

Introduction

The Community Mural Grant Program provides funds to organizations and community groups for the installation of murals. The objective of the program is to promote a sense of belonging in the community, animate the area and help to deter graffiti vandalism.

Funding

Community Mural Grant Projects that qualify for funding will be eligible for up to \$5,000 in funding on a matching basis. Applicants must contribute 25% of the requested funding. Funds must be matched through financial, donation, or in kind contributions. Matching funds cannot be provided by other city of Edmonton sources.

Grant funding for the Community Mural Grant is provided on a reimbursement basis.

Eligibility Criteria

Organizations must be a nonprofit or community organization based in the City of Edmonton. Organizers are responsible for the planning, management and funding of the Community Mural Project. They are responsible for ensuring any proposed activity and/or event is conducted in a safe and responsible manner.

Additional application criteria:

- The mural must be located on an external wall or asset.
- The mural must be located on private property and not City of Edmonton property (Community League buildings are permitted).
- The legal property owner must provide written permission.
- Applicants must provide proof of \$2,000,000 of liability insurance.
- City-sponsored Community Murals are meant to beautify neighbourhoods and not for advertising, political or offensive/hateful purposes. A development permit may be required if you intend to incorporate text within your mural. Development permits can be obtained by visiting [Permits, Development and Construction](#).

Eligible and Ineligible Expenses

Expenses that are eligible:

- Honorarium and fees for artists. This includes creative design, production or consultation.
- Wall preparation and painting supplies (including but not limited to: paint, brushes, rollers, sandpaper, plaster and protective coatings).
- Hosting costs for production or project celebrations (may not exceed 15% of the complete project budget).

Expenses that not eligible:

- Ongoing operating expenses for an organization
- Ongoing salaries for an organization
- Facility maintenance or repair, including maintenance to an existing mural
- Expenses incurred prior to application approval

In-kind Contributions

In-kind contributions are goods, services or time donated to a program or project. In-kind contributions include volunteer or unpaid labour, donated space or equipment, or other unpaid resources.

In-kind labour can be calculated based on the following:

- Professional/Technical Volunteer - \$40/hour
- General Volunteer labour - \$20/hour

Application Process

Applications open on April 1 and are open until July 15 or until the program is fully subscribed. The application form will be available online.

Funding is limited and the City reserves the right to accept applications on a first-come, first-served basis, or to refuse an application on any basis it considers reasonable. Incomplete applications will not hold their place in the queue. Applications that are submitted without all of the requirements will receive one email notification requesting the required information.

If you require assistance with your application, please contact capitalcitycleanup@edmonton.ca.

Review and Approval Process

Applicants accepted to move forward will be required to enter into a funding agreement. Once the funding agreement is completed the applicant will be eligible to receive funds.

The funding is contingent on the Applicant meeting all the remaining program requirements and providing the final paperwork once the Community Mural Project is complete. Funding approval by the City does not constitute approval by the City of any project details.

Any changes requested to an application must be approved by the Program Coordinator.

Final Report

Final reporting is required to complete the grant requirements and receive the reimbursement. Applicants must submit all follow up paperwork by November 30. The final report is required before the funding of the grant is released.

The final summary must include:

- All receipts for eligible expenses
- Budget sheet
- Photos of the final project

Reporting submitted after November 30 will not be accepted.

Right To Refuse Funding: In the event that Applicants fail to comply with any of the requirements of the Program to the City's satisfaction, the City reserves the right to refuse payment.