

## Community Violence Prevention Grants Program 2026-27 Guidelines

**Application Deadline:** June 7, 2026, at 4:00pm NDT

### Program Background

Federal, Provincial, and Territorial Ministers responsible for the Status of Women launched the **National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence** in November 2022. This is a 10-year plan that sets a framework to end gender-based violence in Canada. It is informed by over 1,000 recommendations from Indigenous partners, survivors, frontline organizations, and experts. You can read more about the GBV-NAP [here](#).

The National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence identifies five pillars under which Federal, Provincial, and Territorial governments can advance work on preventing and addressing gender-based violence:

- **Pillar One:** Support for survivors and their families
- **Pillar Two:** Violence prevention
- **Pillar Three:** Responsive justice system
- **Pillar Four:** Implementing Indigenous-led approaches
- **Pillar Five:** Social infrastructure and enabling environment

On December 15, 2023, the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador announced a \$13.6 million four-year bilateral agreement with the Government of Canada as part of the National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence. The funding supports work in addressing and preventing gender-based violence, while building capacity for violence prevention through knowledge tools, educational resources, and other initiatives. The of the National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence is designed to engage the public in changing social norms, attitudes and behaviours that contribute to gender-based violence; and works to address social and economic determinants that contribute to and perpetuate gender-based violence. It also works to ensure that anyone facing gender-based violence has reliable and timely access to culturally appropriate and accessible protection and services, to help improve the health, social, economic, and justice outcomes of those impacted by gender-based violence.

### Program Purpose

Violence prevention helps safeguard individuals, families, and communities from physical, psychological, and social harm, creating safer environments where individuals can thrive. Government is committed to providing support for organizations and projects that are working to prevent violence and support the well-being of women, girls, and gender diverse people throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Program's purpose is to increase collaboration with community partners to address the root causes of gender-based violence. The Program will provide grants to support targeted, community-driven efforts, led by community partners within our province, particularly those in rural areas, to combat violence against high-risk populations.

### Eligibility

**Projects must fall into 1 (or more) of the five National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence pillars, and include at least 1 of the following focus areas:**

- Building community support networks, especially at the regional and municipal levels;
- Supporting survivors, their families, and their communities;
- Engaging men and boys in gender-based violence prevention;
- Ending the normalization of violence in communities;
- Addressing the stigma against gender-based violence; and/or
- Promoting healing and well-being of those impacted by gender-based violence.

**Projects must contain one or more of the following activities:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Knowledge sharing and training;</li><li>• Program planning and implementation;</li><li>• Material development or improvement;</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community workshops and gatherings;</li><li>• Mentoring program; and/or</li><li>• Capacity building.</li></ul> |
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Please see the National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence ([here](#)) under the heading ‘opportunities for action’ for more information regarding activities/focus areas/project ideas that may be eligible for program funding.

**Eligible applicants must:**

- Have the experience, infrastructure, and ability to undertake their project’s administrative, reporting, and financial requirements;
- Deliver programs/services in a manner that is respectful and appreciative of diversity, inclusion, and Truth and Reconciliation; and,
- Must have a satisfactory record of past performance as determined by the Office of Women and Gender Equality if they have previously received funding from the Office.

**Additional Notes:**

- All eligible applications will be considered for funding.
- Priority consideration will be given to applicants who do not currently receive funding from the Office of Women and Gender Equality, and/or applicants operating in areas of the province or within communities experiencing higher rates of gender-based violence.
- Successful applicants **must** enter a funding/grant agreement with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador.
- The Office of Women and Gender Equality reserves the right to select part(s) of an application, or an application in its entirety, for funding.

**Who Can Apply?**

To be eligible, applicants **MUST** be either a:

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| 1. Community Organization*  | 4. Indigenous Government |
| 2. Indigenous Organization* | 5. Municipal Government  |
| 3. Non-Profit Group*        |                          |

\***MUST** be incorporated and in good standing in the provincial Companies and Deeds Online (CADO). For more info on CADO, please visit: <https://cado.eservices.gov.nl.ca/>

**Partnerships**

Partnerships and coordinated program delivery between applicants are encouraged. Jointly delivered projects must be proposed in a single application and supplemented by a partnership agreement outlining the roles and responsibilities of all parties.

**Eligible Expenses: What Project Costs Can Be Funded?**

**Eligible expenses must be associated directly with the delivery of projects and can include:**

- Salaries, wages and benefits
- Professional Development and Training
  - Examples may include, but are not limited to: professional development and/or training on gender-based violence, diversity, equity, and inclusion, monitoring and evaluation methods, and trauma-informed intervention.

