



Community Nominated Award Guide

About Annauma

Annauma is short for Annaumakkaijiit, which is Inuktitut for helping people to stay ahead. Annauma Community Foundation is the first community foundation in Nunavut grounded in the belief that Inuit communities hold the knowledge and solutions to the challenges they face. We link caring philanthropists, corporate partners, funders, and governments with opportunities to invest in community-based action and create lasting impact.

Vision & Mission

Our vision is that Inuit communities are healthy and confident, and have what they need to thrive.

Our mission is to deliver funding and support that strengthen Inuit values, skills, and worldview in a manner that encourages lifelong learning and nurtures collaborative community relationships.

What Is Inuktitut Philanthropy?

Inuktitut Philanthropy is a unique approach within the philanthropic sector practiced in the Inuit way. It is grounded in Inuit principles, values, behaviours, and worldviews.

At the essence of Inuktitut Philanthropy is sharing, connecting the past, present, and future, and builds collective wealth. In Nunavut, sharing has always been the most traditional form of philanthropy and has always been a core strength of Inuit society.

Purpose of the Community Nominated Award

Embodying Inuktitut Philanthropy, Annauma's Community Nominated Award honours a Nunavut-based nonprofit or charity that has responded to community priorities, strengths, and needs in the past year. The award highlights the value of local programs that respond to community priorities and celebrates the leadership of organizations helping to uplift Nunavut communities.

This award recognizes a nonprofit or charity that is grounded in Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit (IQ) principles, including:

- Piliriqatigiinni (working together for a common purpose)
- Aajiqatigiinni (decision making through discussion and consensus)
- Inuuqatigiitsiarniq (respecting others and relationships)
- Pijitsirniq (serving community)
- Avatittinnik Kamatsiarniq (respect and care for the environment and community wellbeing)

These principles guide how nominations are reviewed and how community impact is understood.

Award Information

- **Award Amount:** \$100,000
- **Nomination Period Opens:** June 1
- **Nomination Period Closes:** August 30

Annauma believes that local organizations know best how to serve their communities. Award funding is flexible and can be used to support the general or specific needs of the recipient organization.

Nomination Criteria

We invite you to nominate a Nunavut-based nonprofit or registered charity that has strengthened community wellbeing, cultural continuity, belonging, learning, and collective care over the past year.

Eligible Organizations Must:

- Be based in Nunavut and operate as a nonprofit or registered charity
- Deliver locally led programs or initiatives that are responsive and reflective of community needs
- Have been in operation for a minimum of one year

Additional Notes

- Anyone can nominate an organization, including community members, program participants, or partner organizations.
- Multiple nominations are welcome; however, each nomination must be submitted separately and will be reviewed on its own merits. Please note that receiving multiple nominations for the same organization does not necessarily increase its likelihood of being prioritized.

How to Nominate

To submit your nomination, please complete the [online application form](#), or contact us to provide a verbal nomination. Nominations are accepted in Inuktitut and English. For support in Inuinnaqtun, please contact us.

In your nomination, please provide the following:

- Organization name
- Organization contact (name, position, email and/or phone number)
- Brief history of the organization and its programs
- Organization's mission and values
- How has the organization responded to community needs in the past year?
- How does the organization strengthen Inuit values, skills, and worldview through learning and collaboration?
- Your name, contact information (email and/or phone number), and how you know about the organization

Selection Process

All nominations will be reviewed by the Annauma Board of Directors using a community-informed approach grounded in Inuit values, community wellbeing, and local knowledge.

Questions?

For more information, contact us at grants@annauma.ca or by phone at 867-222-5502.