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Community Vitality 2024

2024 Updates and Q&A

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Welcome



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ABOUT LONDON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

London Community Foundation is a charitable organization dedicated to improving communities across London and Middlesex County through collaboration, strategic leadership, and innovative solutions to charitable giving.

Our mission is to create a vibrant, smart and caring community through strategic investing that drives innovative community-based initiatives.





Agenda

- ❖ What's New
- ❖ Vital Signs & Data Hub
- ❖ Eligibility Criteria
- ❖ Evaluation Criteria
- ❖ SPOTLIGHT: Collaboration/Partnerships
- ❖ Questions & Answers



What's New

❖ Adjusted Timeline:

- ❖ Letter of Intent January 23

- ❖ Application March 26 Interviews May 23

❖ Collaboration/Partnerships Requirements

❖ New Application System & Drop-in Hours

Vital Signs London

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Your proposal must address at least one (1) of the issue areas below.

❖ Education

❖ Food Security

❖ Gender Equality

❖ Housing

❖ Racial Equality

❖ Well-Being

❖ Mental Health

❖ Environment



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Data Hub

Data from local organizations and statistics from the 2021 Census and the National Health Survey are available, organized by Vital Sign issue area and UN Sustainable Development Goal.



Search by UN Sustainable Development Goal



Search by Vital Sign

- [Environment](#)
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Search by Local Organization

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- [Growing Chefs! Ontario](#)
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- [London Cares Homeless Response Services](#)
- [London Coordinating Committee to End Woman Abuse \(LCCEWA\)](#)
- [London Cycle Link](#)
- [London Environmental Network](#)

- [Middlesex-London Paramedic Service](#)
- [Mission Services of London](#)
- [Montessori Academy of London](#)
- [Muslim Resource Centre for Support System Integration](#)
- [Nature Canada](#)
- [Northwest London Resource Centre](#)
- [ReForest London](#)
- [Regional HIV/Aids Connection](#)
- [Salvation Army](#)
- [Southwest Ontario Aboriginal Health Access Centre](#)
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- [Upper Thames River Conservation](#)



Eligibility Criteria

- Applicant is a qualified donee;
- Demonstrates capacity to deliver the project;
- Responds to current Vital Signs report;
- Implemented within and impacts Foundation's catchment;
- Contributes to systems/ long-term-change;



Eligibility Criteria (Continued)

- Involves contributions, monetary or other, from other sources;
- May involve collaboration / strategic partnerships;
- Request is a minimum of \$50,000 over a one, two, or three year period; and
- All expenditures are eligible according to the program criteria.



Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

- Is it substantively new
- Proposes significant change to the current state of affairs
- Is innovative while still accountable and measurable
- Improves, or leverages resources/investments to increase impact
- Acts on the concept of “nothing about us, without us;” and
- Strength of collaboration/partnerships where applicable

Partnership is like Salad



Collaboration is like Soup





Collaboration Success Factors

- Shared understanding of the issue/perspectives and goals
- Willingness/commitment to participate
- Roles and responsibilities
- Mutual benefits/buy-in
- Trusted relationships/Shared values
- Governance arrangements
- Agreement/Memorandum of Understanding established



Potential Negative Outcomes

- Power and control imbalances and resulting issues
- Mistrust
- Sense of lost identity
- Different and conflicting visions
- Different expectations of outcomes
- Conflict about working styles

Collaboration/Partnerships Evaluation



Proposals will be evaluated with the following in mind:

- Collective understanding of the issue;
- Detailed understanding of roles;
- Agreement of allocation/resource of funding;
- The right skills, knowledge, behaviours, and support structures in place; and
- Senior leadership commitment and support.

How to Apply

<https://www.grantinterface.ca/Home/Logon?urlkey=londoncfdn>

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Three Review Stages

1. TODAY'S FOCUS **Letter of Intent (LOI)** – deadline January 23 @ 2PM EST..
2. **Application** - Those selected from the LOI review will be invited to complete the in-depth application online by March 26.
3. **Interview** - Applications will be reviewed and those selected will be invited to an interview with the grants committee to present their project May 23. Supported proposals will receive funding in the fall based on a Memorandum of Understanding.



LETTER OF INTENT (LOI)

LOI must be only two pages and explain the proposal in narrative form with all of the following details:

- Project details and Vital Sign issue area
- How it will benefit the community
- How it will be carried out
- Who will be involved and what are their roles; ‘nothing about us. without us’
- Capacity of proponents
- High-level budget and funding needs and how LCF’s funding will be allocated; what other resources will be accessed

Questions?



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IN CONCLUSION

- ❖ Letter of Intent - Due 2PM EST, Jan 23, 2024
- ❖ KEEP INFORMED: See the bottom of the Funding Needs Registry page for sign up link to grant-related email updates.
- ❖ Technical assistance or alternate format submission? Contact Lindsay Ralph, Grants Officer, grants@lcf.on.ca or 519-667-1600 x106

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Thank you.