

Queer Youth Resource Fund Policy

Ammended: May 19, 2016 Collective Meeting

PREAMBLE:

The University of Victoria Pride Collective recognizes the important role that queer- and trans-positive groups and spaces play in the lives of queer and trans youth. We also value the initiatives and advocacy work of these youth. Groups in schools and in the greater community often receive little or no funding. This can limit their capacity to provide resources and services for queer and trans youth. We recognize the value of working with queer and trans groups of all ages and the need to share resources and knowledge. We also recognize the ability of youth to self-direct initiatives that meet their needs.

SECTION I: Funding Model

1. The University of Victoria Pride Collective shall have a budget line item for the Queer Youth Resource Fund.
2. This shall be 5 percent of the combined total of the UVic Pride Student Levy and the UVic Pride Advocacy Council Allocation per semester.
3. Unused funds will roll over to the next semester's budget.
4. The Collective shall also actively fundraise to increase the fund through activities such as button donations.

SECTION II: Eligibility

1. To be eligible to access funds in the Queer Youth Resource Fund, at least one of the following requirements must be met:
 1. be a youth under the age of 19
 2. be planning or involved with a service, event or initiative specifically for queer and/or trans youth on Vancouver Island

SECTION III: Accessing the Fund

1. To access funding from the University of Victoria Pride Collective Queer Youth Resource Fund, complete the Grant Application form in APPENDIX A and submit by mail or email to the University of Victoria Pride Collective.
2. Funds may be accessed in 100 or 200 dollar grants for applicants who meet the criteria in SECTION II: Eligibility, as determined by the Collective Coordinators.
3. Exceptions may be made for large-scale events upon approval of the Collective.
4. If funds are no longer available, the Collective Coordinators shall bring the application to the Collective as a regular donation request.
5. Funds may be accessed by an individual or group once within the first two months of each semester (September, October, January, February, May and June). After that period, additional requests may be made.

APPENDIX A: UVic Pride Queer Youth Resource Fund Grant Application Form

To view the form, please go to <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/viewform?formkey=dDVDeHpqRzg5THFLdWJESDBXU2dka0E6MQ&ifq>.