COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
LETHBRIDGE + SOUTHWESTERN ALBERTA

Diamond Anniversary Grants Program

The Community Foundation of Lethbridge and Southwestern Alberta is celebrating 60 years of growing community. To help mark this milestone, we are inviting the community of Southwestern Alberta to join the festivities! We are offering ten one time $6,000 “Diamond Anniversary Grants for community celebrations across the region.

The Diamond Anniversary Grants aim to build and strengthen communities by providing free and accessible events that encourage community members to come together in celebration.

Application Deadline
Applications will be accepted from Monday, February 9, 2026 to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, 2026.

Applicant Eligibility

- CRA qualified donees, including charities and municipalities, with a business number (BN) located in Southwestern Alberta are eligible to apply
- Eligible groups can only submit one application for the deadline

Eligible Events Must Display the Following:

- Encourage community participation and collaboration through a celebration event
- Take place within Southwestern Alberta
- Take place between May 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026
- Be held in person, and be free and accessible to all community members
- Applicable insurance and compliance with any and all local permitting or licensing requirements

Examples Include, but are not Limited to:

- Expanding the scope of an existing annual community event, parade, or festival
- Support for a one-time community event, such as a community anniversary or heritage event

Eligible Expenses can Include:

- Venue rental
- Performer honoraria
- Production expenses (audio/visual, staging, equipment)
- Materials and supplies, such as food costs
- Event and permit insurance

Ineligible Events Include:

- Events led by schools and/or school districts, individuals, or for-profit organizations
- Core operating costs for ongoing programs and services
- Fundraising events or activities

- Retroactive expenses incurred prior to the final decision date
- Advertising and marketing initiatives
- Activities that serve primarily the membership or purposes of religious or political organizations
- Seminars and conferences
- Rodeos, tournaments, and other sporting events
- Team or group tours or travel, or travel reimbursement paid directly to individuals
- Capital improvement projects
- Deficit reduction
- The purchase of alcoholic beverages
- Events that are not held in or do not benefit residents of Southwestern Alberta

Completing Your Grant Application:
Interested applicants can access the grant application through the Community Foundation's online grant management system: https://www.grantinterface.ca/Home/Logon?urlkey=cflsa

The application process will require the following documentation be complete prior to the deadline in order to be considered:

- Application Form
- Event Budget
- Operating Budget
- List of Board in Staff
- Letter(s) of Support and quotes when appropriate

Contact Us
Interested applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the Community Foundation's Grants Coordinator, Caitlin, with questions at any point during the application process at grants@cflsa.ca or 403-328-5297.