

List of Government of Canada and Non-federal calls for proposals and funding opportunities: Feb 2025

Listed below, you will find federal and non-federal funding opportunities along with a brief description and a link to the Government of Canada/relevant websites associated with each opportunity. We are grateful to Indigenous Services Canada's Partnerships Team for sharing the list with us for wider distribution.

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GOVERNMENT OF CANADA CALLS FOR PROPOSALS AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

New funding opportunities

ARTS, CULTURE, AND LANGUAGE

[Indigenous Languages Component – Multi-distinction and Indigenous Urban Organizations](#): The 2025-2026 call for applications of the Indigenous Languages Component for Multi-distinction and Indigenous Urban Organizations is now open until February 17, 2025. The objectives of the Indigenous Languages Component are to:

- support the efforts of Indigenous communities and Indigenous organizations to reclaim, revitalize, maintain and strengthen their Indigenous languages
- create new Indigenous language speakers, increase fluency, immersion opportunities, increase use of Indigenous languages, and the documentation of all Indigenous languages

CAPACITY

[Community Foundation Grant](#): The Canada Post Community Foundation provides grants to Canadian schools, charities and community organizations that make a difference in the lives of children and youth (up to age 21). Since 2012, the Foundation has granted \$14.8 million to more than 1,300 projects across Canada.

[First Nations and Inuit Skills Link Program](#): The First Nations and Inuit Skills Link Program is 1 of 2 programs under the [First Nations and Inuit Youth Employment Strategy](#). This program supports activities that assist First Nations and Inuit youth in gaining the essential skills to help them with gaining employment, performing effectively in workplace settings, and learning about job and career options. Activities can include career



promotion, science and technology activities, co-operative education placements, internships and mentored work placements.

[First Nations and Inuit Summer Work Experience Program](#): The First Nations and Inuit Summer Work Experience Program is part of the [First Nations and Inuit Youth Employment Strategy](#). Projects under the First Nations and Inuit Summer Work Experience Program allow youth to learn about career options and earn an income that can contribute to a university or college education.

[Local Food Infrastructure Fund – Large Scale Projects](#): The Local Food Infrastructure Fund (LFIF) supports projects that strengthen community food security and increase the availability and accessibility of local, nutritious, and culturally appropriate food through food production-focused activities for equity-deserving groups, particularly Indigenous and Black communities.

[Youth Employment and Skills Program](#): The Youth Employment and Skills Program (YESP) will contribute approximately \$13.5 million to projects that employ youth and youth facing barriers. Each project will be eligible to receive up to \$14,000 in matching funds to employ one (1) employee. Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada is one of several Government of Canada departments participating in the [Youth Employment and Skills Strategy](#).

HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE

[Active Transportation Fund - Capital Project stream](#): Applications are currently being accepted to the **Capital Project stream** until **February 26, 2025** through the [Applicant Portal](#). Capital project applications from eligible Indigenous recipients are being accepted through the Applicant Portal until **April 9, 2025**. **Capital projects** involve new construction, enhancement of existing infrastructure, and/or improvements to design and safety features that encourage active transportation.

[Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund - Direct delivery stream](#): The Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund is currently accepting applications under the **Direct delivery stream**. Eligible applicants seeking support for pressing drinking water, wastewater, stormwater and solid-waste infrastructure needs can apply until March 31, 2025, 15:00 Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). In recognition of the unique infrastructure and housing needs and realities in Indigenous communities, Indigenous Applicants will have until May 19th, 2025, 15:00 Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) to submit their applications.



[Climate Help Desk](#): Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada (HICC)'s Climate Help Desk is a dedicated service where communities can submit inquiries and receive direct support and guidance on their infrastructure and climate-related needs. It offers a broad range of services, including:

- information on sector best practices for incorporating low-carbon and climate resilience measures in infrastructure and housing projects;
- advice on the use of specialized tools and resources to integrate low-carbon and climate resilience into projects; and
- comprehensive responses to questions about climate requirements in HICC's funding programs.

[Rural Transit Solutions Fund: Capital Projects Stream](#): The intake period for Capital Projects is currently open. Applications must be submitted via [Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada's online applicant portal](#) by Tuesday, March 4, 2025 (3:00 p.m. EST) and Tuesday, April 8, 2025 (3:00 p.m. EST) from Indigenous applicants. The Rural Transit Solutions Fund, under the Canada Public Transit Fund, supports the development and expansion of locally driven transit solutions, by helping residents of rural, remote, Indigenous and Northern communities conduct their day-to-day activities, like access services, go to work, school, medical appointments, and visit loved ones.

Previously identified funding opportunities (Jan 2025)

ARTS, CULTURE, AND LANGUAGE

[Building Communities through Arts and Heritage – Community Anniversaries](#): Building Communities through Arts and Heritage – Community Anniversaries component provides funding to local groups for non-recurring local events, with or without a minor capital project.

[Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage Program - Legacy Fund Stream](#): This funding stream provides funding for community – initiative capital projects, intended for community use.

[Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage Program – Local Festivals](#): This funding stream provides funding to local groups for recurring festivals that present the work of local artists, artisans, or heritage performers. This includes the celebration of LGBTQ2+ communities and Indigenous cultural celebrations.

[Canada Arts Presentation Fund – Professional Arts Festivals and Performing Arts Series Presenters](#): This funding stream supports existing professional arts festivals and performing arts series presenters to offer activities that connect artists with their Canadian communities.



