

Large Grant Guidelines

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What is ClimateReadyYYC?

ClimateReadyYYC offers **large grants (\$5,000-\$25,000)** to registered organizations to support project implementation, activities, and events that will enhance community climate resilience by preventing and/or getting ready for climate impacts such as increasing heat, wildfire smoke, hail, extreme precipitation, high winds, droughts, shifting seasons and flooding. These grants aim to help communities and those most vulnerable to climate change lead climate actions and make the changes they need to thrive. We have \$50,000 allocated for large grants in this round.

Who is eligible?

- Registered Organizations located in Calgary (Non-profits, Charities, Community Associations, Business Improvement Areas, Residents Associations, Social Recreation Organizations are eligible)

What is the qualifying and evaluation criteria?

- **Focus on Climate Action (Adaptation and/or Mitigation):** Projects must help communities or targeted groups adapt to specific climate issue(s), challenge or hazard specific to the City of Calgary ([Calgary Climate Projections](#)) or mitigate climate change by reducing emissions.
- **Community Reach and Engagement:** Projects must engage targeted groups that are affected by climate change or more vulnerable to climate change impacts ([Climate Equity](#)).
- **Collaborative Efforts:** Projects should involve, collaborate with or engage community members, affected stakeholders, line agencies or organizations working in the same sector, local formal/informal groups.
- **Accessibility:** Projects should be designed to engage and be accessible to either all community members or a targeted group of community members.
- **Measurable Tangible Outputs:** Proposals should have a measurable positive impact on their community. The interventions should have some tangible activities. For example, making DIY Hepa filters or activity-based educational workshops that hosted 25 people and installed 1 shade structure to their community park.
- **Sustainability:** The project should be designed sustainably to have prolonged impact in the community. For example, measures of maintenance of shade structures, measures to clean and change filters in Hepa filters, videos that could be shared to wider audience for awareness.
- **Budget Transparency:** Projects should have clearly defined budgets that outline all foreseen costs for the project. Please consider the eligible and ineligible costs while making budget.

Grant Disbursement

This is a **reimbursement grant**. Organizations must submit a final report and complete financial documents, including invoices and proof of payment (receipts), to the Community Grant Implementer. Once this documentation is submitted and received, reimbursement cheques will be issued at the end of the month.

Timelines

- Application opens: **February 2, 2026**
- Application deadline: **April 5, 2026**
- Results announced: **Early May 2026**
- Project must be completed by: **February 28, 2027**
- Final submission of documents and reports: **March 15, 2027**

We reserve the right to move deadlines when necessary and feasible. Any changes in the agreed project timeline should be communicated and approved in writing.