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# Compendium of Funding Sources for Harbour Authorities

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# DISCLAIMER

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This Compendium is intended to be a practical guide for use by harbour authorities in seeking financial assistance for their harbour authority business. Every effort has been made to ensure that the information contained in the Compendium is accurate and current. The Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) cannot and will not assume liability for any information or advice that is contained in this document.

**Note:** The material provided about websites is accurate as of August 2023. The information found in this document may vary over time, as there might be changes to these programs. You should always confirm up to date information by consulting the sources identified in the document.

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# FOREWARD

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This compendium was prepared to assist harbour authorities (HAs) in finding possible sources of funding, other than those that are most commonly used by HAs, such as berthage charges, sub-leases/ licences, user fees, etc. These other sources, which may be offered under federal, provincial or municipal government programs, may provide additional financial support for their organizations to help with the management and upkeep of their harbours. There are a number of reasons why HAs may be interested in obtaining additional financial assistance, such as: for a construction project; for improvements to a harbour; to purchase equipment; to help organize an event at the harbour; or to hire a student for the summer.

The material that follows is to help HAs identify possible sources of funding that best match their needs in relation to specific, proposed projects. For example, HAs may wish to consider potential heritage and cultural aspects as well as the tourism and economic possibilities of such projects. At the same time, HAs are responsible for generating sufficient revenues to cover their operating expenses and minor maintenance work at their harbour.

Funding from sources other than the Small Craft Harbours (SCH) Program is often available to complement an existing funding source or to support a project on a cost-shared basis. It is recommended that HA representatives work closely with the SCH staff during the early stages of project planning to clearly establish the different parts of a project and to have a complete picture of what is involved in successfully carrying it out.

In addition to a number of federal and provincial government programs that provide funding to not-for-profit organizations, there are other initiatives to assist with community-based projects in support of local economies. The information that follows sets out some sources of funding for which HAs may be eligible. SCH also would like to encourage HA representatives to investigate whether there are other programs or initiatives that are not mentioned below, for which HAs may be eligible.

Key information to note when considering a source of funding:

- **Who:** the government department or source of funding
- **What:** the purpose of and type of funding
- **Where:** how and where to apply
- **When:** the deadline for making an application
- **How:** what must be done to take up these funding opportunities

There are several useful resources produced by SCH to assist HAs in their planning efforts. They are available on the SCH website at the link: <https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sch-ppb/toolbox-boiteaoutils/index-eng.html>.

**SECTION 1:  
FUNDING SOURCES AVAILABLE  
ACROSS CANADA**

# ABANDONED AND WRECKED VESSEL REMOVAL PROGRAM (AWVRP)

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Fisheries and Oceans Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The objective of the Abandoned and Wrecked Vessels Removal Program is to reduce the number of existing abandoned and/or wrecked vessels located in federally owned small craft harbours that pose a risk to the environment, the health and safety of harbour workers and users, and the efficient and effective operation of the harbour.</p> <p>Eligible recipients may receive up to 100% of their total eligible costs for gaining legal possession of a vessel and for assessing the cost of removal and disposal of the vessel, and up to 75% for activities to undertake the removal and disposal of an abandoned and wrecked vessel in a small craft harbour.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>To apply to the program, the following criteria must be met:</p> <p>A. Eligible recipients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a province or agency thereof, as defined in s. 2 of the <i>Fishing and Recreational Harbours Act</i> (FRHA)</li> <li>• a non-profit organization</li> <li>• an Indigenous group</li> <li>• any person, as defined in s. 5(3) of the FRHA</li> <li>• any combination of the above</li> </ul> <p>B. The vessel(s) must be located within a small craft harbour that is listed in <i>Schedule I</i> of the <i>Fishing and Recreational Harbours Regulations</i>.</p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	<p>The deadline for applications is usually in the spring. Please contact your Small Craft Harbours regional office for more information.</p>
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Applicants must consult their Small Craft Harbours contact to submit an application.</p> <p>For more information on this program and contact information please consult the following website: <a href="https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sch-ppb/vessels-bateaux/index-eng.html">https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sch-ppb/vessels-bateaux/index-eng.html</a></p>

# CANADA SUMMER JOBS

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Service Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Canada Summer Jobs program provides wage subsidies to employers from not-for-profit organizations, the public sector, and private sector organizations with 50 or fewer full-time employees, to create quality summer work experiences for young people aged 15 to 30 years. Funded employers are not restricted to hiring students — all youth aged 15 to 30 years may be eligible participants.</p> <p>It is designed to focus on local priorities while achieving tangible results for both youth and their communities.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Canadian not-for-profit organizations may apply.</p> <p>Applications are reviewed in two steps:</p> <p>A. Screening for eligibility against 15 eligibility requirements</p> <p>B. Assessment for quality in relation to the program objectives that are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provide quality work experiences for youth</li><li>• Provide opportunities for youth to develop and improve their skills</li><li>• Respond to national and local priorities to improve access to the labour market for youth who face unique barriers</li></ul> <p>Projects are assessed only if all of the eligibility requirements have been met.</p> <p>Not-for-profit employers are eligible for up to 100% of the provincial/territorial minimum hourly wage and Mandatory Employment-Related Costs.</p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	<p>The application deadline is usually beginning of February. Please visit their website for information on application deadlines.</p>
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Employers may apply online, print the application from the website or visit a Service Canada Centre. The application package may be found online at the following address: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/canada-summer-jobs.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/canada-summer-jobs.html</a></p> <p>You can also call <b>1-800-935-5555</b> (TTY : 1-800-926-9105)</p>

