Not-for-profit Eligibility

How Canada Student Service Grant benefits not-for-profit organizations

The Canada Student Service Grant (CSSG) allows your organization to focus on its core mission during this challenging time, while offering support to guide the creation of safe, inclusive, and accessible volunteer opportunities to address COVID-19 response. The program is designed, in part, to provide:

- Post-secondary student and recent graduate volunteers who are motivated to contribute, and who have had skill building and training specific to their volunteer opportunity from LinkedIn Learning courses.
- Guidance from the CSSG team to design safe, accessible, and inclusive volunteer opportunities without participation barriers such as geography, digital access, or other limitations.
- Available Volunteer Placement Managers to assist in the program implementation, including:
 - Recruitment and training of qualified student volunteers.
 - Accessible onboarding materials for student volunteers.
 - · Recognition of student volunteers upon completion.
- Opportunity to drive awareness of your organization's mission and current challenges to a national audience. Please note: as part of the program eligibility, student volunteers may not lobby, advocate or assist in providing financial benefits to a not-for-profit organization.
- Students participating will be eligible to apply for a grant from \$1,000 up to \$5,000. The CSSG is in addition to the Canada Emergency Student Benefit (CESB) (\$1,250 monthly, or higher for students with disabilities or dependents).
 Students receiving the CESB are eligible for the CSSG. However, students receiving the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) (\$2,000 monthly) are ineligible to receive the CSSG.
- Funds may also be available for eligible organizations to help offset direct costs of CSSG volunteer opportunities.

Eligibility criteria for volunteer opportunities

- 1. Eligible organizations:
 - An eligible volunteer opportunity must be with a not-for-profit organization, which includes non-profits and registered charities.
- 2. Eligible opportunities must:
 - take place in Canada;
 - be in support of Canada's response to COVID-19;
 - be a minimum of two hours a week for four weeks and run within the period from June 25, 2020 until October 31, 2020;
 - adhere to public health regulations; and
 - provide a meaningful experience for student volunteers.
- 3. Canada Service Corps participants:
 - Those in a CSC placement or using a CSC microgrant to lead a service project can count their volunteer hours towards the CSSG.
- 4. Ineligible opportunities:
 - Those used for lobbying, advocacy or that provide financial benefits to an organization or its members; and
 - Those used as a way to replace a position where a person was previously paid, or, where a person would reasonably expect to be paid.
- Next steps for organizations not meeting eligibility criteria above (including for-profit organizations):
 - Reach out to the CSSG team to discuss next steps.

Canadian students are ready to make a meaningful contribution and build a stronger tomorrow. Help us build this unique opportunity.

