

## **Youth in Action Grant Guidelines**

Every year, the Community Foundation dedicates grant funding to dynamic projects initiated by Westlock and region's youth. Projects need to be developed, led, and organized by individuals or groups in Westlock, Westlock County, or the Village of Clyde. Applicants must be 25 years of age or younger.

The purpose of the Youth in Action Grants is to empower youth by encouraging leadership on a project that will have a positive impact on their community. Through this experience, youth will have a greater appreciation of philanthropy by understanding the difference they can make in their community by giving back.

As the Westlock Community Foundation cannot give directly to individuals, applicants must collaborate with a Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)-registered charity, school, or municipality to carry out their project.

Youth in Action Grants <u>are not</u> intended to support existing programs or services being offered by charities or schools.

The Foundation will convene a youth granting committee who will be responsible for determining which applicants will receive funding and make the recommendation to the board through the granting committee.

## What you need to know before applying:

- You can apply for a maximum of \$5,000 in project funding;
- One person, or group, may apply (all must be 25 years of age or younger);
- Applicants must partner with a CRA-registered charity, school, or municipality.
  - The charity, school, or municipality must be willing to partner with the applicant and administer the grant on their behalf.

## Projects will not be considered if they:

- Involve direct religious activity, involve partisan political activity, or directly benefit an individual (such as a scholarship);
- Include travel expenses or honoraria;
- Have already occurred (retroactive funding);
- Involve funds being re-directed to activities beyond Westlock and region (for example: disaster relief in another country); and
- Are a direct fundraising campaign.

## How to apply:

Our next application deadline is March 28, 2024. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss project ideas, please email us at info@westlockfoundation.ca.

Applications must be completed through our online granting system.