Boogie the Bridge Cultural Fund Application Guidelines Making Arts and Culture Accessible for Children and Youth



The Boogie the Bridge Cultural Fund (BBCF) is a community-based cultural funding program that was established in 2005 to assist with eliminating the financial barriers for children aged 18 and younger to participate in cultural programs in Kamloops.

Who is eligible to receive Boogie the Bridge Cultural Fund?

Families with children aged 18 and young that are facing financial hardship. The BBCF uses the Statistics Canada Low-Income Guidelines as a tool to determine which families are eligible for assistance.

Family Size	Family Income Before Tax
2	\$48,157
3	\$54,615
4	\$62,029
5	\$67,668
6	\$73,762
7+	\$79,856

What does the BBCF Grant cover?

- Children could be eligible for up to \$500 per child per calendar year (January–December).
- Cultural activities that demonstrate a sustained arts experience—organization or business must be registered.
- Cultural activities (dance, theatre, speech, music, and art) that are a one-day workshop, a weekly program, or a week-long camp.

How to apply?

- Register your child in the program.
- Complete the paper attached application—incomplete application forms will be returned and applications must be received prior to the beginning of the program. For this application, you will need one of the following:

Financial Verification

Your Notice of Assessment from the most recent tax year that show line 15000. To obtain your most recent Canada and Revenue Agency Notice of Assessment, contact Revenue Canada at 1-800-959-8281 or log into your CRA Account online.

Endorser Verification

An endorser can also complete Section 4. The endorser acts as an objective third party who is familiar with the child's family and is in a professional position to assess the social and economic barrier of the family.

An endorser can be a professional in social work or family services, a school administrator (principal of vice principal) or counsellor, a senior recreation administrator, an accountant, a law enforcement officer, a registered physician, or a religious leader or can be part of social services organization. Endorsers other than those listed may be considered if a written letter from the potential endorsers outline the financial need of the family is included with the application.

Endorsers cannot be associated with the art organization, and they cannot be a family member.



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Email the completed application <u>arts-culture@kamloops.ca</u> or mail it to:

Boogie the Bridge Cultural Fund c/o City of Kamloops Recreation and Cultural Services 910 McGill Road Kamloops BC V2C 6N6

Please allow up to 60 days for notification of application status.

The parent/guardian or arts organization must notify the BBCF if the child withdraws from the activity.

The grant must be used by the child for whom the grant was approved—no portion of the grant can be transferred to someone else.

If you have any questions about eligibility or the application process, email arts-culture@kamloops.ca.

If the application has been approved, funds will be issued directly to the sport organization on behalf of the child

Privacy/Confidentiality

The BBCF respects your privacy. We never sell, trade, or loan your information to any other organization. Information provided in this application is being collected for the purpose of administering the BBCF. This information will only be disclosed to BBCF personnel who need the information to carry out the responsibilities of their job and to other organizations that may need to be contacted to process the application. Statistics are reported at the Boogie the Bridge Society, the BC Interior Community Foundation, and the City of Kamloops. Individuals are not personally identified.



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SECTION 1: BCCF RECIPIENT			
First Name:		Last Name:	
Has this child received BBCF funding before? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Age:	Date of Birth: (MM/DD/YYYY) / /	
SECTION 2: PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION			
First Name:		st Name:	
Address:			
City: Kamloops, BC		Postal Code:	
Telephone:	Em	Email:	
Single Parent/Guardian □ Dual Parent/Guardian □			
Number of Children in Home 1 2 3 4 5 6 7+			
How did you hear about BBCF? □ Organiza	tion □ Recreation Ce	ntre □ Website □ School □ Other	
Please complete the following section. All boxes must be checked for the application to be processed. ☐ The information presented in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. ☐ I give the BBCF permission to contact me regarding this application. ☐ I agree to and understand that while the BBCF is providing funds to cover the fees associated with my child's activity, I will not hold the BBCF responsible, nor will I take any legal action under any circumstance.			
Signature of parent/guardian:		Date:	
SECTION 3: ACTIVITY/ORGANIZATION IN	FORMATION		
Type of Activity: ☐ Dance ☐ Music ☐ Theatr	e □ Visual Art □ Oth	er:	
Activity Start Date:	Act	Activity End Date:	
Name of Organization/Business:			
Mailing Address:			
City:	Pos	Postal Code:	
Telephone:	Email:		
Activity Start Date:	Activity End Date:		
Total Registration Cost: \$	Grant Request (max \$500): \$		
SECTION 4 FINANCIAL OR ENDORSER VERIFICATION			
Financial Verification - please attached a copy of the following document for ALL income earners in the household. Most recent Canada Revenue Notice of Assessment.			
OR			
Endorser Verification (This section must be complete by endorser. There is more information in the application guidelines.)			
Name:	Position and Organization:		
Mailing Address:			
City:	Pos	Postal Code:	
Telephone:	Em	Email:	
Copy of endorsement letter (attached) □			
I have thoroughly read and understand the guidelines of BBCF and agree this application meets the guidelines. I believe the family of this application has financial need and a grant from BBCF is essential to the child's health and wellbeing. I agree to participate in a brief telephone follow-up if required.			
Endorser Signature:		Date:	