

Guidelines for Applying for a Multiculturalism Grant (2017/18)

The following document provides information for cultural organizations about the Multiculturalism Grant Program offered by the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture.

1. Introduction	<p>British Columbia is characterized by a rich variety of languages, traditions, and cultures that make up its diverse cultural mosaic. The participation and engagement of all cultures in B.C. is vital to strong and vibrant communities where understanding, acceptance, and mutual respect underlie social, economic, and political activity.</p> <p>To promote the participation and engagement of all cultures across the province, the Province of British Columbia will support communities in honouring the diverse cultures that shape British Columbia through the Multiculturalism Grant Program.</p>
2. Role of the Community Gaming Grants Branch	<p>The Community Gaming Grants Branch is responsible for receiving grant applications, determining organizational eligibility, and making recommendations to the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture, which has responsibility for multiculturalism.</p>
3. What is the Multiculturalism Grant Program?	<p>The Multiculturalism Grant Program is established to honour and celebrate British Columbia's cultural diversity through two project streams:</p> <p>A) Cultural Expression: Projects will be supported which raise awareness of British Columbia's rich multicultural identity through cultural events and/or resource tools. This could include festivals, community forums or cultural celebrations and materials that support positive expressions of culture and traditions in a community.</p> <p>B) Anti-racism: Projects that challenge racism and hate, especially those that utilize a collaborative community approach.</p>
4. How much funding is available through the Multiculturalism Grant Program?	<p>The total funding currently available under the Multiculturalism Grant in 2017-2018 is \$300,000. There is one application period.</p> <p>The maximum Multiculturalism Grant funding per organization is \$5,000. Therefore applications for funding from one or more project sectors must not collectively exceed \$5,000.</p> <p>Any project applications that seek Multiculturalism Grant funding in excess of \$5,000 will not be considered for a grant.</p>
5. Who is eligible for the Multiculturalism Grant Program?	<p>Non-profit societies and community-based organizations (including ad hoc committees, coalitions, umbrella organizations, associations and centres) that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Recognize that cultural diversity enriches the lives of all British Columbians; Encourage respect for the multicultural heritage of British Columbia; and/or Promote racial harmony, cross-cultural understanding and respect.

<p>6. How do I apply for a Multiculturalism Grant?</p>	<p>Information about how to apply and related documents is available at: https://www.gaming.gov.bc.ca/grants/multiculturalism.htm</p> <p>An organization must submit separate applications if it wishes to apply for funding in both project sectors (Cultural Expression and Anti-Racism). Organizations must apply during the application period noted below. Notifications of a successful grant application will be sent to applicants by the final notification date.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="430 478 1395 674"> <tr> <th colspan="2" data-bbox="430 478 1395 527">Application Period and Sectors:</th> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="430 527 812 674"> Cultural Expression Sector Anti-Racism Sector </td> <td data-bbox="812 527 1395 674"> Apply between November 14, 2017 and January 8, 2018 Final notifications will be made by February 2018 </td> </tr> </table>	Application Period and Sectors:		Cultural Expression Sector Anti-Racism Sector	Apply between November 14, 2017 and January 8, 2018 Final notifications will be made by February 2018
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<p>7. Are decisions regarding a grant application eligible for reconsideration?</p>	<p>No, the decision by the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture will be made based on the information submitted with the original application and is final.</p>				
<p>8. Contact Information</p>	<p>Mail and Courier:</p> <p>Under specific circumstances we may accept a mail-in application. In the event that a mail-in application is required, please contact multiculturalism@gov.bc.ca to request a PDF version of the form at least 3 working days before the application closing date.</p> <p>Web: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/sports-culture/gambling-fundraising/gaming-grants/multiculturalism-grants</p> <p>E-mail: multiculturalism@gov.bc.ca</p>				