

Frequently Asked Questions

What types of projects could I apply for with the Grass Roots Grant?

This category is for projects which have the goal of reinvigorating or making a public area more beautiful or usable. Some examples include small garden boxes, little libraries, or play equipment. Bring your unique ideas, let your imagination come up with ideas that we haven't thought of yet!

Can I use the Grass Roots Grant to plant flowers on private property?

No, the purpose of the grant is for projects on municipal (public) lands and for the enjoyment of the entire neighbourhood.

I live in an apartment complex in a high density neighbourhood with no garden, could we apply for a community garden plot in our local park?

Yes, just email your idea to us or come in and talk to staff about how to apply.

How do I apply for a grant?

Visit us online at chilliwack.com/neighbourhoodgrants and fill out the online form.

Can my kids apply for a grant?

Yes, they can! We just ask that an adult helps them complete the application fully and signs on behalf of the children.

Can we fund additions to existing playgrounds? Or bring a new swing set to our neighbourhood park?

Yes, a Grass Roots Grant could be used for such a project. The project would need supported by all of the park neighbours and would need to be co-ordinated by City staff.

Can we get a Grassroots Grant to plant street trees on our street?

Yes. We have arborists on staff who are highly knowledgeable about trees and they will work with residents to complete such a project.

What is the max amount I can apply for?

Under the Grass Roots Grant, you can apply for a maximum of \$4,000 per project.

When will I know if my grant is approved?

Grass Roots Grants are approved twice a year, usually within four weeks after the intake deadline of March 1 or July 1.

Would wall murals in a public place fall under the Grass Roots Grant Program?

These projects could be funded by the Grass Roots Grant Program but these types of projects would first have to be reviewed by the Chilliwack Public Art Advisory Committee and approved by Council.

Do I have to be an artist if I want to apply for a Grass Roots Grant to paint a mural in a public place?

As with above the proposed project and location would have to be submitted to the Chilliwack Public Art Advisory Committee for review and to Council for approval.