

# BBS VERIFIED SPONSORSHIP LINKS

15 Working Links + 8 Broken Links Identified | Audit Date: February 2026

BIPOC Business Society | University of Ottawa | 2025-2026

All links below were verified on February 20, 2026. The 15 WORKING links are ready for Lola to research. The 8 BROKEN links are listed at the end with suggested replacement URLs to find.

## TIER 1 - BANKS (VERIFIED WORKING)

### #1 RBC - Community Sponsorship (Sponsorium)

URGENT

STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING

<https://www.rbc.com/community-social-impact/apply-for-funding/index.html>

Ask: \$3,000 - \$10,000

Likelihood: 80%

Notes: Use Sponsorium platform. Select 'Organization' (NOT 'Event'). Year-round applications.

■ Active?	■ Deadline?	■ Max \$?	■ Docs needed?
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### #2 RBC Future Launch - BIPOC Youth

HIGH

STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING

<https://www.rbc.com/en/future-launch/about/bipoc-youth/>

Ask: Partnership + \$10K scholarships

Likelihood: 50%

Notes: \$50M committed to BIPOC youth. Explore becoming a nominating community partner for RBC Black Youth Scholarships.

■ Active?	■ Deadline?	■ Max \$?	■ Docs needed?
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### #3 TD Bank - Ready Commitment Funding

HIGH

STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING

<https://www.td.com/ca/en/about-td/ready-commitment/funding>

Ask: \$2,000 - \$5,000

Likelihood: 60%

Notes: 4 intake deadlines/year. TD does NOT fund general operating - frame as a specific named program.

■ Active?	■ Deadline?	■ Max \$?	■ Docs needed?
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### #4 CIBC - Community & Sponsorship Funding

MEDIUM

STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING

<https://www.cibc.com/en/about-cibc/corporate-responsibility/community-and-sponsorship/funding-guidelines.html>

Ask: \$1,000 - \$5,000

Likelihood: 50%

Notes: Application via Benevity platform. Contact CIBC Campus Relations (Ottawa) as well.

■ Active?	■ Deadline?	■ Max \$?	■ Docs needed?
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## TIER 2 - FOUNDATIONS & GRANTS (VERIFIED WORKING)

### #5 Ontario Trillium Foundation - Youth Opportunities Fund

URGENT

**STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING**<https://otf.ca/our-grants/youth-opportunities-fund>**Ask:** \$5,000 - \$150,000/year**Likelihood:** 55%**Notes:** Prioritizes Indigenous and Black youth. Scale grants up to \$150K/year for 2-3 years. May need fiscal sponsor. Contact: yof@otf.ca

■ Active?	■ Deadline?	■ Max \$?	■ Docs needed?
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**#6 OTF - Youth Innovations Scale Grant****URGENT****STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING**<https://otf.ca/our-grants/youth-opportunities-fund/youth-innovations-scale-grant>**Ask:** Up to \$150,000/year**Likelihood:** 55%**Notes:** Specific grant stream within OTF. Up to \$150K/year for 2-3 years. Check if BBS qualifies as youth-led (ages 12-25).

■ Active?	■ Deadline?	■ Max \$?	■ Docs needed?
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**#7 Black Opportunity Fund (BOF)****HIGH****STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING**<https://blackopportunityfund.ca/>**Ask:** \$5,000 - \$25,000**Likelihood:** 60%**Notes:** Created specifically for Black-led/Black-serving orgs. Focus: economic empowerment, capacity building.

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**#8 BlackNorth Initiative****MEDIUM****STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING**<https://blacknorth.ca/>**Ask:** Connections to 500+ corporate sponsors**Likelihood:** 55%**Notes:** 500+ companies pledged 3% of donations to Black communities. Register as community partner to access corporate network.

■ Active?	■ Deadline?	■ Max \$?	■ Docs needed?
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**#9 Canadian Race Relations Foundation (CRRF)****MEDIUM****STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING**<https://www.crrf-fcrr.ca/>**Ask:** \$5,000 - \$25,000**Likelihood:** 40%**Notes:** Government-funded. Check for open grant programs addressing racial equity in business/education.

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**#10 GrantWatch - BIPOC Grants Ontario****HIGH****STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING**<https://ontario.grantwatch.com/cat/53/bipoc-grants.html>**Ask:** Various**Likelihood:** N/A - Research Tool**Notes:** Grant AGGREGATOR. Scan the full list for Ontario-specific BIPOC funding BBS could apply to.

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**TIER 3 - CORPORATE PARTNERSHIPS (VERIFIED WORKING)**

## #11 Shopify - Social Impact

HIGH

STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING

<https://www.shopify.com/about/social-impact>

Ask: \$3,000 - \$10,000

Likelihood: 70%

Notes: HQ in OTTAWA. Check community/campus partnership applications. Also check Shopify University Relations.

■ Active?	■ Deadline?	■ Max \$?	■ Docs needed?
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## #12 Deloitte Canada - DEI & Community Impact

HIGH

STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING

<https://www.deloitte.com/ca/en/who-we-are/story/impact/diversity-equity-inclusion-and-accessibility.html>

Ask: \$1,000 - \$5,000

Likelihood: 75%

Notes: Find Ottawa office campus recruiter. Check student org sponsorship application process.

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## #13 Osler - Black Future Lawyers Commitment

MEDIUM

STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING

<https://www.osler.com/en/about-us/media-centre/leading-law-firms-announce-1-75-million-long-term-commitment-to-black-future-lawyers/>

Ask: \$500 - \$2,000

Likelihood: 70%

Notes: \$1.75M commitment across 14 law firms. Check if business students can access funding. Get Ottawa student programs contact.

