



**Advance Brampton Fund Grant Information Session** 

**2026 Developing and Amplifying Streams** 



## **The Advance Brampton Fund**



The City recognizes the unique and valuable role that the non-profit sector can play in delivering projects that meet community need, complement City services and contribute to advancing City Priorities.

As such the city is pleased to offer the Advance Brampton Fund: a community granting program that supports non-profit sector development and provides municipal funding to eligible Brampton-based non-profit or charitable organizations for strong project proposals that align with these priorities.

In 2026 the City Priority Areas that ABF will address are:

- Arts and Culture
- Recreation
- Community Safety

#### **Structured to Support Project Growth**

The Advance Brampton Fund is structured to support non-profit organizations starting up, developing and amplifying projects. The goal is to encourage grantees to move towards project sustainability and a strengthened ability to partner, collaborate and lead well managed and meaningful work within the local non-profit sector and Brampton community. The fund does not make multi-year grants, but organizations can apply annually with the same project.



## **Funding Streams at a Glance**

	Developing Stream	Amplifying Stream
Open to:	Incorporated Non-Profits & Registered Charities	
Insurance Required	\$2,000,000 in Commercial General Liability insurance	
Project Eligibility	<ul> <li>Projects that have been run at least once before in Brampton</li> </ul>	Projects that have been run at least twice before in Brampton
Available Funding	Up to \$12,500 in <b>matching</b> project funds.	Up to \$25,000 in <b>matching</b> project funds.
Grant Term	ABF Funding must be spent between January 1, 2026, and December 31, 2026. Applicants must be able to report on expenses, outputs and outcomes 60 days after the project end date or by December 31, 2026, whichever comes first.	
Application Intake	Annually Open: September 2, 2025 Close: September 30, 2025	
Payment Structure	90% paid at the time of agreement signing, 10% paid after the approval of a complete close out report.	



## **Application Timelines**



Application 4 Weeks

Eligibility Review 2 Weeks Project Review 2 Weeks Allocations and Approvals 3 weeks

Announce 1 Day (January 2026) Grant
Agreement
Signing
2 weeks

Payment Processing 6-8 Weeks

Deposit

December/Holiday Break



**Community Services** 

## **Eligible Organizations**



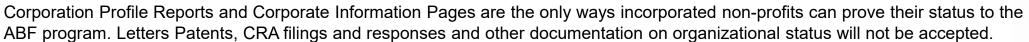
**Brampton based Registered Charity** – For ABF purposes an organization or foundation that has a valid and subsisting registration as a charitable organization under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and has a registered permanent office address in Brampton.

**Brampton based Incorporated Non-Profit** – For ABF purposes an organization that is incorporated under the laws of Canada or Ontario as a not-for-profit corporation without share capital that has a registered permanent office address in Brampton.

- \* Registered Charities and Incorporated Non-Profits can provide a commercial lease for a Brampton address in the organization's name showing unexpired term until at least January 30, 2026, to prove a Brampton location.
- \* For registered charities and incorporated non-profits unless listed as the organization's address on the Charity Details Page, Corporation Profile Report or Corporation Information Page a Board Member's private address being in the City of Brampton can not qualify an organization as being Brampton based.

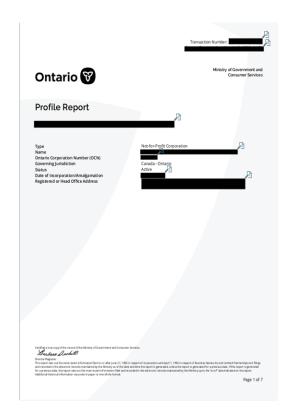


## **Proving Organizational Status**





#### **Corporation Profile Reports – Provincially Incorporated Organizations**







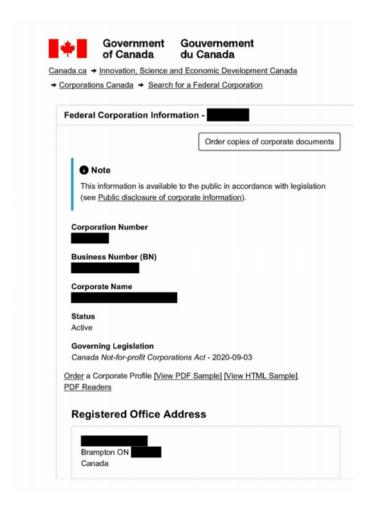


- Unless a commercial lease is provided this must show a Brampton Address as either Head Office Location or Mailing Address. Address must match what is in your application and on your insurance.
- Must show as active Non-Share corporation
- Must be dated for the year in which you are submitting your application
- ABF Guidelines share more about how to obtain, and cost associated.

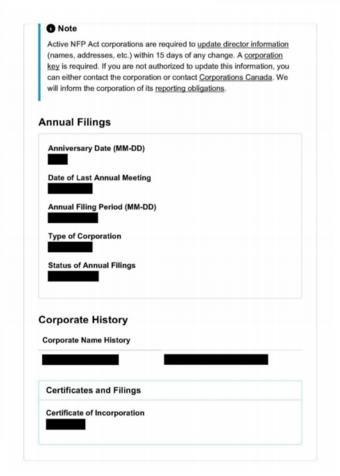


## Corporate Information Pages – Federally Incorporated Organizations









- Unless a commercial lease is provided this must show a Brampton Address as either Head Office Location or Mailing Address. Address must match what is in your application and on your insurance.
- Must show as active Non-Share corporation
- Must be dated for the year in which you are submitting your application
- ABF Guidelines share more about how to obtain, and cost associated.



### **Charity Details Page – Registered Charities**





Category: Address: City: **BRAMPTON** Province, territory, outside of Canada: Country: Postal code/Zip code: Charity Email address: Charity website address: View this charity's quick view information **Quick view** Links to Websites not under the control of the Government of Canada (GoC) are provided solely for the convenience of users. The GoC is not responsible for the accuracy, currency or the reliability of the content. The GoC does not offer any guarantee in that regard and is not responsible for the information found through these links, nor does it endorse the sites and their content. Users should be aware that information offered by non-

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Must show charity business/registration number

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Unless a commercial lease is provided this must show a Brampton Address as either Head Office Location or Mailing Address. Address must match what is in your application and on your insurance.

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- Must show your organization is in good standing with CRA
- ABF Guidelines share more about how to obtain this document.



**Community Services** 

## **Required Organizational Insurance**



- Applicant organizations must carry Commercial General Liability Insurance to be considered for funding from the City of Brampton.
- Insurance must be in the name of the applicant organization and cover the obligations and operations of the organization against claims of bodily injury, including personal injury and death, and property damage or loss, indemnifying and protecting the recipient, their respective employees, servants, volunteers, agents, contractors, invitees or licensees, to the inclusive limit of \$2,000,000 per occurrence.
- Organizations prove their insurance coverage and extend it to the City of Brampton using <u>ONLY</u> the Certificate of Insurance form available
  in your application. This form must be filled out appropriately by an Insurance Industry Professional.
- More instruction on insurance can be found in section 4.3 of the ABF Guidelines.



## **Accessing Applications**



Applications are available via the City of Brampton grants portal which is supported by Survey Monkey Apply.

Applicants can access applications via the ABF webpage – <u>www.brampton.ca/abf</u>. Click on the 'Apply Now' button next to the New and Small Projects Stream and you will be redirected to the applicant portal.

- If you are a new user, you will have to click the 'Register' button in the top right corner of the screen.
- For those already registered but who can not remember their login information The 'Forgot your password?' button will allow you to reset your password via the email account used to originally register your account.
- Once registered, or if already registered and logged in you can access funding applications via the 'Programs' button in the top right corner of the screen. If you have already started an application within a funding stream the portal will no longer allow you to start another. You must edit the one you started to complete the application.
- Remember ABF only accepts one (1) application from each applicant organization.
- If you have trouble accessing applications or with the portal you can connect with City Grant Staff <a href="mailto:abf@brampton.ca">abf@brampton.ca</a> or Survey Monkey Apply Provides support through the button on the top left corner of the screen.



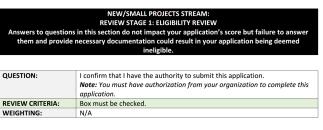
## **Application Sections**



As outlined in the 2026 ABF Guidelines the application is broken down into 4 Stages of Review.

- 1. Eligibility Review This is where you prove your address, insurance and provide supporting documents to do so. It is not scored by reviewers, but if not completed appropriately can leave you ineligible for funding. All questions in this section are mandatory.
- 2. Organizational Information In this section there are a few mandatory questions and a few optional questions. None are scored by reviewers, but they do play a role in informing reviewers of your organization's work and history. They also help the City plan and gather data that helps to advance and foster a commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion.
- 3. Strategic Alignment Here you will select you the Priority Area to which you are applying, the project type and select the outputs and outcomes you will measure. These questions are all mandatory, you must select at least one outcome, and you must measure at least one output. If you are not measuring an output, please use a zero (0) to indicate this. If you measure one output your score will not be hurt by zeros in other output measure fields. This part of the application informs the score reviewers provide in the Project Alignment section of the next stage of review.
- 4. Project Evaluation This is the part of your application where you will tell us about your project. All the questions in this part of the application are mandatory and scored by reviewers.

