



SickKids WomenPowered Grant Guidelines

Apply Online

Deadline: 5:00 pm EST February 28, 2025

Overview

SickKids Foundation, through the SickKids WomenPowered program, provides grants to support initiatives that align with our mission to improve the health and well-being of children and youth in Canada. The program prioritizes efforts that involve collaboration between families, health professionals, and community organizations to create meaningful and lasting impacts. Funding is limited, and awards are granted through a competitive evaluation process.

Application Deadline: The application deadline this year is **February 28, 2025**.

Grants are limited to an annual maximum of \$25,000. The funding can be used to support a specific project or address some of the most urgent needs of an organization. An organization may receive funding for the same project for up to two consecutive years. After that, the organization must wait 24 months before reapplying for the same project.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Be a registered Canadian charitable organization in good standing with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA).
- Have a primary mission centered on the health, well-being, or development of children and youth.
- Programs and services must primarily benefit children and youth within the Greater Toronto Area.
- Show a commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion in their programs and organizational practices.
- Provide evidence of financial stability, governance, and impact measurement capacity.
- Operate for a minimum of three years prior to application.

Ineligible Organizations

- Organizations that are not registered charities in Canada.
- Entities with primary activities outside of children’s health and well-being.
- Organizations unable to demonstrate fiscal responsibility and impact measurement capabilities.

Preference Will Be Given To Projects That

- Directly impacting children’s physical, mental, or emotional health.
- Are led by smaller, community-based organizations.
- Engage families directly in the planning and implementation.
- Have a focus on health equity and improving access for underserved populations.
- Demonstrate potential for long-term impact or scalability.

Exclusions

The following are not eligible for funding:

- Salaries or benefits for permanent staff.
- Projects primarily benefitting individuals outside Canada.
- Retroactive funding or reimbursement for expenses already incurred.

Grant Review Process

Applications are assessed based on alignment with program priorities, organizational capacity, potential impact, and financial feasibility. The review process includes the following steps:

- Internal pre-screening to confirm eligibility.
- Evaluation by a grants committee using a standardized scoring rubric.
- Final review and approval by the SickKids WomenPowered advisory council and members.

Notification Timeline

Applicants will be notified of funding decisions within **three months** of the application deadline.

Reporting and Accountability

- Grant recipients must commit to providing a final impact report one year after receiving funding.
- Grant recipients must demonstrate the ability to track and measure outcomes effectively, with transparency around how funds are utilized.
- Grant recipients will also be invited to participate in SickKids WomenPowered events to engage with members and present on the impact of their support.

How to Apply

1. Visit our website: https://sickkids.smartsimple.ca/s_Login.jsp and navigate to the SickKids WomenPowered grant application portal.
2. Complete the eligibility form to confirm your organization's qualifications.
3. Submit your application with the following documents:
 - Latest audited financial statement.
 - Detailed budget and funding rationale.

For assistance, contact: sana.wain@sickkidsfoundation.com.

Online Application Process

Step 1: Complete the eligibility form to confirm your organization's qualifications.

Step 2: Provide organization details, including your CRA registration number.

Step 3: Complete the application form, ensuring all required documentation is attached.

Step 4: Submit your application before the deadline. A confirmation email will be sent upon receipt.