



HUMAN RIGHTS INITIATIVE GRANT

APPLICATION FORM

2020



GRANT SUMMARY

B'nai Brith Canada is pleased to announce our **2020 Human Rights Initiative Grant Fund**. The goal of this grant fund is to inspire and finance human rights projects that are already established or are in later stages of the development process. These projects must promote themes beneficial to our Manitoba communities. Applicants are encouraged to be creative and innovative in furthering the development of their project and how it is delivered to others. Our expectation is that applicants will create a proposal and a budget outlining the nature of their project and its corresponding costs.

This grant follows the philosophy of the **Human Rights Code of Manitoba**, which is based on the universal declaration of human rights: **"The individual worth and dignity of every member of the human family."**

All residents of Manitoba may apply for this grant, regardless of age and religious affiliation. Applicants may apply as an individual or on behalf of a group or organization of which they are a member. Funds may be awarded to multiple recipients. Applications from previous recipients of this grant are welcome.

We believe that through the promotion of this grant fund, we can encourage the creativity and thought processes of individuals and groups who are interested in enhancing the educational and social experiences that their human rights project provides for others.

ABOUT US



B'nai Brith is Canadian Jewry's most senior human rights advocacy organization and has played a vital role in our country since 1875. The mission of B'nai Brith Canada is to encourage the highest interest of humanity, and to develop and elevate the mental and moral character of people of our faith. Our activities aim to promote the purest principles of philanthropy: honour and patriotism, to support science and art, and to help alleviate the suffering of those in need within our communities.

This grant fund falls under the advocacy arm of B'nai Brith Canada, the League for Human Rights. The League advocates for human rights and community service through advocacy, education, and community development. It builds inter-community relationships, conducts educational programs and engages in community action and legal/legislative interventions. The League also advocates for global human rights by working closely with international organizations and agencies, hosting conferences, lectures and educational forums, and engaging government and policy makers at all levels in the combat of human rights abuses. It is a vital and thriving constant voice for humanity all over the world.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant(s) must be a resident of Manitoba
2. This grant aims to assist in the **expansion of already-existing works that are already established within the community or are in the later stages of the development process**. Applicants must be prepared to share their project, goals and results with others
3. The project must impact local communities, school(s) and/or organization(s) within Manitoba

HOW TO APPLY

1. Download the Human Rights Initiative Grant application form and save it to your computer
2. Complete the entire application with all the required information
3. Save the completed version as a new document
4. Review your application for errors or missing information
5. Send as a **PDF** attachment by email to: wbb@bnaibrith.ca, along with all other required documentation. Please use the subject line: **Application for Human Rights Initiative Grant**
6. Confirm that your application email has been successfully sent

OR

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DEADLINE

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 30th, 2020

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all required information and extra documentation are attached with their application. **Successful applicants will be notified by May 31st, 2020.**

Certain **candidates may be contacted for an additional interview** in order to measure the quality and suitability of their project in more detail. Qualified applicants will be contacted prior to May 31st.

PAST GRANT RECIPIENTS

ONE MORE CANDLE

BRINGS LIGHT TO DARKNESS



FUNDING AWARDED: \$3,000

One More Candle is a registered charity based in Winnipeg that offers the opportunity to adopt the memory of one of the 1,500,000 children murdered in the Shoah (Holocaust) and honour their life by the mitzvah of remembering. The impact of adopting the memory of the child is meaningful and palpable and gives a chance to give light to darkness by saying his or her name out loud or by lighting a candle every year to keep their memory alive.

One More Candle invites everyone: individuals, families, synagogues and groups of any faith, to adopt the memory of a child murdered in the Holocaust, and to honour them by remembering that these children have lived, loved, played and laughed. Through remembrance, education and action we can change the future and secure a better world for our children today.

"This grant enables us to increase our ability to share the importance of honouring the memory of the 1.5 million children murdered in the Holocaust. Awareness and education are the key components to combatting various forms of intolerance and inhumanity that regrettably still persist in our world today."

- Jacquie Seipp, Founder

PAST GRANT RECIPIENTS



RIGHTS HERE, RIGHTS NOW

FUNDING AWARDED: \$2,000

Rights Here, Rights Now was a student-led human rights conference held on April 17, 2018 at Grant Park High School in Winnipeg for over 1,300 students. The conference addressed indigenous reconciliation and a broad range of social justice issues with keynote speakers, interactive activities and performance pieces.

