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Culture Makes The City: New Programming

Grants to Support Community Events and Activities

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The City of North Vancouver is inviting community groups, cultural organizations and local creatives to bring people together through its new Culture Makes The City grant program. The grant program offers funding and support for public events and activities in the City that celebrate cultural diversity, reduce barriers and foster a stronger sense of inclusion and belonging.

Applications are now open for the 2027 program, with the first of three application intake periods accepting submissions until December 13, 2026.

From festivals and performances to dance classes, storytelling nights and pop-up installations, the program supports community-led activities that share culture, create connections and make the City a more welcoming place for everyone.

“Culture is at the heart of what makes a community vibrant, connected and welcoming,” said Mayor Linda Buchanan. “Through Culture Makes The City grants, we're helping local groups bring people together, celebrate the many cultures that shape our community and create more opportunities for everyone to feel a sense of belonging.”

Grants range from $1,000 to $25,000, with funding available for activities of all sizes. Small, new and informal community groups are encouraged to apply.

Beyond financial support, successful applicants will become part of a year-long, citywide celebration of culture and community, with access to a branded Culture Makes The City promotional toolkit to help share and promote their activities.

Eligibility and Who Can Apply?

The program is open to a range of community-led organizations and groups, including:

- Non-profit societies and registered charities
- Federal non-profit corporations
- Informal, non-incorporated community groups and individuals
- Indigenous organizations and groups
- Artist collectives

Activities must take place in the City of North Vancouver and be open to City residents. Organizations can be based outside the City, provided their proposed activity takes place within its boundaries. Eligible activities may include festivals, performances, film screenings, workshops, talks, cooking classes, storytelling, artisan markets, and pop-up installations.

Culture Makes the City Grant Program

Visit cnv.org/CultureMakesTheCity for detailed information on eligibility, how to apply, application deadlines, guidelines and more.

Building community through inclusion and belonging. Culture Makes The City.

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