

Terms of Reference:

The Chinook Lesbian and Gay Fund is a donor-advised fund of the Calgary Foundation.

Fund Mandate: Eligible Organizations. The endowment will provide funds to registered charitable organizations that are concerned with providing information, education, resources, and counselling for and about Calgary's gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered communities, their parents, family, and friends and interested parties. Organizations would create networking and community building among all people by providing gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered support, education, and resources.

Scope of Funding: The fund will have as its primary purpose to provide core funding including but not limited to administration, programming, education, community services, and supplies, materials, and rent or leasing fees.

Term of Funding: In order to facilitate planning for applicant organizations, the advisory committee may allocate funds for the current year and provide approval in principle for up to two subsequent years subject to receipt of the organization's annual report and business plan satisfactory to the advisory committee.

Statement of Initial Intent for Distribution of Funds: The intent of the endowment is to provide core funding support to organizations providing information, education, arts and cultural programming and other support for and about Calgary's gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered communities, their parents, family, friends and other interested parties.

Advisory Committee: Advisory Committee Mandate. To administer the distribution of funds generated by the endowment and to set parameters to ensure the fund is accountable to its overall mandate.

Composition. The endowment fund advisory committee is to be comprised of no less than 5 and no more than 12 members, with a quorum equal to 50% of appointed members. Membership of the committee shall be appointed by the then sitting advisory committee

Meetings. The endowment fund advisory committee will meet as required, but in any case no less than annually.