



First Nations Health Authority
Health through wellness

Our Community, Our Water

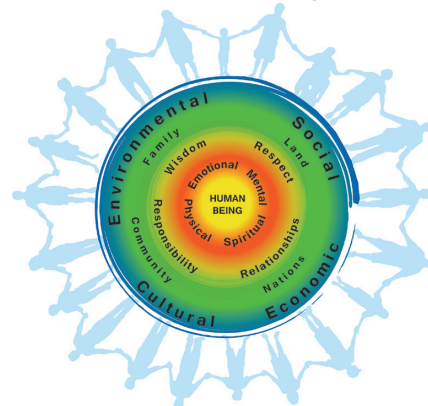
Grant Application



Celebrate with an Our Community, Our Water day in your community

Water is an integral part of life, community and wellbeing. To help protect and celebrate the importance of water, and particularly the drinking water in your community, the First Nations Health Authority, Drinking Water Safety Program invites you to submit a proposal to host an educational community water awareness event or activity.

The objective of the 'Our Community, Our Water Grant' is to support a community driven event or activity to enhance the community knowledge and understanding of their community drinking water sources, drinking water systems, and the protection and conservation of the community's water supply. The grant provides from \$500 up to a maximum of \$5,000 for BC First Nations Communities annually.



Grant Eligibility and Criteria

- ☐ All BC First Nations Communities are eligible to apply with support from the Community Health Department
- ☐ Successful applicants are able to receive funding once per fiscal year (April 1-March 31)
- ☐ Event or activity should include:
 - Information about your Community's source(s) for drinking water;
 - How the water was treated before it reaches people's homes and facilities; and
 - Source water protection and conservation
- ☐ **Event or activity must be held prior to March 31, 2026**
- ☐ **Final reports must be received no later than 60 days after the event or activity ends**

Ideas for events or activities include but are not limited to:

- Water Awareness Day with presentations from your Environmental Health Officer, Water Treatment Plant Operator, and/or Community Based Water Monitor
- Tour of your community Water Treatment Plant
- Creation of a community water awareness video
- Activities that include Youth and Elder knowledge transfer about the physical, mental, cultural, and spiritual aspects of water

Proposals will be assessed on an ongoing basis through the fiscal year, with the following considerations:

- BC First Nations community-based applications
- Quality and detail of application with clear description of how the proposed event or activity falls within the criteria above
- Closing reports received from previous successful applicants of FNHA's Water Awareness Initiative from previous year(s)
- Only fully completed applications will be considered

***Please note approval of funding can take up to 2 weeks from when your application is submitted for review. Applications can be received via email or the online application.**

Which region will the Our Community, Our Water Event be held in?

North

Interior

Vancouver Island

Vancouver Coastal

Fraser Salish

First Nations Health Authority – Our Community, Our Water Grant

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Online Application: <https://interceptum.com/s/en/FNHA-Water-Awareness-Grant>

NAME OF HOST COMMUNITY / ORGANIZATION (AS IT SHOULD APPEAR ON CHEQUE)

HOST COMMUNITY / ORGANIZATIONS' COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS (INCLUDE POSTAL CODE)

NAME OF APPLICANT

CONTACT PERSON AND JOB TITLE

TELEPHONE

FAX

EMAIL

DATE OF SUBMISSION

POPULATION OF YOUR BAND

NAME OF YOUR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER

How did you hear of the Water Awareness Day Grant?

☐ eBlast Newsletter

☐ FNHDA Email

☐ FNHA Facebook

☐ FNHA website

☐ FNHA EHO

Other _____

A. EVENT DAY DESCRIPTION

PROPOSED DATE OF EVENT/ACTIVITY

TARGET GROUP (Check all that apply)

☐ Pre-school age

☐ School age / youth

☐ Adults: Women

☐ Adults: Men

☐ Elders

☐ Pregnant women

☐ All of the above

☐ Other: _____

ANTICIPATED NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

☐ 10 or less

☐ Between 11 and 50

☐ Between 51 and 100

☐ Between 101 and 200

☐ Between 201 and 300

☐ Between 301 and 500

☐ 500 +

DID YOU RECEIVE THIS GRANT LAST YEAR? ☐ YES ☐ NO

IF YES, DID YOU SUBMIT A CLOSING REPORT? ☐ YES ☐ NO

(Previous Final reports that have not been received will affect eligibility for approval)

B. OUTLINE TEMPLATE

PROJECT TITLE:

As part of the Grant Eligibility and Criteria described above, please describe how the event will promote water awareness and education. Please include how you will incorporate: knowing about the community's source(s) for drinking water, how is the water treated before it reaches people's homes, facilities, and source protection and conservation.

Location of event/project(s).

(Include if possible, an agenda/itinerary as an attachment to this Outline Template)

What knowledge, skills, and/or training will your community gain as a result of the event/activity?

What foreseeable influences could affect completion of your water awareness activity? (ie: weather)

Who are the persons responsible for the coordination, preparation, purchases, and clean-up after the event? Also include person(s) in charge of special tasks such as: guest transportation, safety issues (ie: touring of water plant, food preparation, etc.), order of the promotional items

Miscellaneous information:

C. ANTICIPATED BUDGET

Funds may be used for any required costs necessary to carry out the event (with the exception of assets or infrastructure and salary or wages).

Expenditures	Maximum	Requesting	Details
Transportation/Travel*	\$ 500	\$ _____	_____
Honorarium*		\$ _____	_____
Supplies and Materials		\$ _____	_____
Door Prizes	\$ 500	\$ _____	_____
Facility Rentals	\$ 750	\$ _____	_____
Catering		\$ _____	_____
Other (must specify)		\$ _____	_____
Total Request From FNHA:		\$ _____	

*Transportation/Travel must be organized by the applicant and cannot be used to provide gas vouchers/cards.

*Honorarium costs should align with either the applicant Nation/Organization policy or FNHA policy.

Additional Funding

Other Funding Sources (from partners, in-kind, etc.):		Details
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

D. PROJECT PARTNERS

Please list official First Nations communities and other community partner agencies (ie: Health Authority, non-pro it organizations, businesses, etc.) for your event (willing to share in expenses, resource materials, host facilities, water awareness expertise, knowledge in culture/traditions, etc.)

☐ No Partners

Partner Name	Nature of Participation
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

FNHA would like to learn from these experiences, share resources and information in order to continue to grow in our collective Wellness Journey. We ask that you submit pictures, a brief synopsis of the activities undertaken and numbers in attendance. Use [#FNHAOurCommunityOurWater](#) when posting about your event on Social Media.

For any questions regarding grant applications and guidelines, or to submit your closing report please contact us at: environmental.health@fnha.ca