



Youth Innovation Grants
Cycle 5 Updates

The following changes are being implemented in cycle 5:

Project Timelines	Applicants can select a 6 or 9 month timeline for their project, 3 and 12 month project timelines are no longer available.
Project Titles	Applicants will be required to provide a project title when they apply for the Innovation Grant.
Final Report Due Date	Final reports are now due 30 days after the project has concluded
Final Report Narrative	<p>The narrative section of the final report can be submitted in the following formats:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written report • Video/ video blog • Adobe Sparks webpage <p>More information and examples will be shared.</p>
Grantee Support	<p>Upon receiving funding, all youth grantees will be provided with a newly developed one-page checklist to review with their Special Olympics Project staff. The one-pager will help facilitate clear expectations of requirements and timelines, and will be a great opportunity to connect with the Program staff.</p> <p>The one-pagers will be distributed from SOIHQ to Regional staff prior to cycle 5 grantee announcement .</p>
Post-Project Implementation	A closed Facebook group will be created as a network for Youth Leaders, SO staff and adult mentors continue sharing ideas and connecting post-project implementation. Upon submitting a final report, grantees will receive a link to join the group.