



Program Guidelines

2025 Newfoundland and Labrador Wildfires
Recovery Grants

Overview

Community organizations play a critical role in supporting recovery from disaster events. In recognition of this work, Recovery Grants are available to organizations responding to the ongoing recovery needs of wildfire-impacted communities in Newfoundland and Labrador and that may also be navigating their own recovery from the 2025 wildfire event.

For more information on how the Canadian Red Cross is supporting individuals, families, and communities affected by the 2025 wildfires in Newfoundland and Labrador, please visit our website: [Newfoundland and Labrador Wildfires Response 2025 — Canadian Red Cross](#).

Who can apply?

In support of those impacted by the 2025 Newfoundland and Labrador wildfires, the Canadian Red Cross invites proposals for Recovery Grants from community organizations that are directly supporting community recovery and are navigating their own organizational recovery needs.

Eligible organizations include registered charities and non-profit organizations, municipal and municipal entities, schools and school boards, and Indigenous governing bodies that meet the following criteria:

- Are registered and in good standing with the appropriate federal or provincial body.
- Were in operations on or before **January 1, 2025**.
- Offer services to fire-impacted communities in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The following are **ineligible** for grant funding by the Canadian Red Cross:

- Individuals
- For-profit organizations or businesses
- Political organizations
- Organizations that are not headquartered or incorporated in Canada

What can this funding support?

The 2025 Newfoundland and Labrador Wildfires Recovery Grants are available to support community organizations to deliver recovery-focused services to impacted people and to strengthen their capacity to do this work.

Eligible activities

Recovery Grants can fund **new** or **existing and ongoing activities or services** that are critical to community recovery.

Community recovery through community strengthening initiatives, such as the following:

- ✓ Mental health supports and services
- ✓ Provision of direct services to those impacted by the wildfires
- ✓ Restoring outdoor community or cultural spaces
- ✓ Specialized supports to meet the recovery needs of children and youth, seniors, people with disabilities, Indigenous peoples, people of colour, and 2SLGBTQIA+ people
- ✓ Gatherings or events to support community connectedness

Organizational recovery by building or rebuilding the organization’s capacity to address recovery needs, such as the following:

- ✓ Specialized recovery training for staff and volunteers
- ✓ Reestablishing lost service capacity
- ✓ Volunteer engagement initiatives
- ✓ Initiatives to support new or increased needs, such as adapting existing services and/or hiring additional staff.

The grants are for eligible activities that occur between **October 1, 2025**, and **December 31, 2027**. Organizations may apply for multiple Recovery Grants. The amount of funding available for each initiative depends on the type of initiative and its duration.

One-time gatherings, events, and activities, or short-term initiatives to support recovery and community connectedness	Up to \$25,000 per initiative
Long-term recovery-focused projects	Up to \$100,000 per initiative

The Canadian Red Cross recognizes the evolving nature of recovery. **Organizations may apply for multiple grants** as new recovery needs are identified. Please contact us at CRCgrants@redcross.ca for more information.

Ineligible activities

The following activities are generally **ineligible** for funding:

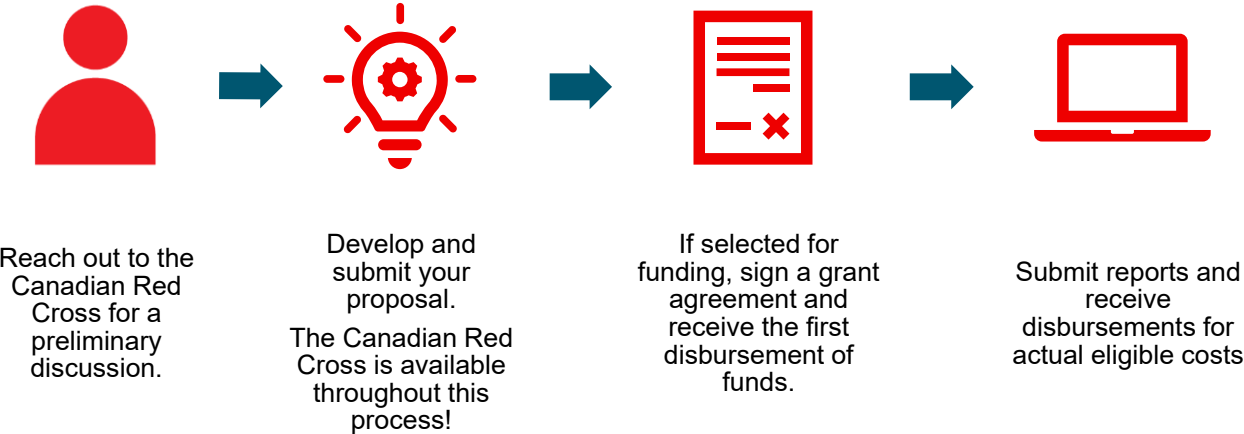
- × Activities that are not related to the 2025 Newfoundland and Labrador wildfires
- × **Sponsorships** of existing events or activities
- × **Subsidies for membership** or registration costs for individuals
- × **Fundraising** or revenue-generation activities
- × Activities that take place outside of Canada
- × Activities that would unnecessarily duplicate existing services or initiatives
- × Initiatives that would result in double recuperation of funds, for example for items or services covered by insurance, government assistance, or other funding
- × Activities that do not adhere to the **Fundamental Principles** and humanitarian values of the Canadian Red Cross

How can I apply?

Interested organizations are asked to **reach out to Canadian Red Cross** for a preliminary discussion to determine if their proposed idea aligns with the goals of this grant program and meets all the criteria. Please email CRCgrants@redcross.ca for more information.

Proposals will be accepted from now until **November 30, 2027**, and they will be considered on a rolling basis against available funding and the Canadian Red Cross’s understanding of community needs and recovery priorities. The Canadian Red Cross may not be able to fund all proposals or fund proposals to full amount requested.

What is the process?



Contact us to discuss your initiative with a grant officer:

CRCgrants@redcross.ca