Appendix G – Application Questions and Evaluation Criteria Matrix for the New/Small Project Stream



NEW/SMALL PROJECTS STREAM: REVIEW STAGE 2: ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION		
Answers to questions in this section do not impact your application's score or eligibility. The data/information is being collected for organizational planning purposes and our commitment to advance and foster diversity, equity and inclusion.		
QUESTION:	Number of years your organization has been in operation:	
REVIEW CRITERIA:	Field must be completed.	
WEIGHTING:	N/A	
QUESTION:	Your organization's mandate/mission statement (200 words max).	
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REVIEW CRITERIA:	Field must be completed.	

	REVIEW STAGE 3: STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT questions inform reviewers of your project's alignment to City Priorities and
inform the score pi	rovided in the "Project Alignment" section in Review Stage 4 outlined below.
QUESTION:	Select the City Priority that your project aligns with and advances:
REVIEW CRITERIA:	One option must be selected.
WEIGHTING:	N/A
QUESTION:	Select the Project Type that your project aligns with and advances.
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## Breakdown of Review Stage 4 – Project Evaluation – Developing and Amplifying



The Developing and Amplifying streams within the ABF seek to fund successfully run programs that demonstrate an organization's skills and abilities. There is an expectation of high quality and experience. In specifically the Amplifying streams applicants should demonstrate professional delivery of a large-scale successful project.

#### **Project Details: 70% of final score**

- I. Project Description (who, what, where, when, why and how): 15%
- II. Project Alignment (connecting proposed project to priority area, project type, outputs and outcomes, demonstrating skill in measuring and achieving outputs/outcomes): 30%
- III. Project Development (assessing growth and sustainability in delivery and presenting how this aligns with ongoing project delivery) 10%
- IV. Project Team (who is working on the project and what are their skills relevant to the project. Discuss collaborations, subject matter experts and professionals aiding in project delivery and their significance) 10%
- V. Diversity Equity and Inclusion (has your project considered the diversity in Brampton and undertaken practices to be as inclusive as possible) 5%

#### Process: 30% of final score

- I. Project Plan (provide a timeline of at least 5 key activities in delivering you project. What are they? When should they be completed/executed): 15%
- II. **Marketing Plan** (how you plan on engaging Brampton resident and the community you are serving? Do your tactics align to participant/audience metrices and are they suitable?): **5**%
- III. **Expenses** (complete, reasonable and aligned to project activities): **10%**

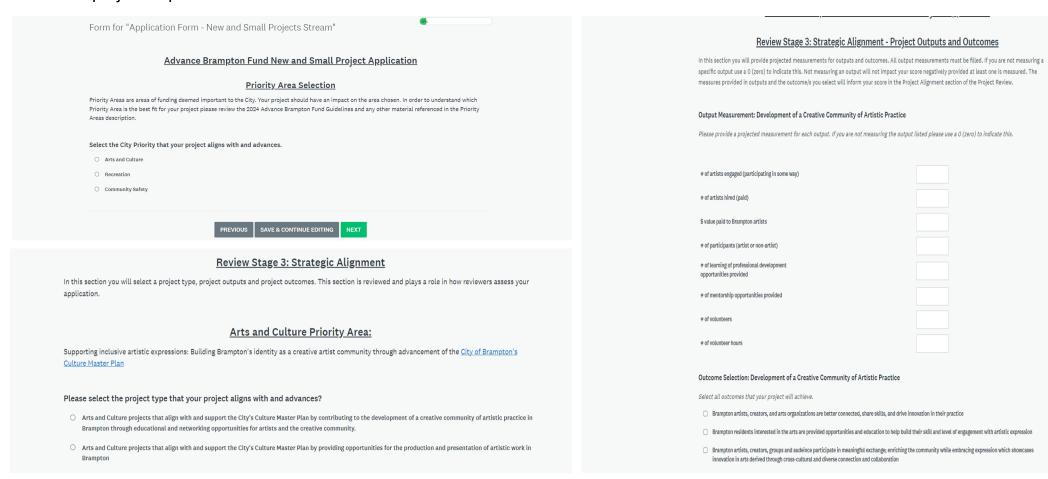
- Each application is scored by three City staff reviewers who work directly in the Priority Area to which you have applied. An average score is created, and applications are funded from highest scoring to lowest scoring until funds are depleted. Request amounts may be reduced upon allocations based on the volume of requests and City's desire to impact as many eligible projects as possible.
- Applications must achieve a minimum score of 60% to be eligible for funding in Developing and 70% to be eligible for funding in Amplifying.
- The criteria for which reviewers review the application questions is provided in the appendices of the 2026 ABF Guidelines.



### **City Priorities – Project Scope**



The Advance Brampton Fund funds projects that impact three priorities in 2026. Each priority represents a Municipal Department of importance to the City's work of developing vibrant, healthy, safe and inclusive neighbourhoods. Each City Priority prescribes project types, key performance indicators (Outputs) and outcomes. In applications, applicants will select a City Priority Area, a project type, the outputs associated with that project type that they will measure and outcomes their project hopes to achieve.





## City Priorities - Project Scope

Arts and Culture		
Priority Area Focus:	Support Inclusive Artistic Expressions: Building Brampton's identity as a creative city with a vibrant and diverse artist community.	
Eligible Project Types:	Projects that align with and support the City's <u>Culture Master Plan</u> by:  1. Contributing to the development of a creative community of artistic practice in Brampton through educational and networking opportunities for artists and the creative community or,  2. Providing opportunities for the production and/or presentation of artistic work in Brampton.	
Outputs:	Development of a Creative Community of Artistic Practice	
Outcomes:	<ul> <li># of volunteer hours</li> <li>Brampton artists, creators and arts organizations are better connected, share skills and drive innovation in their practice.</li> <li>Brampton residents interested in the arts are provided opportunities and education to help build their skills and level of engagement with artistic expression.</li> <li>Brampton artists, creators, groups, and audiences participate in meaningful exchange, enriching the community while embracing expression, which showcases innovation in arts derived through cross-cultural and diverse connection and collaboration.</li> </ul>	







Recreation Priority Area Meetin	g
Priority Area Focus:	Uniting a healthy community through Recreation.
Eligible Project Types:	Projects that align with and support the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Projects should fall under one of the three areas below:  1. Projects that encourage physical activities such as sports, or leisure activity requiring physical movement.  2. Wellness projects, including education and outreach on physical literacy, mental wellbeing, and healthy and active lifestyles.  3. Projects that encourage healthy and safe ways for Brampton youth and/or seniors to participate in organized gatherings to reduce isolation. Projects that demonstrate a commitment to physical and/or mental wellbeing will be prioritized.  Projects that focus on diverse and equity-deserving populations and projects tion provide opportunities for physical activities not provided by the City of Brampton's recreational programs will be prioritized. Applicants should clearly demonstrate these things clearly in their application.  Proposed projects must not duplicate programs or services offered by the City of Brampton. Applicants are advised to review City delivered programs online prior to submitting an application. Duplication is considered delivering a recreational program of the same scope at the same time and in the same place that a City
Outputs:	program is being delivered.  Physical Activities  # of opportunities for residents to engage in physical activity  # of project participants  % of participants from diverse and/or equity deserving communities  # of volunteers  # of volunteer hours  # of community partner organizations involved in project delivery  # of participants to report physical and/or emotional well-being improvements as a result of project delivery.  Wellness Projects (including education and outreach)  # of physical literacy and/or mental wellbeing resources created  % of resources distributed to neighbourhoods that have been rated as having a low well-being index on the Region of Peel Neighbourhood Information Tool  # of seminars, workshops or educational sessions delivered  # of project participants  # of volunteers  # of volunteer hours  # of community partner organizations involved in project delivery  # of participants to report physical and/or emotional well-being improvements as a result of project delivery
	Seniors and Youth Recreational Projects  # of seniors participating in the project  # of youth participating in the project  # of volunteers  # of volunteer hours  # of participants from diverse and/or equity deserving communities  # of participants to report physical and/or emotional well-being improvements as a result of project delivery
Outcomes:	Initiatives create a Brampton where residents are physically healthy through increased access to a diverse range of physical activities.     Initiatives create a Brampton where residents have increased knowledge of physical literacy and mental wellbeing.     Initiatives create a Brampton where senior and youth residents have increased opportunity for recreational participation and reduced incidences of social isolation.





Found in section 5.2 of the 2026 ABF Guidelines

#### Community Safety

Supporting an empowered and connected Brampton where everyone feels safe, has a sense of belonging, and has their needs met.

Projects that align with and support <u>Brampton's Community Safety Action Plan</u>. Projects should fall under one of the three areas of focus in the Action Plan:

- Empowerment Projects that seek to empower Brampton residents through the
  reduction of systemic barriers, poverty reduction, economic empowerment, and the
  creation of economic stability. This may include food security projects, job skills training,
  and support for homeless and underhoused.
- Awareness Projects that raise awareness of common safety issues in Brampton through the creation and sharing of resources and information. This may include education or training opportunities for Brampton residents as well as the creation of online resources.
- Safety Projects that impact safety in Brampton. Pro-actively building connections and belonging within neighbourhoods to support crime prevention.

