

# Caribou Connections Fund

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BEVERLY & QAMANIRJUAQ  
CARIBOU MANAGEMENT BOARD

## About

The Caribou Connections Fund supports the Beverly and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board's (BQCMB) Caribou Management Plan by funding projects which allow school-aged youth in Beverly and Qamanirjuaq caribou range communities to gain land-based skills, build caribou knowledge, take part in cultural activities and receive training and education as young harvesters.

The Caribou Connections Fund provides up to \$10,000 annually, which may be awarded to one or more successful applicants.

BQCMB will accept its next round of applications until **September 30, 2025**. All funding must be spent by March 31, 2026.

## Eligibility and FAQ

### How do I apply?

Complete the application form included in this package and send it to us at [info@arctic-caribou.com](mailto:info@arctic-caribou.com), or apply online through the [BQCMB website](#).

If you need help with this form, please contact BQCMB staff – we are happy to assist you.

### Who can apply to the Fund?

Community members, schools, youth groups, Indigenous governments, and local organizations in Beverly and Qamanirjuaq caribou range communities.

### What projects and activities are eligible?

Projects and activities must support school-aged youth to build land-based skills, caribou knowledge, or cultural understanding.

Eligible activities include:

- Youth and Elder Knowledge Exchange
- On-the-Land Programs, e.g. culture camps, youth or Elder trips, community hunts
- Traditional Skills, e.g. hide tanning, caribou hair tufting, drum making
- Education & Training, e.g. hunter education, respectful harvest workshops, school-based programs

Do you have an idea that is not listed, or one that will take place outside of the Beverly and Qamanirjuaq range that still engages members of these communities?

Please contact us to discuss.

## Funding Criteria

### What BQCMB considers when reviewing applications

1. *Eligibility*: Is the project in a Beverly and Qamanirjuaq caribou range community and/or involving members of these communities?
2. *Caribou Connections*: Does the project strengthen the relationship between people and caribou?
3. *Impact*: Does the project help youth gain land-based skills, caribou knowledge, cultural teachings from Elders and knowledge holders and/or harvester education?
4. *Community Involvement*: In what ways are youth, Elders, knowledge holders, harvesters, and families involved?
5. *Cultural Relevance*: Does the project reflect, promote and strengthen cultural practices, language and/or traditions?
6. *Community Benefits*: Does the project benefit youth and the community?
7. *Budget Justification*: Does the budget reflect the needs of the project?

## Finances and Reporting

### How the Fund is provided

The BQCMB provides funds in two instalments:

1. 75% of the approved amount prior to the anticipated start date.
2. The remaining 25% is provided when reporting requirements are fulfilled.

### Reporting requirements

1. Provide high resolution photos for BQCMB use.
2. Provide a brief written report describing activities and spending by **March 31, 2026**.
3. Add your activity or project to the [Caribou Connect](#) map.

### If the project does not go ahead

If a funded project cannot be completed, the recipient must return the funds to the BQCMB or make alternate arrangements with the Board.