



SAMPLE APPLICATION

1. Applicant Information

- Organization/Applicant Name: **Edson Youth Arts Collective**
- Contact Person: **Eddie Squirrel**
- Position/ Title: **Program Coordinator**
- Phone Number: **(780) 555-1234**
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- Mailing Address: **P.O. Box 456, Edson, AB, T7E 1V9**
- Type of Applicant: **(Non-Profit, School, Individual with Sponsorship, For-Profit with Community Benefit, other)**
- If you checked yes to Non-profit, please provide your Registration Number.
 - **123456789**

2. Initiative Overview

- Initiative Name: **Youth Creative Expressions Program**
- Provide a brief description of your initiative, including objectives and expected community impact.

The Youth Creative Expressions Program is an 8-week arts program for youth (ages 12-18) focusing on painting, music, and creative writing. The program will provide young people with professional mentorship, a space for self-expression, and opportunities to present their work in a final showcase event. This initiative will help foster confidence, artistic skills, and community engagement.

- Initiative Start Date: **September 15, 2025**
- Initiative Completion Date: **December 10, 2025**
- Location/Address of Initiative: **Edson Community Centre**
- Targeted Demographic: Check all that apply



- Children
- Youth
- Young Adult
- Adult
- Senior
- All community
- How does your initiative align with the Town of Edson's Strategic Plan? (Check Strategy & Explain briefly) (Link to Strat Plan)

*Celebrate the uniqueness and diversity of our residents
Increase opportunities for the expression of the arts and culture community in town*

- Please select the Grant Stream you are applying under. (One selection allowed)
- Arts, Culture, and Heritage
- **Sports, Personal Growth, and Recreation**
- **Environmental Sustainability**
- **Accessibility and Inclusion**
- **Smaller Routine Initiative**

3. Financial Information

- Amount Requested from the Community Grant Program: **\$3,500**
- Total Initiative Budget: **\$4,800**
- What other sources of funding or in-kind support do you have committed to this initiative?
\$1,300 from local business donations, in-kind venue space from Edson Public Library, and volunteer contributions from local artists.
- Provide a basic budget breakdown (attach additional budget sheets if needed).
- Have you received funding from the Town of Edson in the last five years? If so, list year, amount, and initiative.

In 2023, we received \$2,000 for a youth mural project.



To put into your chart?

Expense Category	Grant Funds Requested (\$)	Other Funding Sources (\$)
Art Supplies	\$800	\$200 (local business donation)
Instructor Fees	\$1,500	\$500 (volunteer time)
Venue Rental	\$700	In-kind (Library space)
Marketing & Promotion	\$300	\$200 (organization funds)
Showcase Event Costs	\$200	\$400 (ticket sales & donations)
Total	\$3,500	\$1,300

Specific to each Stream

Arts, Culture, and Heritage:

- How will your initiative contribute to the cultural and artistic development of the community or foster a deeper appreciation for local heritage?

The Youth Creative Expressions Program will give young people the chance to explore art forms like painting, music, and writing in a structured setting. With guidance from local artists, participants will build skills, gain confidence, and learn the power of self-expression. The program will end with a public showcase where youth can share their work with family, friends, and the community. This will help raise awareness of youth-led art and highlight local cultural traditions, fostering appreciation for the arts in Edson. The goal is to create a stronger, more engaged youth arts community for future generations.

Are you collaborating with any local artists, cultural organizations, heritage groups or others? Please describe the nature of these partnerships.

- Yes, we are partnering with talented local artists who will serve as mentors to the participants throughout the program. These artists will bring their expertise in various art forms, such as painting, music, and creative writing, and provide hands-on instruction and personalized guidance. They will work closely with the youth to develop their technical skills, offer constructive feedback, and nurture their creativity. The Edson Public Library is generously providing free venue space for the program. The library's welcoming and*



accessible environment will serve as the perfect setting for workshops and creative sessions, allowing participants to engage in their artistic practice in a supportive atmosphere.

- How will your initiative preserve and promote arts, culture, or heritage in the community beyond the funding period?

We aim to establish this as an annual program, ensuring that youth have ongoing opportunities to explore and develop their artistic talents. By offering a consistent platform for creative expression, we hope to cultivate a lasting arts community where young people feel supported and inspired. To measure the program's impact, we will document participants' progress, gather feedback, and showcase success stories. Additionally, we will encourage past participants to return as mentors, allowing them to share their experiences, guide new participants, and help foster the next generation of young artists in Edson.

Required Attachment(s)

- Financial plan for the initiative.

For Individual Applicants:

- A letter of reference from a recognized organization



Declaration

I hereby declare that the information provided in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the Town of Edson Community Grant Program and will use the funds as outlined in the proposal.

Please print your full name for your digital signature: **Eddie Squirrel**

Date: **May 5, 2025**

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