



# Community Engagement Policy



At énergir, we believe in harnessing our collective energy to build a more sustainable future for everyone.

By uniting the right people around meaningful projects, we can address community needs and create a lasting, positive impact on society—both today and for generations to come.

We also believe that by supporting local organizations, we can drive progress across all of Québec.

**That's why we're committed to investing differently, working toward a healthier, more inclusive, and more equitable world.**

Énergir's Community Engagement Policy establishes clear criteria and guidelines<sup>1</sup> for selecting and managing donations.<sup>2</sup>

By applying this policy rigorously, Énergir ensures that its investments of funds and efforts effectively enhance community well-being and create meaningful impact in the areas it prioritizes.

<sup>1</sup> Énergir may consider applications from organizations in other sectors as part of its program to support employee community engagement.

<sup>2</sup> This Policy governs donations made by Énergir, LP. Énergir's subsidiaries are not subject to this Policy.

## Our guiding principles

### Commitment to the communities we serve

Énergir's philanthropic efforts are rooted in local engagement, aiming to make a meaningful impact in the communities [we serve across Québec](#).



### Donations to support missions rather than philanthropic events and sponsorships

To maximize its impact, Énergir prioritizes donations that align with the missions of organizations operating within its key areas of focus. As a result, the purchase of benefit event tickets and philanthropic sponsorships are not encouraged.



### A collaborative approach, to address issues systemically

To address the needs and complex challenges within its focus areas, Énergir actively promotes collaborative initiatives between organizations and other stakeholders.



### Initiatives with collaborative opportunities for our employees

Énergir invests—and is deeply invested—in other ways: initiatives that foster collaboration and engagement with our employees are highly valued and encouraged.



## Our areas of action

Énergir is committed to addressing urgent needs today while investing in a better tomorrow. We achieve this by focusing on three key areas where we aim to make the greatest impact.



### Helping communities in precarious situations

Énergir is dedicated to fostering a more inclusive and equitable society by addressing the most urgent needs of communities that are vulnerable, at risk of becoming vulnerable, or experiencing social exclusion.

- Essential aid for the most vulnerable
- Support for communities experiencing social exclusion



### Supporting vulnerable youth

Recognizing that young people will shape the world of tomorrow, Énergir is dedicated to empowering those in need of support to realize their full potential.

- Initiatives to support vulnerable youth and foster their development
- Student retention in schools with a high deprivation index (elementary and secondary schools)



### Supporting climate change adaptation

Aligned with its commitment to driving the energy transition, Énergir supports initiatives that foster adaptation to climate change.

- Projects contributing to GHG reduction
- Land development and greening projects
- Youth awareness activities



While the needs are real, the solutions are many: organizations<sup>3</sup> have full discretion to demonstrate how they are addressing one or more of these areas through their mission, initiatives or projects.

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<sup>3</sup> In the healthcare sector, donations are made to hospital foundations during major fundraising campaigns.



## Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for evaluation, an application must meet the following criteria:

- Be submitted via the online form.
- Come from a non-profit organization recognized as a registered charity by the Canada Revenue Agency, and operating in Québec.
- Align with one of Énergir's prioritized areas of action.
- Be supported by a thorough and comprehensive file that demonstrates the impact of the mission or project and its link to the areas of action prioritized by Énergir.
- Be submitted to Énergir 8 to 12 weeks prior to the expected response date.

## Exclusions

Énergir does not contribute to causes, projects or organizations:

- That have already received financial support from Énergir within the same year.
- Whose mission is linked to a religious, advocacy or political group.
- Whose plan is related to the construction, renovation, restoration or acquisition of premises or buildings.
- Whose application is for reimbursement of natural gas consumption costs.
- Whose application is from student associations or for school or university competitions.

## Obligations of organizations

- Upon request, organizations must provide a report detailing the administration of the donation and the project's impact on the target audience within six months of project completion or within one year of the disbursement. For annual donations exceeding \$25,000, organizations must submit an annual report in a format of their choice.
- All renewal requests are subject to a new analysis, as no agreements are automatically renewed.
- For each donation of \$25 or more, organizations must issue a tax receipt to Énergir. For tax purposes, particularly for fundraising events, organizations must specify the portion of ticket costs that constitutes a direct donation to the organization or its cause.
- Organizations authorize Énergir to use their name in communications to highlight Énergir's community contributions.



## How to apply

All applications must be submitted through the online form available on Énergir's website. Please allow 8 to 12 weeks for the review and analysis process.

[Complete the form](#)

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