## **SUBMISSION CRITERIA**

## Eligibility

- 1. Entrants must be either registered not-for-profits or charitable organizations in Southern Ontario looking to reinvent their approach to marketing.
- 2. Organizations that provide local volunteering opportunities are preferred.
- 3. Organizations understand that Jan Kelley has the ultimate decision about how the allocated in-kind dollars are utilized. A formal Scope of Work (Approach, Outcomes, Timeline, Parameters, Expectations, etc.) will be developed and signed prior to project kick-off.
- 4. Entries must conform to the Submission Requirements (see below) and all sections of the form are mandatory.
- 5. Organizations must submit on their own behalf. Nominations are not permitted.
- 6. The suggested project must be started and completed in 2026.
- 7. Members of Jan Kelley and their families are not eligible to enter/be an organization's point of contact.
- 8. Applications must be submitted by December 15, 2026 at 11:59 PM ET to be considered.
- 9. Jan Kelley will contact the shortlisted charities for a follow-up interview in January.

We particularly encourage applications from diverse and underrepresented groups.

## **Evaluation Criteria**

Organization's Purpose	<ul> <li>Clearly defined purpose</li> <li>Demonstration of positive contribution and track record</li> <li>Organization's impact on the world</li> <li>Organization's digital maturity</li> <li>Note: Priority will be given to organizations that support people and the planet</li> </ul>	5 points
Organization's 2026 Goal	<ul> <li>Clearly defined 2026 goal</li> <li>Demonstrated understanding of the impact of marketing on goal</li> <li>Demonstrated interest in Digital Transformation</li> </ul>	5 points
Organization's Desired Impact	<ul> <li>Demonstrated understanding of Jan Kelley</li> <li>Clearly defined expectations and measures of success</li> <li>Demonstrated long-term outlook</li> <li>Internal investment (resources, time, hard costs if applicable)</li> </ul>	5 points
Organization's Cultural and Values Alignment	<ul> <li>Alignment with Jan Kelley's values</li> <li>Alignment with Jan Kelley's culture</li> <li>Provides volunteering opportunities for Jan Kelley employees</li> </ul>	10 points



