

# Capitol Hill Micro-Grant Guidelines

Applications due 4-6 weeks before initiative.

You are welcome to email <u>fundraising@capitolhillcommunity.ca</u> for advice and feedback before you apply.

**CHCA Micro-grants of** \$100 to \$500 will be awarded to initiatives that encourage community involvement and good citizenship. The micro-grants will support resident-led initiatives that build community and social connections. This program is meant to encourage active citizenship by providing residents with funds to implement creative projects that benefit their local community.

# **Considerations for CHCA Micro-grants:**

- Open to residents of Capitol Hill
- Held in a public location
- Beneficial to the whole community
- Able to build a sense of belonging by creating connections between residents
- Considerate of the environment

#### Who can apply?

Individual organizers, or neighbourhood groups within the community of Capitol Hill. At least one person on a project team must be 18 years of age or older.

# What can CHCA Micro- grant cover?

CHCA Micro-grants can help with expenses that support community involvement. Items such as room rental, refreshments, arts supplies, sound equipment rental, for example, could qualify.

# **CHCA Micro-grants cannot cover:**

- Projects that have occurred *before* the granting decision is made.
- Alcohol-related expenses, which include, but are not limited to, the purchase of alcohol, the payment of salaries or fees associated with serving alcohol, and corkage fees.
- Block parties or other purely social events or fundraisers unless they have a clear plan to create further opportunities for the neighbourhood or community.

#### How do you apply?

Application forms are available at <a href="www.capitolhillcommunity.ca">www.capitolhillcommunity.ca</a>. Complete and send by email to <a href="fundraising@capitolhillcommunity.ca">fundraising@capitolhillcommunity.ca</a> or ground mail to CHCA Micro-grants, 1531-21 Ave NW, Calgary, AB T2M 1L9

## **Application Process**

- Please apply at least 4-6 weeks in advance of your project.
- We will contact you within two weeks of submission if we have any questions.
- We will notify applicants within one week of the date of the initiative if support is being awarded.

# Who evaluates CHCA Micro-grant?

Members of the Capitol Hill Community Association Board of Directors will evaluate the applications.

## **Project Examples**

- Block Party that promotes neighbourhood and community
- Meet Your New Neighbours gathering
- Multicultural Family Night
- Youth Garden Initiative

#### If you are awarded a CHCA Micro-grant, you will:

- Acknowledge the support of the program in project materials and presentations.
- Use our Capitol Hill logo that we will provide you, where applicable.
- Invite board members to key project events. We would like to attend and see your project in action.
- Consult us **first** if you are thinking of changing the project or how you spend the grant. We will do our best to help initiatives respond to changing circumstances.
- Tell us your project story by sending us your Project Self-Assessment Form, along with receipts and supporting documents like event flyers, advertisements, newspaper stories, and photos, within six weeks of your project's completion.