What we support

BMO is proud to support community endeavors that enrich community life and promote the BMO brand. BMO selects organizations to sponsor based on community impact, business relationships and social benefit.

BMO does not typically fund the following areas or types of projects:

- projects or programs outside of Canada
- organizations or lobby/advocacy/partisan groups that promote a particular social, political or economic ideology
- political parties/organizations
- religious organizations (except for secular activities/services offered on a non-denominational basis)
- organizations that discriminate on prohibited grounds
- elementary and secondary public schools, including student organizations
- private/independent schools tuition, membership/registration fees, sabbatical or academic leaves (funding for scholarships is not prohibited)
- extreme sports
- individuals (e.g., sponsoring an athlete, artist, student)
- organizations funded through the United Way/Centraide other than for capital campaign or other support for which the organization has approval from the United Way/Centraide
- local, regional, or provincial campaigns or agencies of, or those affiliated with a national organization, which is already receiving a sponsorship
- service/fraternal clubs or third party organizations raising funds for a charity
- private foundations
- private clubs
- professional and technical associations
- trips and tours including subsidized travel, accommodation and entertainment expenses
- courtesy/goodwill advertising
- low-interest or no-interest loans
- direct mail solicitations
- crowdfunding initiatives