2025 Local Leadership Grant

The Local Leadership Grant supports place-based, resident-led projects that focus on the five domains of the **Toronto Strong Neighbourhoods Strategy** across all neighbourhoods. The Local Leadership Grant will prioritize the leadership and participation of Indigenous Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit and Metis), , Black and other equity-deserving groups within Neighbourhood Improvement Areas, Emerging Neighbourhoods, and other communities of focus.

Applicants can apply for **$5,000**

Funds are allocated with specific allotments for each TSNS Community Network.

Project Activities funded through this grant must be implemented between July 1st , 2025 and December 31st, 2025.

 Group projects must offer community-based activities that demonstrate alignment with at least one of the five domains

- Economic Opportunities
- Healthy Lives
- Participation in Decision Making
- Social Development
- Physical Surroundings

Application Open: Monday March 17, 2025 at 12:00 pm (noon)
Application Deadline: Monday April 28, 2025 at 12:00 pm (noon)

How to Apply

You do not have to complete this form in one sitting. You may return to your online form at any time before you submit to add or update your information. You must answer ALL questions in the form.

- "Pause" instructions - The following steps describe how to save your work so that you can complete it at a future time:
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- You will then be directed to a new page, which will display a personalized link to your form. You can copy and paste this link into a document and save it to your computer, create a bookmark of the link in your web browser, or write it down on paper to refer to later.
- To continue working on your saved form, copy and paste the personalized link into your web browser. The link will take you to the page you have not filled out yet. You can edit/view all of the responses you've provided so far by going to the end of the page and clicking 'Back'.
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- Please fill out all the questions on a single page in order for the page to be saved. Please fill out the questions or put "N/A" or 0 where applicable. Please don't leave any cell blank before you leave the current page by clicking "Next" or "Back" button.

The information on the page will ONLY be saved when all the questions on the page have been filled out.

Please ensure that you download, complete and submit the Local Leadership Grant Workplan and Budget with your submission.

Learn more about TSNS Community Networks and visit **2025 LLG Templates** to download the Workplan and Budget Templates.

For more information contact

Community Funding Unit - **communityfunding@toronto.ca**

Community Development Unit - **neighbourhoods@toronto.ca**

Accessibility Supports, Accommodations and/or Different Format

If you would like accessibility supports, accommodation and/or a different format, please call Diarra Hughes, Agency Review Officer at 647-888-2483 or email diarra.hughes@toronto.ca using your business email account.

Business Information Statement

As stated in the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, section 2(2.1) and 2(2.2), information collected on this form/collection/application is considered business identity information. Business identity information could be publicly available and/or disclosed upon request unless an exception applies.

Questions about this collection can be directed to Jennifer Hoffman, Community Funding Manager at 416-392-0102 or email Jennifer.Hoffman@toronto.causing your business email account.

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* 1.   Please select at least one of the following that best describes your group

☐ Grassroots group

☐ Youth-led group

☐ Resident-led group

☐ Other - please describe your group

* 2.   Please confirm your group eligibility for the 2025 Local Leadership Grant.

Note: Groups include resident-led , youth-led and grassroots groups

	Yes	No
Have you reviewed the 2025 Local Leadership Grant Guidelines?	☐	☐
Is your event/activity accessible and free for all residents?	☐	☐
Are you in good standing with the City of Toronto and compliant with the Grants Policy? (Your group is currently not in debt with the City or currently under investigation)	☐	☐
Do all members of your group reside in Toronto?	☐	☐
Does your group consist of 3 or more members that do not reside in the same household?	☐	☐
Does your project demonstrate alignment and advancement of the Toronto Strong Neighbourhood Strategy?	☐	☐

* 3.   Group Lead Contact Information

The Group Lead may be contacted for more information on the application (if needed).

The City will also communicate by email with the Group Lead on the status of your group's funding application.

Name (First, Last):

Postal Code (e.g. A1A)

Telephone Number

Business Email Address (Please provide the email you will use to communicate about your project with the City)

* 4. In which TSNS Community Network is your place of residence? Group Lead(s) must live within the geographic area of their TSNS Community Networks. Use this <u>interactive map</u> to find your TSNS Community Network.

- ○ Black Creek Downsview
- ○ South Etobicoke
- ○ Downtown West
- ○ East York Don Valley
- ○ North Scarborough

- ○ North Etobicoke
- ○ York Weston Pelham
- ○ Downtown East
- ○ North York
- ○ South Scarborough

5. Group Information

Group Name

Number of Group Members

Email (only applicable if your group has an existing group email account)

Website or Social Media URL (only applicable if your group has an existing webpage or social media account)

* 6. Do you identify as an Indigenous, Black-led, or an Equity-deserving group?

- ☐ Indigenous-led
- ☐ Black-led
- ☐ Other, Equity-deserving group" please share additional details.

