



## **Introduction of Community Gaming Grants for Municipal Leaders**

The Community Gaming Grant program distributes funds from commercial gambling revenue to not-for-profit community organizations throughout British Columbia.

The program provides all eligible community organizations in the province with access to funding for the delivery of approved programs in their community. Although municipal governments are not eligible for grants, they can work with local not-for-profits to support their programming and application.

Recognizing the disruption COVID-19 has had on programming and organizational capacity, requirements around some grant criteria will be relaxed for the grant year 2021/22 to ensure organizations can access Community Gaming Grant program funding in order to continue providing vital services across the province.

### **Key Facts:**

- The Community Gaming Grant program distributes \$140 million annually to eligible community organizations across British Columbia.
- Over 5,000 community organizations from across the province receive funding each year.
- The program provides funding up to \$100,000 for local organizations, \$225,000 for regional organizations and \$250,000 for provincial organizations.
- Grants are provided for programming in six sectors. Each sector has its own intake date:
  - **Arts and Culture:** February 1 to April 30
  - **Sport:** March 1 to May 31
  - **Parent Advisory Councils:** April 1 to June 30
  - **Environment:** July 1 to August 31
  - **Public Safety:** July 1 to August 31
  - **Human and Social Services:** June 1 to November 30
- Each year, \$5 million is allocated to the Capital Project Sector program. This funding helps not-for-profits to invest in equipment, vehicles, infrastructure, renovations or new facilities that provide direct benefit to their communities. The Capital Project program will be open through Spring/Summer 2021. See our website for more information.
- All applicants should review the eligibility criteria and official program Guidelines online.

### **Engaging Municipal Leaders**

- The Community Gaming Grant branch is actively engaging with municipalities and municipal leaders to promote the program and help new not-for-profit organizations access funding.
- If you would like more information, or are interested in an in-person presentation, visit : <http://gov.bc.ca/gaminggrants> or e-mail [CGGOutreach@gov.bc.ca](mailto:CGGOutreach@gov.bc.ca)