

Daryl K. Seaman Canadian Hockey Fund Guidelines

The grant request deadline is 4pm on November 6th

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ABOUT DARYL K. "DOC" SEAMAN

Doc Seaman has been described as a hero, icon, pioneer, philanthropist, visionary and legend. He was an original owner of the Calgary Flames and was instrumental in bringing them to Calgary in 1980. Among his many other accomplishments, Doc was also known for his wartime experiences as a World War II pilot, and for his civic contribution as a member of the Royal Commission on Economic Union and Development Prospects for Canada, 1982-1985

Doc received two honorary Doctor of Laws degrees and was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada. His philanthropic giving ranged from supporting education and medical research to funding entrepreneurial initiatives. Doc's love for ranching, hockey and sports, and his dedication to community will leave a lasting legacy for years to come.

ABOUT THE DARYL K. SEAMAN CANADIAN HOCKEY FUND

In accordance with the Will of Daryl K. Seaman, the purpose of grants from the Daryl K. Seaman Canadian Hockey Fund is to support:

- All aspects of amateur hockey in Canada on a nation-wide basis
- Registered Canadian amateur athletic associations
- In addition to amateur hockey, proposals of interest include those that encourage people to learn about, enjoy and play amateur sport of all kinds and those that increase equal access and promote participation in community-based amateur sport.
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The program budget is roughly \$900,000 and generally supports 25 applications. Grant amounts vary and can range from \$5,000 - \$75,000. The average request is \$50,000. In addition, we support single year or multi-year projects.

Elite Competitive Sports- Ineligible:

The Daryl K. Seaman Canadian Hockey Fund is restricted to supporting charitable activities; therefore, it cannot support elite sport activities as defined by CRA. ([Referenced from Canada Revenue Agency - Sports and charitable registration](#))

Examples of Acceptable and not acceptable sports charitable activities: - ([Canada Revenue Agency](#))

WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE?

- Activities that do not align with Calgary Foundation's [stated values](#)
- Fundraising activities or fundraiser's salaries
- Debt retirement and endowment building
- Elite sports activities

WHO CAN APPLY?

Qualified donees¹ from across Canada with eligible initiatives that fit with the purpose of the Fund may apply. Applicants must complete any outstanding Daryl K. Seaman Canadian Hockey Fund activities and grant reports or overdue reports from other Calgary Foundation grant programs at least two weeks prior to the grant request deadline. Grant funds can only be used for expenses incurred after the Calgary Foundation's final grant decision date by February 26th 2027.

HOW TO APPLY

It is important to contact Grants Staff before preparing a grant request to discuss eligibility and the initiative. Please [click here to schedule a conversation](#).

The application is available through the Calgary Foundation [Online Grant Portal](#).

The application consists of:

- Questions about your organisation and the initiative to answer in writing
- List of Board members names
- Audited or board-certified financial statements for the most recent fiscal year
- Current annual operating budget (revenue and expenses)
- Decisions will be announced no later than February 26th 2027.

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WHO ASSESSES GRANT REQUESTS?

Applications are assessed by staff and the volunteer Daryl K. Seaman Canadian Hockey Fund [Grants Committee](#). The committee is composed of community leaders with diverse backgrounds in amateur athletics, charitable work and community building.

¹ Go to Canada Revenue Agency's Charities Listings website to determine whether your organization is a qualified donee if you are not sure: <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/charitylists/> if your organization is a nonprofit society without registered charity status, you may be able to apply in partnership with a registered charity/qualified donee.