



Weaving Justice Grants Call & Community Justice Grants Call

2024 Information Session

HOUSEKEEPING

Tech Issues?

Our teammate Arnold is here to help!

Call him at

604 688 2337 ext. 128

Or email

abundotich@lawfoundationbc.org



Asking Questions

Use the Q&A function at the bottom of your screen!

We will not be able to address all questions in this call and we encourage you to reach out to us directly if you require individual support

Chat Function

Chat function is not available for this call as we have too many participants. We encourage you to pose your questions or concerns through the Q&A function.

Agenda

WELCOME

Welcoming you and situating ourselves. Some housekeeping.

WHO ARE WE?

Who is the Law Foundation of BC and what is its mandate?

WHAT IS AVAILABLE?

Explaining the six grant types within the two funding opportunities.

HOW TO APPLY

Introducing the process, what info is needed, and support offered.

YOUR QUESTIONS

Answering questions submitted beforehand and during the webinar.

CLOSING

Thanking you and explaining ways to contact us.

Welcome, Introductions & Acknowledging Territory





What is the Law Foundation of BC?

- The LFBC is an **independent** non-profit foundation created by law;
- It is the recipient of the interest on funds held in lawyers' pooled trust accounts, and distributes those funds by way of **grants**.
- Vision: A future where systems of law and justice support all people to live and thrive in dignity.



**Weaving Justice Grants Call
&
Community Justice Grants Call**

Is this opportunity available to you?

Your project must be either Indigenous-Led or Indigenous-Partnered.

To be an Indigenous Led organization, we will consider that the leadership of your group, and those leading the proposed work, are Indigenous.

To be an Indigenous-Partnered organization, you must be partnering in this work with an Indigenous-Led organization or group.

Is this opportunity available to you?

To be Indigenous-Led or Partnered, we are also looking at what **values and protocol** guide your work, which **relationships/accountabilities** are in place, etc.

The **Circle on Philanthropy** has developed a resource that we encourage you to use to examine whether your proposal is Indigenous-led or Indigenous Partnered. This is linked in our FAQ.

	INDIGENOUS BENEFITING	INDIGENOUS INFORMED	INDIGENOUS PARTNERSHIPS	INDIGENOUS-LED
LEADERSHIP	No Indigenous leadership at the board or staff levels	Holds Indigenous leadership at some levels and a commitment to Indigenous recruitment	Partnerships where Indigenous decision makers sit equal and share leadership with non-Indigenous partners	Indigenous leadership at all levels of decision making within the organization
VALUES + PROTOCOL	Interest or mandate to serve Indigenous communities but no ongoing connection with Indigenous-led organizations	Culturally informed programming with demonstrated ongoing connection with Indigenous peoples, communities,	Protocol driven by Indigenous peoples with Indigenous ways of knowing that inform the work and values	Culture, knowledge, language guide the organization and deliverables

Is this opportunity available to you?

All applicants must be able to receive grant funds

We need to be sure that you/your organization have capacity and accountability mechanisms in place to manage grant funds.

If not, please reach out to us to discuss.

We are here to support you.

Is this opportunity available to you?

There is no requirement to be:

- A qualified donee or registered non-profit society;
- A First Nation government; or
- A specifically law-focused organization;



What kind of projects are eligible?

All projects need to be related to law

Projects must be related to law, whether to Canadian law or legal systems, or **Indigenous law or legal systems**.

In the application, you will be asked to identify which mandate area your application best aligns with and how you see it aligning.

Mandate areas:

LAW REFORM

LEGAL RESEARCH

LEGAL EDUCATION

LEGAL AID

LAW LIBRARIES

What kind of projects are eligible?

All projects must be BC-based

Applicants are only eligible if they operate (or intend to operate) in BC and/or for the benefit of people living on the lands known as BC.





**What opportunity should
you apply for?**

You may apply to multiple!

