



## Projects by the community for the community

### Results of community voting - 2026

## Funded Projects

All 26 projects are fully funded thanks to our amazing community!  
The 3 projects with the most community votes will also receive a bonus.

**210 votes**

**1. Closet Share - \$500 + \$250 bonus**

### **Project: ReThread – Giving New Life to Old Clothes**

Delivery of sewing and creative reuse workshops that repurpose damaged or unsellable clothing into usable items such as tote bags, quilts, and accessories, promoting sustainability and reducing waste.

**168 votes**

**2. Turtle Pond Wildlife Centre - \$400 + \$150 bonus**

### **Project: Nesting Boxes for Orphan and Injured Squirrels**

Construction of squirrel nesting and release boxes in partnership with local seniors to support wildlife rehabilitation and release.

**146 votes**

**3. Cambrian College Food Security Committee - \$500 + \$100 bonus**

### **Project: Seed Starter Kits for Students & Families**

Distribution of seed-starting kits to Cambrian College students to support growing food at home. The project builds food skills, strengthens food security, and fosters a supportive campus community.

**141 votes**

**4. Lake Wahnabitei Home and Campers Association Stewardship Committee - \$500**

### **Project: Community Bat House and Photo Contest Initiative**

Construction and distribution of handcrafted bat houses in partnership with the Skead Senior Centre to promote environmental stewardship and intergenerational connection.

**124 votes**

**5. Needing Leftovers - \$500**

**Project: Needing Leftovers (Sudbury)**

Support for a community food-sharing Facebook group through funding for transportation to redistribute surplus food.

**118 votes**

**6. Anaphore Sudbury - Artist collective - \$500**

**Project: Anaphore Community Art Gallery**

Creation of a curated, multidisciplinary exhibit featuring artwork by Sudbury-based artists from the Anaphore Community Anthology Project. The exhibit, hosted at GK Photo and Film, showcases poetry, photography, film, painting, and visual art, and launches a community-driven anthology fundraiser pairing local poets with businesses.

**113 votes**

**7. Community volunteers - \$500**

**Project: Youth Group Activities at Morel Playground**

Creation of a youth group at Morel Playground offering activities such as sports, drumming, yoga, and arts for ages 10–18 to build confidence and peer connections.

**98 votes**

**8. Jardin du Village Garden et la Forêt nourricière de Hanmer Food Forest - \$500**

**Project: Transformation and Recruitment for Hanmer Gardening Training Center**

Creation of an education centre focused on sustainable gardening and edible forest practices, including outreach, signage, and volunteer support.

**95 votes**

**9. Garson Community Garden - \$500**

**Project: Garson Community Garden Improvements**

Upgrading of a community garden through repairs to garden boxes, addition of organic fertilizer, and renewal of walkways to support food production and donations.

**94 votes**

**10. Closet Share and community member - \$300**

**Project: Shop @ Home**

Delivery of Shop@Home personal shopping events at retirement residences in partnership with Closet Share, offering accessible, dignified access to free and low-cost clothing.

**92 votes**

**11. New Roots Collective - \$500**

**Project: Fresh Food for All**

Support for Wanup community garden programming, including pay-what-you-can markets and donations of fresh produce to local organizations.

**87 votes**

**12. Community member - \$500**

**Project: Forêt comestible/Food Forest/ (Anishinabemowin of "Food Forest")**

Delivery of educational activities at Elm West Community Garden, including learning Anishinaabemowin plant and gardening terms, and producing trilingual posters.

**85 votes**

**13. Strong Towns - Sudbury Chapter - \$500**

**Project: Community Benches**

Construction of wooden benches to improve comfort and accessibility at underserved bus stops and public spaces.

**79 votes**

**14. Twin Forks Community Garden - \$500**

**Project: Shade Cloth for the Twin Forks Community Greenhouse**

Installation of greenhouse shade cloth to expand food production, seed starting, and education while extending the growing season.

**71 votes**

**15. Sudbury Queers United Around Diversity - \$500**

**Project: Youth Led Culture Cooking**

Delivery of a youth-led Cultural Cooking Series that builds food skills, cultural pride, and community connections within the 2SLGBTQ+ community.

**70 votes**

**16. Sudbury Better Beginnings Better Futures - \$500**

**Project: Spirit Garden Community Celebration**

Delivery of a community planting event for the Spirit Garden, fostering learning, connection, and Indigenous cultural teachings.

**68 votes**

**17. Community member - \$500**

**Project: Joyful givers garden**

Planting of community garden beds to grow free fresh produce for residents, community meals, and local food programs, while hosting events that support mental health awareness and healthy eating.

**68 votes**

**18. Rabble-rousers Against Frostbite (RAF) - \$500**

**Project: Prevention of Frostbite Amputations & Deaths**

Distribution of waterproof mitts to unhoused individuals through Sudbury Outreach Services to reduce frostbite risk while supporting broader advocacy efforts.

**64 votes**

**19. Elm West Playground Association - \$500**

**Project: Garden Box Revitalization**

Upgrading of deteriorated community garden boxes to improve access to fresh produce and better serve the neighbourhood.

**60 votes**

**20. Community member - \$500**

**Project: Community herb garden**

Creation of a front-yard raised herb garden beside a well-used Little Free Library in the Moonrock area.

**54 votes**

**21. Community member - \$210**

**Project: Apple Share**

Collection and preservation of surplus neighbourhood apples by volunteers, with distribution through local groups such as Nourishing Neighbours to reduce food waste and build community.

**51 votes**

**22. Sudbury Mycological Society - \$500**

**Project:**

Creation of a community group focused on fungi appreciation through guided forays and hands-on learning opportunities.

**50 votes**

**23. Declutter Wellness Spaces - \$500**

**Project: The Men's Wellness Circle**

Support for a monthly men's gathering focused on mental health, emotional wellbeing, and peer support through guided discussions and skill-building activities.

**48 votes**

**24. Community member - \$500**

**Project: Treaty Talks for Everyone**

Delivery of a half-day workshop led by an Anishinaabe facilitator using the Yellowhead Institute Treaty Map Guide to introduce the Robinson Huron Treaty and treaty relationships.

**24 votes**

**25. Community member - \$500**

**Public, community-oriented information and cultural media platform for the Asian community in Northern Ontario**

Delivery of interactive activities that support newcomers and Asian community members in building civic knowledge, cultural connections, and language skills through both in-person and digital programming.

**14 votes**

**26. Four Lakes Community Association - \$500**

**Project: Solar Lighting**

Installation of solar lighting to improve safety and accessibility at Four Lakes Community Association events.

**618 people voted from all areas of Greater Sudbury**

**85.8% voted on-line, 6.6% at events, 7.6% at libraries**

**\$12,900 donated**

**26 projects funded**