- Administrative Costs
  - Administrative expenses necessary for operating an organization that are not necessarily directly related to the project up to a **maximum of 10 per cent** of a project's total budget per the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's bilateral agreement with the Federal government.
- Travel and Accommodations
  - All proposed travel costs should be for in-province travel only and be as cost-effective as possible.
  - The Office of Women and Gender Equality may approve out-of-province travel on a case-by-case basis.
- Project Delivery Costs
  - Including, but not limited to, marketing and promotion, materials and supplies, technology, and related supports for virtual and hybrid service delivery.
- Professional and Consultant Fees
  - Costs that support direct program/project delivery, including, but not limited to service contracts, and services to develop infrastructure required for program delivery.

### Non-Eligible Expenses

- Activities or costs that have been undertaken or incurred **BEFORE** the signing, by all parties, of a funding/grant agreement, or take place **AFTER** the funding/grant agreement's end date.
- Major capital costs.
- Bonuses, stipends, or grants to project staff, program participants, or board members.
- Any activity deemed discriminatory under the province's **Human Rights Act** and the **Charter of Rights and Freedoms**.
- Travel outside of province, except in special circumstances pre-approved by the Office of Women and Gender Equality.
- Contingency and miscellaneous fees not specified or authorized by the Office of Women and Gender Equality.
- Financial losses and deficits of any kind incurred by the applicant(s).

**The Office of Women and Gender Equality reserves the right to identify any other ineligible expenses on a case-by-case basis.**

### Available Funding

The **maximum** funding contribution for each project is \$50,000. **Please Note:** Any project funds that are unused as of March 31, 2027, **must** be returned to the Office of Women and Gender Equality.

### How to Apply

Applicants must complete the 2026-27 Community Violence Prevention Grants Program application. Completed application packages should be submitted by mail or email to the addresses below:

**Mail:** 2026-27 Community Violence Prevention Grants Program  
 Office of Women and Gender Equality  
 Confederation Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Block  
 P.O. Box 8700, St. John's, NL A1B 4J6

**Email:** [WGEinfo@gov.nl.ca](mailto:WGEinfo@gov.nl.ca)

<b>Deadline</b>
Applications must be submitted to the provincial Office of WGE by, or on, <b>June 7, 2026, at 4:00pm NDT</b> (Newfoundland Daylight Savings Time). Applications received after the deadline will be ineligible for consideration.
<b>Evaluation and Selection</b>
Each complete application received by the deadline will be screened for eligibility. A Selection Committee will evaluate eligible applications according to the below criteria:
<b>Project Design (50 points)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Projected client group(s) and if those clients are at high risk of experiencing gender-based violence.</li> <li>• Projects located in under-served and/or rural areas of Newfoundland and Labrador that experience higher rates of gender-based violence.</li> <li>• Measurable success indicators and clear intended outcomes.</li> <li>• Clear, detailed budget and evidence of cost effectiveness.</li> <li>• Incorporation of Gender-based Analysis Plus (GBA+) principles.</li> </ul>
<b>Project Relevance (30 points)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of need and relevance to prospective client group(s).</li> <li>• Connection with one or more of the five National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence pillars.</li> </ul>
<b>Applicant Capacity (20 points)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of applicant's capacity, skills, and expertise in relevant areas.</li> <li>• Opportunities for collaboration with other service providers, community organizations, Indigenous organizations/communities/governments, and/or municipal governments.</li> </ul>
<b>Accountability Requirements</b>
<p>Potential funding recipients must sign a funding/grant agreement with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to be considered successful applicants. No legal relationship will exist between government and an applicant until a funding/grant agreement is signed by all parties. No disbursement of funds or provision of services will begin before all parties have signed the funding/grant agreement.</p> <p>Activity and Financial reporting requirements will be detailed in the funding/grant agreement and will include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Project Report</b> - activity description, reporting period update, number of participants, narrative report, and measurable outcomes.</li> <li>• <b>Financial Report</b> - actual costs for each eligible expense for the reporting period.</li> </ul> <p>Applicants <b>must</b>, upon project completion, submit a final report to the Office of Women and Gender Equality, <b>by or on, April 30, 2027, at 11:59 pm NDT</b> (Newfoundland Daylight Savings Time).</p> <p>The Office of Women and Gender Equality will supply applicants with a final report template.</p>

