

Social Innovation Seed Fund Application

Are you an SFU student working on a radical idea with social or environmental impact at its core? Need seed funding to get it off the ground?

The Student Social Innovation Seed Fund will provide funding ranging from \$200 to \$2,000, depending on project size and budget.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Student Social Innovation Projects are initiatives, ventures, products, programs, or processes intended to create positive social, economic or environmental transformation for SFU and/or its communities. The primary applicant must be an active SFU student or a recent SFU alum within six months of graduating (convocation date).

HOW TO APPLY

Complete this application form in full. Applications are accepted at four points during the current academic year. The application deadlines and notification dates for the current academic year are:

Round	Application Deadline	Notification of Results
1	October 16, 2022	November 6, 2022
2	November 20, 2022	December 11, 2022
3	February 5, 2023	February 26, 2023
4	April 30, 2023	May 21, 2023

**** Please answer every mandatory question. Only fully-completed applications are considered for funding.****

Contact Information

1. Primary Contact Person: Enter the full name of the lead applicant.
2. Additional Team Members: If you are working on a team, provide the full name of any teammates.

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3. Is the primary contact person a current SFU student or a recent SFU alum (who graduated less than six months ago) with Embark Associate Membership?
4. If not, which members of your team are SFU students?
5. **SFU email address** for primary contact: Provide the SFU email address where we can reach you.
6. **Non-SFU email address** for primary contact: Provide the non-SFU email address where we can reach you.
7. Phone number for primary contact: Please provide the phone number where we can reach you.
8. Please state your graduation semester and year or your expected graduation semester and year. Ex: Fall 2022
9. Related Club/Department/Organization/Course (if applicable): Is this project associated with any SFU club, department, organization or course? Please declare all that apply.

Project Description

10. Does your project fit the working definition of a Student Social Innovation Project?
"Social Innovation Project: an initiative, venture, product, program or process developed by an active SFU student(s) intended to create positive social, economic or environmental transformation for SFU and/or its communities."
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
11. Project/Venture Name: What is the name of your project, initiative or venture?
12. Please describe the problem you are seeking to solve. (Max 200 words)
13. What community or communities are you planning to serve? How will your initiative benefit these communities?

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14. Have you researched or have an existing relationship (primary or secondary) with the community you wish to serve? Please elaborate if so. (Max 200 words)
15. Project Description: Summarize the project and its purpose. (Max 300 words)
16. What have you already done, and how will this grant help advance your work? (Max 200 words)
17. Why are you the one to do this work? Explain why you think you (and your team) are the right people to execute this project. (Max 200 words)

Budget and Timeline

18. Budget & Project Timeline: Is this project receiving funding from other sources?
 - a. Yes, we have already received other funding
 - b. No, we have not received any other funding
 - c. We have other applications pending for funding
19. List the names of any other partners/funders: Include confirmed and pending.
Ex: SFSS: \$500 (confirmed), Vancouver Foundation: \$250 (pending)
20. How much are you requesting (up to \$2000 CAD)?
21. What is the project's budget for the requested amount? Please include a simple budget highlighting how this grant will be spent. List estimated expenses and respective amounts. Ex: Modo Van Rental: \$50.00; Graphic Design, \$75.
22. What is your project's timeline? Include the steps/activities undertaken, the milestones, if applicable, and the completion date.
23. What is your 5-year impact goal? (Max 200 words)
24. What is your SMART Project Goal #1? How will you track progress? Please refer to this linked resource on SMART goals for more information. (Max 250 words)

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25. What is your SMART Project Goal #2? How will you track progress? Please refer to this linked resource on SMART goals for more information. (Max 250 words)
26. Video - Google Drive or Youtube link (optional)
27. How did you hear about the SI Seed Fund?
- a. Embark Social Media
 - b. Embark Newsletter
 - c. RADIUS Social Media
 - d. RADIUS Newsletter
 - e. Word of Mouth
 - f. Faculty Member
 - g. Student Organization
 - h. Faculty Department Newsletter
 - i. SFU Institution Wide Newsletter
 - j. Academic Advisor
 - k. Personal Outreach from RADIUS or Embark
 - l. Classroom Presentation
 - m. Other (please specify)
28. Do you have any additional comments or questions?