* 7. Are you a Francophone group?

(A Francophone organization, community group, or resident-led group is defined as one led by, for, and with Toronto's diverse Francophone communities, whose services, programs, and communications are offered primarily in French.)

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

8. Tell us about your group. How are you connected to the community you serve? (200 words or less)

Please provide us with the Group Members' contact information.

Resident-Led Groups with 3 or more members who live in Toronto are eligible to apply for the Local Leadership Grant. Your Group Lead counts as one member.

Group leads must be a resident in the Toronto Strong Neighbourhood Strategy Community Network in which the event/activity takes place.

Groups cannot have all members living in the same household. All groups must have a different email and phone number for contact.

If you do not have more than 3 group members, please write 'N/A' in the text boxes beside Group Member #4 and #5.

* 9.   Please provide us with the Group Member #2's contact information. Your Group Lead counts as one member.

Resident-Led Groups with 3 or more members are eligible to apply for the Local Leadership Grant. If you do not have more than 3 group members, please write 'N/A' in the text boxes beside Group Member #4 and #5.

For more information about Group Eligibility visit **Local Leadership Grant**

	Name (First, Last)
	Position Title (e.g., outreach coordinator, treasurer, project coordinator)
	Postal Code (e.g., A1A)
	Telephone Number
	Email Address

* 10.   Please provide us with the Group Member #3's contact information.

Resident-Led Groups with 3 or more members are eligible to apply for the Local Leadership Grant.

If you do not have more than 3 group members, please write 'N/A' in the text boxes beside Group Member #4 and #5.

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	Name (First, Last)
	Position Title (e.g., outreach coordinator, treasurer, project coordinator)
	Postal Code (e.g., A1A)
	Telephone Number
	Email Address

11.   Please provide us with the Group Member #4's contact information.

Resident-Led Groups with 3 or more members are eligible to apply for the Local Leadership Grant.

If you do not have more than 4 group members, please write 'N/A' in the text boxes beside Group Member #5.

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	Name (First, Last)
	Position Title (e.g., outreach coordinator, treasurer, project coordinator)
	Postal Code (e.g., A1A)

	Telephone Number
	Email Address

12. **Please provide us with the** **Group Member #5's contact information.**

Resident-Led Groups with 3 or more members are eligible to apply for the Local Leadership Grant.

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	Name (First, Last)
	Position Title (e.g., outreach coordinator, treasurer, project coordinator)
	Postal Code (e.g., A1A)
	Telephone Number
	Email Address

* 13. **Did you recieve funding from the 2024 LLG grant call**

☐ Yes   ☐ No

* 14. **Is your existing project previously funded by Local Leadership Grant Call?**

☐ Yes   ☐ No

* 15. **Please provide details about your previously funded Local leadership Grant event/activity.**

	Project Name
	Funded Year

* 16. **Did your group submit your 2024 Local Leadership Group Completion Report?**

☐ Yes   ☐ No

☐ Follow-up with City Staff and Trustee is required   ☐ Other, please provide an expected completion date for your 2024 LLG Completion Report

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17. **How do you intend on using funding to enhance your existing project?**

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* 18. **In which TSNS Community Network will your event/activity take place?**

Note: Activity/Event Locations must take place within the geographic area of the Group Lead's TSNS Community Network.

- ○ Black Creek Humber Summit
- ○ South Etobicoke
- ○ Downton
- ○ North York
- ○ South Scarborough

- ○ North Etobicoke
- ○ York Weston Pelham
- ○ East York Don Valley
- ○ North Scarborough

* 19. Is your activity/event free and accessible to all residents?

☐ Yes ☐ No

* 20. Will your event/activity take place outside the boundaries of your Group Lead's TSNS Community Networks geographic boundaries?

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ If yes, please provide additional details on the event location and the reason your activity/event will take place outside of the TSNS Community Network geographic boundaries.

21. What location will your event/activity take place? Your event or activity MUST take place in a public space.(e.g., Community Hub, Community Centre, Community Garden, Local Library, Park, Multi-purpose room of Toronto Community Housing building, etc.)

Note: Please provide the address or the major street intersection and your location does not need to be confirmed before you apply.

Location Address or Major Street Intersection

Postal Code of Location

* 22. Please select the Neighbourhood your event or activity will take place in.

