



# Moving Mountains for Children Funding Opportunity

**APPLY BETWEEN JANUARY 10 – JANUARY 31 AT 5:00 PM**

## About Whistler Community Foundation

Founded in 1999, Whistler Community Foundation (WCF), grants money to local charities, engages the community through Whistler's Vital Signs and manages donations as long-term investments. The Board of Directors takes recommendations from grants committees regarding ways in which to direct available funds. WCF staff support the volunteers in the granting process.

## Description

The purposes of this fund are to support charitable organizations whose activities help children and youth, ages 0-18 and their families in Whistler. Funds can go towards Early Childhood Educators learning opportunities and capital assets for childcare centres/programs or seed funding for new programs.

## Grant Amounts

\$1000 total. This could be 2 X \$500 for ECE learning opportunities or 1 X \$500 for capital assets/seed funding and 1 X \$500 for ECE learning opportunities, or 1 X \$1000 for capital assets/seed funding. This will be determined by the grants committee after the application deadline.

## Criteria for Learning Opportunities

Applicants must:

- Be employed by a registered non-profit childcare centre
- Reside in or work in Whistler
- Be pursuing educational courses or programs in early childhood education or related to general childhood development
- Demonstrate exemplary achievement and qualities
- Exhibit community leadership, consideration for others and outstanding personal qualities

*The Whistler Community Foundation is the steward of money gifted to the community and provides grants in the areas of environment, arts and culture, social service and education. Our vision is to be impactful in supporting the charities and organizations that address evolving community needs.*

## Criteria for Capital Assets

Applicants must:

- Be a qualified donee that runs children's programming in Whistler
- Capital assets may include equipment, software, books or other items that contribute to the long-term benefit of the community
- Demonstrate a plan for long term sustainability of programs

## Criteria for Seed Funding for Children's Programs

Applicants must:

- Be seeking funding to create new children's development programs that are not available in the community
- Preference will be given to programs that support the expansion of science, technology, engineering and mathematics education and experiences in Whistler
- Seed funding may include support for initial operating costs including wages, and/or assets.

## Application Process

**ALL GRANT APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 31, 5:00PM, 2024**

The Moving Mountains for Children Grants Program uses an [online application](#) process.

If your organization has used the grant portal previously, log in and begin your application. If you are a first-time applicant, please create your [online profile](#) to apply. You will use the system to submit your application, your grant agreement, and your grant reports. If you would prefer to do your application orally, please email [info@whistlerfoundation.com](mailto:info@whistlerfoundation.com) January 15th so we can accommodate your request.

All applications will be thoroughly assessed by Grants Committees. The Grants Committees will recommend project funding to WCF's Board of Directors who will have final approval. All applicants will receive written notification of WCF's decision and if successful, the terms and conditions of any grant that has been awarded by the end of March 2024.

## Selection Process

Recipients are selected by the Whistler Community Foundation Grants committee.