



The Celebrate Prince George Community Grant was developed to financially support and assist in the growth and development of new and existing events to create a city brimming with excitement. The objective of the Celebrate Prince George Community Grant is to enhance current events or develop new events that increase community pride and focus on attracting visitors.

The program is under review and may lead to program changes in 2023. As such, we are only accepting applications for a one-year term and not multi-year.

Funding:

There are two funding categories:

1. Emerging Events:
 - Local events that show an economic return, attract media exposure, and market and attract tourists.
 - Term: 1 year term with a maximum annual grant contribution of \$5,000
2. Signature Events:
 - Major events that show an economic return and attract significant media exposure, sponsors, and attendance including tourists. Only festivals and events that have demonstrated 3 years of successful growth and stability as well as have a minimum \$100,000 event-operating budget are eligible to apply under this category.
 - Term: 1 year term with a maximum annual grant contribution of \$10,000

2023 Event Definitions and Grant Criteria:

- Only registered non-profit societies or registered charities are eligible.
- Successful applications need to demonstrate how they are meeting these **grant criteria**:
 - Outline the enhancement or creation of an event and how it will positively impact the event
 - Demonstrate that the organization has the capacity to execute the event
 - Indicate how the event will focus on building and measuring local attendance and will effectively reach the identified target audience(s), including out of town visitation and overnight stays
 - Show that the event is unique and will not duplicate other initiatives
 - Present a proposed budget that is sufficiently detailed, reasonable and balanced and demonstrates how the funds will be leveraged to increase overall budget
 - Detail how the event enhances Prince George and promotes it as a great place to live and visit
 - Exhibit how the event fosters partnerships and celebrates civic spaces and organizations
 - Outline how the event promotes cultural richness, local arts, history and attractions as well as equality, inclusivity and accessibility
- Events can only receive funding through one City of Prince George grant program
- The event must be held within the city limits of the City of Prince George and be open to the public and promoted as such.

Eligible Costs:

- Costs associated with enhancing visitor experiences
 - i.e. presenting a big name entertainer or activity that would not have been feasible without the funding
 - Extending a one day festival to two day festival (preference will be given to multi-day events)
- Marketing costs

Ineligible Costs:

- Normal/previous event costs (if an existing event)
- Costs incurred prior to approval of application and confirmation of funding
- Organizational operating or capital costs
- Administration fees, event coordination and staffing costs
- Budget overrun
- Fundraisers, sporting, political, consumer/tradeshows, galas, religious or healthcare events

The City of Prince George reserves the right to request that organizations supply audited statements of accounts and records of primary and third party recipients. The audit will ensure that funds were used for their intended purpose.

Application Deadlines:

The application deadline for **ALL** 2023 events is December 19, 2022. Notification will be made within two weeks of the application deadline. Funds will be available for distribution in January 2023.

Funding decisions are based on available funds, quality of applications, adherence to the outlined criteria and applicants may not receive the full amount requested. Please be thorough in your application. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Successful Applicants:

Successful applicants will be required to incorporate the City of Prince George branding and recognition standards into their marketing initiatives and provide event details for event marketing purposes.

A Post Event Evaluation Form is required to be submitted no later than 60 days following the event completion to be eligible for future grant funding.

Please note: If you would like to have your application reviewed in advance, to ensure it is complete or to get feedback, please send it to Susie Jones a minimum of one week before the application deadline.

For more information and to return the application please contact:

Susie Jones
 Event Coordinator
 250-561-7675 or Susie.jones@princegeorge.ca



Celebrate Prince George Community Grant
Application for 2023 Events

Organization:			
Primary Contact:			
Mailing Address:		Postal Code:	
Email:		Phone:	
Name of Event:		Event Location:	
Date(s) of Event:		Amount of Funding Requested:	

1. Which funding category are you applying for? (If needed, see page 1 for clarification)	<input type="radio"/> Emerging Event <input type="radio"/> Signature Event
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2. Which funding term are you applying for?	<input type="radio"/> 1 Year
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3. Are you a registered non-profit or charity in good standing?	<input type="radio"/> Yes (required)
a. Society Registration Number:	

4. Are you partnering with an existing community group/organization?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
If yes, identify the group/organization detailing the nature of their involvement.	

5. Is this a new or existing event?	<input type="radio"/> New <input type="radio"/> Existing
Please provide a detailed overview of the new event or how the existing event will be significantly enhanced, including how many years the event has been operating. Please be specific in detailing what the requested funding will be used for.	
6. Provide a brief description of your organization's mandate and event hosting experience that will ensure your new or existing event is successful.	
7. How does your event benefit the community and promote Prince George as a great place to live and visit?	

8. What is it you intend to accomplish and how does it link to the grant criteria? (page 2)
Please include how your event will be directly related to and benefit cultural richness, equality, inclusivity and accessibility while building tourism within the community.

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9. Is there an admission fee? (Include anticipated revenues in budget)	O Yes O No
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10. Is it open to the public and promoted as such?	O Yes O No
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11. Who is your target audience? How will you market your event?
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12. Describe how you will measure the success of the event. What measurable outcomes will you use in your evaluation? How will you compare the success of your initiative from year to year?
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13. Does your event have a positive impact on economic growth? Please provide details.

14. If this is an on-going initiative, how do you intend to ensure its sustainability beyond this funding?

15. How will your event be adjusted if you do not receive the full amount requested?

16. Would you like this application forwarded to Tourism Prince George for further funding considerations?

Yes No

17. Complete the attached budget for the event. Itemize the funding requested and clearly link event activities with costs. Name additional confirmed and anticipated financial contributors including in-kind support.

- a. Signature Events are required to provide:
 - i. Financial Statement as approved at the last Annual General Meeting (PDF format – email with application)
 - ii. Current organizational budget (PDF format – email with application)
 - iii. Complete event budget as attached
- b. Emerging Events are required to provide:
 - i. Complete event budget as attached

Other financial information may be requested on a case-by-case basis.

Application Checklist

Only complete applications will be reviewed and adjudicated. Carefully review the application and ensure your application includes the following items:

- Complete the application form (Questions 1 – 16)
- Complete attached Event Budget form
 - Be sure to clearly itemize how the funds will be used and linking the expenses to significant event enhancements if it's an existing event.
 - Provide projected revenues if applicable.
- Financial Statement/Organizational Budget (Signature Events only)
- Submit your application package by December 19, 2022 for 2023 events

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