# YOUNG CANADA WORKS IN BOTH OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Heritage Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>Young Canada Works in Both Official Languages (YCW BOL) is a short-term job program for students. It offers them the opportunity to gain work experience in which they use their first or second official language in an official language minority community and to explore career opportunities. It also offers students the chance to experience a geographic exchange and develop a network in official language minority communities.</p> <p>This employment program lasts between 6 and 16 weeks, and supports organizations in Canada which conduct activities in both official languages.</p> <p>Eligible employers may benefit from wage subsidies and access to a pool of talented youth with innovative ideas and competitive skills.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p><b>An employer <u>may be eligible</u> if it is:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A private, public, non-profit organization, or a municipality</li><li>• Incorporated</li><li>• Involved in national, provincial, territorial, municipal or community activities</li><li>• Willing to hire young people from other regions of Canada</li><li>• Conducting activities in both official languages</li><li>• Stable and financially healthy</li></ul> <p><b>An employer is <u>not eligible</u> if it is:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A federal department, federal agency or Crown Corporation</li><li>• A provincial or territorial government department</li></ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	<p><b>The application deadline is February 3.</b> Applications submitted after this date will be examined with a first come first served basis and the fund availability.</p>
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/young-canada-works/employers/official-languages-employers.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/young-canada-works/employers/official-languages-employers.html</a></p>



# ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGES FUND

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Environment and Climate Change Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Environmental Damages Fund (EDF) follows the Polluter Pays Principle to help ensure that those who cause environmental damage or harm to wildlife take responsibility for their actions.</p> <p>The EDF is a specified purpose account, administered by Environment Canada, to provide a mechanism for directing funds received as a result of fines, court orders, and voluntary payments to priority projects that will benefit our natural environment.</p> <p>Fines directed to the EDF are used to fund projects that focus on the following four categories in order of priority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Restoration</li><li>• Environmental quality improvement</li><li>• Research and development</li><li>• Education and awareness</li></ul> <p>Priority is given to projects that restore the natural environment and conserve wildlife, followed by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Environmental quality improvement initiatives</li><li>• Research and development on environmental restoration and improvement</li><li>• Education and awareness on issues affecting the health of the natural environment</li></ul> <p>There is no maximum project duration. The average length of a project is approximately two years.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p><b>Eligible groups include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Non-governmental organizations</li><li>• Universities and academic institutions</li><li>• Aboriginal groups</li><li>• Provincial, territorial and municipal governments</li></ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Funding deadlines take place twice annually. Please consult the available funds page and GCEMS for application deadlines.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/environmental-funding/programs/environmental-damages-fund.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/environmental-funding/programs/environmental-damages-fund.html</a>

# ECOACTION COMMUNITY FUNDING PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Environment and Climate Change Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>Environment Canada’s EcoAction Community Funding Program has provided financial support to community-based, not-for-profit organizations for projects that have measurable, positive impacts on the environment.</p> <p><b>EcoAction funds projects that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lead to tangible environmental results</li><li>• Engage the community to improve the environment</li><li>• Increase environmental awareness</li><li>• Increase capacity in communities</li></ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Not-for-profit groups and non-governmental organizations.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/environmental-funding/ecoaction-community-program.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/environmental-funding/ecoaction-community-program.html</a></p> <p>An applicant’s guide is available at: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/environmental-funding/ecoaction-community-program/applicant-guide.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/environmental-funding/ecoaction-community-program/applicant-guide.html</a></p>

# LANDS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Indigenous Services Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The financial support is intended for community economic development planning and capacity development initiatives, the development of proposals and leveraging financial resources, and for carrying out economic development activities. It includes community economic development activities for Indigenous communities such as: employment of community members; community-owned and community-member business development; community land and resource development; access to opportunities from land and resources beyond community control; investment promotion in the community; and research and advocacy.</p> <p><b>The Program is offered under two funding streams:</b></p> <p>A. Lands and Economic Development Services Program: operational funding.          B. Lands and Economic Development Services Program: project-based funding.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>The criteria vary depending on the type of financial assistance requested.</p> <p><b>A. Lands and Economic Development Services Program: operational funding</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Nations and Inuit communities and their governments</li> <li>• Band councils</li> </ul> <p><b>B. Lands and Economic Development Services Program: project-based funding</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Nations and Inuit communities and their governments</li> <li>• Band councils</li> <li>• Organizations and associations controlled by First Nations and Inuit communities, except for those with charitable or religious purposes</li> <li>• Non-Indigenous organizations and associations, except for those with charitable or religious purposes.</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1100100033423/1591891942557">https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1100100033423/1591891942557</a></p>

# CELEBRATE CANADA

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Heritage Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>Canadian Heritage provides funding for activities organized during the Celebrate Canada period, from June 21 to July 1.</p> <p>These activities celebrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21</li><li>• Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day on June 24</li><li>• Canadian Multiculturalism Day on June 27</li><li>• Canada Day on July 1</li></ul> <p>Funding for Celebrate Canada celebrations will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enable Canadians to appreciate Canada’s cultural, ethnic, linguistic and geographic diversity</li><li>• Create opportunities for Canadians to participate in celebrations that create a sense of pride and belonging to Canada</li></ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>To be eligible for funding, your organization must be a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Canadian not-for-profit organization such as a corporation, trust, cooperative, unincorporated association, etc.</li><li>• Canadian business corporation where projects are non-commercial in nature</li><li>• Canadian educational institution</li><li>• Canadian municipal government or other municipal, provincial/territorial institution</li><li>• Indigenous peoples institution or organization (Indigenous peoples include Inuit, Métis, Status and Non Status people)</li><li>• Local band council, local tribal council or other local Aboriginal government or organization (First Nations, Inuit or Métis)</li></ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/celebrate-canada.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/celebrate-canada.html</a></p>

# BUILDING COMMUNITIES THROUGH ARTS AND HERITAGE

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Heritage Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage program was created to help you celebrate your community - both its past and its present. This program increases opportunities for local artists, artisans, heritage performers or specialists to be involved in their community through festivals, events and projects. It also allows local groups to commemorate their local history and heritage.</p> <p>The Building Communities through Arts and Heritage program offers funding through three separate components: Local Festivals, Community Anniversaries and The Legacy Fund.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>The program is available to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Local not-for-profit groups, either incorporated or unincorporated</li><li>• Local band council, a local tribal council or other local Aboriginal government (First Nations, Inuit or Métis) or equivalent authority</li></ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/building-communities.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/funding/building-communities.html</a></p>

