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Eligibility Criteria

1. Organization Eligibility

To be eligible, organizations must:

- Be located in Canada
- Be one of the following:
 - A registered charity
 - A qualified donee (see <u>CRA website</u> for more information)
 - An incorporated non-profit organization
- Provide one of the following:
 - A Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Registration Number
 - A Certificate of Incorporation (if do not have a CRA Registration Number)

The following are **not** eligible:

- Individuals
- Programs or services
- Sports teams (unless a qualified donee)
- Political organizations or parties
- Private or corporate foundations
- Private (fee-based) elementary or secondary schools

2. Accessibility Infrastructure Project Eligibility

Accessibility Infrastructure Improvement Projects must:

- Be located in Canada
- Be implemented on property that is either:
 - Owned by the applicant organization, or
 - Leased long-term, with at least 5 years remaining as of March 15, 2026
- Address specific barriers for people with disabilities
- Result in permanent, tangible accessibility improvements
- Meet CSA/ASC B651:23 Accessible design for the built environment (where applicable)
- Be completed by January 31, 2027

3. Budget Eligibility

- Maximum grant request: \$40,000
- Projects over \$40,000 must have secured additional funding at time of application to cover all costs
- Only expenses incurred after the grant award date are eligible
- Supplier quotes required for items over \$10,000
- Professional consultation costs must not exceed 20% of the requested grant
- Grant funds cannot be used for Community Engagement Events or plaque installation

4. Application Eligibility

Applications must:

- Be submitted in English or French
- Be complete and include the following:
 - Application Form*
 - Certificate of Incorporation (if no CRA Registration Number)
 - Letter of Support from a community organization or member
 - Detailed Budget (using the provided template)
 - Supplier Quotes (for items over \$10,000)
- Demonstrate ability to meet the program's key dates
- Be submitted by March 15, 2026 at 23:00 PST

^{*}Alternative format available on request.

5. Other

Grant recipients must:

- Host a Community Engagement Event by June 4, 2027 to celebrate the completed project, and promote access and inclusion to the community
- Install an RHF-provided plaque at the project site (installation costs covered by recipient)
- Provide a representative for an interview and consent to RHF sharing and publishing your project story.

Key Dates

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Action	Deadline
Submit application and supporting documents	March 15, 2026 at 23:00 PST
Receive grant approval notification	April 16, 2026
Sign and return agreement package to access@rickhansen.com	April 23, 2026
Public announcement of recipients during National AccessAbility Week	May 31 to June 6, 2026
Receive 90% of approved grant funds	May 31, 2026
Submit interim report to RHF	October 15, 2026
Complete Accessibility Infrastructure Project	January 31, 2027
Submit Accessibility Infrastructure Project Completion Report to RHF	January 31, 2027
Install plaque and host Community Engagement Event	By June 4, 2027
Submit Final Report to RHF	June 11, 2027
Receive final 10% of approved grant funds, upon review of the Final Report	June 30, 2027