



Capacity Building Grants





About the TD Charitable Foundation's Capacity Building Fund

The TD Charitable Foundation is the charitable giving arm of TD Bank U.S., supporting nonprofit organizations and community-based initiatives that help strengthen communities across TD's footprint. Through strategic philanthropic contributions, the Foundation aims to build financial strength to improve quality of life, expand opportunities for low- to moderate-income individuals and underserved communities, and help create lasting, measurable impact in the places TD serves.

Funding decisions are guided by TD's social impact framework and a commitment to building stronger, more resilient communities by helping more people access the stability, opportunity, and support they need to thrive.

The Capacity Building Fund is a targeted, criteria-based program for mid-size 501c(3) nonprofit organizations with annual operating budgets of \$2.5 million to \$5 million. Grants of \$50,000 to \$75,000 will be offered three times a year to support one focused investment in talent, tools, or tactics that strengthens organizational capacity, aligns with TD's framework, and advances sustainable community impact.

Before you apply, please read the eligibility, FAQs and application checklist in the sections below and contact us with any questions at us-charitablegiving@td.com.

- **Eligible organization size:** Organizations must have an annual operating budget between \$2.5 million and \$5 million.
- **Grant range:** Grant requests will be in the range of \$50,000 to \$75,000.
- **Capacity-building focus:**
 - Tactics:** investments in strategy that can include program design or implementation, creation or expansion of a strategic plan, or succession planning.
 - Talent:** investments in people that can include hiring new staff, professional development or skill development for existing staff or leadership development for board members.
 - Tools:** investments in infrastructure that can include technology improvements, program evaluation tools, program supplies/materials, or other capital purchases.
 - Organizations must select one primary area of focus, and project budget and narrative should concentrate on that focus.
- **Framework Alignment:** The mission and programming of the organization should demonstrate alignment to one of the following focus areas:
 - Affordable Housing:** People are able to access stable, affordable housing.



Entrepreneurship & Small Business Support: People are able to develop, launch, stabilize and grow small businesses.

Jobs & Workforce Development: People are able to effectively start new jobs or transition careers.

- **Application cycle:** The application will be open three times a year and each application period will focus on one area of TD's Social Impact framework. The application will be open for one month prior to the deadline.
 - Affordable Housing application open:
 - Friday, October 16, 2026 to Friday, November 13, 2026
 - Entrepreneurship & Small Business Support application open:
 - Friday, February 12, 2027 to Friday, March 12, 2027
 - Jobs & Workforce Development application open:
 - Friday, April 16, 2027 to Friday, May 14, 2027
- **Readiness and viability:** Applicants should be able to demonstrate why this is the right time for the funding and how the initiative will be sustained beyond the grant period.



Eligibility Requirements

Organization Eligibility

To be considered for funding, your organization *must*:

- Be a charitable nonprofit organization recognized as tax-exempt under Section 501 (c) (3) of the IRS tax code, public school or other qualified state or local governmental entities that maintain programs that are open and accessible to the public.
- Have an annual operating budget between \$2.5 million and \$5 million
- Comply with all applicable anti-discrimination laws and policies.

We do not support:

- Individuals
- Private foundations
- Political candidates, lobbying or advocacy organizations
- Religious organizations
- Research organizations or projects
- Organizations with a limited constituency, such as athletic teams or social, fraternal or labor groups
- Organizations or events that are not open to members of the general public
- Organizations that discriminate on the basis of race, national or ethnic origin, color, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status, family status, veteran status, disability or other characteristics protected by law
- Programs serving residents of communities outside our geographic footprint
- Fundraising events (e.g., golf tournaments, school events)
- Annual appeals
- Funds to pay down operating deficits
- Endowment funds
- Travel, trips, tours or conference expenses for groups, individuals or organization employees



Program Eligibility

Funding requests *should*:

- Align to one of the following focus areas: Affordable Housing, Entrepreneurship & Small Business Support, Jobs & Workforce Development
- Operate within TD's U.S. geographic footprint; programs outside of this geographic area will not be considered.

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I apply?

You must apply online through the [application portal](#).

What is the grant range?

Grant requests range from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

When will applications be accepted?

The Capacity Building Program application will be open three times a year and each application period will focus on one area of the framework. The application will be open for one month each time.

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What types of capacity-building investments are considered?

Applicants select one primary capacity building focus area: tactics, tools, or talent. The project narrative and budget must clearly concentrate on the selected focus area.

- **Tactics**—investments in strategy that can include program design or implementation, creation or expansion of a strategic plan, or succession planning
- **Talent**—investments in people that can include hiring new staff, professional development or skill development for existing staff or leadership development for board members.
- **Tools**—investments in infrastructure that can include technology improvements, program evaluation tools, program supplies/materials, or other capital purchases



How should applicants demonstrate alignment with TD's framework?

Applicants should demonstrate that their mission and programming align with at least one of TD's impact areas:

- **Affordable Housing:** People are able to access stable, affordable housing.
- **Entrepreneurship & Small Business Support:** People are able to develop, launch, stabilize and grow small businesses.
- **Jobs & Workforce Development:** People are able to effectively start new jobs or transition careers.

Does each application cycle focus on a specific impact area?

Yes. Each application cycle focuses on one specific focus area within TD's framework. The focus area for each cycle is communicated in the applicant-facing materials, along with the applicable timeline and eligibility expectations.

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What should applicants include in their application?

Applicants must clearly explain the need, why this is the right time for support, how the request aligns with the selected focus area, and how the work will be sustained beyond the grant period.

How will applications be reviewed?

Applications will be reviewed based on defined eligibility criteria, alignment with TD's framework, clarity of the capacity building focus, readiness for the proposed support, and the organization's ability to sustain the work beyond the grant period.

If my organization receives a Capacity Building Grant, is my organization eligible for other funding from TD Charitable Foundation and/or TD Bank? Organizations that receive a Capacity Building Grant are unable to reapply for a Capacity Building grant for two years. However, you may be eligible for other funding from the TD Charitable Foundation.

Does the TD Charitable Foundation have an anti-discrimination policy?

All funded programs, projects, and activities must comply with the TD Charitable Foundation's anti-discrimination policy.



What information do I need to provide in my submission?

You will need to answer questions about the following to complete the application:

- General organization and contact information—such as name, address, mission statement, etc.
- Request details—such as request amount, project title, communities served, outcome measurement, confirmed partners, etc.
- Financial information—such as organization budget, project budget, explanation of any significant changes in revenue, expenses, etc.
- Acceptance of grant conditions, should your organization be chosen for funding

In addition to the application questions, the following documents are required (in PDF format only) for your funding request to be considered:

- A list of your organization's board members including their employer, job title, and board position
- Last available audited financial statement or a copy of filed tax form, if the organization does not have an audit performed. Acceptable financial documents include:
 - A full financial audit
 - Completed tax return
 - 990EZ return—we will not accept the 990N or Postcard
- A copy of the 501(c)(3) federal tax exemption letter of determination and, if applicable, evidence of your organization's authority to operate under the 501(c)(3) of another organization. Alternatively, a letter on official letterhead (signed by the senior officer) providing the nine-digit tax identification number of the applying government entity or public school.
- Your organization's current operating budget
- A budget for your proposed project