# COMMUNITY FUTURES NETWORK OF CANADA

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Community Futures Network of Canada</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>Community Futures (CFs) corporations take a grassroots approach to community and economic development and are primarily focused on creating jobs outside major urban centers. They are not-for-profit corporations run by volunteer boards of directors, supported by salaried staff.</p> <p>The Community Futures Network of Canada website is your gateway to nearly 300 Community Economic Development Centres across Canada. Each centre delivers a variety of financial support programs and services ranging from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strategic economic planning</li><li>• Technical and advisory services</li><li>• Loans to small and medium-size businesses</li><li>• Self-employment assistance programs</li><li>• Services targeted to youth and entrepreneurs with disabilities</li></ul> <p>Its main objectives are to promote:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Stability, economic growth and job creation</li><li>• Diversified, competitive local economies in rural areas</li><li>• Sustainable communities</li></ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>This network works together to foster entrepreneurship and community economic development in rural areas of Canada.</p> <p>To find a centre near you, visit their website at: <a href="http://www.communityfuturescanada.ca/">http://www.communityfuturescanada.ca/</a></p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	SEE NEXT PAGE FOR INFORMATION ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES.

# COMMUNITY FUTURES NETWORK OF CANADA (CONTINUED)

## APPLICATION (CONTINUED)

For application contact your Regional Development Agency:

- **Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario (FedNor):**  
<https://fednor.ised-isde.canada.ca/site/fednor/en/our-programs/core-programs/community-futures-program>
- **Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario):** <https://ised-isde.canada.ca/site/feddev-ontario/en/funding-southern-ontario-organizations/community-futures-program>
- **Canadian Northern Economic Development (CanNor):**  
<https://www.cannor.gc.ca/eng/1370268540386/1370268567833>
- **Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions (CED):**  
<https://ced.canada.ca/en/funding/programs/>
- **Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA):**  
<https://www.canada.ca/en/atlantic-canada-opportunities/services/community-futures.html>
- **Pacific Economic Development Canada (PacifiCan):**  
<https://www.wd-deo.gc.ca/eng/254.asp>
- **Prairies Economic Development Canada (PrairiesCan):**  
<https://www.wd-deo.gc.ca/eng/254.asp>

\*Please note that Western Economic Diversification Canada (WD) is now two new agencies. In British Columbia, they are now Pacific Economic Development Canada (PacifiCan). In Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba, they are now Prairies Economic Development Canada (PrairiesCan).

# COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION FUNDING PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Transport Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>Community Participation Funding Program (CPFP) helps eligible Indigenous groups and local communities to take part in developing and improving Canada’s marine transportation system.</p> <p>The CPFP gives recipients the opportunity to contribute their knowledge towards tailoring marine transportation systems to local conditions and the environment. Recipients are also encouraged to help us develop and implement federal marine transportation strategies and policies that may impact their daily activities.</p> <p>Maximum funding of up to \$5,000 per recipient per activity will be provided. The funding will be provided as a grant for short-term activities only.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Not-for-profit organizations; local communities (for example, municipal governments, resident associations, individuals selected to represent local entities with no legal status); and Indigenous groups.</p> <p>Applicants must send their application at least 15 business days before the date of the engagement activity and / or meeting they want to coordinate or for which they want to coordinate and participate in.</p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://tc.canada.ca/en/programs/community-participation-funding-program">https://tc.canada.ca/en/programs/community-participation-funding-program</a>



# BOATING SAFETY CONTRIBUTION PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Transport Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Boating Safety Contribution Program (BSCP) helps organizations promote boating safety or conduct research on the most effective ways to change boating behaviours in Canada.</p> <p>The BSCP supports organizations that work to raise public awareness about the boating safety for both recreational boating and commercial fishing; advance knowledge of boating safety issues, practices and behaviours in Canada; and support regulatory compliance.</p> <p><b>They fund projects that:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increase the number of pleasure craft and small vessel operators following safe boating practices</li><li>• Improve access to national boating incident data that will improve stakeholder’s capacity to deliver evidence-based awareness and education initiatives</li><li>• Help reduce deaths, injuries and property damages due to boating accidents</li></ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Eligible recipients include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not-for-profit non-governmental organizations (NGO)</li><li>• Public Safety Organizations</li><li>• Educational institutions</li><li>• Enforcement services</li><li>• Provincial, territorial and municipal governments</li><li>• Indigenous groups and communities</li></ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://tc.canada.ca/en/programs/boating-safety-contribution-program">https://tc.canada.ca/en/programs/boating-safety-contribution-program</a>

# FINANCIAL HELP PROGRAMS DATABASE

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	This on-line tool has been developed by the Government of Canada (Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada) to better assist businesses and not-for profit organizations affected by COVID-19 to find available financial assistance programs and support resources.
<b>HOW IT WORKS</b>	A series of questions will be asked, and a list of available funding will be suggested.  Visit: <a href="https://innovation.ised-isde.canada.ca/s/?language=en_CA">https://innovation.ised-isde.canada.ca/s/?language=en_CA</a>

# **SECTION 2A - REGIONAL FUNDING SOURCES:**

## **WESTERN PROVINCES**

**British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba**

# WESTERN PROVINCES

## British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba

### UOMA – USED OIL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Individual provincial UOMA</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>This industry-led stewardship program facilitates the recovery, recycling and reuse of used oil and antifreeze materials. Inter-provincial cooperation of the provincial Used Oil Management Associations (UOMA) is formalized through the National Used Oil Material and Antifreeze Advisory Council (NUOMAAC) which coordinates the Canada-wide used oil and antifreeze materials recycling effort and encourages national standards.</p> <p>Some HAs have received funding through their provincial UOMA contact for waste oil buildings.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Contact UOMA for project eligibility.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	For more information on available opportunities please visit their website: <a href="https://usedoilrecycling.com/">https://usedoilrecycling.com/</a>

