2021 Kindred Charitable Fund
Application Guidelines

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Kindred Charitable Fund endowment is owned by Abundance Canada – charitable registration number 129253308RR0001.

1. The Kindred Charitable Fund is an initiative of Kindred Credit Union (Kindred) that inspires peaceful, just and prosperous communities. Funded projects must be church or community-based and should contribute to one of the following themes: Community Food Security, Climate Action, or Affordable Housing (which are defined on the next page). Other program initiatives that reflect the values of Kindred and its member community may be considered.

2. The amount for any individual grant may range between $2,500 and $10,000.

3. Applicants are limited to one application for one grant per year. Applications for multi-year funding must include the ‘Multi-Year Project’ section and any additional information needed to outline the project fully.

4. Requests for sponsorships, bursaries, or advertising will not be accepted. If your initiative falls within one of these categories please contact your local branch or Kindred Head Office through charitablegiving@kindredcu.com.

5. Preference is given to:
   • Organizations that are focused on the root causes and/or systemic inequalities of identified issues;
   • Projects in start-up phase or new initiatives being developed within existing programs.

Consideration will also be given to organizations that require funding for operating budgets.

6. Geographic and theme balance along with previous grants received will be taken into consideration during the awarding process.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Submissions must include a completed Kindred Charitable Fund Grant Application.

2. The applicant will make available, upon request, any information required by the Grants Committee including annual or other reports which provide detailed information on program activities and finances.

3. The application deadline for 2021 grants is October 31, 2020.

4. Grant recipients for 2021 will be notified in writing by December 31, 2021. Grants will be released upon receipt of a completed Funds Request letter (provided by Kindred).

5. All grant recipients must submit a report by December 2021, that details the results of the project and progress toward expected impacts within the target community. A template for the report will be sent by Kindred. Copies of any publicity and media coverage should also be included. If grant monies are not used by December 31, 2021, the organization will be required to return the funds to the Kindred Charitable Fund.

6. Kindred reserves the right to publicize and promote grant recipients and projects. This includes names, amounts, and other project details. Grant recipients are expected to acknowledge Kindred’s contribution in all marketing materials where appropriate. All other applicant information will be kept confidential.

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. To be eligible for grants from the Kindred Charitable Fund all applicants must be Qualified Donees as defined by the Income Tax Act. The charitable number is required with the completed application. This number and the charity’s status will be confirmed with the Canada Revenue Agency as proof of registered charitable status.

2. Grant recipients must ensure that projects are in line with at least one of Kindred’s Charitable Fund themes:

   - **Community Food Security**
     From farms to food banks, community gardens to processors, distributors and consumers, the food systems of our communities are key to our health and well-being. We engage with many different partners to improve access and sustainability of food for the benefit of all parts of the system.

   - **Climate Action**
     As the effects of climate change impact all our communities, Kindred take meaningful actions that support the economic, social, and environmental changes needed to make a sustainable transition.

   - **Affordable Housing**
     The affordability of housing for first-time homebuyers, those on fixed incomes, or supporting those accessing emergency shelters or transitional housing is critical to all our communities. We work with many partners to find solutions that provide safe and healthy places to live for all.

Our focus on these themes exemplifies how Kindred lives out our purpose: Cooperative banking, that connects values and faith with finances, inspiring peaceful, just, and prosperous communities.

Project examples can be found on kindredcu.com.