



COMMUNITY RECIPROCITY FUND GUIDELINES

Primary Purpose

The Community Reciprocity Fund aims to foster and strengthen community-driven, knowledge-based activities and action-oriented strategies on the social determinants of health, health advocacy and the priority health needs of communities, while enhancing health student and health professional skills. Partnership and engagement with local communities are essential strategies for education health professionals and students about the social determinants of health, advocacy, and the needs of communities.

The CRF Fund was launched in spring 2019 by the Division of Social Accountability (DSA) in the College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan.

Description

The Community Reciprocity Fund is accepting applications from community-based initiatives, group, coalitions and organizations responding to the health needs of Saskatchewan communities during the COVID-19 crisis.

The reciprocity fund may also take the form of in-kind support from qualified College of Medicine staff or students. If you are requesting in-kind support, please submit an application and indicate the type of support you are seeking.

Funding Available

The total amount of funding available per initiative/activity will vary **but no award will exceed \$2,500.00**. Community partners may apply once per funding cycle.

Eligibility

The Community Reciprocity Fund is open only to **community-located partners**. Financial funding is intended to be flexible and responsive to the unique needs of community. **Special consideration is given to initiatives, groups and organizations working with vulnerable communities in response to COVID-19.**

The following are some examples of eligible expenses:

- Advocacy work
- Collaborative work with other community partners or university students/faculty
- Research, knowledge translation and evaluation
- Seed funding for project development or to leverage other larger funds
- Professional development training and access to professional services
- Support to engage people with lived experience in planning and project initiatives
- Equipment and supplies needed for COVID-19 response





How to Apply

The Community Reciprocity Fund has an ongoing intake process, meaning you can submit your application for consideration at any time. **We encourage you to submit your application as soon as possible.** Please complete the application form found online and submit to social.accountability@usask.ca.

Award Requirements

In addition to providing DSA acknowledgement, a half-page to one-page final report must be sent to the DSA that outlines how funds were used and includes a list of expenses. If possible, please include photos that we could publish on the DSA's website.

For further information and to apply visit: <https://medicine.usask.ca/social-accountability//Funding/community-funding.php>

Contact

If you have questions or would like additional information please contact Erin Wolfson, Community Engagement Specialist, Division of Social Accountability at erin.wolfson@usask.ca or call 306-966-2815.

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