## Community Violence Prevention Grants Program 2026-27 Application Form

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### Section 1: Applicant Information

<b>Applicant Name</b>	
<b>Organization Name</b>	
<b>Primary Contact Person for Project</b>	
<b>Street Address</b>	
<b>Mailing Address (if different)</b>	
<b>Organization Phone Number</b>	
<b>Phone Number for Primary Contact Person for Project</b>	
<b>Email</b>	
<b>Website (if applicable)</b>	

### Which of the following describes your organization? (Select one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organization        | <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous Organization/Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Government  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit Organization/Group |  |

**\*We strongly encourage partnerships with other stakeholders**

### Section 2: Project Details

<b>Project Title</b>				
<b>Project Dates</b>	<b>Start</b>		<b>End</b>	

### Is this an individual proposal or joint partnership proposal?

- Individual  Joint partnership

Please list any formal partners in your project and describe their intended contribution. Jointly delivered projects must be proposed in a single application and supplemented by a partnership agreement outlining the roles and responsibilities of all parties.

Partner	Contribution

**Project Design:** Summarize the proposed project.

**Activities**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Knowledge sharing or training      | <input type="checkbox"/> Material development or improvement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program planning or implementation | <input type="checkbox"/> Mentoring program                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community workshops or gatherings  | <input type="checkbox"/> Capacity building                   |

**Focus Areas (Must include at least one of the below)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Addressing stigma                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Building community support networks                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engaging men and boys                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporting survivors and/or their families          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improving service delivery            | <input type="checkbox"/> Ending the normalization of violence in communities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Violence prevention training delivery |  |

**Region**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Avalon  | <input type="checkbox"/> Western      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern | <input type="checkbox"/> Labrador     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central | <input type="checkbox"/> Provincewide |

**Target Groups (Select all that apply)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Community at large         | <input type="checkbox"/> Women and girls   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Families                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Men and boys  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young children (0-11)      | <input type="checkbox"/> 2SLGBTQQIA+   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth or teenagers (12-18) | <input type="checkbox"/> People living with a disability                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adults                     | <input type="checkbox"/> People impacted by violence                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Those with a history of, or at high-risk for, committing violence |

**Section 3: Project Workplan**

**Instructions:** Please complete all columns of the workplan below, with the exception of 'Actual Spend' and 'Actual Outcomes'. These two (2) columns will be completed with the final report.

**Goal/Objective:**

Key Activities	Budget	Actual Spend	Time Frame	Who is Responsible?		Intended Audience	Desired Outcomes	Actual Outcomes [March 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2027]
				Lead	Support			

**Section 4: Project Budget**

Anticipated Expenses	Amount Requested*	Expense Details Please provide a clear, detailed budget in and highlight instances of cost effectiveness when possible
Salaries, Wages, and Benefits	\$	
Professional Development and Training	\$	
Administrative Costs	\$	
Travel and Accommodations	\$	
Project Delivery Costs	\$	
Professional and Consultant Fees	\$	
<b>Total Amount</b>	\$	

**\*Please note that any project funds that are unused as of March 31, 2027, must be returned to the Office of Women and Gender Equality.**

**Section 5: Submission Details**

Completed applications should be submitted to the **Office of Women and Gender Equality** by, or on, June 7, **2026, at 4:00pm, NDT (Newfoundland Daylight Savings Time)**. Applicants should submit completed applications by either mail or email using the information below.

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Confederation Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Block  
P.O. 8700 St. John’s, NL A1B 4J6

**Email:** [WGEinfo@gov.nl.ca](mailto:WGEinfo@gov.nl.ca)

**Application Support**

The Office of Women and Gender Equality is available to support you in completing your application. Please contact **Sunzida Ali, Senior Policy, Planning and Research Analyst** by email at: [SunzidaAli@gov.nl.ca](mailto:SunzidaAli@gov.nl.ca)

**Privacy and Confidentiality Statement**

Applications submitted under the Community Violence Prevention Grants Program will become the property of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, be subject to terms of the provincial **Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act**, (ATIPPA) accessible [here](#). The Applicant’s responsibilities under the ATIPPA will be detailed further in their funding/grant agreement. Applicants should note any proprietary, personal, or sensitive information contained in their proposal should be marked as confidential and will be subject to appropriate consideration as defined within ATIPPA. Public requests for information under ATIPPA will not ordinarily include any materials deemed to be proprietary in nature.