

Organization Eligibility Criteria

ELIGIBLE ORGANIZATIONS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

- Is self-governing and exists to serve the public benefit;
- Does not distribute profits to owners, members, directors, shareholders, or managers;
- Is voluntary (benefits to some degree from voluntary contributions of time and money);
- Is currently operating in the Province of Alberta; and
- Is incorporated, established, and/or registered in Alberta, under the laws of Alberta or Canada, including the following Acts:
 - *Agricultural Societies Act*
 - *Canada Corporations Act*
 - *Cemeteries Act* or *Cemetery Companies Act*
 - *Regional Health Authorities Act* (Foundations)
 - *Libraries Act*
 - Part 9 of the *Companies Act* (nonprofit)
 - Part 21 of the *Business Corporations Act – Extra-Provincial Corporations*
 - *Societies Act*
 - Special Act of the Parliament of Canada
 - Special Act of the Alberta Legislature.

Notwithstanding the above, a NPVS organization will not qualify for VSP if it is:

- A hospital, health centre, or continuing care centre receiving operational health funding through Alberta Health Services;
- A university, college, or other publically funded post-secondary educational institute;
- A faith-based organization that **does not** provide philanthropic programs or services to the broader community;
- An organization that has a sole mandate to provide programs and services outside of Alberta;
- An organization that has a primary mandate to provide national or international services, and does not provide philanthropic community programs or services to Albertans; or
- An organization that is affiliated, either directly or indirectly, with a political party or entity having a political mandate.



Grant Funding Criteria

In addition to the above criteria, eligible organizations must meet the following funding requirements to apply for the Screening Development Grant:

- Annual operating budget is less than \$10,000,000;
- Have fewer than 10 permanent staff (full or part-time);
- Have more than 10 volunteers a year requiring screening to work in roles that require Vulnerable Sector Checks;
- Screening practices (including procedures) are incomplete or have not been updated in the past 2 years;
- Screening policies are incomplete or have not been updated in the past 2 years;
- Volunteer positions descriptions are incomplete or have not been in the past 2 years;
- Must serve or work with vulnerable populations; and
- Must engage volunteers in positions of trust or authority with vulnerable populations.

