Family & Community Support Services (FCSS)

Application for Funding



Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) is:

"FCSS is a unique 80/20 funding partnership between the Government of Alberta and participating municipalities or Métis settlements. Provincially, the FCSS Program receives its mandate from the FCSS Act and Regulation. The Act describes what the Province and municipality/Métis settlement can do to provide preventive social services. The Regulation describes how services may be provided...Under FCSS, communities design and deliver social programs that are preventive in nature to promote and enhance wellbeing among individuals, families, and communities..."

What are the eligible projects for FCSS Funding?

Services provided under the program must:

- 1. Be of preventive nature that enhances the social well-being of individuals and families through promotion or intervention strategies provided at the earliest opportunity.
- 2. Do one or more of the following:
 - a. Help people to develop independence, strengthen coping skills and become more resistant to crisis;
 - b. Help people to develop an awareness of social needs;
 - c. Help people to develop interpersonal and group skills which enhance constructive relationships among people;
 - d. Help people and communities to assume responsibility for decisions and actions which affect them;
 - e. Provide supports that help maintain people as active participants in the community.

What programs and services cannot be offered through FCSS?

Services provided through FCSS funding must not:

- 1. Primarily provide for recreation needs or leisure time pursuits of individuals;
- 2. Offer direct financial assistance, including money, food, clothing, or shelter, to sustain an individual or family;
- 3. Be primarily rehabilitative in nature;
- 4. Duplicate services that are ordinarily provided by a government or government agency.
- Expenditures of the program shall not include:
 - 1. Purchases of land or buildings;
 - 2. Construction or renovation of a building;
 - 3. Purchase of motor vehicles;
 - 4. Any costs required to sustain an organization that does not relate to direct service delivery under the program;
 - 5. Municipal property taxes and levies.

What are the deadlines for application?

There are no fixed deadlines. Applications will be considered until funding depleted.

Where do I get my application form?

The application form you need to fill out will depend on your event/community group. Please email FCSS Coordinator at <u>reception@wildwillowenterprises.com</u> or contact Shelley at 780-967-0271 for the appropriate application form.

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