

Urban Initiatives Program

The Urban Initiatives Program (UIP) supports projects that remove barriers and strengthens economic and social opportunities for urban Indigenous people in Alberta. UIP encourages collaboration among governments, Indigenous communities and private and not-for-profit sectors to better serve and meet the needs of the urban Indigenous population.

The UIP complements other funding programs and is not intended to replace or duplicate other sources of financing that may be available. If applicable, Indigenous Relations will inform applicants if their project is better suited under other government programs or funding agencies.

Download a copy of the [UIP Applicant Guide](#)  for complete details and submission requirements.

Eligibility

- Indigenous serving organizations, registered non-profit organizations, for-profit organizations, municipal governments and Indigenous governments are eligible to apply for funding through UIP.
- Corporate entities must be in good standing.
- Applicants must be in compliance with the terms and conditions of any previous Indigenous Relations funding.
- Applicant organizations must be located in the province of Alberta.

Activities eligible for funding

Projects will be assessed on how they contribute to one or more of the following UIP priorities.

- Transitional supports for urban Indigenous people;
- Urban initiatives and projects;
- Culturally appropriate initiatives;
- Municipal relations and collaboration; and
- Indigenous awareness

Application deadline

- Grant applications are accepted throughout the year and are subject to approval based on available funds.
- It is recommended that applications be submitted a minimum of **three months** prior to the start of the project to allow adequate time for processing. The evaluation process may take up to 10 weeks, depending on the number of submissions received.

Funding levels

- There is no minimum or maximum amount of funding. The grant amount will be determined based

on the availability of funding, alignment to UIP priorities, and ability of partners to make financial and/or in kind contributions. An in-kind contribution is a quantifiable contribution made by the applicant or its partners that are considered necessary to the project and are being donated.

How to apply

[Submit a grant application form](#) (Microsoft Word) with an attached detailed project proposal.

Grant applications can be submitted by mail to:

- Alberta Indigenous Relations,
Attention “Aboriginal Initiatives-UIP”,
19th Floor, Commerce Place, 10155 – 102 Street,
Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 4G8