

Frequently Asked Questions

What types of events and activities are possible under the Celebration and Activity Grant?

This category is for events and activities that enhance connections in a community. These could include neighbourhood barbecues, workshops and other community/neighbourhood building events. Activities where residents share their knowledge and skills with other community members are encouraged.

Can event grants be used for events or activities in strata complexes or on First Nations' land?

Yes, as long as you have permission and the event is inclusive and invites nearby neighbours to participate. When applying for the grant, be sure to demonstrate how the event is inclusive to the surrounding neighbourhood.

Can I host an event or activity in a public park?

Yes, events can utilize public space as long as the event is inclusive and people in the local neighbourhood are invited.

How do I apply for a grant?

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

Can youth apply for a grant?

YEP, they can! They should check out our [Youth Engagement Projects \(YEP\) grant](#).

What is the max amount I can apply for?

Under the Celebration and Activity Grant, you can apply for a maximum of \$1,000 per event.

When will I know if my grant is approved?

The Celebration and Activity Grants are usually approved within two weeks of applying.

Are block parties the same as neighbourhood parties?

Yes. If you want to throw a party for your block, this is an activity that enriches your neighbourhood.

Is alcohol permitted at a neighbourhood event or activity? If so, do we need any type of permit or insurance?

There are some restrictions that apply when wanting to serve alcohol in a public facility. The Recreation and Culture Department will work with you to ensure proper requirements are in place.

Can we block off our road in order to have neighbourhood parties take place on the street?

Yes under most circumstances; the City will work with the applicant to allow for some street access restrictions although consideration of all those affected will be the priority.

Can we have bouncy castles, dunk tanks, or other fun activities at our events?

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Could we have our neighbourhood event in a public place that isn't in our neighbourhood, such as at the Vedder Rotary Trail by the river?

Yes, you can; however, as with all municipal and provincial parks there cannot be any interruption to public access or impediment of use of the park or trail.