

The Government of Canada's Enabling Accessibility Fund



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Enabling Accessibility Fund

The Enabling Accessibility Fund (EAF) provides funding for projects that make Canadian communities and workplaces more accessible for people with disabilities.

- There are 3 different program components:
 - **The youth innovation component**
 - The small projects component
 - The mid-sized projects component



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Youth Innovation Component

The youth innovation component encourages Canadian youth to find accessibility barriers in their communities and work with local organizations to improve accessibility and safety in community spaces and workplaces around the country.

Grant funding can be up to \$10,000 per project.



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Objective & Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- between 15 and 30 years of age at the time of the application
- legally authorized to work in Canada
- either a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or individual who has been granted refugee status in Canada



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About the EAF Youth Innovation Component

Youth Accessibility Leaders will promote the program and encourage organizations to apply for its funding, volunteering their time to:

- create greater awareness about accessibility needs
- encourage organizations to apply for EAF funding to address existing accessibility barriers
- build a more inclusive and accessible Canada

Youth Accessibility Leaders can either work alone or work as part of a team.



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Examples of Projects

Examples of previously funded Youth Innovation projects include:

- installation of automatic door openers
- purchase of a tandem bike for persons with visual disabilities
- construction of accessible garden beds
- purchase of para-hockey sledges
- installation of an FM hearing loop system
- purchase of all-terrain beach wheelchairs and Mobi-mats
- installation of an audio-visual fire alarm system
- purchase of noise-cancelling headphones
- modifying a website to make it accessible for persons with disabilities
- purchase of a pool wheelchair
- installation of the Dragon Naturally Speaking speech recognition software
- purchase of a braille keyboard



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How to Apply

Apply by **October 10, 2023** at 5pm (EDT)

Information Sessions:

- August 15, 2023 at 1pm (EDT) - English
- August 16, 2023 at 1pm (EDT) - French
- October 3, 2023 at 1pm (EDT) – English
- October 4, 2023 at 1pm (EDT) – French

Register by email: EDSC.JEUNESSEFA-YOUTHEAF.ESDC-GD@servicecanada.gc.ca

[Engaging youth leaders to encourage organizations to apply for funding under the Youth Innovation Component of the Enabling Accessibility Fund - Canada.ca](#)



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Questions?



Thank you!

