Heritage Grants Program

At a Glance

The Heritage Grants Program (HGP) has two intakes – **January 31** (with decisions generally announced by May 15) and **June 1** (with decisions announced by September 15). Potential applicants should contact an HGP office to place themselves on a mailing list or consult with staff regarding their projects prior to applying. Applications and other useful information can be accessed on our website at [www.manitoba.ca/chc/grants/hgp](http://www.manitoba.ca/chc/grants/hgp)

**Objective**

HGP provides funding and planning assistance to non-profit community organizations for projects seeking to identify, protect or interpret Manitoba's human and natural heritage. There are seven categories – Collections Management, Conservation, Exhibitions, Programs (of a non-recurring nature), Interpretive Signs, Research and Special Initiatives (innovative heritage projects that do not fall within any of the aforementioned categories).

**Grants**

Non-profit community organizations can apply to HGP for up to 50% of eligible project costs. Grants are generally between $4,000 and $6,000.

**Bingos**

Organizations may also apply to work a bingo at either the McPhillips Street Station or Club Regent. Organizations may apply to solely work a bingo(s) or the Program may award a combination of cash and bingo. Currently, bingos are worth $3,000, $1,800 or $1,500. Organizations are required to provide seven volunteers to work bingos on specified dates provided by the Manitoba Lotteries Corporation.

**Consultation Services**

Staff of the department are available to provide assistance with the development of a project or application. Organizations may be referred to the Historic Resources Branch or outside agencies for expert advice on specific projects.

**Approvals**

Applications are reviewed by the Heritage Grants Programs Committee. The Committee provides recommendations to the Minister for approval.

**Project Funding**

Applicant contributions to project costs can include fundraising, local government funding, other provincial government funding*, federal government funding, other funding sources, volunteer/donated labour, donated materials and loaned heavy construction equipment.

*Funding from all provincial government sources combined cannot exceed 50% of total project costs.

**Grant Payment Process**

HGP grants are paid to community organizations in instalments. An initial payment is provided once a Letter of Offer has been signed by the organization. The final payment is made based on actual costs of the project.

**Application Process**

Two application intakes are held each year. Applications are available in the HGP office in Winnipeg, regional offices, or on our website at [www.manitoba.ca/chc/grants/hgp](http://www.manitoba.ca/chc/grants/hgp). Successful applicants are posted on the website as well.

If your community organization is planning a project please contact the office closest to you as soon as possible to discuss your project and to arrange for application materials. Note: Submitting your application prior to the deadline is a good idea – it leaves time to notify you if any additional information is required to complete the application.

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