[Canada Cultural Spaces Fund](#): This fund supports the improvement of physical conditions for arts, heritage culture and creative innovation. The fund supports renovation and construction projects, the acquisition of specialized equipment and feasibility studies related to cultural spaces.

[Community Support, Multiculturalism, and Anti-Racism Initiatives Program – Events Component](#): This component provides funding to community-based events that promote intercultural or interfaith understanding, promote discussions multiculturalism, diversity, racism and religious discrimination, or celebrate a community's history and culture such as heritage months recognized by Parliament.

[Creating, Knowing and Sharing: The Arts and Cultures of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples - Indigenous Organizations](#): The Indigenous Organizations component of *Creating, Knowing and Sharing* funds First Nations, Inuit and Métis organizations that engage in contemporary, customary or traditional artistic and cultural activities. These activities can include non-Indigenous artists and collaborations with non-Indigenous organizations. Grants support the exploration of innovative strategies for Indigenous creative and cultural expression, and related administrative activities.

[Creating, Knowing and Sharing: The Arts and Cultures of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples – Small-Scale Projects Component](#): The Small-Scale Activities component of *Creating, Knowing and Sharing* funds activities that will advance your artistic career or practice. This may include acquiring materials for artistic production, engaging in career or artistic development activities or benefitting from specific expertise, advice or training from a professional artist or cultural carrier. This component is open to First Nations, Inuit and Métis individuals, artistic groups, collectives and organizations working in all disciplines.

[Creating, Knowing and Sharing: The Arts and Cultures of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples – Travel Projects Component](#): The Travel component of *Creating, Knowing and Sharing* funds First Nations, Inuit and Métis artists, arts/cultural professionals (including artists' representatives), cultural carriers, artistic groups, collectives and organizations working in all disciplines. Grants support travel costs to attend significant events within Canada or abroad that advance your professional development, enable you or the artists you represent to access new markets or build national and international presence.

[Indigenous Languages Component—First Nations Languages Funding Model](#): The objectives of the Indigenous Languages Component—First Nations Languages Funding Model are to:



- support the efforts of First Nations communities and First Nations-led organizations to reclaim, revitalize, maintain and strengthen their First Nations languages; and,
- create new First Nations language speakers, increase fluency, immersion opportunities, use of First Nations languages, and the documentation of all First Nations languages.

[Indigenous Screen Office – Travel Funding:](#) The ISO is offering Travel Funding to support Indigenous screen-based creatives for activities that require travel including festival and market attendance, conferences, community engagement, training opportunities, and artistic screen-based collaboration across Canada and internationally.

[Museum Assistance Program – Exhibition Circulation Fund:](#) This funding opportunity assists museums with the costs related to the hosting of travelling exhibitions originating from another museum or from a federal heritage institution and the borrowing of artefacts from any of the National museums of Canada. Indigenous governing bodies or organizations with a mandate to preserve and support Indigenous heritage are eligible to apply.

CAPACITY

[Canada Retraining and Opportunities Initiative - funding program:](#) The Canada Retraining and Opportunities Initiative supports workforce planning and skills training in communities significantly impacted by a mass layoff. It provides funding for community-based projects that help workers develop the skills they need to transition to new jobs.

- Who can apply: Not-for-profit organizations, for-profit organizations, municipal governments, Indigenous organizations or governments, and educational institutions.

[Computers for Schools Plus:](#) Computers for Schools plus (CFS+) is not just for schools! We provide digital devices and accessories to schools, low-income Canadians, not-for-profit organizations, and Indigenous communities. To obtain digital devices and accessories, please contact your local [CFS+ Affiliate](#).

[Emergency Management Assistance Program:](#) In partnership with First Nations communities, provincial and territorial governments and non-government organizations, this program helps communities on reserve access emergency assistance services. EMAP provides funding to First Nations communities so they can build resiliency, prepare for natural hazards and respond to them using the 4 pillars of emergency management.

[Emergency Management FireSmart Program:](#) The Emergency Management Assistance Program supports wildland fire non-structural mitigation and preparedness initiatives through the FireSmart funding stream.



FireSmart builds skills in First Nations communities to prevent and prepare against wildland fires. Programming involves training First Nations teams in wildfire suppression duties, as well as fuel management and vegetation clearing, which reduces the intensity and spread of wildfires. FireSmart also leverages Indigenous knowledge of the local environment and terrain to improve emergency planning, preparation, and response to wildfires. FireSmart project funding is available for initiatives, such as wildfire pre-suppression planning; wildfire risk assessments; fuel reduction, forest thinning, prescribed burning; fire breaks; wildland fire crew training; vegetation management; fire mapping; FireSmart training, workshops, conferences; and community and youth engagement.