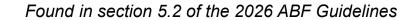
Additional community safety and well-being projects may be considered if they provide sufficient data that demonstrate the need to focus efforts on an area outside of Action Plan priorities of Safety, Awareness and Empowerment.

Projects that provide multiple opportunities for Brampton residents to engage with all or one of the three areas of focus are preferred. This provision should be clearly detailed in the application.

- # of workshops/educational sessions delivered
- # of project participants
- # of volunteers
- # of volunteer hours
- # of community partners involved in project delivery
- # of participants to report physical and/or emotional well-being improvements as a result of project delivery
- Initiatives create stronger neighbourhoods which feel more inclusive, safer for residents, and increase public participation in the community.
- Initiatives create a safer Brampton by ensuring resident's primary needs are met.
- Initiatives create a Brampton where residents are more aware of community safety and well-being information, resources, and services available to them.
- Initiatives create a Brampton where residents are connected. Included and feel like they belong.
- Initiatives create a Brampton where residents have increased opportunity and gain new or improved skills.
- · Initiatives create a healthier Brampton by ensuring improved mental health of residents.









## **Ineligible Organizations, Projects and Expenses**



#### **Ineligible Organizations**

(Not an exhaustive list. More information found in section 4.2 of the 2026 ABF Guidelines)

- For-Profit Corporations
- Individuals
- Public Libraries, School Boards, Schools, Classrooms
- Orgs that receive core funding from the City
- Political organizations
- National or Regional Organizations except where the application is submitted by a local chapter with a provable Brampton address.
- Religious or Faith groups that require adherence to a faith to participate.
- Hospitals, Clinic-based services or medical treatment projects

#### **Ineligible Projects**

(Not an exhaustive list. More information found in section 5.4. of the 2026 ABF Guidelines)

- Projects taking place outside of Brampton
- Banquets
- Beauty Pageants
- Projects where Fundraising is the primary activity.
- Private Events
- Politically partisan projects
- Projects administered and funded by the City of Brampton Parks Division
- Major capital projects

#### Ineligible Expenses

(Not an exhaustive list. More information found in section 5.5 of the 2026 ABF Guidelines)

- Trophies, awards, prizes and gifts\*
- Scholarships and bursaries\*
- Expenses associated with controlled or illegal substances
- Insurance\*
- Staff and guest travel/accommodation\*
- Attendance at or fees associated with conventions and conferences
- Membership fees/dues
- \* Represent expenses that are eligible as part of matching expenses.





## **Expense Reporting:**

Report of estimated expenses within the categories provided.

The City understands this is only a projection and that things could change.

Expense reporting templates should be detailed enough for grant reviewers to assess the eligibility of expenses. Requests can be declined based on a grant reviewers' inability to determine whether an expense is eligible or not.

Applicants should be aware that approved funding may not be provided for the full amount requested.



## **Expense Reporting in Applications**

Advance	Brampton Fund Projected Project Budget Reporting Template		
Expense Category  *All ABF Expenses should fall into one of the below categories. Please read the instructions for each category carefully in order to determine how to report on items and values.	Expense Items Listing *List all of the individual items in the expense category and provide a dollar value for each item	Paid With Grant Funding *Provide the summed value of any expenses in Column B - Expense Items Listing you will pay with grant funding. The total in this column should be no more than \$25,000 in the Amplifying Stream and equal the value of grant you are requesting.	Matching Expense  *Provide the summed value of any expense in Column B - Expense Items Listing that will make up part of your matching expenses. The total in this column should be equal to or greater than the total value in Column C - Paid With Grant Funding
Example	Print Ads - \$5,000 Digital Ads - \$5,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
	Ad Content Creation - \$10,000		
Project Staff Wages  *The value paid to organizational full-time, part-time or contracted staff while they work directly on this project. These are eligible expenses and can be paid with grant funding. Include these expenses in Column C - Paid With Grant if they are expected to be paid with grant funding. Include them in Column D - Matching Expense if they are expected to be a part of your project's matching expenses. You can can also split these			
values in any way between Column C and Column D if they are expected to make up portion of both your grant and matching expenses.		\$0.00	\$0.00
Contracted Services		30.00	\$0.00
*The total amount paid to artists, subject matter experts, consultants, accountants, researchers or other externally contracted individuals or organizations engaged in project delivery. These are eligible expenses and can be paid with grant funding. Include these expenses in Column C - Paid With Grant if they are expected to be paid with grant funding. Include them in Column D - Matching Expense if they are expected to be a part of your project's matching expenses. You can can also split these values in any way between Column C and Column D if they are expected to make up portion of		\$0.00	\$0.00
Project Venue  This is the cost to rent the venue specifically for project delivery. These are eligible expenses and can be paid with grant funding. Include these expenses in Column C-Paid With Grant if they are expected to be paid with grant funding. Include them in Column D - Matching Expense if they are expected to be a part of your project's matching expenses. You can can also split these values in any way between Column C and Column D if they are expected to make up portion of both your grant and matching expenses. If your project is delivered in your organization's office space the cost is considered administrative and can not be paid with ABF grant funding, however the cost of your office space pro-roted for the time the project is delivered within it can be a past of the space's matching contributions. Include this value in Column D. Matching.		\$0.00	\$0.0
Project Supplies  *Include the costs of any supplies needed for project delivery. These are eligible expenses and can be paid with grant funding. Include these expenses in Column C-Paid With Grant if they are expected to be paid with grant funding. Include them in Column D - Matching Expense if they are expected to be a part of your project's matching expenses. You can can also split these values in any way between Column C and Column D if they are expected to make up portion of both your grant and matching expenses.		\$0.00	\$0.00
Project Related Printing and Copying Services		30.00	30.0
'Include the value of any project related printing or copying services. These are eligible expenses and can be paid with grant funding. Include these expenses in Column C - Paid With Grant if they are expected to be paid with grant funding. Include them in Column D - Matching Expense if they are expected to be a part of your project's matching expenses. You can can also split these values in any way between Column C and Column D if they are expected to make up portion of both your grant and matching		\$0.00	\$0.00





Marketing and Advertising			
Include the value of any marketing and advertising that is directly related to project			
delivery. These are eligible expenses and can be paid with grant funding. Include these			
expenses in Column C - Paid With Grant if they are expected to be paid with grant			
funding. Include them in Column D - Matching Expense if they are expected to be a part			
of your project's matching expenses. You can can also split these values in any way			
between Column C and Column D if they are expected to make up portion of both your			
grant and matching expenses.		\$0.00	\$0.00
Food and Beverage			
*Include the value of any food and beverage needed for project delivery. These are			
eligible expenses and can be paid with grant funding. Include these expenses in			
Column C - Paid With Grant if they are expected to be paid with grant funding. Include			
them in Column D - Matching Expense if they are expected to be a part of your project's			
matching expenses. You can can also split these values in any way between Column C			
and Column D if they are expected to make up portion of both your grant and matching		\$0.00	\$0.00
Equipment Rental			
*Provide the value of any equipment you will be renting to deliver your project. These			
are eligible expenses and can be paid with grant funding. Include these expenses in			
Column C - Paid With Grant if they are expected to be paid with grant funding. Include			
them in Column D - Matching Expense if they are expected to be a part of your project's			
matching expenses. You can can also split these values in any way between Column C			
and Column D if they are expected to make up portion of both your grant and matching		\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Eligible Expenses			
*Include the cost of any expense that is not listed above but is eligible as outlined in			
the 2024 Advance Brampton Fund Guidelines. These are eligible expenses and can be			
paid with grant funding. Include these expenses in Column C - Paid With Grant if they			
are expected to be paid with grant funding. Include them in Column D - Matching			
Expense if they are expected to be a part of your project's matching expenses. You can			
can also split these values in any way between Column C and Column D if they are			
expected to make up portion of both your grant and matching expenses. Review staff			
will ensure these values are eligible. If determined to be ineligible and included in your			
arant request value their inclusion can reduce the value of your arant request		\$0.00	\$0.00
Capital Purchases			
*Provide the value of any expenses related to the purchase of building materials,			
tools, equipment, software or technology for project delivery. These are considered			
capital expenses and are capped at \$5,000 in the Amplifying Stream. Provide any			
value for capitale expenses of \$5,000 or under in Column C - Paid with Grant Funding			
and any value over \$5,000 in Column D - Mathching Expenses. These expenses can be			
split between Column C and D in any way provided the value in Column C is no higher		60.00	60.00
than \$5,000 and they will make up a part of both your grant and matching expenses		\$0.00	\$0.00
Volunteer Hours			
*Include the value of your expected volunteer hours. The value of volunteer hours is			
\$17.00/hour as outlined in the 2024 Advance Brampton Fund Guidelines. This is not an			
expense that can be paid with grant funding, so include this value in Column D -			60.00
Matchina Expenses.			\$0.00
Gifts In Kind			
*Include the value of any expected project related gifts-in-kind. The value of service or			
product gifts-in-kind is determined by a an advertisement for products or an estimate			
for services. This is not an expense that can be paid with grant funding, so include this			60.00
value in Column D - Matchina Expenses.			\$0.00
Insurance			
*The Advance Brampton Fund requires \$2,000,000 in commercial general liability			
insurance in order for organizations to be eligible for funding. This cost is			
administrative and can not be paid with grant funding, but can be a part of your			
matching expenses. Provide the cost of your project's commercial general liability			\$0.00
Project Team Meetings and Travel			
*Provide the costs associated with any staff travel or meeting that directly relate to			
the project. These expenses are not eligible to be paid with grant funding but can be a			
part of your project's matching contributions. Include these values in Column D -			\$0.00
	TOTAL DAID WITH COANT FUNDING AND DECUEST WALLE	60.00	
	TOTAL PAID WITH GRANT FUNDING AND REQUEST VALUE	\$0.00	
		Total Matching Expenses	\$0.00
	Total Project Value		
	Total Project Value	\$0.00	