# WESTERN PROVINCES

## British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba

### WESTERN ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<p><b>Government of Canada departments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pacific Economic Development Canada</li> <li>• Prairies Economic Development Canada</li> </ul>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Western Diversification Program (WDP) is the primary program through which these two departments make strategic investments in initiatives strengthen the western Canadian economy.</p> <p>The WDP makes strategic investments in projects that support innovation, business development or community economic growth.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Funding is usually provided only to non-profit organizations.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Before submitting a proposal, or for additional information on the WDP, please contact one of the following offices:</p> <p><b>In British Columbia</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pacific Economic Development Canada (PacifiCan):  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/pacific-economic-development.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/pacific-economic-development.html</a></li> </ul> <p><b>In Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prairies Economic Development Canada (PrairiesCan):  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/prairies-economic-development.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/prairies-economic-development.html</a></li> </ul>

## COMMUNITY GAMING GRANT

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of British Columbia</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Community Gaming Grants program distributes funds from commercial gambling revenues to not-for-profit organizations that deliver programs and services to communities throughout British Columbia.</p> <p>This funding enhances community life through supporting programs that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide opportunities for enrichment through participation in sport and the arts</li> <li>• Enhance and protect the local environment</li> <li>• Improve quality of life for community members</li> <li>• Enhance and support the safety of communities</li> </ul> <p>The Community Gaming Grant funds programs (e.g., services or activities) as well as minor capital projects and capital acquisitions related to program delivery.</p> <p>Grants are awarded based on the size and scope of an organization’s previous year program delivery and demonstrated community benefit. The maximum grant amount per year for local organizations is \$100,000.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Not-for-profit (including designated Community Service Cooperatives) who’s primary purpose is to operate for community benefit. They must provide programs that benefit the community and not solely its members’ interest.</p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/sports-culture/gambling-fundraising/gaming-grants/community-gaming-grants">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/sports-culture/gambling-fundraising/gaming-grants/community-gaming-grants</a></p>

## RETURN COLLECTION FACILITY INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>British Columbia Used Oil Management Association</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	British Columbia Used Oil Management Association (BCUOMA) continues to look for opportunities to upgrade and improve recycling facility locations across the province in order to provide British Columbians with reasonable access to convenient and free used oil recycling centers.
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Infrastructure Grants are available to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Municipalities</li> <li>• Private businesses</li> <li>• Non-profit organizations</li> <li>• Other sectors that require additional infrastructure for their public collection facilities, such as tanks, covered sheds or other containment materials for used oil, antifreeze, filters, and containers</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://bcusedoil.com/participants/return-collection-facilities/infrastructure-grants/">https://bcusedoil.com/participants/return-collection-facilities/infrastructure-grants/</a></p>

## ISLAND COASTAL ECONOMIC TRUST

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of British Columbia</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Island Coastal Economic Trust was created by the Province of British Columbia in 2006 with \$50 million to support economic diversification and revitalization across Vancouver Island, the Sunshine Coast, and islands and inlets from the Salish Sea to Cape Caution.</p> <p>Since its founding, coastal people have been uplifting one another and building healthy, resilient, and more sustainable communities through investments with the Trust. They work in close collaboration — forming high-trust relationships — with people and organizations in urban areas, First Nations governments, small towns, and unincorporated communities across the coast.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Eligible participants to their various programs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indigenous communities including Indigenous development corporations</li> <li>• Local and regional governments</li> <li>• Not-for-profit organizations</li> </ul> <p>Residing in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vancouver Island</li> <li>• Sunshine Coast, and islands</li> <li>• Inlets from the Salish Sea to Cape Caution</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program options, guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://islandcoastaltrust.ca/">https://islandcoastaltrust.ca/</a></p>



**CANADA-MANITOBA JOB GRANT**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Manitoba</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Job Grant provides funding to employers to help cover the cost of training their new and existing employees to meet business needs, and to provide Manitobans with the skills they need for available jobs. Training must be delivered by an external third party. Employers decide which of their employees need training, the training they need, who will deliver the training, and when it will occur. Employers can apply for up to \$10,000 per new or existing employee. Manitoba’s contribution will not exceed \$100,000 per Job Grant.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Eligible applicants include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Private employers</li> <li>• Non-profit organizations</li> <li>• Industry associations</li> <li>• Sector councils</li> <li>• Groups of employers</li> <li>• Union halls</li> <li>• First Nations</li> <li>• Municipal governments</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.gov.mb.ca/jec/busdev/financial/cmjg/index.html">https://www.gov.mb.ca/jec/busdev/financial/cmjg/index.html</a></p>

# **SECTION 2B – REGIONAL FUNDING SOURCES :**

## **ATLANTIC PROVINCES**

**Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick  
and Prince Edward Island**

**ATLANTIC PROVINCES**  
**Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia,**  
**New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island**

**UOMA – USED OIL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION OF CANADA**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Individual provincial UOMA</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>This industry-led stewardship program facilitates the recovery, recycling and reuse of used oil and antifreeze materials. Inter-provincial cooperation of the provincial Used Oil Management Associations (UOMA) is formalized through the National Used Oil Material and Antifreeze Advisory Council (NUOMAAC) which coordinates the Canada-wide used oil and antifreeze materials recycling effort and encourages national standards.</p> <p>Some HAs have received funding through their provincial UOMA contact for waste oil buildings.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Contact UOMA for project eligibility.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>For more information on available opportunities please visit their website:  <a href="https://usedoilrecycling.com/">https://usedoilrecycling.com/</a></p>

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**Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia,**  
**New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island**

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Business Development Program (BDP) can help you start up, expand or modernize your business. Focusing on small and medium-sized enterprises and co-operatives, the BDP provides access to capital in the form of interest-free repayable assistance. Most business sectors are eligible except retail/wholesale, real estate, government services, and services of a personal or social nature.</p> <p>The BDP also provides financial assistance, in the form of non-repayable assistance, to not-for-profit organizations that provide support to Atlantic businesses.</p> <p>Not-for-profit organizations can apply for BDP financing to undertake projects that help Atlantic Canadian SMEs to grow, become competitive and increase their productivity.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>To be considered for BDP financing, your project should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet strategic priorities identified by ACOA</li> <li>• Provide economic benefit for Atlantic Canada</li> <li>• Demonstrate need for financial assistance</li> <li>• Be economically viable</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Contact your nearest ACOA office to discuss your project and then complete and submit the Application for Financial Assistance form.</p> <p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/atlantic-canada-opportunities/services/bdp.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/atlantic-canada-opportunities/services/bdp.html</a></p>

