

GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The Mission Statement of the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation Inc. is:

To preserve and advance the quality of life in the Community by developing permanent endowment funds, making responsible grants and acting as a catalyst for Community philanthropy and leadership.

The "**Community**" encompasses the Town of Neepawa, and the Rural Municipalities of Rosedale, Glenella-Lansdowne and the Langford portion of North Cypress-Langford. Should your grant request not primarily serve the listed "**Community**" above your grant application will not be considered.

In order to accomplish the Foundation's mission effectively and efficiently, a thorough review process for grant applications has been created.

INCOMPLETE GRANT APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Please review your application before submission.

Please follow the granting guidelines listed below when completing BPCF application form:

- 1. Grants are made to registered charities with CRA Registration Numbers and other qualified recipients under the Income Tax Act.
- 2. Organizations must demonstrate fiscal responsibility.
- 3. Applicants must establish that there is a need for their project.
- 4. A grant is awarded for a defined purpose and for a project covering a specific period of time.
- 5. The BPCF encourages the participation of other funders and, on occasion, provides matching or challenge grants to stimulate participation from other sources.
- 6. Preference is given to projects which:
 - benefit the entire region of the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation "Community" as defined above
 - demonstrate innovation in solving challenges faced by your community
 - promote cooperation and sharing among organizations
 - strengthen the sustainability of your organization
 - benefit multiple generations
 - have secured funding from other sources
 - provide long term benefits to the Beautiful Plains Community Foundation "Community"
- 7. Grants are not made to or for:
 - individuals
 - annual fundraising initiatives
 - annual requests for operating funding
 - establish or add to endowment funds
 - political activities
 - direct religious activities
- 8. Grant recipients are required to complete a grant report showing accountability for the use of the funds within one year. Failure to complete this report may result in denial of future grant applications.

Mailed and digitally completed application packages must be received no later than 5:00 pm March 31. Applications received after this deadline will not be considered.

The Beautiful Plains Community Foundation will not be held responsible for any grant applications not received by grant deadline.

Please do not hesitate to call or email info@beautifulplainscf.ca should you have any questions regarding this grant application