

# YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND ENGAGEMENT GRANT

Fostering Potential



Cultivates leadership development  
and civic engagement



through facilitating youth-led projects  
that improve the quality of life in Kelowna

Intended to foster the potential in youth  
by providing them with support



in the development and delivery of projects  
that enhance their neighbourhood environment  
and contribute to its vitality

# DESIRED OUTCOMES

- ▶ Youth are inspired, engaged and empowered to create the best city they can imagine
- ▶ Youth lead the development and delivery of neighbourhood enhancement projects
- ▶ Increased civic engagement by youth





# MENTORSHIP

- ▶ Input and guidance throughout the project
  - ▶ Developing project concept
  - ▶ Filling out grant application
  - ▶ Establishing project plan
  - ▶ Implementing project
- ▶ Workshops that cover topics such as:
  - ▶ Project management (timelines & action plans)
  - ▶ Volunteer recruitment
  - ▶ Budgeting



# CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

- ▶ During Civic Week youth will attend a council meeting and receive orientation to Council; function, protocols and priorities
- ▶ Youth participation in presentation annual report to Council regarding that years grant



# GRANT FUNDING

- ▶ \$5,000 annually
- ▶ Up to \$1,000 per grant
- ▶ Matching requirement  
(including in-kind contribution)



# ELIGIBILITY

- ▶ Youth-led project
- ▶ Project Team
  - ▶ 13-19 years of age
  - ▶ Minimum of 3 youth
  - ▶ Residents of Kelowna
  - ▶ Live in the area of the proposed project





# CRITERIA

- ▶ Enhance one or more drivers of neighbourhood attachment: aesthetics, leadership, safety, social offerings or relationships
- ▶ Foster neighbourhood participation



# USES OF FUNDS

- ▶ Purchase or rental of equipment and materials
- ▶ Contract services
- ▶ Promotional materials
- ▶ Training



# APPROVAL PROCESS & EVALUATION

- ▶ Internal staff evaluation
- ▶ Approval based on criteria
- ▶ Successful applications required to sign a letter of agreement that outlines the terms and conditions of the grant
- ▶ Successful applicants required to complete a project evaluation form

# Timeline

Action item	Inaugural Year	Subsequent Years
Promote grant	March	September - November
Community Information Session	March 14-18	Last week of October
Application Intake Deadline	April 15	Last Friday of November
Application Review Process	April 18-22	December
Grants Awarded	April 25-29	January
Mentorship Workshops	May & June	February - April
Grant Projects Delivered	July & August	April - July
Program Celebration	August	August
Program Evaluation	August	August

# The Youth Development & Engagement Grant

- ▶ Supports
  - ▶ Youth developing transferable skills that will support their ability to continue to contribute to the community
  - ▶ Council priority of ensuring a healthy, safe, active and inclusive community