**ATLANTIC PROVINCES**  
**Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia,**  
**New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island**

**THE INNOVATIVE COMMUNITIES FUND**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Innovative Communities Fund (ICF) invests in strategic projects that build the economies of Atlantic Canada's communities.</p> <p>Working in partnership with Atlantic communities and stakeholders, ICF builds on the strengths of communities and provides the tools needed to identify opportunities available for their sustainable economic growth. ICF focuses on investments that lead to long-term employment and economic capacity building in rural communities. Urban initiatives that stimulate the competitiveness and vitality of rural communities may be considered on a selective basis.</p> <p>ICF capitalizes on the opportunities and strengths that exist in these communities to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop competitive, productive, strategic industry sectors</li> <li>• Strengthen community infrastructure in rural communities</li> <li>• Invest in projects that enhance a community's capacity to overcome economic development challenges and take advantage of their strengths, assets and opportunities presented</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Eligibility criteria: Non-commercial/not-for-profit organizations or co-operatives such as local development associations, municipalities and their agencies, business or technology institutes, industry/sector associations, economic development associations, local co-operatives, universities and educational institutions.</p> <p>To be considered for ICF funding, projects should be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compatible with the overall objectives of the program, and clearly demonstrate linkages and partnerships within the community</li> <li>• Beneficial to the economic development of a community</li> <li>• Consistent with economic development plans/objectives that address challenges and opportunities of a community</li> <li>• Lead to sustainable and viable economic activity</li> <li>• Incremental in nature</li> <li>• Fixed duration</li> <li>• Demonstrate adequate managerial, financial and technical capability to conduct the proposed activity</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Contact your nearest ACOA office to discuss your project and then complete and submit the Application for Financial Assistance form.</p> <p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/atlantic-canada-opportunities/services/icf.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/atlantic-canada-opportunities/services/icf.html</a></p>

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**ATLANTIC FISHERIES FUND (AFF)**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Fisheries and Oceans Canada (Government of Canada)</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Atlantic Fisheries Fund is intended to help Canada’s fish and seafood sector to transition to meet the growing demand for seafood globally. Its aim is to bring high value, high quality and sustainable products to markets at home and around the world.</p> <p>The Atlantic component of the fund applies to Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. It supports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Innovation to encourage new products and technologies</li> <li>• Infrastructure to encourage capital investments in new products, processes or technologies</li> <li>• Science partnerships between industry, academia, and other research institutions to improve our knowledge</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p><b>Those who are eligible to apply are Atlantic Canada-based:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indigenous groups;</li> <li>• Commercial enterprises, including fishers, aqua culturists and seafood processors</li> <li>• Universities and academics</li> <li>• Industry associations and other non-profits</li> <li>• Other organizations, such as research institutions and provincial crown corporations</li> </ul> <p><b>To be eligible for funding, you must:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reside in a participating province</li> <li>• Be active in or support activities related to the fish and seafood harvesting, processing or aquaculture sectors</li> <li>• Demonstrate maximum economic benefits accruing to the Atlantic Region</li> </ul> <p><b>Please note:</b> AFF has provided support to some HAs in the past. However, AFF’s criteria is specific in nature and could not support the day to day operations of a HA, nor could it provide funding to upgrade wharfs or other infrastructure. Due to the discretionary nature of AFF funding, it would be recommended that any prospective applicant reach out first to the toll free line or generic inbox.</p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fisheries-peches/initiatives/fish-fund-atlantic-fonds-peche/atlantic-component-volet-atlantique-page01-eng.html">https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fisheries-peches/initiatives/fish-fund-atlantic-fonds-peche/atlantic-component-volet-atlantique-page01-eng.html</a></p> <p>For support with the application, contact <a href="mailto:RegionalAFF-FPARegional@dfo-mpo.gc.ca">RegionalAFF-FPARegional@dfo-mpo.gc.ca</a></p>

## DIVERT NS

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Resource Recovery Fund Board Inc.</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>Divert NS is a registered business name of the Resource Recovery Fund Board (RRFB) Inc. Divert NS is a non-profit corporation working in partnership with Nova Scotians to improve the province's environment, economy and quality of life by reducing, reusing, recycling and recovering resources.</p> <p>Divert NS particularly values innovation in funding opportunities relating to reduction, waste diversion, increased efficiency, and market development.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	They offer financial assistance to non-profit organizations in support of community events, initiatives, projects and research that focus on waste reduction.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://divertns.ca/funding">https://divertns.ca/funding</a></p>

## START PROGRAM – HIRING INCENTIVE

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Nova Scotia</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The START Program helps connect employers with unemployed Nova Scotians who can fill their job vacancies. For employers, START offers a wage incentive and other types of funding if they hire an unemployed Nova Scotian. For unemployed individuals, START provides a letter that helps them market their skills and the program to potential employers.</p> <p>Different types of funding are available for employers, depending on the type of employment offered, the employer’s needs and the employee’s skill level. These types of funding are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wage incentive</li> <li>• Training costs</li> <li>• Equipment and other costs</li> </ul> <p>For example, the program assisted some HAs in hiring a harbour manager, by offering an incentive of 75% of wages for 1 year.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	START is available to small or medium-sized employers, including businesses, not for-profit organizations and social enterprises, that are located in Nova Scotia and whose employees live and work in the province.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:</p> <p><a href="https://novascotia.ca/programs/start/">https://novascotia.ca/programs/start/</a></p>