[Emergency Management Non-Structural Mitigation and Preparedness Program](#): The Emergency Management Assistance Program supports non-structural mitigation and preparedness initiatives through the Non-Structural Mitigation and Preparedness funding stream. This stream is proposal-based and funds non-structural projects undertaken by First Nations communities on reserve to prepare for and mitigate emergencies caused by natural disasters, such as flooding; landslides; tsunamis; severe weather; and drought. The goal of the Non-Structural Mitigation and Preparedness funding stream is to assist First Nations communities on reserve to increase their preparedness and mitigation capacity through initiatives such as:

- all-hazard risk assessments and mitigation plans
- rapid damage assessments
- development and updating of emergency management and evacuation plans
- drills and table top exercises for emergency and evacuation plans
- emergency management training
- emergency operations center training
- search and rescue training
- mental health training
- emergency support service training
- 911 mapping
- flood mapping
- natural hazard specific studies
- research or studies pertaining to non-structural mitigation and preparedness
- early tsunami warning systems
- community alert systems
- community and youth engagement
- emergency management forums or workshops

[Strategic Partnerships Initiative](#): This funding initiative provides a way for federal partners to coordinate their efforts, reduce administrative burden and pool resources in support of Indigenous communities. This initiative helps Indigenous communities participate in complex economic opportunities.

COMMUNITY SAFETY



[Aboriginal Community Safety Planning Initiative](#): This initiative works to prevent incidents of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, provides to enhance accessibility to Restorative Justice Programming, and responds to the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

[Canada Community Security Program \(CCSP\)](#): The Government of Canada is committed to protecting the safety and security of Canadians. Public Safety Canada (PS) is working to build a safe and resilient Canada and has a renewed commitment to this goal through the Canada Community Security Program (CCSP). The CCSP provides time-limited funding and support for communities at risk of [hate-motivated incidents and hate-motivated crimes](#) to enhance physical security at their gathering spaces.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

[Agricultural Clean Technology Program: Research and Innovation Stream](#): The Research and Innovation Stream will support pre-market innovation, including research, development, demonstration and commercialization activities, to develop transformative clean technologies and enable the expansion of current technologies, in 3 priority areas:

- Green energy and energy efficiency
- Precision agriculture
- Bioeconomy

[Community Opportunity Readiness Program](#): This program addresses the financial needs of Indigenous communities when they are in pursuit of, and wish to participate in, an economic opportunity. The program is a consolidation of the former community economic opportunities program, the major projects investment fund, and the community-based components of the Indigenous business development program.

[Indigenous Pathfinder Service](#): This is a one-stop shop for advice and referral to help navigate the relevant information, tools and support available to start or expand activities in the agriculture and agri-food sector. The service strives to ensure you do not miss out on support and other business opportunities available.

[Innovative Communities Fund](#): This program supports projects that build the economies of communities in Atlantic Canada.

ENVIRONMENT



[Agricultural Clean Technology Program: Research and Innovation Stream:](#) The Research and Innovation Stream will support pre-market innovation, including research, development, demonstration and commercialization activities, to develop transformative clean technologies and enable the expansion of current technologies.

[Clean Fuels Awareness:](#) Funding for Indigenous-led awareness and education projects for cleaner transportation and clean fuels. Support for projects that increase knowledge and understanding about the opportunities, benefits, and considerations related to adopting clean fuels in industrial operations, across the economy, and for consumers. Clean fuels can include: clean hydrogen and renewable natural gas, biofuels such as cellulosic ethanol, renewable diesel, and synthetic fuels and sustainable aviation fuels.

[Climate Change Preparedness in the North Program:](#) This program funds climate change adaptation projects in Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Nunavik and Nunatsiavut. The program works with Indigenous and northern communities, territorial and regional governments and other stakeholders to identify priorities for climate change adaptation in the North. The program provides support to northern communities and organizations to help them adapt to climate change impacts by funding the following types of projects vulnerability and risk assessment of climate change impacts; development of hazard maps and adaptation plans; development of adaptation options; and implementation of non-structural and structural adaptation measures.

[Contaminated Sites On-Reserve program:](#) This program provides funding to First Nations to identify, assess and remediate contaminated sites on reserve lands and other lands under the department's responsibility. The program's objectives include reducing risks to human health and the environment; ensuring that reserve lands are available for economic and community development or traditional use; and reducing federal liability associated with contaminated sites.

[First Nations Adapt Program:](#) This program provides support to First Nation communities and organizations located south of the 60th parallel to assess and respond to the impacts of climate change, and increase climate resilience, in support of self-determined priorities. The program accepts project proposals year-round.

[Northern REACHE Program:](#) The Northern Responsible Energy Approach for Community Heat and Electricity program, also called the Northern REACHE program, funds renewable energy and energy efficiency projects, and related capacity building and planning in: Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Nunavik, and Nunatsiavut. The program objective is to reduce Northern communities' reliance on diesel for heating and electricity by



increasing the use of local renewable energy sources and energy efficiency. This will result in environmental, social and economic benefits to support developing healthier, more sustainable Northern communities.

[Zero-Emission Vehicles Awareness](#): Funding for Indigenous-led awareness and education projects for cleaner transportation and clean fuels. Support for projects that aim to increase awareness, knowledge, and public confidence in: zero-emission vehicles (ZEV) in all vehicle classes and low-emitting medium- and heavy-duty vehicles (trucks, delivery vans) including retrofits, repowers, and conversions.

[2 Billion Trees Program ongoing call for proposals](#): The 2 Billion Trees (2BT) program has launched an ongoing call for proposals – applications can be submitted anytime. The 2BT program will process and assess proposals based on the submission date and provide decisions at specific intervals. Tree Planting Stream: for organizations, including for-profit organizations and non-profit organizations interested in tree planting projects. Indigenous Funding Stream: for Indigenous governments/communities/organizations interested in tree planting and/or capacity building projects.

