



# Municipality of Killarney Funding Opportunity

## About the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative

The Canada Healthy Communities Initiative (CHCI) is providing between \$5000 and \$250,000 to support communities as they deploy new ways to adapt spaces and services to respond to immediate and ongoing needs arising from COVID-19 over the next two years. The initiative is supporting projects under three main themes:

### **Creating safe and vibrant public spaces**

- Projects that create or adapt existing public places such as parks, main streets, and indoor spaces that encourage safe cultural or physical activities, and local commerce.

### **Improving mobility options**

- Projects that permit physical distancing through permanent or temporary changes that make it easier for people to get around in their communities, whether walking, biking, accessing public and private transit, or other modes of transportation.

### **Digital solutions**

- Innovative digital projects that address changing community needs through the use of data and connected technologies.

### **Examples of Projects from the funding website:**

- ◆ Purchasing equipment and building materials to create a multi-purpose shared community space and family play spaces in a parking lot in neighbourhoods lacking greenspace;
- ◆ Purchasing play equipment for playgrounds to provide more outdoor options for children to play while maintaining social distance;
- ◆ Revitalizing and improving an existing public space structure such as a pavilion or heritage structure to create more space outdoors where people can meet while respecting social distancing guidelines;
- ◆ Revitalizing hiking trails in rural areas for recreational use to increase the number of trails and avoid crowding;
- ◆ Creating mobile stalls for a night market festival in a public green space to allow businesses to operate safely outside;
- ◆ Planning and purchasing materials for green infrastructure projects (ie: urban greenery/forests, green parking lots);
- ◆ Designing/programming a community garden to provide residents living on low-incomes with healthier food options.
- ◆ Commissioning artists to create art installations in a public space or public park to encourage community engagement safely during the pandemic;
- ◆ Organizing an outdoor health education series for a community disproportionately impacted by COVID-19;
- ◆ Build separate trails alongside rural roads to improve pedestrian safety and increase walkability;
- ◆ Developing a virtual platform to hold town meetings to engage residents in their municipalities;
- ◆ Implementing WiFi hotspots or internet exchange points that assist people who are not able to get online (for example outside rural libraries, community halls, or other public buildings);

What would make a positive impact on you and your community?

The Municipality would like to hear from you.

Please contact Kelly Champaigne at 705-287-2424 ext 205 or email [kchampaigne@municipalityofkillarney](mailto:kchampaigne@municipalityofkillarney) by February 24th with any ideas, comments or questions. Your input will help us work to provide our community with better, more accessible spaces and programs, especially during this time of COVID.

For more information please visit <https://communityfoundations.ca/initiatives/chci/>