Weaving Justice Grants Call

Purpose:

to uplift and support the work of Indigenous People, organizations and communities to address the impact of colonial systems and institutions, while restoring power to their communities and creating connection



Weaving Justice Grants Call

Priorities:

- Indigenous Laws Revitalization
- Family and Community Healing
- Land-Based Laws



Weaving Justice Grants Call

Guiding Values:

- Transformation
- Generations
- Connections
- Land
- Community Accountability



Weaving Justice Grants Call: Grant Types

- **Cedar Grant** (4-Year Grant, \$250,000 per year, total \$1,000,000)
- **Willow Grant** (2-Year Grant, \$125,000 per year, total \$250,000)
- **Gathering** (One-time, \$250,000)

Sweetgrass Grants on next slide ...

Weaving Justice Grants Call: Grant Types

- **Sweetgrass Grant** (One-time Grant, \$100,000)

There are two types of Sweetgrass Grants. Both are one-time grants of \$100,000.

- **Development:** for the development of capacity, ideas and infrastructure to advance future intended initiatives or programs
- **Land & Law:** for discrete land-based opportunities where communities study and share their Indigenous laws and practices in ways that advance the priorities of this Grants Call

Community Justice Grants Call

Purpose:

to support community justice initiatives that are Indigenous-Led and are part of a community's strategy to transform systems of law and justice in ways that are informed by Indigenous protocols, practices, values and ceremonies



Community Justice Grants Call

Priorities:

- Improving Experience (at any point in the justice continuum)
- Reviving Indigenous Systems (of community justice)
- Reducing Harm (including reducing stigma and lateral violence)



Community Justice Grants Call

Values:

- Transformation
- Indigenous Values
- Community Accountability



Community Justice Grants Call: Grant Types

There are no specific grant types within the Community Justice Grants Call.

Applicants may request any funding amount that aligns with the scope of their intended project, up to a maximum.

For example, you could apply for a \$100,000 for one year of work to lead community consultations and develop an idea for a future project.

At most, you may apply for up to \$1,000,000 (\$250k per year for 4 years) through this opportunity.





How do I apply?

How to Apply

Where to start

- 1) Read the following Grants Call Notices on our website. Familiarize yourself with the grant priorities and values for the opportunity you are applying for; and
- 2) Read our FAQ for further clarity as needed.

How to Apply

Plan your answers

- 1) Access the printable version of the application on our FAQ page if you wish; and
- 2) Gather information on:
 - Who will lead the project? What is their Indigenous community connection?
 - Information about the project/program and key outcomes; and
 - An early-stage budget

How to Apply

**All applications must be submitted through our
online portal, SmartSimple**

and application of law and legal education, including but not limited to land-based activities, harvesting, gathering of traditional foods and medicines, arts and ceremonies. Eligible applications may also include those focused on drafting Indigenous laws for communities.

[APPLY NOW](#)

WHO CAN APPLY

We welcome applications from:

Login

✉ Email

🔍 Password

Login

[Forgot Password?](#)

New to the System?

Register

The Law Foundation of British Columbia Grant Management Portal

The Law Foundation of British Columbia is a non-profit foundation. We receive and distribute the interest on clients' funds held in lawyers' pooled trust accounts maintained in financial institutions.

We fund projects and programs throughout BC that benefit the public in the following areas: legal education, legal research, legal aid, law reform, and law libraries.

For our website, visit:

<https://www.lawfoundationbc.org>.

www.lawfoundationbc.smartsimple.ca


Registration

I am applying as a:

Organization

Individual

Organization Information

 **Instruction**

Please fill out all information below.

* Organization Name



* Country

-- Select One --



* Address

Address 2

* City

* Province



* Postal Code

Phone

Website

Funding Opportunities

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Click to Apply

Funding Opportunities

Indigenous Justice

Apply Now

Legal Research Grants

Profile Page

Welcome Miller Rodger

If you would like to apply for funding, click on Funding Opportunities and click on Apply Now to start your Application.

