



May 2012 Update

Now accepting applications for our Community Grants program...

Our 2012 **Community Grants** program is now open. The Guelph Community Foundation invites applications from charitable organizations providing projects/activities in the following areas:

- Arts and Culture
- Children and Youth
- Education
- Environment
- Health and Wellness
- Social Services

If you are interested in applying, please review the *General Guidelines for all applicants* to determine your eligibility and to learn more about what we do and do not fund.

We're pleased to offer our grant application process online but encourage charitable organizations to submit prior to the deadline. This online process is still very new to us and we want to ensure our system can manage the potential volume of funding requests that it can receive.

Be sure to visit the [Grant Programs](#) on our website for more details. The deadline for applications is **July 31st, 2012** (4:00 pm) and funding decisions made by mid September.

Other funding opportunities on NEW provincial website...

Visit [Grants Ontario](#), a newly launched website that provides one-window access to information about available provincial government grants, how to apply for grants and how to check the status of applications. You can check the website from time to time to learn when grants are open for applications.

The **Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport** provides project funding to a wide range of arts, heritage and cultural groups and stakeholders. If you are interested in learning more about this Ministry's grant opportunities, contact Barbara Elias, Regional Advisor for the Ministry at 1-800-265-5520 ext #2, or by email at barbara.elias@ontario.ca. Barb advises

on numerous granting programs including:

-[Cultural Strategic Investment Fund](#) supports not-for-profit organizations working in arts, public libraries and public library organizations, heritage, cultural industry organizations or Ontario-based research/academic institutions which focus on the cultural sector.

-[Museums and Technology Fund](#) provides arts and heritage organizations that house collections, such as community organizations, art galleries and archives with support to invest in digital technology that makes Ontario's heritage and its history in their collections more accessible to the public.

Philanthropy at your fingertips ...

As your centre for community philanthropy, The Guelph Community Foundation provides a wealth of up-to-date information on our website. Whether you're a donor, grant applicant, professional advisor, or just want to learn more about The Foundation, www.guelphcf.ca is for you.



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