

# The Canada SDG Youth Awards

The Canada SDG Youth Awards is a new national youth-led initiative recognizing the contributions of young people across what is currently Canada towards achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The purpose of the awards is to highlight the many ways young people aged 30 and under are taking action and encourage continued progress towards the Global Goals.

We are inviting folks from all sectors and all provinces and territories to nominate initiatives led by passionate young changemakers that have made strides towards the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. What is an initiative that inspires you? Maybe it's your own initiative. Tell us its story.

Finalist will be featured in an online campaign and at a celebration event hosted by Together|Ensemble.

Together|Ensemble welcomes nominations for initiatives that will showcase the diversity of our communities, including initiatives led by young people that identify as visible minority group members, Black, Indigenous, persons of colour, persons living with disabilities, and members of marginalized genders and sexual orientations. We welcome applications from any young people well as any youth residing in Canada, regardless of residency status.

We encourage you to review all the questions before attempting your answers.

**Nominations will close on November 30, 2021 at midnight (12:00am) eastern standard time (EST).** For more information, go to [www.togetherensemble.ca/sdgyouthawards-prixodjeunesse](http://www.togetherensemble.ca/sdgyouthawards-prixodjeunesse). If you have any questions regarding the nomination and selection process, please contact [donna.ng@acgc.ca](mailto:donna.ng@acgc.ca).

# Nomination Form:

## Contact Information for nominator or representative on behalf of initiative

Please provide us with a full name that you would like to use in our interactions with you. This doesn't have to be your legal name. If this form does not recognize or allow you to use the characters that form your name, please submit a photo of your name written out.

Full name:

Pronouns:

Email:

Phone (optional):

If you are not involved directly in the initiative which you are nominating, please provide the contact details of a representative for the initiative. This representative would be contacted if the initiative is shortlisted. Below, please provide us with a full name that we can use in our interactions with the representative. This doesn't have to be their legal name. If this form does not recognize or allow you to use the characters that form their name, please submit a photo of your name written out.

Full name:

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Phone (optional):

## The Initiative

### Section 1: About the Initiative

1. What is the name of the initiative (if applicable)?
2. When was the initiative founded (year and month):
3. Is the initiative still ongoing? If not, please provide the completion date of the initiative: (year and month)
4. Is this initiative led primarily by young people between 10 and 21 years of age or young people between 22 and 30 years of age?
  - Between 10 and 21 years of age
  - Between 22 and 30 years of age
5. Please describe how this initiative is designed and driven by young people (max 150 words).
6. Is your project associated with any other organizations? If yes, please describe the nature of the relationship and/or partnership(s). (max 100 words).
7. Does the initiative have a website/social media site? If so, please provide its address or handle.

### Section 2: Describe the Initiative

8. Please select 1 of the following categories that best represents the initiative:
  - Environmental Sustainability and Climate Action
  - Community Health and Wellbeing

- Innovation and Systems Change-making
  - Social Justice and Inclusivity
  - Education and Economic Development
9. Please describe the initiative and why should this initiative be recognized with a Canada SDG Youth Award under the category selected above? (max 250 words).
10. Which Sustainable Development Goal(s) does this initiative most align with and why? (max 150 words)

### **Section 3: Leadership**

How does the initiative demonstrate strong inclusive leadership, and inspire or uplift others?

11. How was the initiative created and the issue or identified need addressed in an exemplary way? (max 200 words)
12. Did the initiative experience any challenges and how did it overcome them? (max 200 words)
13. How does the initiative promote inclusion and diversity? (max 200 words)
14. Does the initiative address the [Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action](#)? If so, how? (max 200 words)

### **Section 4: Approach**

How does the initiative build on the past and work with the future in mind?

15. How does the initiative consider past action (or inaction) and circumstances in order to address the issue with informed decisions? (max 200 words)
16. What lessons might have been learned through the planning and/or execution of the initiative? (max 200 words)

### **Section 5: Impact**

How is the initiative bringing transformative change to the communities and/or spaces it is addressing?

17. How is the success of the initiative measured? (max 200 words)
18. If possible, please provide specific examples to describe the initiative's impact. While numbers are useful, we recognize that they don't tell the full story. (max 200 words)
19. What is the projected impact of this initiative? What is the legacy you believe this initiative will leave/has left? (max 200 words)

### **Section 6: Anything else?**

20. Please include photos, a letter of recommendation, and/or other links and documents to support the nomination. If unable to upload (if you do not have a Google account, are experiencing technical issues, or other), please email [donna.ng@acgc.ca](mailto:donna.ng@acgc.ca) with the supporting documents, using the same email as used in the nomination form and indicating the name of the initiative. (optional)
21. Is there anything else you would like to add? (optional)