## HARBOUR AUTHORITIES AND SOCIETIES CAPITAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Municipality of the County of Annapolis</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>This Program is intended to address two needs of incorporated Harbour Authorities and Societies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. For "seed money" to leverage Federal and/or Provincial grants for large capital projects</li> <li>2. For assistance for small projects that address ongoing capital maintenance requirements</li> </ol> <p>Accordingly, the program provides two types of conditional capital grants for improvements to harbours, wharves, and public landings in Annapolis County. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Large Project Capital Investment Grants:</b> Each grant shall not normally exceed the lesser of 10% of the cost of the capital project or \$10,000. Eligible projects will be limited to those that represent capital expenditures for improvements to harbours, wharves, and public landings.</li> <li>• <b>Small Project Matching Grants:</b> Each HA is eligible to receive up to \$2,500 every year. They may, at their option, apply for multi-year allocations equivalent to \$2,500 per year up to a maximum of \$10,000.</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>This program is only available to the following HAs, in the County of Annapolis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Margaretsville</li> <li>• Port Lorne</li> <li>• Cottage Cove</li> <li>• Hampton</li> <li>• Parker's Cove</li> <li>• Delaps Cove</li> <li>• Victoria Beach</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://annapoliscounty.ca/community-development/grants-to-organizations/390-grants-to-community-organizations">https://annapoliscounty.ca/community-development/grants-to-organizations/390-grants-to-community-organizations</a></p>

## COMMUNITY IMPACT PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>The Maritime Fishermen's Union</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>This Program is offered by the Maritime Fishermen's union (MFU). The MFU strives to make a positive impact on the lives of its members, their families and the coastal communities they live in. This commitment has inspired the creation of the Community Impact Program.</p> <p>As part of the responsible collective management of the snow crab fishery, fish harvesters have pledged to invest in their region, to promote the collective prosperity and the development of community-building projects.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>To be considered for the Community Impact program, projects and donation requests must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefit the whole community, support the development or help maintain the viability of coastal fisheries or coastal communities in general</li> <li>• Not interfere in the development of neighboring communities</li> <li>• Be sustainable and lasting</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://en.mfu-upm.com/community-impact-program">https://en.mfu-upm.com/community-impact-program</a></p>

**SPECIAL PROJECTS PROGRAM FOR EMPLOYERS**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Prince Edward Island</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>This program supports non-profit organizations and municipal and provincial government departments to hire unemployed Islanders who are at least 30 years of age who have or are about to exhaust their Employment Insurance benefits. Organizations can hire Islanders who are registered with the Provincial Job Registry.</p> <p>This program offers 100% minimum wage support for employers to Create temporary employment for Islanders in need. Employers can “top-up” wages using their own resources.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	All non-profit organizations in PEI and municipal and provincial government departments and agencies in PEI can apply.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/service/apply-special-projects-program-employers">https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/service/apply-special-projects-program-employers</a></p>

COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM – RURAL GROWTH INITIATIVE

<p><b>SOURCE</b></p>	<p><b>Government of Prince Edward Island</b></p>
<p><b>OBJECTIVE</b></p>	<p>The purpose of the Community Capacity Building Program is to cultivate high levels of strategic expertise to support rural communities to identify solutions for complex problems.</p> <p>Financial assistance is in the form of a non-repayable contribution, normally to a maximum contribution of 50 per cent of eligible costs up to \$20,000 per application. The client should normally contribute a monetary minimum of ten per cent of the total project cost (in kind ineligible). Federal and Provincial funding cannot normally exceed 75 per cent of the total project costs.</p>
<p><b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b></p>	<p><b>Eligible activities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Professional planning-related training services – To develop the planning capacity of organizations</li> <li>• Professional services to develop regional economic development plans – To provide regions with a roadmap towards growth</li> <li>• Professional services to develop strategic, operational, communication, sustainability, and infrastructure development plans – To provide organizations with a roadmap towards growth</li> <li>• Professional services for completing community-based research – To assist organizations in identifying root-case issues related to development, propose strategic solutions, and establish regional economic development goals</li> <li>• Professional training services for policy capacity development – To increase rural youth’s and organization’s capacity to develop sound policy research skills to influence decision-making</li> <li>• Other professional training services for organization development – (e.g. grant management training, strategic communications training, etc.).</li> </ul> <p><b>Ineligible activities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Costs of an organization’s core operations (including wages)</li> <li>• Costs related to infrastructure</li> <li>• Activities which are not targeted at rural areas</li> </ul> <p><b>They offer financial assistance to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incorporated and non-profit organizations which have a mandate for community and/or economic development</li> <li>• Non-profit cooperatives that do not share dividends</li> <li>• Municipal governments</li> </ul>
<p><b>DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>Deadlines vary.</p>
<p><b>APPLICATION</b></p>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/rural-and-regional-development/community-capacity-building-program-rural-growth">https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/rural-and-regional-development/community-capacity-building-program-rural-growth</a></p>

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (CEEP)

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Newfoundland and Labrador</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Community Enhancement Employment Program (CEEP) is a provincially funded program that provides short-term employment. Workers in rural areas are employed by local governments or community organizations for up to 400 hours to assist them with eligibility for Employment Insurance benefits.</p> <p>The department provides funding towards projects that contribute to tourism development, economic development, community/municipal infrastructure, and community services. The department also encourages project sponsors to develop projects that provide skills development opportunities for workers and ongoing benefits to the region.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Project sponsors must be established not-for-profit organizations or local governments. This includes towns, regional municipalities, Inuit community governments, local service districts, community or economic development organizations, and other not-for-profit organizations.</p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	<p>The deadline for receipt of applications is toward the end of July each year.</p>
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.gov.nl.ca/mpa/ceep/">https://www.gov.nl.ca/mpa/ceep/</a></p>

FISH PLANT WORKER EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Newfoundland and Labrador</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Fish Plant Worker Employment Support Program is a provincially funded, targeted program focused on creating short-term employment for workers from fish plants designated by Government as permanently closed.</p> <p>Some harbour authorities have received funding under this program as an employer.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Local governments and community organizations can hire eligible workers to work on projects that contribute to tourism development, economic development, community/ municipal infrastructure or community services.</p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.gov.nl.ca/mpa/emp-support/fpwesp/">https://www.gov.nl.ca/mpa/emp-support/fpwesp/</a></p>

## REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Newfoundland and Labrador</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Department of Industry, Energy and Technology provides support to organizations by way of non-repayable contributions for projects aimed at supporting economic development, innovation and capacity building in all regions of the province. The Regional Development Fund is comprised of two components:</p> <p>A. The <b>Regional Development Program</b> provides support by way of non-repayable contributions to organizations for the development and implementation of economic initiatives with respect to regional and sectoral development, diversification, innovation, and key emerging sectors. Projects submitted for consideration must clearly link non-commercial activities to economic diversification and/or business development. The four key themes of projects intended for funding are: infrastructure; capacity building; marketing; and, research.</p> <p>B. The <b>Community Capacity Building</b> component provides training support to non-profit organizations with a clear link to economic and business development. This includes Community Capacity Building module delivery and industry development sessions, based on four themes (strategy and planning, relationship building, organizational skills and management, and co-operative development).</p> <p><b>Available Funding:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under the <b>Regional Development Program</b>, financial assistance is in the form of a non-repayable contribution, normally to a maximum contribution of 25 per cent of total eligible costs. The client should normally contribute a minimum of ten per cent of the total project cost.</li> <li>• Under the <b>Community Capacity Building</b> component, financial assistance is in the form of a non-repayable contribution, normally to a maximum of \$5,000 for regional organizations and \$10,000 for provincial organizations per year.</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Eligible applicants are non-profit organizations, excluding federal and provincial government departments and agencies. Applicants include industry associations, municipalities, public educational institutions, and other non-profit groups including co-operatives and economic development organizations. Applicants must be incorporated.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://www.gov.nl.ca/iet/funding/regional-development-fund/">https://www.gov.nl.ca/iet/funding/regional-development-fund/</a>

## CLIMATE CHANGE CHALLENGE FUND

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Newfoundland and Labrador</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Climate Change Challenge Fund (CCCF) is a competitive, application-based grant program designed to enable businesses, industry, municipalities, Indigenous organizations and public sector entities to undertake greenhouse gas reduction projects in Newfoundland and Labrador. This Fund is supported by over \$33 million in funding through the Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund – a joint federal and provincial funding initiative.</p> <p><b>The objectives of the CCCF are to:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cost-effectively reduce GHG emissions that contribute to climate change</li> <li>• improve energy efficiency and reduce energy costs</li> <li>• promote growth and job creation</li> </ul> <p><b>Here are a few examples of eligible project types that could interest HAs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Energy efficiency retrofits that result in the reduction of on-site fossil fuel usage</li> <li>• Retrofits to existing mobile equipment, marine vessels and locomotives that results in the reduction of fossil fuel use</li> <li>• On-site (i.e., within the project boundary) fuel switching to lower carbon energy sources (e.g., electricity; biomass) in existing buildings and facilities</li> <li>• Process changes in the commercial and industrial sectors that result in reduced fossil fuel usage</li> </ul> <p>For Not-for-Profit Organizations the minimum total project value must be \$77,000. There is no maximum funding request per applicant; however, the Department reserves the right to limit the amount of funding provided in support of any one project in the case of a single project, or to any one applicant in the case of multiple projects.</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> the CCCF is implemented over five fiscal years (2019/20-2023/24). At this moment, it is unknown if this funding program will be extended beyond March 2024.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p><b>The following entities are eligible:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not-for-profit organizations</li> <li>• Public sector bodies or boards that are established by or under provincial statute or regulation or are wholly owned by a province or local or regional government</li> <li>• Municipal governments established by or under provincial statute and municipal organizations</li> <li>• Indigenous governments and organizations</li> <li>• Private sector, for-profit organizations</li> </ul> <p>Applicants are encouraged to contact the Department to determine project eligibility.</p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/occ/low-carbon-economy-programs/climatechangechallenge/">https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/occ/low-carbon-economy-programs/climatechangechallenge/</a></p>



## SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT INNOVATION FUND

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Multi-Materials Stewardship Board</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>This program is offered by the Multi-Materials Stewardship Board. It provides financial support to innovators who are advancing sustainable waste management by finding creative ways to turn trash into treasure in Newfoundland and Labrador.</p> <p>This program offers a non-repayable contribution covering up to 80% of the eligible costs of projects that support the implementation of the Provincial Waste Management Strategy in Newfoundland and Labrador. Funding will be to a maximum of \$15,000. Projects can operate at any stage of the waste management hierarchy (reduce, reuse, recycle or recover). Projects that involve innovation or uniqueness to the province of Newfoundland and Labrador will be given priority.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Provincially owned and/or operated businesses, industry associations and non profit organizations are eligible.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:</p> <p><a href="https://mmsb.nl.ca/funding-programs/swmif/">https://mmsb.nl.ca/funding-programs/swmif/</a></p>

# **SECTION 2C – REGIONAL FUNDING SOURCES:**

## **ONTARIO AND QUÉBEC**

**UOMA – USED OIL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION OF CANADA**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Individual provincial UOMA</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>This industry-led stewardship program facilitates the recovery, recycling and reuse of used oil and antifreeze materials. Inter-provincial cooperation of the provincial Used Oil Management Associations (UOMA) is formalized through the National Used Oil Material and Antifreeze Advisory Council (NUOMAAC) which coordinates the Canada-wide used oil and antifreeze materials recycling effort and encourages national standards.</p> <p>Some HAs have received funding through their provincial UOMA contact for waste oil buildings.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Contact UOMA for project eligibility.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>For more information on available opportunities please visit their website: <a href="https://usedoilrecycling.com/">https://usedoilrecycling.com/</a></p>

CANADA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR QUEBEC REGION

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Economic Development Agency of Canada</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	Through its business offices across the province, the Economic Development Agency of Canada for Quebec Regions provides assistance to businesses and communities as well as to the organizations that support them.
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	They offer funding and support for SMEs and economic non-profit organizations (NPOs) in all regions of Quebec.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at: <a href="https://dec.canada.ca/eng/index.html">https://dec.canada.ca/eng/index.html</a></p> <p>You can contact a regional business office: <a href="https://ced.canada.ca/en/regional-information/?postal_code=&amp;page=1&amp;limit=0">https://ced.canada.ca/en/regional-information/?postal_code=&amp;page=1&amp;limit=0</a></p>

