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Grants to Canadian Organizations

You can recommend grants to Canadian ministries from your Steward's Fund account.

In comparison to recommending grants to U.S. based charities, grants to charities outside the U.S. require additional due diligence to determine whether the charity is eligible. The process for establishing eligibility is time-consuming and requires substantial work on the part of both Barnabas Foundation and the requested charitable recipient.

For grants to Canadian organizations, Barnabas Foundation is pleased to partner with Christian Stewardship Services, a like-minded ministry in Canada. They have been serving Christian donors in the area of planned giving for over 40 years. This partnership enables us to make grants to Canadian organizations in an efficient and cost-effective manner.

How It Works

1. A donor with an established Stewards Fund (donor-advised fund) at Barnabas Foundation, recommends a grant of at least \$5,000 to a Canadian charitable organization.
2. Barnabas Foundation will review your selected Canadian charitable organization to ensure that it complies with both Barnabas Foundation and Christian Stewardship Services distribution policies.
3. If Christian Stewardship Services has previously approved the Canadian charity for grants, then Barnabas Foundation is usually able to facilitate a grant within one week of receiving a donor's grant recommendation. However, if a Canadian charity is new to Christian Stewardship Services, then they will require additional time to perform a due diligence review.
4. Once the organization is approved for grants by both organizations, then Barnabas Foundation will send the funds to Christian Stewardship Services with a designation requesting they deliver the funds to the final Canadian charitable organization.
5. U.S. donors are able to recommend grants from U.S. charities to approved Canadian charities. However, the Canadian government limits grant making from Canadian charities to U.S. based charities, so this service is not available for Canadian donors.

What It Costs

There is no additional cost assessed by Barnabas Foundation for making grants to Christian Stewardship Services in Canada. Any grant requests to a CSS partner or associate partner ministry is distributed to that ministry without additional cost. However, 3% of any grant request to non-partner ministries will be withheld (up to a maximum of \$1,000) to help cover the cost of this service.