

Apathy is Boring's Partnership Policy

Partnerships play a key role in Apathy is Boring's efforts to increase youth engagement and strengthen Canada's democracy. Our mission can only be achieved in collaboration with a range of partners - partnerships enable us to grow our supporter base and increase our visibility, reach and impact in communities across Canada.

1. OUR PARTNERSHIP PRIORITIES

We prioritize partnerships that align with our organization values:

- **Youth as Decision Makers:** We create space for youth in decision making roles and encourage others to do the same.
- **Reaching the Unengaged:** We recognize that systems of oppression affect youth's ability to engage in democracy in different ways and don't assume universal experience. We do the hard work to reach and activate unengaged youth.
- **Providing Information:** We don't believe in preaching, we value non-partisanship and provide road maps showing how the process works.
- **Being Accountable:** We remain authentic, open to debate and discussion. We are transparent about our successes and failures.
- **Being Accessible:** We provide low risk entry points, we go to where youth are and don't wait for them to come to us.
- **Being Intergenerational:** We seek out support from elders and community leaders.

Supporting and partnering organisations with diverse leadership and supporters is essential to our success as a movement. This includes centring the work of Indigenous- led organisations, culturally and linguistically diverse organisations, female- led organisations, disability advocacy groups, and LGBTQ2SI+ organisations, amongst others.

2. BUILDING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

As an organization, we prioritize the development of ongoing, sustainable and mutually beneficial relationships. This requires us to be mindful of Apathy is Boring's goals and their alignment with the purpose and vision of partner organizations.

Apathy is Boring is a non-partisan organization, independent of political parties and religious institutions. Maintaining our impartiality is essential for our continued work in supporting youth to have their voices heard in Canada's democracy. This impacts decisions around which organisations and corporations to partner with, or receive funding from.

Apathy is Boring considers many risks when assessing prospective partnerships, including political, policy related, financial, legal, reputational and physical. Each partnership is assessed on a case by case basis, with guidance from our Board of Directors where required.