**Expense Item Listing** – Provide a list of ALL expenses within a category and its estimated value

Paid with Grant Funding – Provide the summed total off all expenses being paid with grant funding

Matching Expenses – Provide the summed total of all expenses comprising the matching expenses

Total Paid with Grant Funding and Request Value will auto populate to a maximum of \$12,500 in Developing and \$25,000 in Amplifying. This number should be placed in your application as the request amount.

**Total Matching Expenses** will auto populate with the total value of your matching expenses.

**Total Project Value** will also auto populate with a sum of your Request Value and Matching Expenses.



### **Close Out Reporting**

All Advance Brampton Fund Grantees are expected to provide a Close Out Report. This close out report is due 60 days after the project end date in your application or by December 31, 2026, whichever comes first.







Project Delivery Reporting
Impact Reporting
Grant Program Feedback
Expenses Reporting



#### How to prove an expense:

An expense can be proven as **incurred** through a POS Receipt, invoice or contract.

An expense must be proven as **paid** through a POS Receipt, Cheque Copy, or Invoice clearly showing balance as paid.

An expense must be proven as paid <u>and received</u> through bank statements, credit card statements, POS Receipts

Payroll expenses can be proven through a submission of payroll documentation, paystubs, or in a lump sum through the provision of income tax reporting documentation.

Volunteer hours can be confirmed as an expense through the provision of a volunteer hour tracker with value for labour at \$17.60/h

GIK can be reported as an expense and value proven through an advertisement for a product or an estimate for service from a service provider.





**Contact Information** 

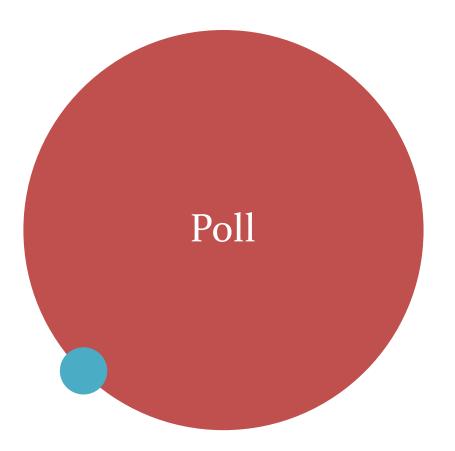
Amir Majid, Grants Administration Officer Amir.Majid@Brampton.ca

Webpage for all necessary information <a href="https://www.Brampton.ca/abf">www.Brampton.ca/abf</a>





August 13, 2025 Presenter: Dinah Laprairie



### Question:

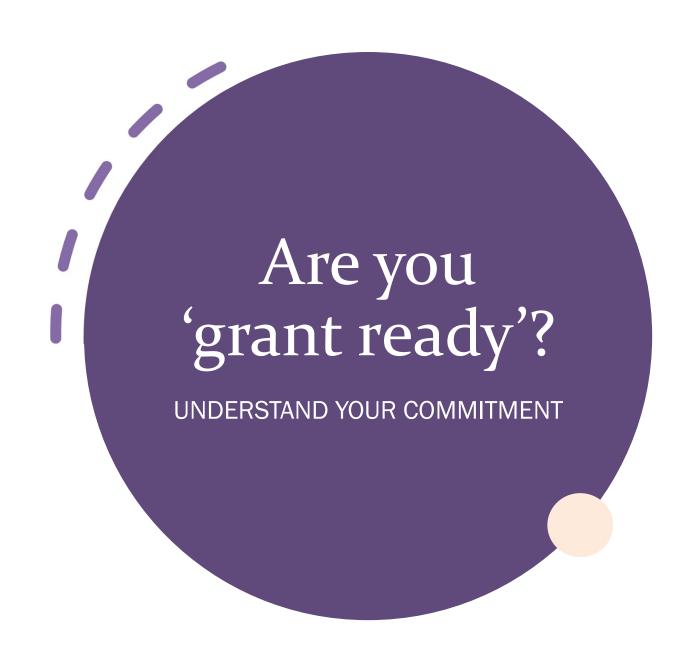
What do you think is the biggest difference between the ABFs **New & Small Projects Stream** and the **Developing or Amplifying Streams**?



- 1. Are You Grant Ready?
- 2. Investing in Grant Success
- 3. Making Your Case

## **BONUS**

Sample timeline for grant preparation



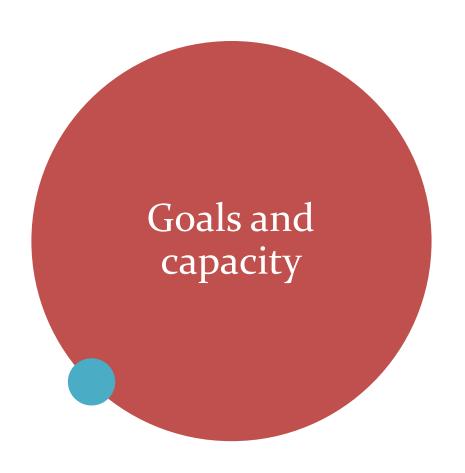
Developing Projects Stream		
Purpose:	To support existing projects that have been previously delivered at least once before in Brampton and align with the outlined City priorities.  This stream best supports projects that are growing and have potential to develop further with increased resources.	
Open to:	Registered Charities     Incorporated Non-Profit Organizations	
Available funding:	Up to \$12,500 in matching project funds to a maximum of 50% of project expenses. Advance Brampton Fund funding can only be spent on eligible expenses.  See section 5.5 Ineligible Expenses to learn more about expenses that can not be paid with Advance Brampton Fund funding.	
Grant term	Projects must take place between January 1, 2026, and December 31, 2026.	
Application intake	Annual Call for Applications  Call opens: September 2, 2025 Call closes: September 30, 2025  See section 6.1.1 – Annual Intake - All Streams for the full application schedule.	
Project Close Out Report	Organizations must be able to submit a Project Close Out Report 60 days after the project end date provided in their application or by December 31, 2026, whichever comes first.  Note: Project Close Out Reports must be submitted by December 31, 2026, Organizations may forfeit their final 10% holdback if a Project Close Out Report is not submitted by December 31, 2026.	

# Does your project qualify?

#### In 2026 Guidelines:

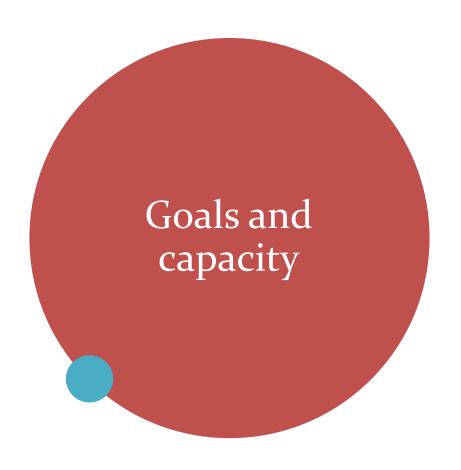
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Amplifying Projects Stream		
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Open to:	Registered Charities     Incorporated Non-Profit Organizations	
Available funding:	Up to \$25,000 in matching project funds to a maximum of 50% of project expenses. Advance Brampton Fund funding can only be spent on eligible expenses.	
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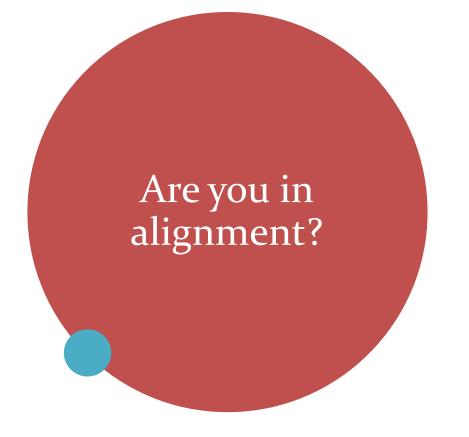
## Before you apply, ask yourself:

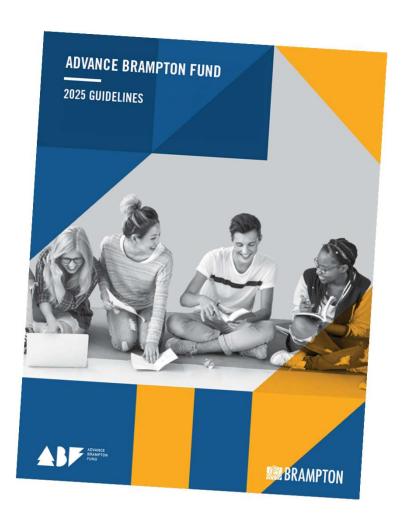
- 1. Does this project support our long-term goals?
- 2. Which **resources** do we need to meet those goals?
- 3. Do we have the **capacity** to manage a grant?
- 4. Does it have **real impact** on the community we serve?



