

Financial Assistance Program 2026

Submit projects from August 25th to October 19th, 2025

PARTNERS OF THE

YOUTH COMMITTEES INITIATIVE







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GENERAL OBJECTIVES OF THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FAP)

- Support creativity and innovation in sustainable development education.
- Foster environmental and social engagement among youth.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEES INITIATIVE

- Encourage the development of projects within committees established in the school
- Strengthen these school committees by funding projects or activities that help build connections between members or recognize their engagement.

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POTENTIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

This initiative has a total budget of \$10,000. Financial assistance between \$200 and \$500 is available, depending on your needs.

HOW TO SUBMIT A PROJECT

<u>Visit our website</u> for all the necessary information and to complete the online form.



KEY DATES

AUGUST 25, 2025

Program launch.

OCTOBER 19, 2025

Deadline to submit a project.

DECEMBER 2025

Applicant institutions notified of accepted projects.

OCTOBER 20, 2026

Deadline to submit final project report with three copyright-free photos..

PAYMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

This financial assistance may cover up to 100% of eligible project expenses.

50% of the funding will be provided upon acceptance of the project and signature of the agreement by your institution's management. The remaining 50% will be paid following the submission of the final report and a minimum of three copyright-free, high-quality photo files. These photos and quotations from the final report will be used for promotional purposes.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

INSTITUTIONS

The Youth Committees initiative is intended for youth aged aged 12 to 17.

- High school
- School board

*Any institution wishing to submit a project to the FAP must be a member of Mouvement ACTES. **Membership is** free and available to most public institutions in Quebec. Visit the Mouvement ACTES website for more information: https://actes.lacsq.org/

PROJECTS

- must be approved by institution management.
- must be under the responsibility of a staff member of the institution.

EXAMPLES OF INELIGIBLE EXPENSES

- Staff training or release time
- Increased fundraising results

 Funding for committees whose objectives are not related to environmental or social issues (e.g., Christmas committee, graduation committee).

EXAMPLES OF ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

- Outings or educational activities related to the objective of the committee or helping committee members make connections or recognizing their achievements (e.g., organizing a bowling outing, a committee lunch, a tour of a recycling centre).
- Purchase of materials for projects in line with the objective of the committee (e.g., decorations for the meeting room, art supplies, identification material for committee members or to carry out an activity).

PROJECT ASSESSMENT

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

All things being equal, priority for funding will be given to projects submitted by institutions that have never benefited from the FAP.

- **1. Contribution of the committee:** How does the committee encourage and support the development of educational projects within the school?
- **2. Youth participation on the committee:** Is the committee led by the students themselves and are they actively involved in its projects from conception to implementation?
- **3. Scope of the committee:** How does the committee directly or indirectly involve a number of young people in the school and promote meaningful networking with their community?
- **4. Integration of environmental and social dimensions:** How does your committee promote environmental or social activities or behaviour, by integrating values such as solidarity, ecology, democracy, and peace?
- **5. Relevance of the committee:** In what ways are the committee, its objectives, and its implementation innovative and adapted to its environment?

Need some inspiration?

Examples of projects in the Youth Committees initiative

- Organization of a training day for the committee
- Purchase of committee member identification materials (e.g., shirts)
- Purchase of art supplies to make awareness-raising or recruitment posters





Examples of projects in this initiative are available on our website. Use these ideas for inspiration and put your own spin on a project!