Visit **Find Your Neighbourhood** for more information on Toronto's 158 Neighbourhoods

- ○ Agincourt North
- ○ Alderwood
- ○ Avondale
- ○ Bathurst Manor
- ○ Bayview Village
- ○ Bedford Park-Nortown
- ○ Bendale South
- ○ Birchcliffe-Cliffside
- ○ Blake-Jones
- ○ Bridle Path-Sunnybrook-York Mills

- ○ Agincourt South-Malvern West
- ○ Annex
- ○ Banbury-Don Mills
- ○ Bay-Cloverhill
- ○ Bayview Woods-Steeles
- ○ Beechborough-Greenbrook
- ○ Bendale-Glen Andrew
- ○ Black Creek
- ○ Briar Hill-Belgravia
- ○ Broadview North

- Brookhaven-Amesbury
- Caledonia-Fairbank
- Centennial Scarborough
- Clairlea-Birchmount
- Cliffcrest
- Danforth
- Don Valley Village
- Dovercourt Village
- Downtown Yonge East
- East End-Danforth
- East Willowdale
- Eglinton East
- Englemount-Lawrence
- Etobicoke City Centre
- Fenside-Parkwoods
- Forest Hill North
- Fort York-Liberty Village
- Golfdale-Cedarbrae-Woburn
- Guildwood
- Henry Farm
- High Park-Swansea
- Hillcrest Village
- Humber Heights-Westmount
- Humbermede
- Ionview
- Junction Area
- Keelesdale-Eglinton West
- Kensington-Chinatown
- Kingsway South
- L'Amoreaux West
- Lawrence Park North
- Leaside-Bennington
- Long Branch
- Malvern West
- Markland Wood
- Mimico-Queensway
- Morningside Heights
- Mount Dennis
- Mount Pleasant East
- Newtonbrook East
- North Riverdale
- North Toronto
- Oakridge

- Cabbagetown-South St.James Town
- Casa Loma
- Church-Wellesley
- Clanton Park
- Corso Italia-Davenport
- Danforth East York
- Dorset Park
- Downsview
- Dufferin Grove
- East L'Amoreaux
- Edenbridge-Humber Valley
- Elms-Old Rexdale
- Eringate-Centennial-West Deane
- Etobicoke West Mall
- Flemingdon Park
- Forest Hill South
- Glenfield-Jane Heights
- Greenwood-Coxwell
- Harbourfront-CityPlace
- High Park North
- Highland Creek
- Humber Bay Shores
- Humber Summit
- Humewood-Cedarvale
- Islington
- Junction-Wallace Emerson
- Kennedy Park
- Kingsview Village-The Westway
- Lambton Baby Point
- Lansing-Westgate
- Lawrence Park South
- Little Portugal
- Malvern East
- Maple Leaf
- Milliken
- Morningside
- Moss Park
- Mount Olive-Silverstone-Jamestown
- New Toronto
- Newtonbrook West
- North St.James Town
- Oakdale-Beverley Heights
- Oakwood Village

- ○ O'Connor-Parkview
- ○ Palmerston-Little Italy
- ○ Pelmo Park-Humberlea
- ○ Pleasant View
- ○ Regent Park
- ○ Rockcliffe-Smythe
- ○ Rosedale-Moore Park
- ○ Rustic
- ○ South Eglinton-Davisville
- ○ South Rivderdale
- ○ St.Andrew-Windfields
- ○ Stonegate-Queensway
- ○ Taylor-Massey
- ○ Thistletown-Beaumond Heights
- ○ Trinity-Bellwoods
- ○ Victoria Village
- ○ West Hill
- ○ West Queen West
- ○ Westminster-Branson
- ○ Weston-Pelham Park
- ○ Willowdale West
- ○ Woburn North
- ○ Woodbine-Lumsden
- ○ Yonge-Bay Corridor
- ○ Yonge-Eglinton
- ○ York University Heights

- ○ Old East York
- ○ Parkwoods-O'Connor Hills
- ○ Playter Estates-Danforth
- ○ Princess-Rosethorn
- ○ Rexdale-Kipling
- ○ Roncesvalles
- ○ Runnymede-Bloor West Village
- ○ Scarborough Village
- ○ South Parkdale
- ○ St Lawrence-East Bayfront-The Islands
- ○ Steeles
- ○ Tam O'Shanter-Sullivan
- ○ The Beaches
- ○ Thorncliffe Park
- ○ University
- ○ Wellington Place
- ○ West Humber-Clairville
- ○ West Rouge
- ○ Weston
- ○ Wexford/Maryvale
- ○ Willowridge-Martingrove-Richview
- ○ Woodbine Corridor
- ○ Wychwood
- ○ Yonge-Doris
- ○ Yonge-St.Clair
- ○ Yorkdale-Glen Park

* 23. Does your event/activity take place in a Neighbourhood Improvement Area and/or Emerging Neighbourhood?

- ○ Yes
- ○ No
- ○ Unsure, please provide the name of the neighbourhood your event/activity will take place

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* 24. Please select the Neighbourhood Improvement Area and/or Emerging Neighbourhood your event or activity will take place in.

