



## ManACE Social Justice Grants

### Aim:

To support Manitoba school-based projects that promote social justice themed initiatives involving technology with schools in developing areas.

ManACE seeks to inspire students and teachers to use technology to reach out to others and to find ways to assist students and teachers who do not have good access to technology.



The term *technology* includes all the tools and solutions humans have developed to solve problems. Everything from instructional technology to basic water supplies are included in this definition. The goal of your classroom is to apply for a specific idea on how technology can help a school somewhere else solve a problem they have.

### Overview:

To apply for this grant, students must create and submit a digital presentation along with the written grant application. The presentation can be in any form such as a photostory, a website, or a booklet.

ManACE will fund up to **two grants of \$1,000.00 to each of three levels:** K-4, 5-8, and 9-12 if there are sufficient acceptable entries. These grants will fund projects created by Manitoba classes who present the best ideas for using the grant money to assist a school in a developing area, or to assist any school with a demonstrated level of high needs.

There are two intake periods you can apply for: **January 26, 2011** and **April 13, 2011**. Your class can apply for either intake period or for both. Up to three \$1,000.00 grants will be funded at each intake period. Decisions will follow within approximately three weeks of intake dates.

### **How can you get started?**

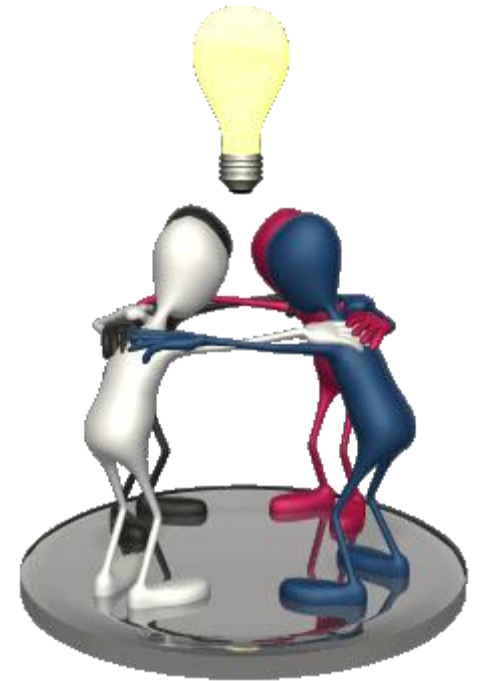
1. Connect with a school in a developing place or with high needs.
2. Decide what that school needs by getting to know the people at the school and communicating with them.
3. Come up with a compelling argument about why your project should be chosen and funded (see evaluation criteria) and put your argument in a digital format of your choice.
4. Create an application package (this will include an application form plus a digital presentation) as a class or in small groups of students. Your presentation should try to sell your concept as a great idea to the panel. Please ensure that you postmark your application by the intake deadlines.

\* ManACE reserves the right to showcase submitted projects. A completed entry must include publication waivers for any students who appear in the digital presentation created for the application.

### **What type of projects would be eligible?**

Any project where you are proposing spending money that will benefit a school with high needs will be considered.

Schools that require clean water, resources, tools, etc. would all be eligible. Projects that will result in long-term benefits are encouraged, as are projects that use technology to solve problems or improve conditions.



### **Specific ideas:**

- Building a well in a remote location that will benefit a school
- Purchasing technology or resources needed by a school that will improve conditions or opportunities for the school

**Judging:** *Entries will be judged on the basis of:*

**Project (70%)**

- Impact
- Sustainability
- Budget
- Practicality
- Evidence of support from receiving school and or other organization - can be a written submission
- Process - outline/description of project

**Presentation (30%)**

- Creativity/Originality
- Copyright free images, clips, sound and music
- Clear idea of the project
- Compelling promotion of the project  
(demonstrates need, appropriateness, feasibility, etc)

Presentations must use only copyright-free images, audio & video clips. Selecting grants to be funded will be done by a panel established by ManACE for the specific purpose of selecting winning entries.

**Deadlines:**

First intake deadline: January 26, 2011

Second intake deadline: April 13, 2011

Decisions will follow within three weeks of intake dates.

If you have any questions, please email:  
[grants@manace.ca](mailto:grants@manace.ca)

Please mail your application and presentation(s) to:

**ManACE Grant Application  
c/o Andy McKiel  
Professional Staff Development Centre  
150 Moray Street,  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
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Please ensure that you include both the **completed application form** as well as your **classroom presentation(s)** designed to convince the panel your project should be funded.

