



Seedkeepers Fund

FUNDING FOR INDIGENOUS FOOD SOVEREIGNTY

Application Form

This intake closes Friday, October 23, 2026 at 5:00 PM ET

The Seedkeepers Fund provides grants to First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities across Canada for planning, capacity and capital work that strengthens local food systems. Applications are reviewed and decided by an independent Selection Committee of Indigenous advisors.

Complete every section. Applications missing a required attachment listed in Section H cannot be considered in this round. If you are unsure whether your project is eligible, contact the Fund office before completing this form.

A. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Legal name of applicant (First Nation, Inuit or Métis government, community, or Indigenous-led organization)

Community, territory or region

Province or territory

Mailing address

Applicant type — select one

☐ First Nation

☐ Inuit

☐ Métis

☐ Indigenous-led organization

B. PROJECT LEADS

One contact who can respond to questions from the Selection Committee during the review period, plus the leads responsible during project launch and project operations. Write "same" where one person holds more than one role.

Full name

Title or role

Telephone

Email

Project launch lead

Project operations lead

C. STREAM AND AMOUNT REQUESTED

Select one stream. If more than one appears to apply, contact the Fund office before submitting.

☐ Planning

☐ Capacity & Activation

☐ Capital



Amount requested from the Fund (\$ CAD)

Total project cost (\$ CAD)

Total secured or expected from other sources (\$ CAD)

Matching funds as % of total project cost

If matching funds are not yet fully committed, when do you expect full confirmation, and from whom?

D. THE PROJECT

Project title

Describe the project. What will this grant pay for specifically?

What is holding this project back today?

What happens if this work is not funded in this round?

Anticipated start date

Anticipated completion date

E. IMPACT AND OPERATIONS



Households or people expected to be served

Expected annual food production (kg or lb)

Will the project produce food year-round?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Not applicable

Who will operate the project day to day, and how are they trained?

What is the plan if that person leaves?

How will operating costs be met once this grant concludes?

F. CAPITAL APPLICANTS ONLY

Complete this section only if you selected the Capital stream in Section C. Grants are not tied to any manufacturer or supplier.

Proposed technology or system

Proposed supplier (if selected)

Where has this technology operated year-round in a comparable climate, and for how long?

Is a service or maintenance agreement in place or included in the quoted cost?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Not yet confirmed

G. MATCHING FUNDS

List every contribution from a source other than this Fund, whether confirmed, pending or expected.



SOURCE	AMOUNT (\$)	CONFIRMED, PENDING OR EXPECTED

H. REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

Attach each item that applies to your application. An application missing a required attachment cannot be assessed.

- ☐ Band Council Resolution, or the equivalent resolution of the applicant's governing body, using the required language from the BCR template
- ☐ At least one letter of support from a local partner
- ☐ Written evidence of matching funds — a letter, agreement or approval notice
- ☐ A project budget showing all costs and all funding sources
- ☐ Quotation or cost estimate (Capital stream applicants only)

I. DECLARATION

Grants are paid primarily as a reimbursement of eligible costs against receipts. Where there is a clear rationale for funds before a cost is incurred, some payment up front can be arranged; set out the rationale in Section D. In all cases a holdback is retained and released once the funded activities are complete.

I confirm that the information in this application is accurate, that the applicant's governing body has authorized this application, and that the attachments listed in Section H are included.

Name

Title

Signature

Date

How to submit

Email: apply@seedkeepersfund.ca — attach this form and all Section H documents

Mail or fax: contact the Fund office for current details

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