

Taking Action Against Elder Abuse - Case Management Funding Grant Guidelines

The Alberta Elder Abuse Awareness Council (AEAAC), with funding from Alberta Seniors and Housing, is pleased to provide a **one-time** funding opportunity for coordinated community response (CCR) models in Alberta to provide elder abuse case management.

The Case Management funding aims to harness the power of existing CCRs to provide response services through case management to address elder abuse in communities throughout Alberta.

Heightened by the COVID-19 pandemic, seniors are disproportionately being negatively affected, and additional supports and services are required to address social issues among this age group. A key social issue, growing in complexity, is elder abuse. Communities may not have the resources needed to respond and manage these complex cases. This one-time funding will support case management services provided through CCRs and increase community capacity to address and prevent elder abuse.

Deadline: All applications and supporting documents must be received by 4:30 p.m. on **April 30, 2021**.

Funding: Approved applicants may receive one-time funding to a maximum of \$50,000 for elder abuse case management services.

Funding Goals:

1. Improve access to support services for seniors experiencing elder abuse.
2. Implement a consistent approach to elder abuse data collection and case management practices. Successful grant recipients will be required to participate in monthly phone call/virtual meetings led by the AEAAC, as well as provide statistics and data using templates provided by the AEAAC.
3. Enhance collaborative relationships by leveraging existing resources to increase community capacity to respond to incidents of elder abuse.
4. Validate the benefits of case management within a CCR.
5. Support grant recipients to develop sustainability plans and identify funding dollars.

Initiative Length: Up to 12 months

Letters of Commitment: Three Letters of Commitment are required. If this initiative is a regional approach including more than one CCR, a letter of commitment from each CCR participating must be included. Letters of commitment are different from letters of support. Letters of commitment should indicate the role of the organization within the CCR, their specific contributions to this initiative including in-kind and monetary support, or other investments the organization contributes.

Who Can Apply:

- Existing CCRs in Alberta that previously received funding under the Taking Action Against Elder Abuse CCR Grant Program.
- Priority will be given to regional approaches for a case manager position that serves more than one CCR area.
- Funding will be provided for new or enhanced case manager positions. Eligible initiatives could include:
 - A new case manager position, or expanding an existing half-time role to a full-time role.
 - Expanding from having one case manager to serve a single community to hiring a second case manager to service a region.
 - Funding for an existing case manager position that is coming to an end by July 31, 2021.
 - This funding is not intended to replace existing funding for a position already doing this work.
- The primary applicant must be a:
 - Non-profit group registered under the Society's Act
 - Municipality
 - First Nation or Metis Settlement
 - Local chapter of a provincial or federal non-profit group

Eligible Initiatives: Positions that provide elder abuse case management services, education, and awareness-raising about the case manager position and elder abuse.

Ineligible Initiatives: Initiatives that work to address frauds and scams, self-neglect, or abuse occurring within a facility that falls under the *Protection for Persons in Care Act*.

Eligible Expenses: Expenses must be directly related to the initiative. Detailed estimates of all expenditures must be provided in the *Budget Template*. If a Grant Recipient is uncertain if a proposed expenditure is eligible or ineligible, they should contact the AEAAC, prior to making the expenditure. Eligible expenses include but are not limited to:

- Case manager salary and benefits.
- Reasonable travel and subsistence costs directly associated to the provision of case management services (i.e. outreach) or meetings with CCR partners and regional collaborators.
- Reasonable costs for the purchase of equipment and supplies that are directly related to and will be used primarily for the initiative.
- Reasonable expenses related to courses, conferences, or other training opportunities that will enhance the skills or knowledge of the case manager. (Note: there is a maximum spending cap of \$200 for this area). Please note, the Alberta Elder Abuse Awareness Council will make available training opportunities to case managers funded through this grant at no cost.
- Reasonable expenses for raising awareness or advertising the case manager position and how older adults at risk of abuse can access services and supports in their community. (Note: there is a maximum spending cap of \$500 for this area)

Ineligible Expenses: Ineligible expenses include but are not limited to:

- Alcohol
- Space rental
- Monthly parking fees
- Expenses incurred prior to application approval
- Research
- Administration fees
- Auditing/bookkeeping and legal fees
- Insurance
- Development or advertising of general awareness-raising materials

How to Apply: Submit an application form (available at: www.albertaelderabuse.ca) and supporting documents to elderabusealberta@gmail.com by 4:30 p.m. on April 30, 2021. Each application package should contain:

- Completed application form
- Completed detailed budget template
- 3 letters of commitment
- Current organizational membership list of the CCR group

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