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

[Canadian Benefit for Parents of Young Victims of Crime](#): The death or disappearance of a child is devastating and can leave parents unable to work. If you are a parent or legal guardian who consider to/or have taken time away from work and suffered a loss of income to cope with the death or disappearance of your child or children, you may be eligible for federal income support. The benefit provides eligible parents with payments of \$500 per week, paid every 2 weeks, for a maximum of 35 weeks over a period of 3 years.

[RCMP Family Violence Initiative Fund](#): The RCMP Family Violence Initiative Fund helps communities respond to [relationship and family violence](#) and victim issues. Funds are allocated to the RCMP by the Public Health Agency of Canada, under the federal [Family Violence Initiative](#). The fund helps to:

- Promote awareness of relationship and family violence
- Assist victims of family and relationship violence
- Support Indigenous communities

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

[Aboriginal Head Start On Reserve Program](#): This funding opportunity allows children to take part in activities that encourage a love of learning, establish positive health and wellness habits, and boosts self-confidence through connections to language, community and culture.



[Federal Indian Day Schools Health Support Services](#): This program provides health support services for individuals affected by the trauma associated with their attendance at an historic Federal Indian Day School.

[Health Facilities Program](#): This program provides funding to support planning, construction, expansion, renovation, maintenance, and management of community health facilities. These activities provide First Nations, Inuit and ISC-employed healthcare staff the space required to safely and efficiently deliver health care programs and services in First Nations and Inuit communities.

[Indian Residential Schools Resolution Health Support Program](#): The Indian Residential Schools Resolution Health Support Program was established as part of the 2006 Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement. It provides cultural and emotional support, and mental health counselling services to Survivors of Indian Residential Schools and the families of former students.

[Inuit Children First Initiative](#): This initiative ensures Inuit children have access to the essential government funded health, social and educational products, services and supports they need, when they need them.

[Jordan's Principle](#): Jordan's Principle makes sure all First Nations children living in Canada can access the products, services and supports they need, when they need them. Funding can help with a wide range of health, social and educational needs, including the unique needs that First Nations Two-Spirit and LGBTQQIA children and youth and those with disabilities may have.

[Mental Health Counselling Benefits for First Nations and Inuit](#): The program provides coverage for professional mental health counselling to complement other mental wellness services that may be available to clients or in communities. The program provides eligible clients with coverage for benefits not available under other federal, provincial, territorial or private health insurance.

HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE

[Canada Infrastructure Bank – Investment Process](#): Our Investment team works with public and private sector project sponsors to customize investment solutions. We attract and leverage private sector and institutional investment in revenue-generating infrastructure which benefit Canadians. We often receive unsolicited proposals (USP) from the private sector and institutional investors for new projects which are within one of our



priority sectors. The USP Framework sets out the processes for receiving, considering and advancing USP in collaboration with the private sector and public sponsors. It allows our team to assist public sponsors in navigating complex projects as an advisor, facilitator and potentially as an investor.

[Housing Support Program in British Columbia](#): This program supports First Nations in British Columbia to better and more effectively leverage funding, develop housing plans and policies and manage housing in their communities.

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

[Indigenous Reconciliation Program](#): The Indigenous Reconciliation Program provides funding for work that helps build and maintain relationships between Indigenous communities and the Department of National Defence/Canadian Armed Forces (DND/CAF).

YOUTH

[Youth engagement on the second State of Youth Report](#): Are you a youth between the ages of 16 and 29 living in Canada? We want to hear from you. The second State of Youth Report will be released in 2025. By reflecting the diverse experiences and concerns of youth, the second State of Youth Report will play a vital role in building a more inclusive, equitable and supportive Canada for all young people. Your voice matters – by completing the engagement tool, you are ensuring that the second State of Youth reflects the diverse experiences and concerns of youth. The engagement period is now open until February 16, 2025.

NON-FEDERAL CALLS FOR PROPOSALS AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

New funding opportunities (Feb 2025)

ARTS, CULTURE AND LANGUAGE

[Ethnocultural Community Support Program](#): The Ethnocultural Community Support grant helps community organizations preserve, enhance, promote and share Manitoba's rich and diverse cultural history and encourage the development of partnerships between cultural communities to foster inter-cultural understanding, harmony and equality.



CAPACITY

[Community Sport Fund](#): As a part of the Year of Sport, the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation will deliver the Community Sport Fund. The Community Sport Fund provides funding to municipalities, local service districts and Inuit Community Governments to support community events and initiatives that increase sport and active recreation for individuals of all ages. For more information about the Community Sport Fund please e-mail communitysportfund@gov.nl.ca.

[Co-operative Education Incentive](#): The Co-op Education Incentive helps employers hire post-secondary co-operative education students for work placements. Employers can hire a co-op student for a work term of 12-16 weeks. You'll receive a subsidy of \$8 an hour (\$9.50 if the student is a member of designated diversity group) for the wages you pay the student. Students must work at least 390 hours during their work term. The program will reimburse up to 640 hours of work. 32-week terms are available in some education programs – please confirm with the Co-op Coordinator at the post-secondary institution.

[Equity through Diverse Impact \(EDI\) Grant](#): The OSEG Foundation Equity through Diverse Impact (EDI) Grant funding is dedicated to supporting organizations that align with our mission of using the power of sport as a catalyst for social change to improve the lives of children and youth facing barriers to sports and recreation programs. Organizations that are successful in receiving the EDI Grant will use the funding to enhance their youth programs to foster greater inclusion, access, and opportunity to sport and recreation. Eligible organizations must serve underrepresented communities and groups that may face systemic barriers.

