



Membership Advisory

Grants Program Changes for 2021 - 2022

The Alberta Museums Association (AMA) has adjusted the Grants Program for the 2021 - 2022 granting year to better support the membership as we continue to navigate these uncertain times.

While the AMA continues to operate on a reduced allocation, with funding to the Provincial Heritage Organizations restored to pre-pandemic levels, the AMA will be offering all three grant categories this year. In April 2021, the AMA announced one intake for each grant category; in December 2021, an additional intake for Professional Development Grants was announced.

The schedule below reflects the updated submission deadlines for 2021 - 2022. These deadlines have been adjusted to address gaps in funding opportunities created by the changes to the Grants Program in 2020 - 2021. It is our hope the return to funding in all three grant categories will support the diverse needs of Individual and Institutional Members as the sector forges a path forward as public health restrictions gradually lift.

For the 2021 - 2022 granting year, the **revised Grant Run deadlines** are as follows:

Grant Category	Draft Review Deadline	Application Deadline
Professional Development	June 11, 2021	July 2, 2021
	January 11, 2022	February 1, 2022
Operational Staffing	September 10, 2021	October 1, 2021
Institutional	January 11, 2022	February 1, 2022

In addition, changes to the **Professional Development Grant** have been made to reflect the uncertainty caused by COVID-19 public health restrictions and to ensure the funds available have an immediate impact for as many members of the sector as possible.

- Eligibility
 - Opportunities must be completed no later than ten months after the grant is awarded.
 - Retroactive applications will be accepted up to eight months after an opportunity takes place.
 - If you have unspent funds from the Use of Funds in Response to COVID-19 extensions from 2020, you must contact the Program Lead at grants@museums.ab.ca to determine eligibility.

If you have any questions about the changes to the Grants Program, please contact Shauna Coombs, Program Lead, at grants@museums.ab.ca or 780.424.2626.