### More specifically:

- ✓ Do we have the ability to **live up the funding agreement** (recognition of funding, final report)?
- Do we have other funds or resources available to make sure the project is successful?
- ✓ Do we have **people to manage** the money, sign the cheques when needed? Good recordkeeping?
- Is our staff able to **make this a priority** and put aside some of their current work to carry out the project?
- ✓ Will our community be enthusiastic and participate?





# What are your funder's priorities?

Recreation		
Priority Area focus: Uniting a healthy community through Recreation.		
Eligible project types:	Projects that align with and support the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Projects should fall under one of the three areas below:  1. Projects that encourage physical activities such as sports, or leisure activity requiring physical movement.  2. Wellness projects, including education and outreach on physical literacy, mental wellbeing, and healthy and active lifestyles.  3. Projects that encourage healthy and safe ways for Brampton youth and/or seniors to participate in organized gatherings to reduce isolation. Projects that demonstrate a commitment to physical and/or mental wellbeing will be prioritized.  Projects that focus on diverse and equity-deserving populations and projects that provide opportunities for physical activities not provided by the City of Brampton's recreational programs will be prioritized. Applicants should clearly demonstrate these things in their application.	



Find the City's priorities for on pages 10-11 of the 2026 Guidelines booklet

Look for other supporting strategies and priorities from your funder.

#### Other Important Links and Information

- [2] 2024 Advance Brampton Fund Guidelines
- City of Brampton Culture Master Plan
- City of Brampton Parks and Recreation Master Plan
- City of Brampton Community Safety Action Plan



Do you have support of:

- Your Board of Directors?
- Program staff?
- Proposed partners?

Most importantly...

• The people you serve!



# Plan.

# The 5 R's of Planning

#### Research

What do the experts say?

#### Reach out

What expertise do you need?

### Relationship-building

Is this project better with partners?

#### Resources

What do you need to meet project outcomes?



Relevance

What does your community need?

# Research.

- What is the assessment criteria?
- Look for past awards
- Call the grants officer
- Has anyone else done a project like yours?
- Is there research to back up this great idea?
- What are the local, provincial and federal policies and positions?
   (ex: City of Brampton)

## Research it.

- Review earlier project.
  - Participant experience surveys, feedback forms, testimonials, photos
  - Goals vs Actual Budget vs actual expenses, scheduling vs actual timeline, outcomes expectations vs what happened.
  - Partners and stakeholders response from funders, Board, community, general public
  - Organizational systems policies, procedures, protocols
  - Risk Assessment Predicted risks vs. unexpected risks
- Ask people for new input.

## Research it.



### START STOP CONTINUE EXERCISE

What should we start doing?

What should we stop doing?

What should we continue doing?

Like this idea?

Go to <a href="https://www.sessionlab.com/methods/start-stop-continue">https://www.sessionlab.com/methods/start-stop-continue</a>

## Research it.



### WHAT FLOATS OUR BOAT?

What was driving the project forward? (Add it to the sail.)

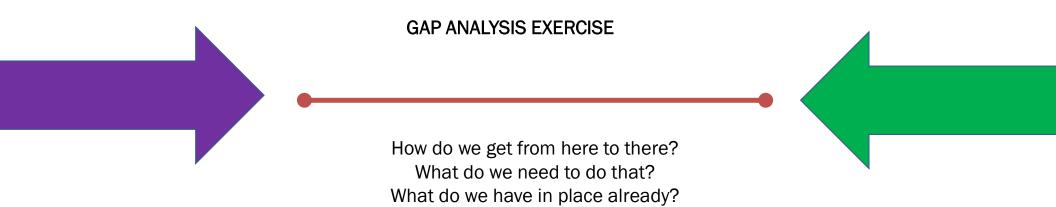
What was holding us back? (Add it to the anchor.)

What was steering the project? (Add it to the rudder.)

Like this idea?

More details at <a href="https://www.sessionlab.com/methods/project-mid-way-evaluation">https://www.sessionlab.com/methods/project-mid-way-evaluation</a>

# Ask for input.





# Begin with the idea.

Arts and Culture	
Priority Area Focus:	Support Inclusive Artistic Expressions: Building Brampton's identity as a creative city with a vibrant and diverse artist community.
Eligible Project Types:	Projects that align with and support the City's <u>Culture Master Plan</u> by:  1. Contributing to the development of a creative community of artistic practice in Brampton through educational and networking opportunities for artists and the creative community or,  2. Providing opportunities for the production and/or presentation of artistic work in Brampton.
Outcomes:	Brampton artists, creators and arts organizations are better connected, share skills and drive innovation in their practice. Brampton residents interested in the arts are provided opportunities and education to help build their skills and level of engagement with artistic expression. Brampton artists, creators, groups, and audiences participate in meaningful exchange, enriching the community while embracing expression, which showcases innovation in arts derived through cross-cultural and diverse connection and collaboration.

We want to match professional artists aged 60+ with youth aged 16-24 who participate in graffiti arts in an 8-week mutual learning exchange. They will complete a community art project together, sharing knowledge and skills.

Does your idea match the goals of the City?

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#### **Work Plan**

Project title: Graffiti as Art: A community arts project by Youth and Senior Artists

Applicant: XYX Community Organization

Dates	Activities	Who
Objective: (	Organize project resources	
Aug-Sept	Project planning, partnership outreach	Program Coordinator, Community members,
Sept-Oct	Coordinate donations from grocers, hardware stores	Community Partners Program Coordinator
Oct-Dec	Workshop planning (workshop details, sourcing equipment/supplies), partner meetings, book spaces, prepare job ads	Program Coordinator, Community Partners
Oct-Dec	Prepare evaluation tools	Program Coordinator, Executive Director
December	Confirm funding, place job ads	Program Coordinator, Executive Director
January	Promotion of workshops; Registration	Program Coordinator; Project Assistant;
February	Selection of participants	Program Coordinator, Project Assistant, Professional Artist/Mentor
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_	Workshops begin	
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TIP: Attach resources and people to every activity.

If you identify these now, you can build a better budget.

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	Mid-term evaluation survey	Program Coordinator, Participants	
May 7	Workshop 5: Community arts project planning ression	Participants, Project Assistant, Professional Artist/Mentor	Personnel, equipment & supplies
May 21	Workshop 6: Graffiti arts (Youth-led)	Partic ants, Project Assistant Scofessional Artist/Mentor	Personnel, equipment & supplies
Jun 4	Workshop 7: Community arts project planning session	Participants, Project Assistant, Professional Artist/Mentor	Personnel, equipment & supplies
Jun 18	Workshop 4: Art-based techniques (Artist-led)	Participants, Project Assistant, Professional Artist/Mentor	Person L equipment & supplies
	Workshops end	Attoomentor	
May	Promotion of community arts project; invitation to community to participate	Participants, Project Assistant, Professional Artist/Mentor;	Advertising dollars, office supplies
June 22-26	Community arts project execution	Participants, Project Assistant, Professional Artist/Mentor, Community members	Personnel, equipment & supplies, Permits
	Completion of Community Arts Project		
Objective: S	Showcase participant success in community		
July 17	Community potluck & showcase	Participants, Project Assistant, Professional Artist/Mentor, Community members, Executive Director	Personnel, Food and drink, office supplies (for invitations and certificates), Venue
Objective: F	valuate project, report to stakeholders and comm	unity	
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July 3-10	Post-project evaluation survey & interviews	Program Coordinator, Participants	Office supplies
September	Review success of project; Report to funder; Report to Exec. Director and Board of Directors	Participants, Project Assistant, Professional Artist/Mentor, Community members, Executive	n/a

TIP: Build measurement and evaluation into your work plan. Show you believe it is important to meet your goals and outcomes.