[Indigenous Communities Fund](#): The TELUS Indigenous Communities Fund provides flexible grant funding to Indigenous-led programs supporting Indigenous Peoples in Canada across all provinces and territories. Funding is available for projects focused on, but not limited to:

- Health, mental health and well-being
- Access to education and resources
- Preservation of the land and water
- Community building and enhancement
- Intergenerational language and cultural revitalization

[Urban/Hometown Green Team Program](#): Green Team grants create summer employment opportunities for youth aged 15 to 29 years. Approved Applicants provide a variety of community development projects that improve neighbourhoods, promote community involvement, and help develop young leaders. The employment period is between May 1 and September 30. The priorities for the 2025 summer season focus on municipalities, Northern



Affairs communities, community-based organizations in designated community renewal areas, and Manitoba-accredited camps. The projects should offer full-time employment opportunities, build leadership skills and employment experience for youth and demonstrate community need and partnerships.

COMMUNITY SAFETY

[The From the Ground Up - Safe Healthy Communities for ALL Program](#): The From the Ground Up - Safe Healthy Communities for ALL Program supports the province's commitment to build safe, healthy communities where individuals, children, youth and families can thrive. The program provides application-based project funding to support a broad range of community renewal efforts, community capital projects and children and youth initiatives. It focuses on community led response and revitalization efforts including capacity building, wellness and safety, community economic development, social inclusion, housing coordination and children and youth initiatives. The program leverages investments in community development by local governments, non-profit organizations, and others.

ENVIRONMENT

[Environmental Grant](#): Funding is available to non-profit organizations implementing initiatives that support the City of Saskatoon's strategic goal of Environmental Leadership. Activities must meet a demonstrated community need that is supported by the City and relate to one or more of the following categories:

- protection and enhancement of Saskatoon's green network;
 - the green network is Saskatoon's collection of green infrastructure including natural areas, wetlands, green spaces (such as parks and gardens), trees, urban agriculture, and built features like green roofs.
- conservation of natural resources;
- conservation and protection of our water resources;
- improve energy efficiency and reduce water use in buildings, operations, and activities (e.g., renovations to existing facilities);
- reduction of waste going to landfills;
- active transportation;
- environmental communications, research and education that support the City's environmental goals.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

[Active NL Fund](#): The Active NL Fund is designed to support active living. Funding is available to develop, deliver, purchase or upgrade active living infrastructure, equipment, and initiatives that directly increases sport, physical activity, active recreation, and healthy eating for individuals of all ages, including:

- Sport, physical activity and active recreation equipment and/or healthy eating equipment (maximum of \$1,500 per large healthy eating appliance/equipment);
- Exercise and adaptive/specialized exercise equipment (i.e. treadmill, elliptical, stationary bicycle, etc.). Equipment must be accessible for use in spaces available to the public;



- Multi-use trail development, upgrades, assessments and/or repairs for new or expansion of existing trails;
- Active transportation equipment and infrastructure;
- Development or upgrades to outdoor/indoor recreation and sport infrastructure/spaces;
- Active living initiatives (i.e. active recreation, exercise programs, ongoing recreation, and other active living initiatives) and healthy eating education programs
- Associated costs for regional, provincial, and/or national sanctioned sporting events for youth or adult sport participants (i.e. facility upgrades, equipment, supplies, etc.);
- Labour costs, when completed by a certified professional where required (i.e. electrical, plumbing, carpentry, etc.); and/or,
- Playground equipment approved by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA)

[Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund](#): The Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF) is a \$200 million capital funding program designed to revitalize existing community sport and recreation infrastructure and support the construction of new facilities across the province. The CSRIF is a two-stream, application-based funding program.

SPONSORSHIPS AND FOUNDATIONS

[Catherine Donnelly Foundation](#): The Catherine Donnelly Foundation takes a proactive approach to Civic Engagement for Social Change, viewing it as an important tool to address the most pressing social, environmental, cultural and community development problems and concerns today. We are committed to supporting projects that promote active citizenship, democracy, personal and social transformation by fostering the development of critical consciousness and skills required to promote a more just, equitable and sustainable society in Canada. Applications for Civic Engagement for Social Change and Environment streams open February 24, 2025.

Previously identified funding opportunities (Jan 2025)

ARTS, CULTURE AND LANGUAGE

[Oshki Wupoowane – The Blanket Fund](#): Oshki Wupoowane launched on September 30, with an initial \$1 million investment from Hudson's Bay Foundation and a commitment to direct 100% of net proceeds from the sale of all HBC Point Blankets to The Blanket Fund moving forward. Since then, The Blanket Fund has grown to more than \$1.5 million, which will be disbursed to successful applicants over multiple years. Through two grant streams, The Blanket Fund will provide support for Indigenous cultural, artistic, and educational activities. Indigenous people, as well as Indigenous-led initiatives and organizations in Canada, are eligible.



CAPACITY

[Aboriginal Participation Fund - Education and relationship-building](#): helps Indigenous communities and organizations in Ontario enhance their understanding of mineral exploration and development processes and develop relationships between Indigenous communities, industry and government.