2 Funding Opportunities	0 Draft Applications	0 Submitted Applications	0 Approved Grants
	0 Closed		

New Grant

Grant Manager > Grant

Application ID:

Grant Type: Indigenous Justice

Current Status: Draft

Created By:

Created Date:

Last Modified:

* Primary Contact:

* Organization:

Foundation Staff:

Modified By:

ELIGIBILITY GRANT CRITERIA OVERVIEW PROGRAM FINANCIAL INFORMATION INTERNAL

Are you eligible to apply?

Organizations **must be either Indigenous-Led or partnered with an Indigenous-Led** organization in order to apply for funding through this opportunity. You will be provided further opportunity to describe how your organization, partnership or collaborative fits this criteria at a later point in this application.

Definitions:

Indigenous Led: Your organization has Indigenous leadership at all levels of decision making within your organization, and Indigenous individuals make up more than 50% of Board and/or executive level leadership. For more information, please refer to our [FAQ.](#))

Indigenous Partnership Your organization is not Indigenous-Led, but is partnering with an Indigenous-led organization to take on the proposed project. Through this partnership, Indigenous decision-makers sit equal and share leadership with non-Indigenous partners. For more information, please refer to our [FAQ.](#))

- Indigenous Led
- Indigenous Partnership

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*** If funded, would your organization or group be able to receive and administer the grant funds?**

In order to receive funding, all applicants must also be able to accept and administer grant funds. If you are unable to receive or administer grant funds, the Foundation may contact you to discuss and learn more.

- Yes
- No

*** Please describe how your organization is Indigenous-Led:**

*Please refer to the [FAQ](#) to learn how the Foundation describes "Indigenous-Led".

Click or tap here to enter text.

*** Please enter the details of your organization's leadership and those leading this application.**

We ask that you identify whether the individual is Indigenous, and if so, which community they are connected to.

Add additional rows using the **+** button and remove rows using the **x** button.

Name	Role	Indigenous Community Connection
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- Yes
- No

*** In a few sentences, please describe your Indigenous Partnership. Who will you be partnered with and how are they Indigenous-Led?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

*** How do you embody Indigenous leadership, values/protocol, and accountability to community through this partnership?**

If the Foundation has further questions or concerns about the proposed partnership, these will be forwarded to you and a support letter may be required.

Click or tap here to enter text.

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You are not eligible to apply for these grants opportunity. If you have questions about your eligibility, please contact indigenousjustice@lawfoundationbc.org and monitor your profile to see when future funding opportunities are available.

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▼ Application Types Guidelines

Please indicate which grant you are applying for.

If you wish to be considered for multiple opportunities, you will need to submit separate applications. If you intend to apply for multiple opportunities, feel free to reuse answers where applicable.

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- Willow Grant (2-Year Grant, \$125,000 per year, total \$250,000)
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- Gathering (One-time, \$250,000)
- Community Justice Program Grant (up-to \$250,000 per year for up to 4-Year Grant)

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ELIGIBILITY

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* Requested Amount:

Please put the **total** grant amount for all years combined.

* Program/Project Title:

Please limit to 50 characters or less

* Grant Short Description:

Please limit to 150 characters or less



This is a brief description that will be used to describe your project to a general audience. Please limit to 150 characters or less.

150 characters left

Please note the earliest start dates according to grant type: ?

Willow, Sweetgrass and Gathering Grants - August 2024

Cedar and Community Justice Grants - January 2025.

* Start Date of Program:

mm/dd/yyyy



* End Date of Program:

mm/dd/yyyy



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Applicants are welcome to keep their answers concise and aim to write 350 words per narrative question. The word limit recommendation is in an effort to respect grant-seekers' time and reduce the pressure to figure out every aspect of the project at this point. That said, please feel good to use the space and length you need to communicate your project ideas. Foundation staff will also reach out during review of applications, if any additional information or clarity is needed.