Revenue	
Donations - Cash	\$500
Donations – In-kind (food, paint)	\$750
Grant application - Ontario Arts Council (TBD)	\$6,140
Federal employment program (TBD)	\$6,910
Grant application – Advance Brampton Fund	\$12,500
Our contribution	\$3,330
TOTAL	\$30,130
Expenses	
Community room for workshops	\$800
Equipment, materials, and supplies	\$3,000
Honoraria, workshop leaders	\$500
Accessibility expenses	\$50
Personnel	\$19,980
Professional artist fees	\$5000
Other expenses	\$800
TOTAL	\$30,130

## Estimate.



Project title: Graffiti as Art: A community arts project by Youth and Senior Artists

Applicant: XYX Community Organization

	Item	Details	Total
arned Revenue			
	Fees	No workshop fees for participants	\$0.00
		Subtotal	\$0.00
rivate Sector R	evenue		
	Individual Donations	Anonymous donor (confirmed; received)	.00.00
	Corporate Donations & Sponsorship	s Food donation from grocer (see letter of support)	\$250.00
		Paint donation from hardware store (see confirmation letter)	\$500.00
	Foundation Grants and Donations	n/a	\$0.00
	Fundraising Events (net)	n/a	\$0.00
	In-kind Contribution		
		In-kind contribution: Program Coordinator time 30 hours x \$30/h	\$3,330.00
	4	Subtotal	\$4,580.00

TIP: If you have confirmed other sources of funding, point it out.
Some funders will ask you to attach letters of support or confirmation.

Federal Employment Incentive Program (pending decision) \$6,910.0	Forders   Forder Alexantic Paragray (and include ities)	¢6.040.00
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CHECK: Is your request in line with the guidelines?

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EXPENSES				
Personnel				
	Professional Artist-Mentor	Fees (Covered by Ontario Arts Council grant, see above)	\$5,000.00	
	Project Assistant	25 hours per week, \$25/h, 24 weeks (covered by Employment		TIP: Make
		Incentive Program, see above)	\$15,000.00	
		MERCs & Benefits (est. 11%)	\$1,650.00	you add ot
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		Subtotal	\$21,650.00	costs, not o
				wages.
Venue				
	Venue for workshops	8 sessions x \$100/day, King Centre Community Hall	\$800.00	
	-	Subtotal	\$800.00	
Equipment & S	Supplies			
	Equipment	Ladders, painting equipment, safety equipment	\$1,50.00	TIP: Show you
	Materials	Art supplies, paint, tarps	\$1,400.00	logic in the
	Supplies	Food for workshops, community event, and celebration (supporte	\$250.00	details. How
		Office supplies	\$200.00	
	Other	Honoraria for workshop leaders (\$125 per session)	\$500.00	did you get
	Accessibility Expenses	Bus tickets	\$50.00	that number?
		Subtotal	\$3,550.00	
Administration	/marketing			
	Program coordination	30 h x \$30/h (see In-kind contribution above)	\$3,330.00	
	Administrative costs	Postage, photocopying for surveys	\$50.00	
	Advertising	Advertisements promoting workshops (newspaper, radio)	\$750.00	
	3	Subtotal	\$4,130.00	CHECK
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### Key Questions to Answer in Making Your Case

What need does this project address? How do you know there is a need for it *right now*?

What problem does this solve? How do you know it is a problem?

How does this solution align with your goals? How does this solution align with the priorities of the funder?

What changes? How can you tell?

### Key Questions to Answer in Making Your Case

For Amplifying and Developing Streams:

What worked well in the earlier iteration? Were there challenges identified?

How will this iteration address those challenges?
How does this iteration scale up or take advantage of earlier successes?
How will you grow and sustain this project/program as you move forward?

It's an open-book exam. Look for the questions, tips and evaluation criteria in the Guidelines!

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where in Brampton the project will be delivered (location of project venue) Note: If your project will be delivered Note: if your project will be delivered virtually, provide details of the online platform you intend to use. Note: Answering all of the questions above is important to a good score.

Project Alignment: The project's alignment to the City Describe how your project supports the City Priority and Project Type you have selected. Elaborate on how your project will achieve the Outputs and Outcomes identified Priority and Project Type selected is clearly articulated. The Output(s) identified are appropriate for the project and the target numbers set are reachable.
The Outcome(s) identified are
appropriate for the project Note: Specific reference to each output 5% you have selected as a measurement and details about how you will achieve that measurement will help reviewers assess this question. Note: Specific reference to the outcomes Note: Specific reference to the outcomes you have selected and how they are appropriate for your project/program will help reviewers assess this question.

Project Development: Challenges and/or risks are clearly articulated. The methods by which the organization will overcome or mitigate these challenges are What risks to do you anticipate in the development and/or delivery of this project and how do you plan to address the identified risks?

Project Team: ppropriate. The project team is listed and their skills and qualifications are provided and relevant. List the members of your project team and their skills and qualifications relevan to the project's delivery?

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion The project has considered the Tell us about how your project will seek to engage the diverse population in

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Evaluation Criteria

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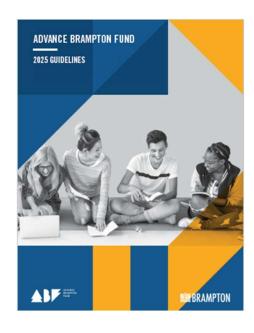
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who this project ......



### **Brief Project Description:**

Provide a brief description of your project (250 words or less).

## From idea to project description

#### The initial idea:

We want to match professional artists aged 60+ with youth aged 16-24 who participate in graffiti arts in a mutual learning exchange. They will complete a community art project together, sharing knowledge and skills.

WHAT is your project about?

WHO does it serve?

WHEN does it happen?

WHY are you doing it?
Why now?

WHO will you do it?

## Example

In 2026, our organization, XYZ, will match 6 young graffiti artists, aged 16-24 with 6 local, established artists aged 60+ from Brampton Art Society in a mutual learning exchange called Graffiti as Art: A community arts project by Youth and Senior Artists, a scaled-up version of a successful one-day event in 2025. These funds will address the isolation felt by young artists by encouraging inclusion and learning exchanges in in our city's arts community. From January to June, the 16 artists will meet in a series of 8 workshops where participants will share their own art-making techniques and develop a community arts project that will be open to participation by City of Brampton residents as part of the City's Canada Day celebrations. This project will engage 16 artists in total, and it will be supported by 1 paid professional artist-mentor as well as 1 project assistant. Our organization is contributing 100 hours of project coordination to support the project's success. Through this project, we will build meaningful connection and networks between emerging and established artists, offer an art-making opportunity to the community at large, and develop participants' skills in art-making and community engagement. [193 words]



#### **Project Description:**

- Project Start Date
- Project End Date

Describe your project. Include full details, such as:

- what you plan to do
- how you plan to do it
- what need in the community your project addresses
- · who this project will serve
- · how this project will serve those intends to serve
- where in Brampton the project will be delivered (location of project venue) If your project will be delivered virtually, provide details of the online platform you intend to use.

## Example

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COMMUNITY NEED – XYZ serves young artists in their art practice and supports their development as professional artists in Brampton. In a 2024 focus group we learned that our artists have limited contact with established local artists. They also felt misunderstood by the art community because they are participating in art forms that older artists are unfamiliar with (graffiti arts, video game design, etc.) Additionally, the youth we support are eager to lead community arts activities in their communities. This project, we believe, addresses the goals of Brampton's Cultural Master Plan to encourage cross-collaboration between artists, facilitate connections between organizations, and position Brampton as a "creative city."

RESPONSE – Recent research by Canadian researcher Sandra Su published in the journal *Generational Studies* (Nov. 2024) shows that interactive mutual learning activities increase trust and respect among generations, especially when there is common interests among participants. That is why, in 2025, we brought together our member-artists with established artists from the Brampton Artists Society (BAS) in a one-day Technique Swap event. All 22 artists in attendance were able to share their skills in a round-the-world style workshop that resulted in improved connection between the emerging and established workshops. In a post-event survey, 92% of participants said they built connections with artists outside of their current circles. Both XYZ and BAS agreed the event was a success, but maintaining and strengthening the connections afterwards would be challenging without more opportunities to build meaningful, lasting connections; this is the motivation for our 2025 project.

## Example

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PROPOSED 2025 ACTIVITY – In brainstorming with our artists, we propose to refine the concept we introduced in 2024 by coordinating a series of 8 workshops that will convene 6 artists from our organization, aged 16-24, and 6 established Brampton artists aged 60+ from Brampton Art Society in skill sharing and learning. This new model of delivery will promote more contact among artists and better support long-term relationships building. A professional artist-mentor and a project assistant -- will lead the project and support participants in (a) delivering skill-sharing workshops to fellow participants, and (b) conceiving and organizing a community arts event for the City of Brampton on Canada Day weekend.

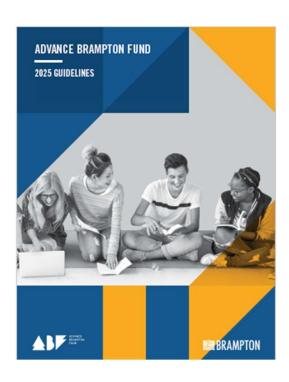
Two of our young artists will be sharing their skills in graffiti arts during the workshop series, and we are inviting 2 of the established older-adult artists to prepare workshops on their own techniques for the youth. These workshop leaders will receive an honorarium for their work. This is a new feature for 2025.

With the support of the Advance Brampton Fund, we will supply the art materials and equipment needed during these workshops and their community arts event, such as ladders, paint, canvas, art tools, etc.

