



Special Tri-Provincial Research Call-out

Prairieaction Foundation (PAF) is committed to funding research that leads to community awareness related to issues of violence and abuse in our community and specifically provides grant funds for research that engages in solution focused outcomes that lead to better programs to keep our communities safer. At this time, PAF is requesting three separate Tri-Provincial research projects to be conducted in the specific areas outlined below.

1. Men as victims in intimate partner violence (IPV)

There is little research in the area of men as victims of IPV. Consistently, men continue to report being victims of IPV in self-reported surveys with most recent survey statistics reported in General Social Survey (2014). Prairieaction Foundation would like to know more about this and is calling for specific research that encompasses the following criteria:

- Research must have a qualitative focus and establish an understanding of the current literature on the topic area.
- PAF would like to understand:
 - i. What are men's experiences as victims of IPV?
 - ii. Are there barriers that men experience in accessing of services?
 - iii. What intervention services are available to men as victims of IPV?
 - iv. What, if any, recommendations could be made based on the findings of the research.
- Must ensure there is a partnership between an academic and/or university and community organizations that have experience/background on this issue.
- Identify in-kind contributions and/or donations.
- Increased reporting required to the Research Coordinator, CARE Grant Committee as the research progresses – see details below.
- Funding up to \$60,000.

2. The Intersection between Criminal and Family Court and Children's Involvement in the Process as it Relates to Intimate Partner Violence.

There has been considerable concern regarding children falling through the cracks when families are navigating both the family and criminal courts in matters of intimate or family violence. Navigating two courts is challenging for the families and children are almost always the ones to suffer when there is a delay in proceedings or a lack of information sharing. Children also have little involvement in the process. *Prairieaction* is calling for research to explore this issue using the below criteria:

- Research must have a qualitative focus with emphasis on understanding the current literature in this area.
- PAF is concerned with the impact of the criminal and family courts on children's safety, protection, and well-being. Research must include:
 - i. An environmental scan of stakeholders connected to topic area.
 - ii. How are children who have been exposed to IPV placed at the centre of planning and involved in the process?
 - iii. The processes for including children in decision making and having their voices heard?
 - iv. What recommendations, if any, that may emerge from the findings of the research.
- Must ensure there is a partnership between an academic and/or university and community organizations that have experience/background on this issue.
- Identify in-kind contributions and/or donations.
- Increased reporting required to the Research Coordinator, CARE Grant Committee as the research progresses – see details below.
- Funding up to \$50,000.

3. Understanding the needs of Newcomers who experience intimate partner violence (IPV)

Newcomers in our prairie provinces face many challenges to adjusting to their new life in Canada. Navigating the service systems and supports can be significantly difficult with many barriers, particularly when there is experience of intimate partner or family violence. *Prairieaction* would like to learn more about the needs of newcomers who experience IPV and is calling for research encompassing the below criteria:

- Research must have a qualitative focus with emphasis on understanding the current literature in this area.
- PAF would like to understand the following:

- i. Newcomer's experiences with IPV?
 - ii. What are the interventions for newcomers?
 - iii. Are there barriers that newcomer's experience in accessing of services?
 - iv. What, if any, recommendations that could be made based on the findings of the research
- Must ensure there is a partnership between an academic and/or university and community organizations that have experience/background on this issue.
 - Identify in-kind contributions and/or donations.
 - Increased reporting required to the Research Coordinator, CARE Grant Committee as the research progresses – see details below.
 - Funding of up to \$50,000.

Additional Details

The successful applicants will be required to complete the following with the full proposal:

- Outline methodology, budget, including in-kind contributions and donations and timelines for completion.
- Provide two letters of support from community based organizations in the other provinces.
- Meet with the PAF Research Coordinator upon approval of the grant to provide overview and to detail the operationalization of the research.
- Provide quarterly progress reports to the Research Coordinator, Care Grant Committee that includes an interim report at the midpoint of completion of the work, and a final report as per CARE Grant guidelines outlined in acceptance letter.
- Make presentation to the Board of Directors upon completion of the research work, highlighting outcomes and knowledge gained.
- Upon completion, the dissemination of the findings must include community sharing.
- DEADLINE for funding application/proposals is August 1, 2017.

PAF only funds organizations that are community based and are registered charities with Canada Revenue Agency. Organizations are expected to work in partnership with academic researchers or other relevant partners. PAF does not fund outside of the Prairie Provinces.

