

Guidelines for Applying for a Multiculturalism Grant (2016/17)

The following document provides information for cultural organizations about the Multiculturalism Grant Program offered by the Ministry of International Trade and Responsible for Asia Pacific Strategy and Multiculturalism. This grant program is administered by the Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch's Licensing and Grants Division.

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 Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch	<p>The Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch is responsible for receiving grant applications, determining organizational eligibility, and recommending grant amounts for approval by the Ministry of International Trade, 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 2016-2017 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: 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="456 510 1421 705"> <tr> <th colspan="2" data-bbox="456 510 1421 558">Application Period and Sectors:</th> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="456 558 841 705">Cultural Expression Sector Anti-Racism Sector</td> <td data-bbox="841 558 1421 705">Apply between October 24, 2016, and December 18, 2016 Final notifications will be made by February 2017</td> </tr> </table>	Application Period and Sectors:		Cultural Expression Sector Anti-Racism Sector	Apply between October 24, 2016, and December 18, 2016 Final notifications will be made by February 2017
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<p>7. Are decisions regarding a grant application eligible for reconsideration?</p>	<p>No, the decision by the Ministry of International Trade will be made based on the information submitted with the original application and is final.</p>				
<p>8. Contact Information</p>	<table data-bbox="451 852 1409 1220"> <tr> <td data-bbox="451 852 930 1014"> <p>Mail: Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch Licensing and Grants Division PO Box 9202 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9J1</p> </td> <td data-bbox="987 852 1409 1014"> <p>Web: www.gaming.gov.bc.ca E-mail: gaming.branch@gov.bc.ca Phone: 250 387-5311 Or call toll-free 1 800 663-7867 and ask for 250 387-5311.</p> </td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" data-bbox="451 1062 1409 1220"> <p>Location (use for courier deliveries): Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch Licensing and Grants Division 3rd Floor, 910 Government Street Victoria, BC V8W 1X3</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Mail: Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch Licensing and Grants Division PO Box 9202 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9J1</p>	<p>Web: www.gaming.gov.bc.ca E-mail: gaming.branch@gov.bc.ca Phone: 250 387-5311 Or call toll-free 1 800 663-7867 and ask for 250 387-5311.</p>	<p>Location (use for courier deliveries): Gaming Policy and Enforcement Branch Licensing and Grants Division 3rd Floor, 910 Government Street Victoria, BC V8W 1X3</p>	
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