#RisingYouth Community Service Grants
We have three levels of grants: $250, $750, and $1,500

To be eligible:

The project must:

✓ Be led and created by a youth (ages 15 to 30) who is a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or has been granted refugee status in Canada

✓ Be self-initiated and not done on behalf of, or for an organization, other than a volunteer-led youth organization or club

✓ Be new and distinct, ie, not be the continuation of an existing program offered by an organization or service in the community

✓ Have a service-related (volunteerism) aspect or activity to relevant equipment purchases

✓ Be an initiative that will positively impact the community and be done during volunteered time

✓ Recruit and involve project team members to help you in implementing the project

✓ Be started and finish within 60 days and have a primary focus on an impact in Canada

✓ Be accompanied by the submission of a final report, up to 15 days after the project completion which contains receipts from all purchases (or by August 16, 2022 if your project is ongoing)

✓ Be executed safely adhering to the <u>Public Health guidelines</u> as stated by the Government of Canada, including provincial, territorial and Indigenous governments

The project must not:

✓ Solely be a fundraiser or generate profit for the youth hosting the project or an organization

✓ Charge an entrance fee/ticket or request mandatory donations to access the project

✓ Pay for an honorarium or professional service to family members or core volunteer team members. Exceptions are possible for Indigenous communities and small communities

✓ Spend more than half of the grant on an honorarium, prizes, gift cards, or for a professional service (at the $1,500 grant level, no more than $450 can be given to one individual)

✓ Be affiliated with a political party (all projects with a political nature must be non-partisan)

✓ Use the funds to cover purchases made prior to the approval of the project

The applicant must:

✓ Identify an issue, propose a solution and implement within their communities

✓ Donate all equipment bought for use throughout the project using grant funds to a community organization upon completion

✓ Submit a mandatory report, including expense receipts, to TakingITGlobal on your project within 15 days of completing your project

Selecting the grant amount that's right for you:
$250, $750, and $1,500

$250

For simple ideas, like community events or gatherings, that can be implemented by you and your friend.

For simple ideas that can be implemented with a friend or small group of team members such as distributing care packages or hosting small gatherings within the community.

Examples of projects that have been approved at this level:

Project 1: (click here for budget spreadsheet example)
I want to initiate a 1000 origami cranes project that the school can display. Different shades of blue cranes will be folded (school colours). This will add colour to the school hallways and encourage school spirit. I want to try to engage as many students as possible in the school to fold a crane to contribute to the art so the final outcome shows a work of unity.
Budget: Origami paper - $130, String (to hang cranes) - $20, Refreshments - $40, Gift cards for students that contribute the most - $60

Project 2: **(click here for budget spreadsheet example)**
A virtual pride event that will include speakers, music and giveaways. The event will take place over Zoom and will celebrate the different sexual and gender identities in the school and the world. This day will also raise awareness and encourage acceptance towards the LGBTQ community. It will also let students know that there is a community within the school where they can feel safe and welcomed. Budget: 1 guest speaker with an honorarium of $50, gift cards for giveaway throughout the event ($25x4), t-shirts and pins with logo for pride ($50), Zoom membership ($50).

$750

For bigger ideas that can be implemented with a small group of friends, such as building a community garden or distributing care packages. Projects at this level of funding need a community reference to apply.

For larger ideas that are implemented with a group of 3 or more peers such as building a community garden or hosting a community benefit.

Examples of approved projects at this level:

Project 1: *(click here for budget spreadsheet example)*
I want to host an intergenerational mindfulness summit in my community. The day will begin with 30 minutes of mindfulness meditation and yoga. Followed by 2 speakers who will talk about their experiences struggling to balance their mental health while dealing with sexism, racism, and homophobia and how it has affected their mental health and wellbeing. After which we will facilitate a presentation to breakdown taboo topics such as anxiety, depression, trauma and the stigmas that are associated with mental health. By the end of the summit our participants will have created a self-care plan to support their daily balance and alignment. Our participants will have received information that helps them support themselves and their peers/coworkers. We hope our participants walk away with a clear understanding about how to maintain good mental health.

Budget: $150 - Food, $200 - Prizes and giveaways, $200 - Promotional items & supplies, $200 - Honorarium for speakers

Project 2: *(click here for budget spreadsheet example)*
I would like to distribute care packages for the homeless population in my community. Each package will include masks, hand sanitizer, water, food, and body wash. I will store the packages at a local organization which will allow people to safely pick up the packages while following COVID-19 protocol.

Budget: $250 - Food, $100 - Water, $150 - Masks, $150- Body Wash, $100 - Hand Sanitizer

$1,500

For projects that involve a larger group of people to drive impact.
Projects at this level of funding need a community reference to apply.

For projects that involve a larger group of 5 or more youth whose idea will drive larger community impact, like hosting festivals, on-the-land projects or awareness events.
Projects at this level of funding need a budget and a mentor or community reference to apply. The community reference or mentor must be someone of legal age in your province or territory who have ties to the community. They will be contacted during the application process and asked to speak about the applicant as well as the proposed project.

Examples of projects approved at this level:

*Project 1: **(click here for budget spreadsheet example)***
We are starting SADD (Students against drunk driving), and we would like to host a two-part virtual event. The first part would be an Instagram Live event where youth can showcase their musical talents while also raising awareness around the dangers of drunk driving. The second part would be an informative webinar. There would be 2 guest speakers on the webinar who will present on this topic, followed by a discussion and prizes for attendees.

***Budget**: $500 - Honorarium for guest speakers, $50 - Video conferencing membership, $250 - Prizes, $250 – Promotion, $450 Filming equipment*

*Project 2: **(click here for budget spreadsheet example)***
I would like to take at least 6 youth with my partner to my camp 8 miles out of Aklavik to teach them basic skills such as setting up traps and snares for lynx, beaver, wolves, marten and wolverine. I would also like to teach them basic survival skills that were passed down to me from my grandfather.

***Budget**: $400 - Skidoo rental, $300 - Gas, $400 - Food, $100 - Water, $300 - Motor Oil*

If you believe that your project meets the requirements above, we want to hear from you!
Visit our website: www.risingyouth.ca or www.jeunesenaction.com to apply.

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