

Alberta Lottery Fund — Quick Facts

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What is the Alberta Lottery Fund?

- The Alberta Lottery Fund is the government's share of net proceeds from VLTs, slot machines, and ticket lotteries.
- Alberta Lottery Fund expenditures are voted on in the Legislature and support programs, projects and foundations administered by various ministries.
- The Ministry of Gaming oversees the Alberta Lottery Fund budget and administers certain lottery-funded programs.

How is the Alberta Lottery Fund administered?

- The Alberta Lottery Fund receives net gaming and lottery revenue.
- The government's share of gaming and lottery revenue is fully disclosed.
- The use of lottery dollars is transparent, allowing Albertans to know how lottery dollars are spent.

Alberta Lottery Fund initiatives

- Thousands of volunteer, public and community-based initiatives are funded annually.
- Examples: community facilities, libraries, museums, sports and athletic events, agricultural societies, major exhibitions, arts and culture groups, wildlife and conservation projects, public athletic facilities, seniors' groups, recreation, tourism, and historical resources.
- Types of public initiatives funded include infrastructure projects, school and health facility construction, and seniors' facility upgrades.

Alberta Lottery Fund revenue (2006/2007 estimate)

Alberta Lottery Fund sources:

➤ VLTs	\$ 609.5 million
➤ Slot machines	\$ 680.5 million
➤ Ticket lotteries	\$ 187.5 million
➤ Lottery fund interest	\$ 6.0 million
➤ Subtotal	\$ 1.483 billion
➤ Operating expenses	\$ 177.3 million
TOTAL	\$ 1.306 billion

Lottery funded grant guidelines

- Lottery-funded grants are provided to initiatives that support and encourage self-reliance among Albertans and their communities.
- Care is taken to ensure funding is distributed fairly throughout the province and is granted to local sustainable projects.
- Funds are dispersed in a way that contributes to the quality of life in Alberta and are reinvested in communities to support volunteers.
- Audit systems are in place to ensure organizations use lottery dollars for approved projects.

For examples of projects funded by the Alberta Lottery Fund, visit the "[Who Benefits – Searchable Database](#)" available on the Alberta Lottery Fund's website at www.albertalotteryfund.ca.

Alberta Lottery Fund revenue distribution

(Estimates for 2006/2007)

Lottery Fund dollars are distributed in two ways – through allocations to specific ministries, and through those ministries to public initiatives, foundations and grant programs:

1) Lottery funds are committed to initiatives administered through 14 ministries:	
➤ Advanced Education	\$ 37.0 million
➤ Agriculture, Food and Rural Development	\$ 22.2 million
➤ Children's Services	\$ 49.5 million
➤ Community Development	\$ 95.4 million
➤ Economic Development	\$ 14.9 million
➤ Education	\$ 129.1 million
➤ Environment	\$ 0.5 million
➤ Finance	\$ 116.5 million
➤ Gaming	\$ 197.5 million
➤ Health and Wellness	\$ 362.8 million
➤ Human Resources and Employment	\$ 12.8 million
➤ Infrastructure and Transportation	\$ 175.0 million
➤ Innovation and Science	\$ 67.0 million
➤ Municipal Affairs	\$ 26.0 million
TOTAL FUNDING	\$ 1.306 billion

Note: All Alberta Lottery Fund expenditures are used to support programs, foundations, special projects, and initiatives administered by the various ministries.

- 2) Various key foundations and granting programs receive funding from the Alberta Lottery Fund. These foundations and programs are directly responsible for administration and granting decisions related to projects within their mandate:

Administered through the Ministry of Gaming (2006/2007):

➤ Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP)	\$ 38.5 million
➤ Community Initiatives Program	\$ 30.0 million
SUBTOTAL	\$ 68.5 million

Administered through the Ministry of Community Development (2006/2007):

➤ Hosting Major Athletic Events	\$ 0.5 million
➤ Alberta Foundation for the Arts	\$ 22.1 million
➤ Alberta Historical Resources Foundation	\$ 7.8 million
➤ Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Education Fund	\$ 1.5 million
➤ Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation	\$ 20.4 million
➤ Wild Rose Foundation	\$ 8.1 million
➤ 2006 Centennial Grants	\$ 35.0 million
SUBTOTAL	\$ 95.4 million

TOTAL **\$ 163.9 million**

Note: The amounts of the foundations and granting programs above are included in the \$1.306 billion total. Visit the "[Where the Money Goes](#)" page on the Alberta Lottery Fund website at www.albertalotteryfund.ca for a Summary of Payments.