



Call for Proposals from the Sitka Foundation for The Sitka Activator Fund's nature volunteerism grants

Does your Salish Sea-based organization or community program engage citizens and neighbours in nature stewardship activities but lacks the resources to increase engagement and impact? We are thrilled to introduce the **Sitka Activator Fund**.

OPPORTUNITY

The Sitka Foundation is launching a new fund offering \$1,000-\$25,000 1-year grants to support community-based organizations around the Salish Sea (in Canada) that rely on volunteerism for their nature conservation goals. These grants will enable small organizations and communities to engage citizens in local stewardship actions through volunteering and presence on the land/water. The funding is flexible and can be used to help cover human resource costs (management, coordination, operations, etc.), materials, events, digital infrastructure or communications, community-based monitoring, restoration or knowledge gathering activities, and other place-based community stewardship expenses.

ABOUT THE SITKA FOUNDATION

The Sitka Foundation is a charitable family foundation based in Vancouver that funds the conservation of nature and the protection of biodiversity through several granting programs. These programs are currently British Columbia-focused.

HOW TO APPLY

If you are a Salish Sea-based organization aiming to strengthen volunteerism and stewardship action for nature, please apply for a grant through our short and accessible online application available on our website. You can use the written word or upload an audio/visual file. You will have up to 12 months to spend the funding. At this time, multi-year grants are not available. Current grant recipients of the Sitka Foundation cannot reapply for this funding.

DEADLINES AND SELECTION PROCESS

Apply by October 1st, 2025. If successful, funds will be made available within eight weeks (by November, 2025). Your application will be reviewed by a small but diverse Advisory Circle. All inquiries can be directed to Sitka's website as well as info@sitkafoundation.org.

DISCLAIMER

At this time, this funding is only for organizations or communities in the Canadian geography of the Salish Sea that have a means of accepting charitable funding (i.e. being connected to a qualified donee or charity).