TIMEFRAME - The workshops will be offered between February and June, with the culminating community arts event scheduled for July 1 Canada Day.

ACCESSIBILITY & EQUITY- To ensure equitable access to the workshops, we will offer bus tickets to those participants who don't have transportation to our workshop or event venue. We have also selected a venue that is easy to access for users with mobility issues. Additionally, our artist application and selection process, and the project itself, will be evaluated in advance of implementation by an outside expert to ensure it supports our DEI aims. All of these items are addressed in the budget.

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#### **Project Alignment**

Describe how your project supports the City Priority and Project Type you have selected, citing any City of Brampton or other references that substantiate this view.

## Example

This project aligns with Brampton's priority area 'Arts and Culture' because it strengthens the visual arts community by encouraging meaningful relationships among established and emerging artists, who together will produce and present a community arts event that is inclusive of artistic expression across mediums and generations. We expect these new artist connections to broaden the network of each artist. Additionally, each participant will gain or refine new art skills that will further their individual artistic practice. Our project addresses both Project Types in this Priority Area focus.

This project also supports Brampton's Cultural Master Plan in the thematic area of "developing a community of practice", especially in how it embraces the cultural and artistic fusion and experimentation; by bringing together emerging artists with established ones, we feel this program supports the Plan's aims for "social cohesion" and a "youthful" reputation. Additionally, it encourages cross-collaboration between artists, facilitate connections between organizations, and position Brampton as a "creative city."





#### **Project Outputs**

Describe how your organization will measure the outputs you selected earlier in the application and why they are important to the project.

### Outputs vs Outcomes

#### **OUTPUTS**

What your project will produce

# of programs delivered

# of community partners engaged

# of volunteers, # of volunteer hours

% of participants engaged from neighbourhoods low on the well-being index

#### **OUTCOMES**

Why you are doing your project

Increased awareness

Increased access

Improved knowledge, skills

Improved connections

Reduced isolation

New opportunities

Outputs contribute to the achievement of Outcomes. The Outcomes benefit the people of Brampton.

## Measure. Evaluate.

What are the project goals?

How will you know you met them?

What tools can measure this?

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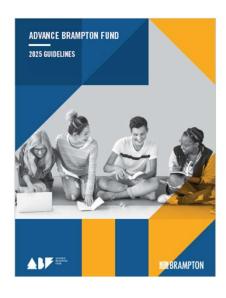
Outcomes	Goal for Outputs	Measurable Indicators	Measurement Tool
Brampton artists, creators and arts organizations are better connected, share skills and drive innovation in their practice.	<ul> <li>13 participants agree that they are better connected</li> <li>4 participants deliver mutual learning workshops</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Participants contribute skills to workshops and public event.</li> <li>Participants engage in mutual learning.</li> <li>Attendance is regular and frequent.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Attendance record</li> <li>Post-project survey and interviews</li> <li>Count of workshops, # of workshop leaders</li> </ul>
Brampton residents interested in the arts are provided opportunities and education to help build their skills and level of engagement with artistic expression.	<ul> <li>91% of participants will attend all sessions</li> <li>All participants will report improved or new artistic expression skills</li> <li>1 community arts event is delivered</li> <li>50-75 residents are engaged in public event</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workshop series spots are filled</li> <li>Participants attend all or most sessions</li> <li>1 community arts event is delivered in Brampton</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Attendance record</li> <li>Post project survey and interviews</li> <li>Count of workshops</li> <li>Count of community arts event and attendees</li> </ul>

## Example

In this iteration, we are focusing on deepening impact rather than scaling to greater numbers of participants. We will be measuring our results throughout the project to help us understand the factors that are key to successful outcomes. The measurement tools we will use are: attendance records, a post-project survey and interviews, and photographic records. Our organization can then determine whether to scale this project in 2027 – to include more participants or to add it to our regular programming – and what adaptations must be in place to do so. Below we list the outputs and explain why we believe these outputs are important to measure.

OUTPUT 1: FIVE (5) ARTISTS PAID. 1 professional artist-mentor will be paid a fee for facilitating the workshop series and leading the development of the community arts event. 4 participants (2 emerging and 2 established) will deliver mutual learning workshops and receive an honorarium. Financial records and project documentation will measure this output. In comparison to 2025's project, we are paying fees to 4 more artists.

Rationale: In a 2023 survey by Arts Ontario, professional artists earn less than \$10,000 per year on average from their work, and yet the Ontario arts sector attracts \$200M in tourism revenue per year. It is important to us that we provide financial recognition for the work and contributions of artists in this project in order to support the artists and the artistic community. The renumeration of the honoraria will be the same for both emerging and established artists.



### **Project Outcomes**

Describe how your project will contribute to the outcomes you selected earlier in the application.

## Example

OUTCOME 1: Because this project engages emerging artists and established artists from Brampton in mutual learning in workshop format, facilitated by a mentor, we believe that the participants will become better connected to others in the art community, have opportunities to share skills in their respective art forms, and drive innovation in their practice by learning from practitioners in other art forms. We will do this by:

- 1. Bringing together artists of different mediums and different levels of experience, artists who might not otherwise work together.
- 2. Designing and facilitating an experience that is inclusive; the initial workshop is a facilitated meet-greet-and-learn session showcasing the strengths and skills of all participants and encouraging playful exploration of new forms.
- 3. Conceiving and developing a community arts event that draws on the strengths and skills of all participants.

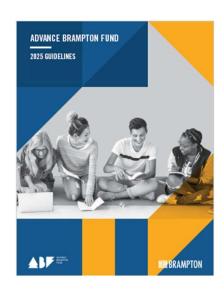
## Outputs and Outcomes

#### Stuck? Try completing the sentences below:

- This project aligns with this City's priority area ....
- The outcomes we will measure are...
- In response to feedback and our analysis of last year's project, the outputs/outcomes have been modified in these ways...
- We will know we successfully met the outcomes by measuring....
- We expect the following outputs from this project...
- · We believe these are reasonable because...
- To achieve this success, our project plan includes the following...



TIP: Describe how your outputs and outcomes are the same or different from the last time you offered this project and why.



#### Project Development (DEVELOPING)

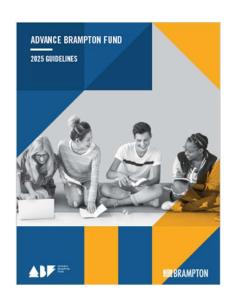
As you have submitted this project to the Developing Projects Stream of the Advance Brampton Fund, your organization has delivered this project at least once before in Brampton and established a need for this project within the community.

What aspects of this project will your organization focus on improving, strengthening or innovating in order to fully develop the project and how? Explain how this strength, growth or innovation will help this project develop?



TIPS: If you used the Start-Stop-Change or the Gap Analysis exercises, refer to your work here. Also turn to the data you collected from the last iteration. Answer all of the questions asked.

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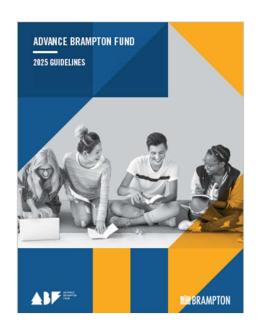
#### Project Development (AMPLIFYING)

As you have submitted this project to the Amplifying Projects Stream of the Advance Brampton Fund, your organization has delivered this project at least twice before in Brampton and established a proven track record of well-managed success in doing so.

Based on this foundation of success, what aspects of this project will your organization focus on scaling, expanding, or amplifying in this iteration of its delivery, and how?



TIPS: If you used the Start-Stop-Change or the Gap Analysis exercises, refer to your work here. Also turn to the data you collected from the last iteration. Answer all of the questions asked.



#### **Project Team:**

List the members of your project team and their roles in the project. Describe how the composition of your project team represents the skills required to successfully execute your project.

Include information about any outside professional services you plan on hiring, or any planned collaborations with outside organizations, subject matter experts or other funders. How will these support and enhance your project team?



### Diversity, Equity and Inclusion:

Tell us about how your project will seek to engage and provide an inclusive, safe space for diverse populations in Brampton.

## Question



#### **Project Plan:**

How will you ensure this project is delivered in a timely, efficient, and effective manner? List the key project activities you will complete and their associated timelines to deliver the project as described (minimum of five key project activities required.)



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Note: This should be detailed enough for grant reviewers to understand how your project or program will come together and be delivered and the timelines associated with each action to accomplish the project/program.

	Description	Timeline	
Key Project Activity 1			-
Key Project Activity 2			
Key Project Activity 3			
Key Project Activity 4			
Key Project Activity 5			
Key Project Activity 6			j
Key Project Activity 7			
Key Project Activity 8			
Key Project Activity 9		7.5	
Key Project Activity 10			





#### TIP:

After you have drafted your response, compare your key activities to your project description. Do they strengthen each other?

# Question



#### Marketing Plan:

Tell us about your organization's marketing plan for this project.

Describe your target audience(s), what tactics you will use to reach them, how you will engage Brampton's residents, and timelines for the plan.

