Grant

<https://otf.ca/our-grants/community-investments-grants/capital-grant>

Capital grants provide funding over one year to help organizations respond to the capital needs of Ontario's communities.

Ottawa Community Foundation

<https://www.ocf-fco.ca/>

Leverages philanthropic resources to strengthen and empower the charitable sector in the National Capital Region and beyond. They create positive, systemic, and sustainable impact with engaged philanthropy, strategic granting, social infrastructure building, and community leadership.

South Saskatchewan Foundation

<https://sscf.ca/>

The Foundation believes in facilitating Saskatchewan values, supporting local charities & developing their community so that their home is a more vital, strong, and fair place to live, work and play.

Vancouver Foundation

<https://www.vancouverfoundation.ca/>

Inspired by community and works to benefit community. They connect generous donors with the energy, time, and ideas of inspired people across British Columbia.

Victoria Foundation

<https://victoriafoundation.bc.ca/>

Inspire giving, care for the assets entrusted to them, and invest in the people, ideas and activities that strengthen their community.

Winnipeg Foundation

<https://www.wpgfdn.org/>

As a 360-degree grant maker, The Winnipeg Foundation is positioned to collaborate with community to ensure widespread impact, and to maintain a focus on evolving community needs.

Results shown in this document are as of February 2026 and will be updated periodically.