

Community Life Fund (CLF) Guidelines

The Community Life Fund exists to empower George Fox students to initiate organic, meaningful interactions. To ensure that student ideas enrich our campus culture, every proposal is processed through the lens of Commuter Life's foundational pillars: **Nurtured, Valued, Engaged, and Connected.**

Please Note: Submission does not guarantee approval. All funding is subject to budget availability and the ultimate discretion of the Commuter Life / Student Life administrative team. Late or incomplete proposals will not be considered.

1. Being Nurtured: Wellness, Stewardship & Conduct

We seek to foster safe environments where students can grow holistically and care well for university resources.

- **Student Conduct:** To maintain a physically, emotionally, and spiritually safe space, all funded activities and participating students must strictly adhere to the GFU Lifestyle Contract.
- **Responsible Stewardship:** Financial boundaries are enforced to guarantee equitable and fair distribution of limited resources across the student body:

Administrative Category	Maximum Financial Allowance (whichever is lower)
Per Individual Event	\$250.00 max allocation
Per Individual Participant	\$25.00 max allocation

- **Frequency Request Cap:** To ensure equal access to wellness-promoting activities, an individual student is capped at 4 separate proposals per semester.

2. Being Valued: Inclusion, Transparency & Equity

We honor the unique presence of every individual within our campus community by striving for transparency and absolute inclusivity.

- **Eligible Student Population:** This fund is reserved exclusively for traditional George Fox undergraduate students (GF Digital students are ineligible).
- **Transparency of Intent:** All anticipated participants must be named transparently in the initial proposal to guarantee equity and safety.
- **Purpose & Justification:** Every submission must clearly outline *how* and *why* the proposed activity honors participants and fosters an intentionally welcoming environment.

3. Being Engaged: Organic & Student-Led Action

We champion grassroots, student-initiated leadership rather than relying on top-down university programming or routine, unguided social outings.

To prevent duplicating pre-existing university resources, the CLF explicitly respects institutional boundaries. It **cannot** fund activities initiated by, sponsored by following groups:

- Residence Life (RL), Commuter Life (CL), or Spiritual Life (SpIL)
- Student Publications (*The Crescent*, *The Collective*, *Wineskin*)

Expense and Activity Restrictions:

- **Travel & Lodging:** The fund does not cover transportation logistics (gas, mileage, airfare) or overnight lodging configurations (hotels, rentals).
- **Institutional Programming:** University-sponsored events (formals, athletic games, academic setups, dances, or official artistic performances) are restricted.

4. Being Connected: Meaningful Relationships

We encourage relational bonds that dismantle isolation, bridging smaller peer frameworks into a healthier, cohesive George Fox experience.

- **Minimum Community Threshold:** To ensure a relational dynamic, activities must intentionally bring together a minimum of 3 students.
- **Relational Focus:** Submissions must demonstrate that the proposal's central target is an interactive shared experience, mapping directly to long-lasting peer-to-peer connection.

5. Critical Planning Deadlines

To demonstrate respect and logistical care for our administrative teams, please submit your timelines well in advance:

- **New Proposal Submissions:** Must be sent in **at least 3 weeks prior** to your projected event date.
- **End-of-Semester Cutoff:** No new proposals will be reviewed within **4 weeks prior** to the final day of classes.
- **Reimbursement Receipts:** Completed items and original receipts must be filed **at least 2 weeks prior** to the final day of final exams. NOTE: Reimbursements will **not** be provided for more than what is approved, and may be adjusted if proposed activity has been modified.