### Spreading the news

- Who do we want to serve with this project, exactly?
- Where do they spend their time?
- How can I reach them where they are?
- Which medium is best? (face-to-face, digital, print)
- What marketing channels are most effective for the target audience? (print ad, poster, bulletin board notice, personal invitation, presentation, webinar, social media post, etc.)
- What messages would persuade this audience to pay attention?
- When is the best time to reach out to this audience?
- How can our marketing efforts support DEI (diversity, equity, and inclusion)?

# Question



### **Project Expenses**

Using the Project Expenses Worksheet provided, complete the proposed expenses for your project.



		Paid With Grant Funding
		*Provide the summed value of any
Expense Category	Expense Items Listing	expenses in Column B - Expense
*All ABF Expenses should fall into one of the below categories. Please read the	*List all of the eligible individual items within each expense category you expect to	Items Listing you will pay with
instructions for each category carefully in order to determine how to report on	pay for with grant funding and provide a dollar value for each item	grant funding. The total in this
items and values.	poy for that grant fortung and provide a donor raise for each term	column should be no more than
		\$5,000 in the New and Small
	l l	Projects Stream
Example	Print Ads - \$1,000	\$3,000
	Digital Ads - \$1,000	
	Ad Content Creation - \$1,000	
Project Staff Wages		
*The value paid to organizational full-time, part-time or contracted staff while they work directly on this project.		2000
Section for the first control of the section of the		\$0.00
Contracted Services  The value paid to artists, subject matter experts, consultants, accountants,		
researchers or other externally contracted individuals or organizations engaged in		\$0.00
Project Venue		
*This is the cost to rent the venue specifically for project delivery.These are eligible		
expenses and can be paid with grant funding. If your project is delivered in your		
organization's office space the cost is considered administrative and can not be paid with ABF grant funding.		\$0.00
Project Supplies		4
*Include the costs of any supplies needed for project delivery.		
Project Related Printing and Copying Services		
*Include the value of any project related printing or copying services.		\$0.00
Marketing and Advertising		
include the value of any marketing and advertising that is directly related to project		_
delivery.		\$0.00
Food and Beverage		100
*Include the value of any food and beverage needed for project delivery.		\$0.00
Equipment Rental		\$0.00
*Provide the value of any equipment you will be renting to deliver your project.  Other Eligible Expenses		\$0.00
Include the cost of any expense that is not listed above but is eligible as outlined		
in the 2024 Advance Brampton Fund Guidelines. Review staff will ensure these values		
are eligible. If determined to be ineligible they can reduce the value of your grant request.		\$0.00
Capital Purchases		-
*Provide the value of any expenses related to the purchase of building materials,		
tools, equipment, software or technology for project delivery. These are considered		
capital expenses and are capped at \$2,500 in the New and Small Project Stream.		\$0.00
	TOTAL PAID WITH GRANT FUNDING AND REQUEST VALUE	\$0.00

	Professional Artist-Mentor Project Assistant		
	- Start	Fees (Covered by Ontario Arts Council grant, see above) 25 hours per week, \$25/n, 24 weeks (covered by Employmen MERCs & Benefits Kert	\$5.000
Venue		MERCs & Benefits (est. 11%)	
	Venue for workshops		\$15,000.0 \$1,650.0
	- Inops	Subtotal	\$21,650.00
quipment & Sup		8 sessions x \$100/day, King Centre Community Hall	V21,030.00
Time it a Sup	plies	Centre Community Hall	
-	Equipment		\$800.00
,	Materials Supplies	Subtotal	600
	pupplies	Art supply painting equipment	\$800.00
0	ther	Art supplies, paint, tarps  Food for work.	
A	Cecibin	Office supplies community over	\$1,150.00
	cessibility Expenses	Honoraria for workshop leaders (\$125 per session)	\$1,400.00
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Adv	ertising		\$3,550.00
_		Postage, photocopying for surveys  Advertisements promotions	
		saverusements promoting workers	\$3,330.00
		Advertisements promoting workshops (newspaper, radio)	\$50.00
		Subtract	\$750.00
		TOTAL EXPENSES \$3	\$4,130.00

### **REMINDER:**

What worked well in the earlier iteration? Were there challenges identified?

How will this iteration address those challenges?
How does this iteration scale up or take advantage of earlier successes?
How will you grow and sustain this project/program as you move forward?

### AI Use in Grant Writing

Q: Should I use ChatGPT or CoPilot to write my responses?

**A:** You are the expert. Al tools may be helpful in checking your spelling and grammar, or in helping you brainstorm or outline. But Al tools don't know your organization, or the project, as well as you do. Neither do the tools know the evaluation criteria (unless you prompt well). The Al-generated responses may not capture all of the details you need to communicate the needs of your community and how you address the problem with this project. Be prepared to spend time on revisions and proofreading.

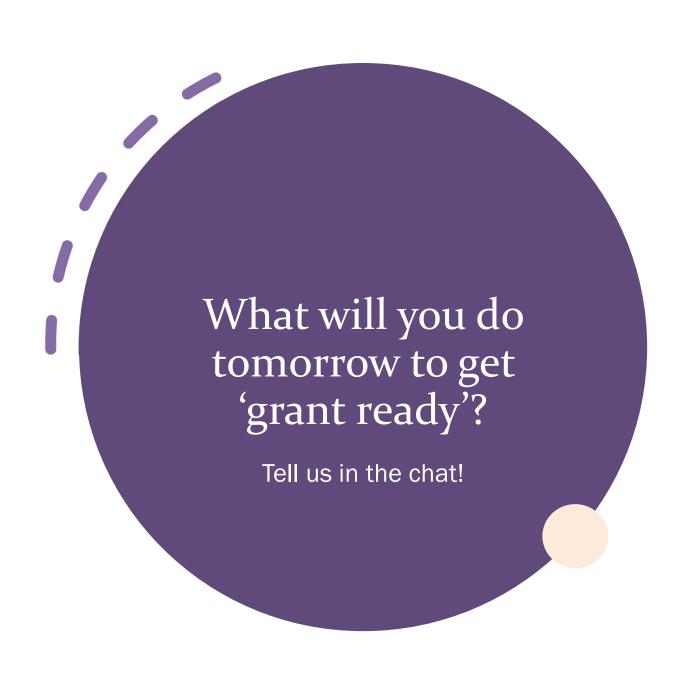
Your application will be reviewed by a human, so showcase the unique voice and approach your organization brings to the people of Brampton. How are you different and unique? Bring your passion to the table and try to write your responses yourself before you turn to these writing tools.

### We evaluate, too!

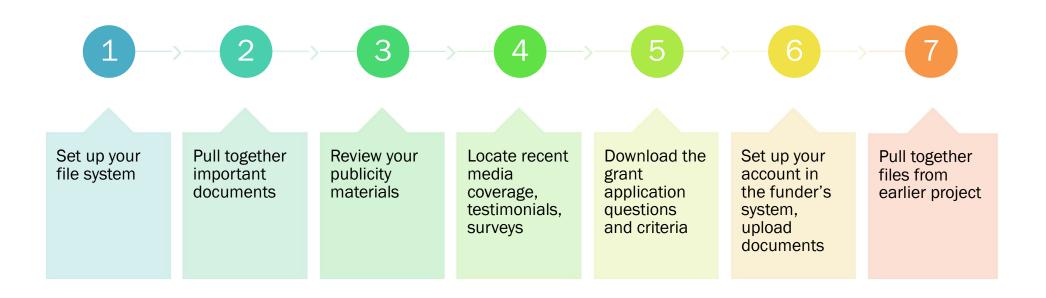
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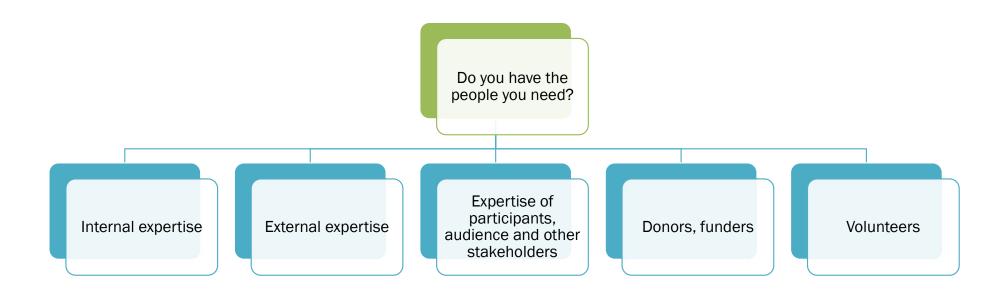
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## Set up your files



## Gather your experts



## Sample Timeline

August 14-23	Grant readiness discussions Identify needs and goals Reach out – gather your experts Review ABF requirements and eligibility Build basic project plan
August 23-30	Research Relationship-building Build basic budget Collect required documents/insurance Register in grant application portal
September 1-10	Collaborate with project people Organize project work plan Prepare detailed budget
September 10-17	Prepare responses to ABF application
September 17-25	Finalize application Submit early!



Thank you, and good luck on your ABF application!

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