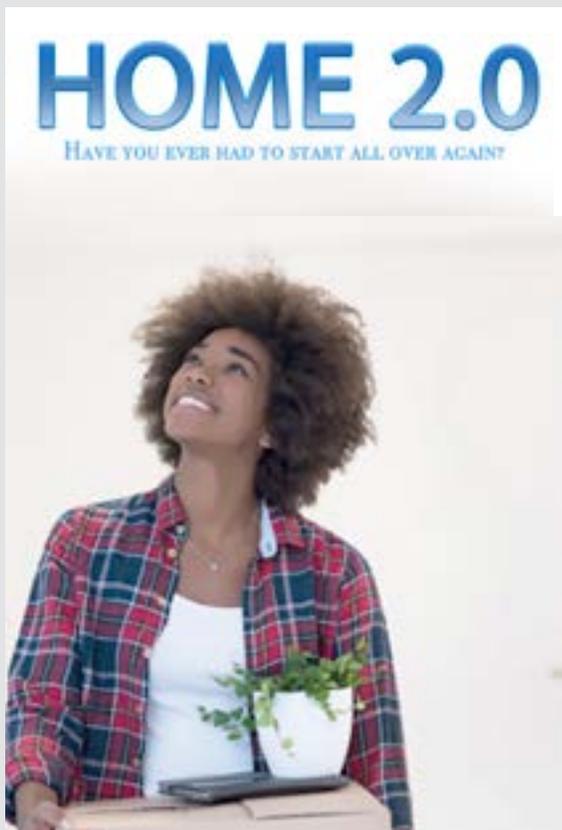
The underlying theme was recognizing the past, living the present and changing the future by initiating a learning and healing process, inspiring Grant Park students to volunteer, take action and make a difference in their community. Discussions included the following themes: Women's Rights, LGBTTQ*, Refugees, Discrimination, Hate Speech and Poverty.

"The grant was the perfect fit as it was in line with the themes of our conference and supported groups that helped their local communities in Manitoba. It moved us one step closer to fulfilling valuable experience and recognition for students and invited guests."

- Alexa Mucyo Kayonga, Conference Curator



PAST GRANT RECIPIENTS

**FUNDING AWARDED: \$5,000**

Home 2.0 is a theatrical production created by Sarasvati Productions that challenges youth to reflect on the lives and living situations of immigrants and refugees. The project aims to impact both audience members and performers, encouraging dialogue, challenging viewpoints, countering discrimination, fostering empathy and cultivating inclusion.

"This project means a lot to me, especially as a first generation Canadian that grew up watching my parents going through similar struggles after their immigration. It's great to bring about awareness, especially today with immigrants being very prevalent and important in our society."

- Joanne Roberts, Performer

"Our theatrical presentation of Home 2.0 promotes human rights through increasing human understanding. With this grant we will be able to educate youth and promote inclusion. We have assembled a culturally diverse group of young actors and they are sharing their own experiences as well as bringing to life the stories of youth who are newcomers to Manitoba. We are excited to take the interactive play to schools throughout Manitoba starting in October and know it will inspire dialogue among thousands of youth in Manitoba. The resettlement of immigrants and refugees is a timely human rights issue that needs to be addressed with empathy."

- Hope McIntyre, Artistic Director



PART 1: PRIMARY APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name:

Last Name:

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy):

Street Address:

City:

Postal Code:

Telephone:

Email:

How long have you been a resident of Manitoba?

Personal blog/website (Optional):

PART 2: GROUP AND ADDITIONAL APPLICANT INFORMATION

If you are applying for this grant on behalf of a school, organization or group, fill out the section below. In order to better communicate the structure of your project team, you have the option to list a maximum of two members of your group as Additional Applicants.

Group Name:

Street Address:

City:

Postal Code:

Telephone:

Email:

Blog/website/social media (Optional):

What is your role within the group?:

ADDITIONAL APPLICANT 1

First Name:

Last Name:

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy):

Street Address:

City:

Postal Code:

Telephone:

Email:

Length of residency in Manitoba:

Project Role:

Personal blog/website (Optional):

ADDITIONAL APPLICANT 2

First Name:

Last Name:

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy):

Street Address:

City:

Postal Code:

Telephone:

Email:

Length of residency in Manitoba:

Project Role:

Personal blog/website (Optional):

PART 3: REFERENCES

Please submit a **minimum of 2** reference letters with your application that speak to your character, experience, and involvement with human rights projects. References cannot be from an immediate family member, but are otherwise up to your discretion. Examples include teachers, school administrators, educational peers, co-workers, managers, volunteer contacts, and prominent community members.

REFERENCE 1

Name:

Title:

Name of school, organization or group:

Telephone:

Email:

REFERENCE 2

Name:

Title:

Name of school, organization or group:

Telephone:

Email:

REFERENCE 3 (OPTIONAL)

Name:

Title:

Name of school, organization or group:

Telephone:

Email:

PART 4: RESUME

Attach a resume to this form detailing your past and current education, volunteer and/or job experience.

PART 5: COVER LETTER

In 500 words or less, provide a detailed description of your project, how it relates to human rights, and the impact it has had (or will have) on Manitoba communities and beyond. Why is your project a deserving recipient of a B'nai Brith Canada League for Human Rights Grant? How will this grant expand the reach and impact of your project? How will your work continue to inspire others to create and participate in human rights initiatives, even after its completion? [See pages 4-6, Past Grant Recipients](#), for examples.

PART 6: BUDGET

In as much detail as possible, outline the current budget of your project, as well as how you will allocate potential funding received from this grant. Please note that the maximum amount of funding available per applicant is \$5,000. Exceptions to this maximum may be considered if appropriately justified.

PART 7: TIMELINE

Submit a timeline of your project from its beginning to its completion, what it entails, deadlines, specific goals and important milestones.

PART 8: VIDEO (OPTIONAL)

To supplement your application, you may produce a two-minute video about your vision for your project and experiences with human rights. The goal of the video is to showcase your creativity, and how you might present your initiative to others. Please upload your video to YouTube and provide us with a link to the video below.

YouTube Video Link: