

NEWS RELEASE

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Applications Open for the City's 2027 Social Development Grants

Summary

The City of Nanaimo is now accepting applications for the 2027 Social Development Grants Program. The program strives to support initiatives that enhance social cohesion, address the root causes and effects of poverty, contribute to the vitality of our community, and foster social inclusion and social equity. A total of \$85,000 is available under this grant program.

Eligible organizations include non-profit societies, recognized religious groups and/or neighbourhood associations recognized by the City of Nanaimo that propose projects benefiting City of Nanaimo residents. Funding through the Social Development Grants Program cannot be used for ongoing operational or administrative expenses.

Past projects that have received funding included initiatives that strengthen community connectivity, mental health and well-being, life skills development, social inclusion, food security and healthy relationships and opportunities for youth.

The deadline for submitting applications is 4:30 pm on Monday, October 19, 2026.

Strategic Link: The Social Development Grants align with the goals of City Plan by supporting community well-being and livability.

Key Points

- The City of Nanaimo is now accepting applications for the 2027 Social Development Grants program. The application deadline is 4:30 pm on Monday, October 19, 2026.
- All applications should support the desired outcomes and policies outlined in the City Plan's goal for "A Healthy Nanaimo: Community Well-being & Livability".

Quotes

"Community organizations play a vital role in addressing local needs and fostering a sense of belonging. Through the Social Development Grants program, the City is proud to partner with organizations that are creating positive change and building a stronger Nanaimo for everyone."

Leonard Krog
Mayor
City of Nanaimo

Quick Facts

- The City of Nanaimo's Social Development Grant Program has been operating since 2007.
- A total of \$85,000 is available.
- Social Development Grants support the City Plan's goal for a Healthy Nanaimo and promotes community safety and well-being.

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