[Capacity-Building Funding for Indigenous Communities](#): In support of PDAC's priority to promote engagement between Canada's Indigenous communities and the mineral development sector, PDAC has developed a comprehensive catalogue of all available federal, provincial, and territorial government capacity-building support programs that can serve to facilitate Indigenous engagement with the mineral development sector, and to contribute to active participation in related activities. There is no similar comprehensive compendium of cross-jurisdictional programming in Canada currently available to the public.

[Change Makers Micro-grant Program](#): Are you a passionate young Canadian between the ages of 15-29 with a desire to make a positive impact in your community? The Helping Hands ChangeMakers Micro Grant Program is your chance to turn your ideas into action, create lasting change and contribute to a more inclusive and volunteer-driven Canada. We are distributing 20 micro grants up to \$5,000 per project to individuals and groups who have a community project idea in need of funding.

[Community Training Partnerships](#): This program provides support for third-party organizations to deliver community and regional activities aimed at increasing skills development, including workplace essential skills, in the labour market in the Northwest Territories (NWT).

[Declaration Act Engagement Fund \(DAEF\)](#): The Declaration Act Engagement Fund (DAEF) provides multi-year (4 year) non-repayable funding contributions to First Nations to support their capacity to engage with the Province of B.C. on the implementation of the Declaration Act Action Plan and alignment of Provincial laws with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples both of which must be done in consultation and co-operation with Indigenous Peoples in B.C.

[Employee Training Program](#): This program offers funding to employers to offset the cost of training employees in the Northwest Territories. Training includes employee up-skilling due to economic, technological or organizational change. It may also be used to support individuals who are under-employed, or employed and in need of training to maintain or move to a different or better job. This program is not intended for employees to



maintain professional status, certification or designation or assist with personal development skills, such as self-awareness, self-esteem, emotional intelligence, or similar.

[Motorola Solutions Foundation](#): The Motorola Solutions Foundation, which has donated more than \$100 million in the last 10 years, aims to partner with organizations that are creating safer cities and equitable, thriving communities, and prioritizes underrepresented and/or underserved populations within the three focus areas below:

- Technology and engineering education
- First responder programming
- Blended first responder programming and technology/ engineering education programs

[Women's Initiatives Grant](#): To provide one-time-only funding for special projects that supports the cultural, economic, political, and social participation of women in the Northwest Territories. Special Projects may include but are not limited to, the following: workshops, conferences, publications, life skills development, and support to organizations involved in these activities.

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

[Gender-Based Violence Community Initiatives Fund](#): The Gender-Based Violence Community Initiatives Fund provides funding for community-based initiatives across the Northwest Territories that support the implementation of the [National Action Plan to End Gender Based Violence](#).

ENVIRONMENT

[BC Hydro - Programs for Indigenous communities](#): The Indigenous Communities Conservation Program (ICCP) provides funding and support for energy efficiency upgrades in Indigenous communities. All Indigenous communities within [our service area](#) are eligible to participate in the program for the benefit of their community and its members.

[TD Friends of the Environment Foundation Grant](#): The Foundation supports a wide range of environmental initiatives, with a primary focus on environmental education and green space programs. Eligible projects include schoolyard greening, park revitalization, community gardens, park programming and citizen science initiatives.

- **Community Garden projects** need to contain a focus on at least one environmental issue in order to be eligible for funding.
- **Environmental Education projects** should contain a focus on local environmental issues and identify why it is important to educate the public. For school projects, the project should focus on information



that is appropriate to the target audience combined with a 'hands-on' educational component or workshop. If the project involves planting, gardens or any physical alterations to school grounds, the application must be submitted by the school.

- **Outdoor classroom and nature play projects** should demonstrate a strong connection to environment and provide students with opportunities for environmental learning. If the project includes play elements, TD FEF will prioritize those that use natural materials in providing age-appropriate environmental learning opportunities to young children.
- **For tree planting and greening projects**, there should be a focus on engaging the community as volunteers and on planting native species.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

[Commemorative Support Fund](#): The Commemorative Support Fund, offered through the Na-mi-quai-ni-mak (I Remember Them) Fund at the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) and in partnership with Parks Canada to support Call to Action 73.9 can provide a **one-time grant of up to \$25,000 towards commemorative symbols and activities** connected to the Indian Residential School System. Please note that limited amount of funding is available. Eligible recipients include **non-profit organizations, Indigenous (First Nation, Metis, and Inuit) communities, Survivor organizations, schools, band offices, etc.** The selection process will prioritize initiatives that actively involve Survivors in planning and implementation. Communities and Survivors of residential schools know which symbols and activities best support commemorative initiatives within their communities. This fund will support them in pursuing what they consider most beneficial. Possible symbols and activities may include, but are not limited to:

- **Commemorative symbols:** memorial pieces, healing gardens, murals, carvings, plaques, cradleboards, etc.
- **Commemorative activities:** memorial feasts, gatherings, ceremonies, etc.

[Community Healing Fund](#): The Community Healing Fund, offered through the Na-mi-quai-ni-mak (I Remember Them) Fund at the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) can provide a **one-time grant of up to \$10,000 towards community healing gatherings or workshops** connected to the Indian Residential School System. Eligible recipients include **non-profit organizations, Indigenous (First Nation, Metis, and Inuit) communities, Survivor organizations, schools, band offices, etc.** The selection process will prioritize initiatives that actively involve Survivors in planning and implementation. Communities and Survivors of residential schools know which gatherings or workshops best support their community healing. This fund will support them in pursuing what they consider most beneficial. Possible gatherings or workshops may include, but are not limited to:

- **Community-led healing gatherings:** Ceremony, feasts, etc.
- **Healing workshops:** Cultural workshops, mental health-focused workshops, traditional activities and ceremonies, etc.



[Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund:](#) The Government of Ontario's Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF) is a \$200 million capital funding program designed to revitalize existing community sport and recreation infrastructure and support the construction of new facilities across the province. The CSRIF is a two-stream, application-based funding program:

- **Stream 1: Repair and Rehabilitation** – funding between \$150,000 and \$1 million to extend the lifespan of existing community sport and recreation facilities/spaces and improve local programming and accessibility features to meet community need
- **Stream 2: New Builds/Signature New Builds** – funding up to \$10 million to invest in new, transformative community sport and recreation infrastructure, including assets that do not currently exist in a community or the replacement of existing assets that have reached the end of their lifespan

[Dreamcatcher Charitable Foundation:](#) Dreamcatcher provides funding aligned with the following sectors: 1) Education, 2) Sports & Recreation, 3) Health, 4) Arts & Culture, and 5) Clean Water. We provide individual funding for aboriginal youth in the areas of education, sports & recreation, health & medical and arts and culture. We also provide community funding for reservations with unsafe drinking water.

[Equity Youth Health Experience Program Fund:](#) The Equity Youth Health Experience Program supports hiring youth from Indigenous and equity communities in Nova Scotia who are interested in healthcare careers and have completed grade 11, grade 12 or first-year post-secondary.

[Grocery Gift Card Support:](#) Unison's Grocery Gift Card Support program was created to support music workers who earn the majority of their income from the Canadian music industry and are experiencing food insecurity due to unemployment, underemployment and/or the high cost of living. The program provides approved applicants with a \$500 gift card to a grocery store of their choosing. The gift card will take 7-14 days to arrive.

HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE

[Capital project: Construction of new sustainable municipal and community buildings:](#) We offer combined loan and grant funding to support new building construction projects for sustainable municipally owned buildings. This funding helps Canadian cities and communities of all sizes undertake sustainability projects that reduce emissions, accelerate energy savings and keep energy dollars in the community. New constructions of municipal buildings should meet best practice energy targets defined in this offer and achieve zero operational GHGs, with the exception of emergency back-up energy (grid electricity emissions are excluded). Community buildings must meet an energy threshold of 25 percent below National Energy Code of Canada for Buildings (NECB) 2020 reference building.



[Capital project: Retrofit of existing municipal buildings:](#) We offer combined loan and grant funding to support municipalities in implementing one or more phases of a selected GHG reduction pathway. Eligible projects may focus on a single building or a portfolio of municipal buildings. Your capital project should consist of one or more phases in a sequence of retrofit measures (pathway) to reduce emissions from your municipal building by at least **50 percent** within **10 years** and achieve best practice energy targets within 20 years. Applications are encouraged to demonstrate a pathway that reduces the most amount of GHGs in the near term (ie., in the next 10 years), through the pursuit of a deep energy retrofit and fuel-switch.

[Community Housing Fund:](#) The Community Housing Fund (CHF) is a collaboration between the Canadian Mental Health Association, PEI Division (CMHA-PEI) and the Province of Prince Edward Island to develop sustainable affordable housing. This program aims to support housing developments whether they are targeting affordability, vulnerable populations, assisted living, or those that require increased support. Funding under this program can be used to provide additional resources and support to develop solutions to PEI's housing shortage.

[EllisDon:](#) We believe that by investing in programs and organizations designed to serve local community needs, our contributions will help build strong and healthy communities. They are where we share a common commitment to creating conditions that ensure both economic and social well being for all. Whether we participate through individual acts of kindness or by working with others through community-wide efforts, we take care of those who are less fortunate and vulnerable.

[Shelter Enhancement Funding:](#) This funding stream was established in 2014 to provide Northwest Territories communities with funding to repair, rehabilitate and improve existing shelters, The funding is to help shelter operators to make upgrades to existing shelters or to purchase equipment that is required for continued shelter program delivery. This funding is not for the ongoing operation and maintenance of shelters in the NWT.

[Study: New construction of municipal and community buildings:](#) We fund feasibility studies that assess in detail the approaches needed to implement a new construction of an energy efficient community or municipal building. This funding helps Canadian cities and communities of all sizes undertake sustainability projects that reduce emissions, accelerate energy savings and keep energy dollars in the community. Your feasibility study should demonstrate and validate the project's environmental, social and economic benefits, in line with GMF's thresholds for capital projects.



[Study: Retrofit pathway for municipal buildings:](#) We fund feasibility studies that assess in detail the approaches needed to retrofit existing municipal buildings for an impactful multi-year pathway toward zero-operational GHGs. This offer is applicable to any existing municipal building. Your study should identify a sequence of retrofit measures to reduce emissions from your municipal building by at least 50 percent within 10 years and achieve best practice energy targets within 20 years. Studies should consider your unique objectives and constraints (eg., building use, capital budgets, equipment renewal cycles, etc.) and explore multiple optimization scenarios.

