

2026 Application Score Card

Alignment Section

Point Value	5	10	15	20
Public Benefit	Public benefits are limited or unlikely.	Public benefits are general or vague.	Public benefits are meaningful and tangible.	Public benefits are detailed and effects are measurable.
Proposal Feasibility	Programming is poorly defined or there are significant details missing from resources and budget.	Some proposal elements are undefined, missing, or inaccurate. Other elements are detailed and feasible.	Programming is ambitious relative to proposed resources, staff/volunteers and timeline but adjustments would not pose significant obstacle.	Programming is well defined and supported by adequate resources, staff/ volunteers and timeline. Proposed budget is clear and realistic.
Equitable Access	Access proposal is poorly defined, includes significant assumptions or lacks detail.	Access proposal is financial only and/or lacks community-specific analysis or strategies.	Access proposal is rooted in observation or feedback and includes community-specific strategies to increase access.	Organization has track record of commitment to Access work. Proposal has community-specific and achievable plans for increasing access with Inspire Vancouver funding.
Collaboration and Community Trust	Collaboration proposal is poorly defined, includes significant assumptions or lacks detail.	Collaboration proposal includes partnerships or specific outreach communities but does not have identified goals or outcomes.	Collaboration proposal includes named partners or outreach audiences with specific outcomes identified but plans may be in progress or lack detail.	Organization has history of meaningful partnerships and integration of community input. Proposal has specific and achievable plans for developing new collaborations with Inspire Vancouver funding.

Sustainable Management and Operations	Proposal does not demonstrate sustainable operations or adequate organizational capacity for proposed programming.	Proposal shows inconsistent operations or management. Some areas may be functioning well, but issues could impact the proposal's feasibility.	Proposal describes operational challenges that can be addressed with Inspire Vancouver funding, but plans may be in progress.	Organization is stable and has track record of sustainable operations. Proposal has specific and achievable plans for increasing or reinforcing organizational capacity.
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Impact Section

Point Value	1	2	3	4
Need	Programming does not address a community need	Programming duplicates other efforts or explanation is generalized	Programming need is specific and compelling	Programming need is established with clearly stated and compelling evidence
Youth Focus	Majority of programming is for adults	Majority of programming is all ages and unspecific	Majority of programming is all ages, but has youth or intergenerational components	Majority of programming has youth or intergenerational focus
Priority Audience	Inclusion of priority audiences is passive	Programming invites priority audiences using community-specific strategies	Programming serves a priority audience and is developed with their input	Programming is created by and for a priority audience
Geography	Majority of programming located in areas with an equity index score between 0-25	Majority of programming located in areas with an equity index score between 26-50	Majority of programming located in areas with an equity index score between 51-75	Majority of programming located in areas with an equity index score between 75-100