Use this interactive map to find your Neighbourhood

- ○ Beechborough-Greenbrook
- ○ Downsview-Roding
- ○ Elms-Old Rexdale
- ○ Glenfield- Jane Heights
- ○ Humbermede

- ○ Black Creek
- ○ Eglinton East
- ○ Flemingdon Park
- ○ Humber Summit
- ○ Ionview

- ○ Keelesdale-Eglinton West
- ○ Kingsview Village-The Westway
- ○ Mount Dennis
- ○ Oakridge
- ○ Rockliffe-Smythe
- ○ Scarborough Village
- ○ Taylor-Massey
- ○ Thorncliiffe Park
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- ○ Weston Pelham Park
- ○ York University Heights

- ○ Kennedy Park
- ○ Morningside
- ○ Mount Olive-Silverstone-Jamestown
- ○ Regent Park
- ○ Rustic
- ○ South Parkdale
- ○ Thistletown-Beaumond Heights
- ○ Victoria Village
- ○ Weston
- ○ Woburn

* 25. Does your event/activity take place in a Toronto Community Housing community, building or common area?

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Unsure, please provide the name of the community
your event/activity will take place in.

26. Please provide the name or address of the Toronto Community Housing community your activity/event will take place in.

27. Project Name:

* 28. Expected project start date / end date

Note: The project event/ activity must be FREE and open to residents and must take place between July 1st, 2025 and December 31, 2025.

day: month: year: Start Date

day: month: year: End Date

* 29. Is this activity/event part of an agency or City-run program?

Note: Activities must not be a part of an existing programming or services

☐ Yes, this is an agency or City-run program ☐ No, this is a resident-led event

* 30. What is the frequency of the project event/ activities?

☐ One-day Event

☐ Weekly

☐ Multi-day Event that will be conclude within 30-day period

☐ Other, please provide additional details regarding the frequency

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* 31. What does your group plan to do? (200 words or less)

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32. How do Indigenous, Black and/or other equity-deserving populations lead, connect, engage and participate in your project? (100 words or less)

Equity-deserving groups: Communities that face significant collective challenges in participating in society because of institutional and societal barriers to equal access, opportunities and resources due to disadvantage and discrimination. These groups are due social justice and reparation. Examples of equity deserving groups are racialized groups, women, 2SLGBTQ+, persons with disabilities, undocumented individuals, immigrants and refugees, peoples with low income, youth.

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* 33. Which Toronto Strong Neighbourhood Strategy domains does your event/activity support? Please select all that apply.

- **Economic Opportunities** (e.g., Job Skills Workshop, Certification Workshop, Employment Forum)
- **Healthy Lives** -(e.g.,: Nutrition Workshop, Wellness Day, Gardening Event)
- **Participation In Decision Making** - (e.g., Community Speak out Event, Leadership Training, Civic Action Forum)
- **Social Development** - (e.g., Educational Workshop/Forum, Back to School Event, Neighbourhood Festival)
- **Physical Surroundings** -(e.g., Community Beautification Event, Neighbourhhod Walking Tour, Community Art Event)

☐ Economic Opportunities

☐ Healthy Lives

☐ Participation in Decision Making

☐ Social Development

☐ Physical Surroundings

* 34. Briefly explain how your event/activity will support the selected domains of the Toronto Strong Neighbourhood Strategy (100 words or less).

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35. Please describe your outreach plan and how you will engage community members.

36. Approximately how many people will directly benefit from your project? Provide a breakdown if possible (e.g. 25 people served) in your project activities.

Note: Please provide the total number of Group Members that will support the activity/event including the Group Leads /Members listed in the Grant Application)

	# of Staff
	# of Volunteers (if applicable)
	# approximate of Residents engaged
	# of workshops (if applicable)
	# of Community Partners (if applicable)

* 37. Are you preparing, cooking or serving fresh food at your event?

Note: If you are serving food, one group member must have a Food Handler Certificate OR be willing to participate in training to receive a Food Handler Certificate. A free training session will be offered for eligible groups.

○ Yes   ○ No

* 38. Do any of your groups members have a Food Handlers Certificate?
You will be required to show proof of a valid certificate.

○ Yes   ○ No

39. What is the total budget to carry out your project? (Funding available per group is $5,000)

* 40. Please upload a copy of your budget and workplan. The completed documents is required to be uploaded at the end of your application.

**Note: Kindly ensure that you download and fill out the workplan and budget documents. Do not upload an alternate format.
Visit 2025 LLG Templates to   download the LLG Workplan and Budget Templates or contact communityfunding@toronto.ca for assistance.**

Budget   Upload file...

Workplan   Upload file...

Your responses have been registered!

Thank you for taking the time to complete the application. **Click here to view your responses**. If you have any questions, please email

Contact

- Community Funding - **communityfunding@toronto.ca**
- Community Development - **neighbourhoods@toronto.ca**

Important Dates

- Application Deadline - **April 28, 2025 at 12:00 pm (noon)**