

Partnership Grant Program 2016

The Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration has launched a third Call for Proposals for the Partnership Grant Program. The application and program guidelines are now available on [the Grants Ontario website](#). The deadline for applications is October 5, 2016 at 5 p.m. We are providing you with information about the program so you can share with organizations in your region as appropriate.

The Ministry will hold information sessions by teleconference on the following dates:

- Tuesday, August 30, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in French
- Tuesday, August 30, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. in English
- Tuesday, September 7, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in English

Applicants must register by emailing PGP@ontario.ca.

The 2016 Partnership Grant Program will continue to support building the not-for-profit sectors' capacity by focusing on three priority areas:

1. Program Evaluation: the Ministry is seeking project proposals that will increase capacity for program evaluation in the NFP sector;
2. Inclusive Leadership: the Ministry is seeking project proposals that will develop diversity/inclusion in leadership in the NFP sector;
3. Volunteer Management: the Ministry is seeking project proposals that will enhance capacity for Volunteer Management in the NFP sector.

The approach will be sector-wide with the objective to support two-year-long projects, which will have substantive impact on improving the ability of not-for-profit organizations to advance their mandates and operate effectively in communities across Ontario.

Program Expectations

- Projects that support not-for-profit sector sustainability, capacity building, innovation and community building in one of the key priority areas.
- Projects must benefit as many organizations as possible, communities, and/or more than one part of the not-for-profit sector.
- Projects that demonstrate the ability to leverage corporate funding.
- Projects that will have lasting or sustainable impact on the sector.
- Projects that respond to a demonstrated need in the sector overall in relation to:
 1. Program Evaluation
 2. Volunteer Management
 3. Inclusive Leadership

ELIGIBILITY

The Applicant

The Ministry is seeking applications from:

- 1) Network or Umbrella organizations with member organizations operating in Ontario, and,
- 2) Partnerships representing **two or more** not-for-profit organizations that demonstrate an ability to recruit and work with a large number of organizations and will be jointly responsible for developing and implementing a project.

NOTE: Where it is proposed that multiple organizations undertake the proposed project, the application shall be made by only one lead eligible organization, which will be responsible for completing the application process and, if approved, will be responsible for fulfilling the terms and conditions of the funding outlined in the agreement.

FUNDING CRITERIA

- Applications from 2014-17 PGP grant recipients will not be eligible. The Ministry is seeking applications from new organizations who meet the eligibility criteria.
- Applications for funding from eligible applicants will only be considered if the proposed project supports the PGP goal of promoting sector capacity. Funding will be available for two-year projects for a maximum of \$300,000 per project.
- The Ministry may fund up to 100% of project costs, however, applications that demonstrate an ability to leverage funding from a corporate partner will be given priority.
- Priority will be given to projects that clearly identify how activities or outputs will achieve the program's stated outcomes in one of the three priority areas: program evaluation, volunteer management or inclusive leadership.
- Proposals will be accepted for more than one priority area from a single applicant.
- Proposals must detail how projects will provide training and mentoring to organizations in the sector.
- Proposals should indicate how they will market or promote the project to organizations, relevant stakeholders and other interested parties.
- Proposals must indicate how they will evaluate their project measuring both quantitative and qualitative outcomes.
- Proposals should clearly identify how they will address the specific sector needs in relation to one of the priority areas identified.

PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION

For further information about the application process, please register for the one of the teleconference information sessions or email the Voluntary Sector Relations Unit at PGP@Ontario.ca.