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Centennial Bermuda Foundation Announces 2022 Community Investment Grantmaking Guidelines and Upcoming Training Webinars

Wednesday, December 1, 2021—Centennial Bermuda Foundation (Centennial) has released its *2022 Community Investment Priorities and Grantmaking Guidelines*. The guidelines explain the work, and research behind the strategy and provide details on what Centennial seeks to fund, and how to apply.

The private philanthropy’s community investment strategy for 2022 focuses on five key areas of need that have been identified as grantmaking priorities; they are:

Community Health,
Cultural & Community Connections,
Economic Participation,
Fundamental Needs and
Public Education.

More than 50 external and internal stakeholders were involved in determining and defining the focus areas, aligned priorities and desired project outcomes. It included a multi-layered approach where Centennial gathered community data, facilitated community-led meetings and applied research from subject matter experts and evidence-based models.

Any organisation interested in applying for a Centennial grant, now or in the future, is invited to register for one of the following webinars to learn more about the process. Registration is open for both sessions and Bermuda’s third sector stakeholders have received this information by email.

New applicants or new projects seeking funding should register for this first webinar, to allow time for the preliminary stage, Letter of Intent to be completed.

December 7th: 12noon – 1pm [REGISTER HERE](#)

January 13th: 5:30pm – 6:30pm [REGISTER HERE](#)

Combined with its new community investment approach, Centennial is moving to a new grant management system, an online platform for applications and for reporting on grants. Training videos on how to use this new system will be online in December.

Managing Director, Allison Towlson said, “Centennial’s grantmaking approach has been developed over time in consultation with community stakeholders and subject matter experts, in response to the changing philanthropic climate. Centennial as a philanthropic organisation is focused on community investing; investing dollars and resources more toward longer term, collaborative and sustainable problem solving (i.e., addressing the root causes of our community’s social issues). We are committed to remaining relevant, nimble, and responsive to the needs of our community, pivoting our work based on identified priorities and needs at any given time. We invest in projects that engage diverse resources and strategic collaborations and partnerships.”

The [*2022 Community Investment Priorities and Grantmaking Guidelines*](#) are available on Centennial’s website at www.centennial.bm/grants/ as a full detailed document and in a summary format. The documents will make the information easily accessible to potential partners and grantees.

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About Centennial Bermuda Foundation.

An independent philanthropic foundation, Centennial Bermuda Foundation (www.centennial.bm) supports the Bermuda community by providing funding to a wide range of non-profit initiatives and scholarships.

Its vision is that all people in Bermuda be healthy, independent, financially secure and connected to community, with equitable opportunities for all, and it engages in community investment in priority areas identified as needs.

Centennial Bermuda Foundation is a company limited by guarantee with assets acquired from private charitable trusts and has operated as an independent philanthropic foundation since 2004.