## SERVICES QUÉBEC

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Québec</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	Services Quebec is the gateway to government services for citizens and businesses throughout Quebec. Its mission is to provide easy access to public services in person, by telephone and online.
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Eligibility criteria varies.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	For more information on the programs and services provided by the Government of Quebec, as well as the steps to be taken to benefit from them, consult the following website: <a href="https://www.quebec.ca/en/government/services-quebec">https://www.quebec.ca/en/government/services-quebec</a>

**COMMUNITY INTERACTION PROGRAM**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Environment and Climate Change Canada</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Community Interaction Program (CIP) is a financial assistance program promoting community projects aimed at conserving and improving the St. Lawrence ecosystem. It supports community projects that seek to achieve at least one of the following objectives: conserving biodiversity, promoting sustainable use, and improving water quality of the St. Lawrence ecosystem.</p> <p><b>Expected results:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restoration, protection, cleanup and improvement of habitats of the St. Lawrence ecosystem</li> <li>• Involving the public in implementing environmental projects</li> <li>• Information and public awareness of environmental issues</li> </ul> <p>CIP’s contribution could reach a maximum of 70% of the total value of eligible expenses up to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$25,000 for study projects</li> <li>• \$100,000 for awareness-raising projects</li> <li>• \$200,000 for study/action, restoration and protection projects</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Any not-for-profit, non-governmental organization that has been legally constituted for at least one year and that has a branch in Quebec and any Indigenous communities located in Quebec.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/environmental-funding/programs/community-interaction-program.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/environmental-funding/programs/community-interaction-program.html</a></p>

HIRE A YOUNG PERSON

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Ontario</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>Not-for-profit and other community organizations may apply to receive a student hiring incentive.</p> <p>As an employer, you benefit from hiring a young person. You could get:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An employee who is ready to work and has completed workshops to help prepare them for the workplace</li> <li>• Job coaches who provide ongoing support to you and your employee</li> <li>• Financial incentives to help with costs of hiring and training youth through the: Youth Job Connection program (15 to 29 years old) or Youth Job Connection Summer program (15 to 18 years old)</li> <li>• Financial incentives to provide on-the-job training for participants in job placements through the Employment Service program</li> <li>• A placement incentive to hire, register, and train an apprentice through the Apprenticeship Employer Signing Bonus</li> <li>• Additional financial help to offset training costs</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>Private, not-for-profit or broader public sector employers operating and offering a summer job in Ontario to students.</p> <p>Also, if you're already benefiting from other government financial support for a particular position, you would not be eligible for this program.</p>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/hire-young-person">https://www.ontario.ca/page/hire-young-person</a></p>

**YOUTH INTERNSHIP**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Federal Economic Development Agency of Northern Ontario</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>The Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario (FedNor) provides support for youth interns under the Northern Ontario Development Program (NODP).</p> <p>Get up to \$31,500 to cover up to 90% of the eligible costs of hiring a recent graduate for 1-2 years.</p>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	Not-for-profit organizations in Northern Ontario, such as community economic development, Aboriginal and Francophone organizations, industry and business associations, networks, or alliances.
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="http://fednor.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/fn03445.html">http://fednor.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/fn03445.html</a></p>



**RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (RED)**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Government of Ontario</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>Funding to help create jobs and boost growth in your rural community.</p> <p>Ontario’s Rural Economic Development (RED) program provides cost-share funding to support activities that create strong rural communities in Ontario, and opens doors to rural economic development through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding assistance to address barriers to economic development, better position rural communities to attract and retain jobs and investment, and enhance economic growth</li> <li>• Funding to build community capacity and support for economic development in Ontario’s rural communities</li> <li>• Investments in rural communities to help diversify and grow local economies – making economic growth more inclusive so Rural Ontario continues to share in the province’s economic prosperity.</li> </ul> <p><b>Funding amounts:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Economic Diversification and Competitiveness Stream:</b> up to 50% of eligible project costs to a maximum of \$150,000.</li> <li>• <b>Strategic Economic Infrastructure Stream:</b> up to 30% of eligible project costs to a maximum of \$250,000.</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<p>To be eligible for the program you must be a/an:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Municipality</li> <li>• Not-for-profit entity</li> <li>• Ontario Indigenous community or organization</li> <li>• Local Services Board</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/rural-economic-development-program">https://www.ontario.ca/page/rural-economic-development-program</a></p> <p>You can also contact them by email at <a href="mailto:RED@ontario.ca">RED@ontario.ca</a></p>

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>The Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation</b>
<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	<p>Modern and reliable infrastructure is a cornerstone of building thriving, prosperous communities everywhere. The Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) Community Enhancement Program is designed to help build strong and resilient Northern communities through infrastructure investments, to upgrade / repair existing assets to improve community quality of life, economic development infrastructure and strategic economic development initiatives.</p> <p><b>Program Streams:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhance Your Community Program</li> <li>• Rural Enhancement Funding Stream</li> </ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Enhance your Community Program:</b> municipalities, Indigenous communities, not-for-profit organizations, and local services boards located in Northern Ontario</li> <li>• <b>Rural Enhancement Funding Stream:</b> rural municipalities, Indigenous communities, not-for-profit organizations and local services boards having or serving a population of less than 30,000</li> </ul>
<b>DEADLINE</b>	Deadlines vary.
<b>APPLICATION</b>	<p>Program guidelines and contact information may be found at:  <a href="https://nohfc.ca/en/pages/programs/community-enhancement-program">https://nohfc.ca/en/pages/programs/community-enhancement-program</a></p> <p>Applications must be submitted online. NOHFC will accept multiple project applications from an applicant. Delays vary between 2 and 4 weeks for applicants to be contacted</p>