*** Please describe your project and any alignment with the Priorities of this Grants Call. What would it look like for your project to be successful?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

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*** Please identify which Law Foundation mandate area(s) your project falls within.**

For more information please read about our mandate areas [here](#) or our FAQ [here](#)

Please reach out if you are seeking support on describing connections between land-based work and these mandate areas. Practice of Indigenous laws on the land can take many forms and are community-defined.

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*** Budget**

Please submit a draft budget below and describe key budget items anticipated to most impact the proposed project. The budget need not be highly detailed or exhaustive and should include 4-5 of the highest priority budget items for your proposal. The budget should reflect expected spending for a **single year** of your proposed program.

Budget Item	Expected Spending (\$)	Note
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Support for Applicants

Contact Us

- Schedule a call with us for individual guidance and support:

calendly.com/lc-lfbc/call-about-grant-opportunity-at-the-law-foundation

- Email:
indigenousjustice@lawfoundationbc.org

Recognizing Volunteer-Led and Capacity-Limited Applicants through Honoraria Support

If you are a volunteer-run organization or have a considerable lack of staff capacity to fill out an application, please reach out to us.

Honoraria **recognizing time spent writing applications** will be offered where needed.

Please send us an email or schedule a call for more information.



Timeline

- Deadline for applications: March 8th
- Application decisions communicated for Willow, Sweetgrass and Gatherings Grants: **June 30th**
- Invitations to proceed with Stage 2 communicated for Cedar and Community Justice Grants: **June 30th**
- Stage 2 of application process for Cedar and Community Justice Grants: July-August 2024
- Final decisions for Cedar and Community Justice Grants communicated to applicants: **November 30th**

Stage 2 of Application Process (for Cedar Grants & Community Justice Grants)

This info is on our FAQ under Application Process

What does Stage 2 - Oral Conversation entail?

Stage 2 only applies to Cedar Grants and Community Justice Grants.

Grant-seekers will be invited to speak with Foundation staff via Zoom. There will be two Foundation Staff in attendance and one to three representatives of the applicants' organization or group.

Grant-seekers will be provided with the same questionnaire designed to guide the conversation one week before the meeting.

The Foundation invites Grant-seekers to make space in the conversation to communicate the proposed path and/or impact of their work in any way that is meaningful to them, which could be in the form of cultural expressions, song, story, testimony, or others. This will be the first opportunity to get to know one another and determine potential alignment and to seek clarity where needed for everyone involved.

Both Oral Conversation and Written Supplement Applicants may be asked to submit a full budget.

All applicants will be informed of any outstanding requirements with at least three weeks' notice.

Decisions for Cedar Grants Call and Community Justice Grants Call will be communicated in December 2024.

What does Stage 2 - Written Supplement entail?

Stage 2 only applies to Cedar Grants and Community Justice Grants.

Grant-seekers will be invited to complete a questionnaire within a set deadline no sooner than three weeks after the questionnaire was provided.

This will be the Grant-seekers' opportunity to communicate the proposed path and/or impact of their work to the Foundation in any way that is meaningful to them, which could include artwork, video or other visual media in addition to their written answers.

Applicants who choose to submit a Written Supplement will also have opportunities to speak to Foundation staff to seek clarity where needed.

Both Oral Conversation and Written Supplement Applicants may be asked to submit a full budget.

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Submitted Questions

Question: Can one organization apply to both the Weaving Justice Grants Call and the Community Justice Grants Call with different projects?

Question: Would a non-qualified donee organization led by an Indigenous hereditary group be eligible to apply?

Question: Can either of these grants support legal consultation such as legal fees for legal challenges related to land protection?

Question: Can this funding be used for human trafficking prevention and awareness/MMIWGP initiatives?

Question:

What are the reporting requirement expectations?

Annually, one report for the grant, consisting of both financial reporting (in writing) and narrative activity reporting (either in writing or provided orally) at the end of each year of the grant cycle.

The Foundation may also convene interested grantees for shared learning opportunities and celebrations, and attendance at these gatherings may stand in for narrative activity reporting.



Reviewing Q&A

Submitted Questions



Thank you for joining us!