

ORANGE SHIRT DAY FUND

GRANT GUIDE

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FUND OBJECTIVES

The Orange Shirt Day Fund encourages Indigenous and non-Indigenous Manitobans to reflect on the impacts of the Indian residential school system. Proposals submitted to the fund must contribute to any of the following outcomes:

- Ensure that the legacy and impacts of the Indian residential school system are not forgotten or downplayed
- Ensure that Survivors are recognized and honoured for their strength and resilience
- Ensure that the children who never returned home from Indian residential schools are commemorated and memorialized so that their memory will continue to live on
- Foster relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Manitobans
- Support activities that align with the [Path to Reconciliation Act](#), the [Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action](#) and/or the [United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples](#)
- Enhance understanding of the legacy of the Indian residential school system in Manitoba

WHAT WE FUND

Eligible Proposals

- Proposals that align with the Fund Objectives
- Proposals for one-time projects focused on Orange Shirt Day (September 30)

Ineligible Proposals

- Proposals for multi-year projects
- Proposals for capital projects
- Proposals to fund core operating costs
- Proposals that duplicate or overlap with existing programming (i.e., activities that fall primarily within the mandate of other department programming or jurisdictions)
- Proposals to support Section 35 Crown consultations

**Applicants will be required to submit any outstanding deliverables (e.g., final report, financial report) on previously funded projects to the Manitoba Indigenous Reconciliation Secretariat before any new grant application is accepted.*

WHO CAN APPLY

Indigenous and non-Indigenous individuals and eligible organizations and governments:

- Non-profit* and for-profit organizations that have been in existence for at least one year and are active, as well as those that are current in their filings under the Corporations Act (Manitoba)
- Registered charities (under the Income Tax Act)
- First Nation communities, Métis organizations, Inuit organizations and Northern Affairs communities
- Schools and school divisions
- Individuals and unincorporated organizations may apply with the endorsement of an eligible non-profit, for-profit or charitable organization (see list above). In these cases, funding will be issued through the eligible organization

**A non-profit organization is a group that is organized and operated exclusively for social welfare, civic improvement, pleasure, recreation, or any other purpose except profit.*

HOW MUCH WE FUND

Generally, proposals up to a maximum of \$25,000 will be eligible, but consideration may be given to larger proposals that demonstrate commitment, significant partnerships and the potential for exceptional regional or provincial impact.

WHEN TO APPLY

The deadline for submission is **Aug. 1, 2024**.

HOW TO APPLY

Completed applications and total project budget can be submitted by mail or online.

Mail:

Manitoba Indigenous Reconciliation Secretariat
Att: Orange Shirt Day Fund
300-352 Donald Street
Winnipeg, MB, R3B 2H8

Electronic:

Electronic application forms can be found at www.gov.mb.ca/inr/major-initiatives/orange-shirt-day-fund.html. If you are unable to complete the electronic application form, please contact the Manitoba Indigenous Reconciliation Secretariat by phone or e-mail:

Phone:

204-945-7161

E-Mail:

MIRS-ADM@gov.mb.ca
Attn: Orange Shirt Day Fund

PROPOSAL ASSESSMENT

Proposals are assessed against:

- Completion of application requirements;
- Eligibility criteria (refer to “What We Fund” section); and
- How the proposal aligns with the Fund Objectives.

Other considerations could include innovative projects, applicants who identify extraordinary need for provincial funding support, proposals that incorporate culturally relevant approaches to reconciliation, and proposals that identify exceptional regional or provincial impact.

HOW DECISIONS ARE MADE

A review committee manages the proposal intake and assessment.

- Generally, successful applicants will be notified within two weeks of the application deadline.
- Successful applicants will be notified of the decision by letter, including the next steps in the funding process.
- Unsuccessful applicants will be notified of the decision by letter.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Approved proposals equal to or less than \$5,000 will receive a grant funding letter issued by Manitoba.
- Approved proposals greater than \$5,000 will require a project grant funding agreement signed by the applicant and Manitoba.
- Project grant funding letters and agreements will outline the terms, the acceptable use of funds, project end date, payment process, treatment of project surplus or deficit and reporting requirements.

PAYMENT PROCESS

- Ninety per cent of the approved funding will be provided upon signing the grant funding agreement.
- The remaining 10 per cent will be provided following project completion, and submission and acceptance of a final report and signed financial report.
- The percentage of initial funding and holdback may be adjusted on a case-by-case basis. Holdbacks will not be required for proposals valued less than \$5,000.
- The Manitoba Indigenous Reconciliation Secretariat requires a final report and financial reports for all approved projects. For projects over \$5,000, the final program payment will be paid upon receipt and acceptance of these reports.

REPORTING ON OUTCOMES AND RESULTS

- Final reporting is required within 90 days of project completion or by the final deadline identified in the grant funding agreement, whichever is sooner. As part of the package, the financial report and the final report must be completed in full. Final payment will not be issued until both reporting documents have been approved by Manitoba.
- The final report may be supplemented with personal stories, narratives and photos to demonstrate project deliverables and outcomes. The lead organization/individual is responsible for obtaining consent to publicly disclose this information and/or photos.
- If the project has been endorsed by an eligible organization or government (refer to “Who Can Apply”), the certified financial report must be completed by the endorsing organization or government. The balance of the final report requirements must be completed by the project lead (i.e., the individual or unincorporated non-profit).
- Project proponents who do not submit a final report and/or certified financial report may not be eligible for future funding from the Manitoba Indigenous Reconciliation Secretariat.

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