[Unsolicited proposals: Infrastructure:](#) If you have a proposal you would like us to consider, you can submit it through the unsolicited proposals intake form. There are no limitations on the project size, asset class, delivery model or type of proposal you can submit. We are interested in proposals that relate to Ontario's core types of infrastructure, including new transit infrastructure, health care facilities, highways, law enforcement facilities and housing. We are also interested in innovative proposals that relate to any other type of infrastructure (including "digital infrastructure," such as the province's broadband and cellular communications networks). There are two key standards that your proposal must meet to be considered – your proposal must clearly demonstrate a value or benefit for the people of Ontario; and relate to the development or improvement of an infrastructure asset.

JUSTICE

[Victims Assistance Fund:](#) This program provides funding for community-based projects and activities in the Northwest Territories that directly support or benefit victims of crime. It is not a victim compensation fund or program funding.

[Victims of Crime Emergency Fund:](#) This program provides limited financial assistance to help victims of serious violent crimes with their emergency needs in the Northwest Territories (NWT).

SPONSORSHIPS AND FOUNDATIONS

[CIBC Foundation – Donations and Community Partnerships:](#) Built on our longstanding history of supporting our communities, and with the help of our clients, the CIBC Foundation serves our commitment to creating a world without limits to ambition. The CIBC Foundation has three main focus areas, including investing in financial education. Under the financial education focus area, CIBC Foundation will consider funding projects that meet the following eligibility: Canadian registered charities, not-for-profits or qualified donees; Organizations with sound financial practices, and a sustainable funding model; Organizations who track impact with a clear evaluation and measurement process and can specify the number of individuals helped through the project; and Culturally informed programs or services that are filling evidence-based gaps in an identified community.



[Gore Mutual Foundation](#): Gore Mutual Foundation will be granting \$250,000 to support five partnerships between a registered Canadian charity working in conjunction with one or more registered Canadian charities or registered not-for-profit organizations focused on advancing community and place-based solutions aligned with one or more of the “levers of change” acknowledged in the Climate and Equity Lab’s Public Findings report. For registered Canadian charities and registered non–profit organizations focused on one or more of our Equity Acceleration Fund focus areas (poverty, equity, and climate change), we invite you to submit the following application for funding consideration for one of ten \$10,000 grants available through Gore Mutual Foundation.

[Irving Sponsorship & Donations](#): J.D. Irving, Limited and its affiliated companies are proud of the long established history of supporting our employees and the communities where we live and work, through charitable donations, sponsorships and employee volunteers.

[Maytree Granting](#): We welcome proposals from registered charities and community-based, non-profit organizations that have an explicit mandate to reduce poverty and build strong civic communities by advancing economic and social rights in Canada.

[McCain Foundation](#): The Foundation supports projects, both large and small, from qualifying organizations that align with its [mission](#) and meet [eligibility requirements](#). The Foundation funds organizations that impact Atlantic Canada and rural communities in Alberta and Manitoba where McCain Foods Limited has facilities and employees.

[McConnell Foundation](#): As a private philanthropic foundation, we aim to use our resources to help address some of society’s most important challenges. We have chosen to focus our funding on issues of generational importance, that are impacting communities across the country, and where we believe we can contribute to creating significant change. Our three main focus areas of Communities, Reconciliation and Climate represent what we believe to be some of the most pressing issues facing our society today.

[McLean Foundation](#): The McLean Foundation is committed to supporting work that is not as likely to be funded by others, but that can make a positive difference. We look for projects that show promise of improving the wellbeing of people, communities, and our environment which may initially lack broad public appeal. We support work within and across sectors including: Arts, Environment, Education, Social Welfare and Health. We are flexible in the types of funding we provide. You can apply for a specific project, an existing program, or general



operations. Our grants tend to be up to \$15 000. We also provide larger grants and/or multi-year funding. These types of grants often emerge from previous funding relationships.

[TELUS – Sponsorships](#): Sponsorships are an integral component of our social purpose strategy and an important part of TELUS' brand marketing activities. We select sponsorships that help us fulfill our commitment to creating sustainable communities where we live, work and serve and that help bring our brand promise to life.

[Trottier Foundation](#): The Foundation considers projects in our [key granting priorities](#). The main interests of the Trottier Foundation are in the following areas:

1. Climate and the Environment
2. Science
3. Health
4. Education
5. Community and International

Cross-cutting or intersecting projects are viewed positively, but are not required.

YOUTH

[Makakikedaa Grant 2025](#): The Ontario Indigenous Youth Partnership Project Makakikedda Grant is open to First Nation, Metis and Inuit Youth Groups and individuals ages 12-35.

[Peter Gilgan Foundation – Indigenous Youth](#): As part of our commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous peoples in Canada, the Peter Gilgan Foundation has dedicated funds to reducing barriers and uplifting opportunities and wellbeing for Indigenous young people. We seek to support Indigenous-led organizations that are meeting the holistic needs of Indigenous youth in the areas of housing & safe spaces; health & healing; education & knowledge; economic opportunity & building capacity; and food security & sovereignty.

[RBC Future Launch](#): RBC Future Launch is a 10-year \$500 million commitment to help Canadian youth prepare for the jobs of tomorrow. We are moving beyond financial investment by engaging the public and private sectors to further understand the issue and make a significant impact on the lives of young Canadians. RBC Future Launch is a catalyst for change-bringing people together to co-create solutions so young people are better prepared for the future of work.