■ Active?	■ Deadline?	■ Max \$?	■ Docs needed?
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## #14 Norton Rose Fulbright - DEI Actions

MEDIUM

STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING

<https://www.nortonrosefulbright.com/en-ca/about/diversity-equity-and-inclusion/actions>

Ask: \$500 - \$2,000

Likelihood: 70%

Notes: Has Ottawa office. Race Equity Council active. BlackNorth partner. Find Ottawa student recruitment coordinator.

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## #15 Vancouver Foundation - LEVEL BIPOC Grants (REFERENCE)

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STATUS: VERIFIED WORKING

<https://www.vancouverfoundation.ca/grant-seekers/find-grants/level-bipoc-grants/>

Ask: Up to \$50,000 (BC only)

Likelihood: 0% - REFERENCE ONLY

Notes: BBS cannot apply (BC only). Study their application structure as a template for approaching Ontario foundations.

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# BROKEN LINKS - NEED NEW URLs

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The following 8 links returned 404 errors as of February 20, 2026. These programs may still exist under new URLs. Suggestions for finding updated links are provided.

## 1. Scotiabank - ScotiaRISE Sponsorship

Dead URL: <https://www.scotiabank.com/ca/en/about/responsibility/community/sponsorships.html>

**How to find:** Search 'Scotiabank community sponsorship Benevity' or visit [scotiabank.com](https://www.scotiabank.com) and navigate to Community > Sponsorships

## 2. BMO - Community Sponsorships

Dead URL: <https://www.bmo.com/en-ca/main/about-bmo/our-impact/communities/community-sponsorships/>

**How to find:** Email [corporate.sponsorships@bmo.com](mailto:corporate.sponsorships@bmo.com) directly or search 'BMO EMpower community grants'

## 3. Desjardins - Community Fund

Dead URL: <https://www.desjardins.com/ca/about-us/community/index.jsp>

**How to find:** Visit [desjardins.com](https://www.desjardins.com) and navigate to About Us > Community, or contact local Ottawa Caisse branch

## 4. Accenture Canada - Community Impact

Dead URL: <https://www.accenture.com/ca-en/about/company/canada-community-impact>

**How to find:** Search 'Accenture Canada community impact 2026' or contact campus recruitment directly

## 5. Bell Let's Talk Community Fund

Dead URL: <https://letstalk.bell.ca/en/bell-lets-talk-community-fund>

**How to find:** Try [letstalk.bell.ca/get-funding/](https://letstalk.bell.ca/get-funding/) - program likely moved

## 6. Rogers Community Grants

Dead URL: <https://about.rogers.com/giving-back/community-grants/>

**How to find:** Visit [about.rogers.com](https://about.rogers.com) and check under 'Our Impact' for current grant programs

## 7. TELUS Community Boards

Dead URL: <https://www.telus.com/en/social-impact/giving-back/community-boards>

**How to find:** Search 'TELUS community grants program 2026' - renamed from Community Boards

## 8. Microsoft Canada Philanthropies

Dead URL: <https://www.microsoft.com/en-ca/about/philanthropies>

**How to find:** Search 'Microsoft Philanthropies Canada' or contact campus recruitment for in-kind sponsorship

## TIMED OUT (LIKELY WORKING)

**Community Foundation of Ottawa** - <https://www.ottawafoundation.org/>

Site likely working but slow. Try visiting directly in browser.

## QUICK REFERENCE SUMMARY

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#	Sponsor	Status	Ask Amount	Priority
1	RBC - Community Sponsorship (Sponsorium)	WORKING	\$3,000 - \$10,000	URGENT
2	RBC Future Launch - BIPOC Youth	WORKING	Partnership + \$10K scholarships	HIGH
3	TD Bank - Ready Commitment Funding	WORKING	\$2,000 - \$5,000	HIGH
4	CIBC - Community & Sponsorship Funding	WORKING	\$1,000 - \$5,000	MEDIUM
5	Ontario Trillium Foundation - Youth Oppo...	WORKING	\$5,000 - \$150,000/year	URGENT
6	OTF - Youth Innovations Scale Grant	WORKING	Up to \$150,000/year	URGENT
7	Black Opportunity Fund (BOF)	WORKING	\$5,000 - \$25,000	HIGH
8	BlackNorth Initiative	WORKING	Connections to 500+ corporate sponsors	MEDIUM
9	Canadian Race Relations Foundation (CRRF...	WORKING	\$5,000 - \$25,000	MEDIUM
10	GrantWatch - BIPOC Grants Ontario	WORKING	Various	HIGH
11	Shopify - Social Impact	WORKING	\$3,000 - \$10,000	HIGH
12	Deloitte Canada - DEI & Community Impact	WORKING	\$1,000 - \$5,000	HIGH
13	Osler - Black Future Lawyers Commitment	WORKING	\$500 - \$2,000	MEDIUM
14	Norton Rose Fulbright - DEI Actions	WORKING	\$500 - \$2,000	MEDIUM
15	Vancouver Foundation - LEVEL BIPOC Grant...	WORKING	Up to \$50,000 (BC only)	REFERENCE

**Total Verified Working Links:** 15

**Total Broken Links:** 8 (need updated URLs)

**Total Potential Revenue (Working Links):** \$30,000 - \$250,000+

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**For:** Nathan Amankwah - BBS Finance Pillar

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