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CITY OF VICTORIA



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INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR PEOPLE OF

AFRICAN DESCENT

Youth Grant

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In 2024, five projects received a total of \$25,000 in funding through the City's third International Decade for People of African Descent (IDPAD) Youth Grant. Information about the grant recipients, their projects and allocated funding are in the table below.

Grant Recipient	Project Title	Project Description	Funding Amount
African Heritage Association of Vancouver Island (AHAVI)	7 th Annual African Eloquence Youth Celebration	The Annual African Eloquence Youth Celebration (AEYC) is a cultural outreach event that celebrates the vitality of Africa and promotes higher education among youth of African descent in Greater Victoria. The event will bring together members of the Greater Victoria community to support youth of African descent, celebrate Africa's varied cultures and participate in an interactive workshop.	\$5,000
British Columbia Black History Awareness Society	Rookie Minors Baseball Tournament	This weeklong tournament will honour the legacy of outstanding umpire Doug Hudlin, a prominent Canadian of African descent and member of the Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame. It will include baseball games for seven- and eight-year-olds, a family friendly event on Saturday and the recognition of a long-standing umpire who has played a role in uplifting youth in sports in the past year.	\$5,000

Solange Dorsainvil	Black and Beautiful Truths	This documentary will investigate how prevailing beauty standards adversely affect female youth of African descent. Through interviews and personal narratives, this project will aim to shed light on their struggles for self-acceptance and empowerment while confronting societal pressures and unrealistic ideals.	\$5,000
Johnathan Thompson	Black-on-Black: Youth Mentorship and Incubation Project	This youth of African descent mentorship and incubation project is a youth-led initiative, empowering youth to explore their potential career pathways. Through mentorship of professionals of African descent and hands-on training, personal growth, networking and employment opportunities, participants will receive guidance on how to achieve success and work towards their goals.	\$5,000
Aya Behr Flux Media Gallery	Black Out	Black Out will be a series of accessible community events specially designed for youth of African descent in spaces that are often made to feel exclusive. The program will consist of three private group tours followed by arts workshops at Flux Media Gallery.	\$5,000

Contact information

For any questions about the IDPAD Youth Grant program, contact IDPADgrants@victoria.ca.