



YOUTH INITIATIVE GRANTS APPLICATION FORM

SECTION 1: GUIDELINES

WHAT IS COFFY?

The Central Okanagan Foundation for Youth (COFFY) committee is made up of young adults age 15 - 25. Since its establishment in 2002, COFFY has been building an endowment fund with the COF. The income generated is used to support youth projects and programs in the Central Okanagan (Lake Country to Peachland). Specifically, COFFY wishes to support projects that are youth-driven, collaborative and have a direct beneficial impact on young people living in the Central Okanagan. <http://www.centralokanaganfoundation.org/grants/youth-initiative-grants/>

WHAT IS GENNEXT AND UNITED WAY?

For over 65 years, the United Way of the Central and South Okanagan/Similkameen has served the region from Lake Country in the North, to Osoyoos and Princeton in the South. Our Community Impact mission captures the essence of what we do: We improve lives and build community by engaging individuals and mobilizing collective action. The United Way invests for maximum impact in three focus areas that support all that kids can be, move people from poverty to possibility and builds strong communities. For more information, visit unitedwaycso.com or call 1-855-232-1321. [Gennext](#) is a volunteer organization of young professionals working in partnership with United Way.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR A YOUTH INITIATIVE GRANT?

Applicants must be affiliated with a charity, a school, or a church as their sponsor organization. Sponsor organizations must be willing to assume legal and financial support for a project and support the youth leading the project. Grants are not made to businesses or individuals. Grants are given within the region of Central and South Okanagan Similkameen to projects that directly benefit the local community. Applying does not guarantee that you will receive funding. All applications are assessed by a Youth Initiative Grants Advisory Council who will decide which projects are awarded grants.

Deadline to Apply: March 1st, 2019 at 3:00pm

Send your application by mail, e-mail or fax to:
United Way Central & South Okanagan Similkameen
Mail: 202-1456 St Paul Street Kelowna, BC V1Y 2E6
E-mail: jude@unitedwaycso.com
Fax: 250-868-3206

You do not have to include these guidelines pages. You can just submit sections 2 and 3.

Questions? We are here to help! Contact:

Jude Brunt with United Way CSO at 250-860-2356 or jude@unitedwaycso.com
Or

Joanne Carey with COF at 250-861-6160 or joanne@centralokanaganfoundation.org

WHAT EXPENSES OR PROJECTS ARE INELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE FUNDING?

Fundraisers

Retro-active funding (funding for a project that has already happened)

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA FOR DECIDING WHICH PROJECTS RECEIVE GRANTS?

Your project must be:

- Youth-led (proposed and implemented by youth up to age 25);
- Volunteer-based (no salaries or remunerations may be paid to volunteers);
- Based in the Central Okanagan or South Okanagan Similkameen Region;
- Beneficial to both youth and the whole community;

Eligible project costs may include:

- Promotional costs (posters, flyers, radio/newspaper ads);
- Materials related to the project (except for capital expenses such as equipment purchases);
- Transportation costs;
- Food and lodging for volunteers, etc.

These are the questions that the Youth Initiative Grants Advisory Council will be discussing to decide which applications receive funding.

- 1) Does the project engage youth, and is it led by youth?
- 2) Does the project benefit the community and meet a need?
- 3) Is the project clearly defined and realistic?
- 4) Is the project cost-efficient and budget conscious?

You may attach up to 3 additional pages, or send photos and/or videos to help explain your project.

SECTION 2: APPLICATION FORM

What is the name of your project? _____

Youth Contact

Name:	
Age:	
City/Town:	
Phone Number:	
Email:	

Partner Organization Supervisor

Name:	
Position:	
Organization:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email:	
Charitable Registration Number:	

1. Describe your group and the organization supporting you.
2. How much funding are you requesting? Note: Maximum request is \$2,000.
3. Explain the project that the grant will be funding. Who will the project benefit, who are your partners, and how will it meet a need in your community?
4. Describe how your project will engage youth.
5. What is the timeline for your project? When will the project be complete?
6. What do you hope to achieve with your project? How will you measure its success?
7. How will you show recognition for the Central Okanagan Foundation and United Way/Gennext?

SECTION 3: PROJECT BUDGET

Item	Expense Details	Cost
Materials and Supplies		
Printing		
Advertising		
Transportation Costs		
Food Costs		
Training Costs		
Equipment Costs		
Other		
Other		
Other		
Total Budget		

In kind or donations - If you are receiving any other types of donations or support from the community, please list here:

Authorized signatures:

Sponsor Organization Adult Advisor: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____