



Uqausirngaq Fund

Application Overview

The Uqausirngaq Fund (the Fund) supports projects that aim to strengthen Inuktitut and support Nunavut Inuit in the reclamation, revitalization, and maintenance of Inuktitut within and outside Nunavut.

Funding from the Fund can be applied towards the following priority areas:

- Inuktitut Education
- Inuktitut Language Skills Development
- Inuktitut Community Programming
- Inuktitut Language documentation
- Inuktitut Media and Arts

Applicants are asked to submit a proposal with a budget of expenses to support the project to ensure that it is in line with the objectives of the Fund.

Proposals submitted can be for a one-year or two-year project. Only successful recipients will be contacted on the outcome of their application

For more information, or to submit an application:

Uqausirngaq Fund
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Nunavut X0A 3H0
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How do I apply?

Applicants are asked to submit a detailed project proposal, describing their proposed project, with a budget of expenses.

Your application must include the supporting documents listed below:

- ☐ The Application Form
- ☐ A Project Proposal
- ☐ A Budget of Expenses

Eligibility

You are eligible to apply to the Fund if you are:

- a) An Inuk enrolled under the Nunavut Agreement and are eighteen years of age or older.
- b) Inuit not-for-profit organization Nunavut
- c) Inuit for-profit firms
- d) Municipalities
- e) not-for-profit Indigenous organizations based outside of Nunavut, with Nunavut Inuit enrolled under the *Nunavut Agreement* comprising at least two-thirds of their clientele
- f) Recognized national Inuit organizations in partnership with NTI and/or RIAs developing joint programs to benefit Nunavut Inuit enrolled under the *Nunavut Agreement*

Criteria

Proposals may be submitted to the fund under the following categories:

1. Inuktitut Education - Proposals that supplement efforts to protect, reclaim, revitalize, and maintain Inuktitut in early childhood, K-12 and post-secondary education. This may include immersion programs, immersion curriculum and resource development.
2. Inuktitut Language Skills Development – Proposals that support the development of Inuktitut skills, such as Inuktitut language courses, professional development, or language skills training.
3. Inuktitut Community Programming - Proposals that provide Inuktitut programs at the community level such as language camps/events, cultural programs taught in Inuktitut, community outreach/celebrations, public awareness. Proposals under this category must clearly demonstrate how it will serve a territorial-wide initiative, such as by ensuring equitable regional program delivery, or serve a majority Nunavut Inuit urban population.
4. Inuktitut Language Documentation – Proposals that document or preserves Inuktitut. Language programming may include digital archive/hub, digitalization projects, recording oral histories/texts, dictionary development, language software/app development, updating place names and signage to incorporate Inuktitut.
5. Inuktitut Media and Arts – Proposals that provide Inuktitut programming in media and arts. Types of programming may include programming in television, radio/podcast shows, film development, print newspapers/magazines, verbal arts, and literary arts.

NTI retains the final discretion in deciding whether a project is eligible, and the approved amount awarded.

Application Deadline

Applications will be accepted until **December 1, 2025**. Only successful recipients will be contacted on the outcome of their application.

Eligible Expenses

NTI adheres to guidelines set out in the Indigenous Languages Component criteria. For more information, applicants and administrators can visit the Canadian Heritage Website for [eligible expenses](#).

Review Process

Applications for funding will be reviewed by a program committee consisting of NTI and/or Regional Inuit Association staff.

The program committee may consider the following factors when deciding upon merits of each proposal:

- How strongly the application supports strengthening, reclaiming, revitalizing, and maintaining Inuktitut for Nunavut Inuit enrolled under the *Nunavut Agreement*.
- The proposed project scope.
- Past experience in successfully completing similar projects.

The assessors will aim to balance funding for applications across:

- the priority activity areas,
- across regions and the territory to support dialects, and
- out-of-territory Nunavut Inuit enrolled under the *Nunavut Agreement*.



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Organization (If applicable)

1. Legal name of your organization/your group

2. Type of organization/group

- ☐ Inuit not-for-profit organization
- ☐ Inuit for-profit firm
- ☐ Municipality
- ☐ Not-for Profit Indigenous organization

Primary Address of your Organization (If applicable)

3. Primary address – number, street, etc.

4. Community

5. Postal Code

6. Province/Territory

7. Telephone

8. Email address

Mailing Address of your Organization (If different from Primary Address)

9. Mailing address – number, street, etc.

10. Community

11. Province/Territory

12. Postal Code



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Applicant Information

13. First Name	14. Last name
15. Nunavut Agreement Enrollment Number	16. Telephone Number
17. Email Address	

Primary Address

18. Primary address – number, street, etc.	
19. Community	
20. Province/Territory	21. Postal Code

Mailing Address (If different from Primary Address)

22. Mailing address – number, street, etc.	
23. Community	
24. Province/Territory	25. Postal Code

Project General Information

26. Project Title														
27. Project start date	28. Project end date													
29. Please indicate which of the following categories corresponds with your project: Inuktit Education Inuktit Language Skills Development Inuktit Community Programming Inuktit Language Documentation Inuktit Media and Arts														
30. Cost of Project (for both fiscal years, if applicable)	31. Funding requested from Fund (for both fiscal years, if applicable)													
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Declaration

I hereby certify that the information in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I do not have any outstanding commitments resulting from previous projects financed by Nunavut Tunngavik Inc.

By submission of this application, I give permission for Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. to publish my name and project summary in any Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. publications, if a successful recipient.

Date:

Signature: