

SCHEDULE 7: PUBLIC EVENTS FUND TERMS OF REFERENCE

BACKGROUND

The Kitikmeot Inuit Association strongly believes that vibrant and positive expressions of community life are essential to Inuit well-being. For this reason, KIA supports specific public events organized by municipal governments and schools that celebrate civic and community life in the Kitikmeot region through the Public Events Fund. The Public Events Fund supports “Pre-Approved” events, specifically spring festivals and Christmas festivities, and additionally, it also is available to support other events, subject to the approval of the Aituuti Katimayit. Limited funding is also available to support certain small initiatives sponsored by schools.

PURPOSE

To provide funding to Kitikmeot Hamlets and Kitikmeot schools to supplement the costs of public events that are important to Kitikmeot Inuit and which all members of the community can enjoy and participate in.

ELIGIBLE INITIATIVES

The Public Events Fund supports events that are “Pre-Approved” as well as those that are evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the Aituuti Katimayit.

For added clarity, Pre-Approved events are those events that, because their observance is firmly established in Kitikmeot communities, do not require the approval of the Aituuti Katimayit. Instead they are reviewed and approved by the Director of Social and Cultural Development. Pre-Approved events are strictly limited to the following:

- Spring carnivals (i.e. Frolics)
- Christmas

These are determined to be supporting projects that should support, enhance or promote celebrations of community life that are directed at the broadest range of residents possible. The applicants must also demonstrate how funds will be used to support, enhance or promote Inuit culture and wellness.

INELIGIBLE INITIATIVES

Initiatives that do not meet the Public Events Fund objectives will not be considered. As well, support would not normally be considered under the following circumstances:

- Events that are not open to the community-at-large
- Events that fail to support, enhance or promote Inuit culture and wellness
- Capital including buildings, vehicles, boats, etc.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Only municipal governments (i.e. Hamlets) and Kitikmeot public schools can apply to the Public Events Fund.

CONTRIBUTION LEVELS AND CRITERIA

The Public Events Fund supports the following levels of funding for Pre-Approved Events:

- Kitikmeot Hamlets are annually eligible for up to:
 - \$5,000 for Spring Carnivals upon application that demonstrates the funds will be used to support, enhance or promote Inuit culture and wellness
 - \$1000 for Christmas events upon application
- Kitikmeot schools are eligible to receive funding for school events that are open to the public (science fairs, plays, etc.) as per the following conditions:
 - \$500 per community per year for school events geared towards students in Kindergarten to Grade 6; and
 - \$500 per community per year for school events geared towards students in Grade 7 to Grade 12.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications to the Public Events Fund by Kitikmeot Schools may be made at any time of the year. For more information and to submit completed applications contact:

- *Your local KIA Community Liaison Officer, or*
- *KIA Department of Social and Cultural Development in Cambridge Bay @ (867) 983-2458*

AUTHORITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Aituuti Katimayit

The Aituuti Katimayit is accountable to the KIA Board for timely review and decisions on applications, and monitoring results.

Director of Social and Cultural Development

The Director of Social and Cultural Development is responsible for authorizing funding for Pre-Approved public events. The Director of Social and Cultural Development is also responsible for authorizing applications received from Kitikmeot schools. The Director of Social and Cultural Development is accountable to the Executive Director for timely review and decisions on applications, and for monitoring results.

Applicants

Applicants receiving a contribution from the Public Events Fund will be required to:

- sign a contribution agreement acknowledging receipt of the contribution; and

- provide the KIA with proof, such as a confirmatory email, photos or video, that the funding received was used to support the public event.

KIA has the right to not accept additional applications from municipal governments or schools that fail to comply with these conditions. KIA may also hold back payments owed to a recipient until such time that the outstanding matter is addressed to the satisfaction of KIA. It should also be noted that lack of compliance by an organizational unit of an eligible applicant (e.g. a hamlet recreation department or wellness center) may prevent the larger organization from accessing KIA funds until the matter is addressed.

APPEALS

Applicants dissatisfied with a decision made by the Aituuti Katimayit may appeal the decision. Appeals must be made within thirty (30) days to both the chair of the Aituuti Katimayit and the President of the KIA, whose joint decision is final.

RIGHT OF KIA

Nothing in these terms of reference is intended to guarantee a certain outcome or commitment on the part of KIA. KIA reserves the right to change the terms of reference and funding limits as they see fit.