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Introduction

Canada’s Rural Partnership (CRP)

This guide is produced by the Rural Secretariat, which directs Canada’s Rural Partnership (CRP), the Government of Canada’s rural initiative. The CRP works in collaboration with other federal government departments and agencies in an effort to ensure that federal policies and programs respond to the needs of rural communities and citizens.

The goal of Canada’s Rural Partnership is to provide rural communities with the information, tools and expertise they need to be competitive, while remaining great places in which to work, create and live.

The CRP will continue to work with local leaders and other key partners to ensure rural Canada benefits from our national prosperity.

For more information on the CRP, visit our website at www.rural.gc.ca.
Getting in Touch with the Government of Canada

This is a guide of Government of Canada programs and services, put together especially for Canadians in rural and remote communities. In addition to a short description of each program or service, there is also a point of contact where Canadians can go for information by telephone, fax, email or Internet*.

The programs and services are divided into two sections: the first section focuses on national/regional initiatives; the second section provides information specifically for Northern Canada. They have been listed alphabetically under the main federal department responsible for the program or service.

Key Contact Points can help answer general questions, and find specific information on the Government of Canada’s programs and services.

* Free public access to the Internet is available at many schools, libraries and employment centres, and through Community Access Program sites located in many communities in rural and remote Canada.
Key Contact Points

**Service Canada** offers quick, easy and convenient one-stop access to Government of Canada programs and services.

For information on government programs and services from anywhere in Canada or the U.S.:
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-926-9105
Website: [www.servicecanada.gc.ca](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca)
or Visit Service Canada Access Centres.

**Canada Business Service Centres and the Canada Business website** offer quick, easy and convenient access to Government of Canada programs, services and regulations for business, and information on provincial/territorial programs.

For more information or to find a location in your community:
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-576-4444
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-457-8466
Website: [www.canadabusiness.ca](http://www.canadabusiness.ca)

**Community Access Program** gives thousands of Canadians affordable access to the Internet in places like schools, community centres and libraries.
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-575-9200
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-465-7735
Website: [www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cap-pac.nsf/eng/home](http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cap-pac.nsf/eng/home)
Rural Canadians’ Guide to Programs and Services
Aboriginal Canada Portal (ACP)

Aboriginal Canada Portal (ACP) provides a single window to Canadian Aboriginal online resources, contacts, information, and government programs and services, with listings of Aboriginal associations, jobs, businesses, organizations, bands, communities, peoples and news.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-399-0111
Email: ACP@inac.gc.ca
Website: www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC)

Community Development

The Community Development Program, Building Rural and Northern Partnerships is a contribution program which offers a limited amount of funding to assist rural and northern regions in obtaining information and accessing/developing the expertise, tools and processes needed to:

• respond to rural and northern challenges and opportunities;
• become more competitive by collaborating regionally, building on their local assets and developing unused potential.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-295-7160
Email: rcs-src@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.rural.gc.ca/RURAL/display-afficher.do?id=1249068275163&lang=eng

Co-operatives

The Co-operative Development Initiative (CDI) is delivered in partnership with the co-operative sector. CDI is designed to help people develop co-operatives and to research and test innovative ways of using the co-operative model. The initiative has three inter-related components:

• The Advisory Services component provides access to professional and technical services needed for the
successful launch or strengthening of a co-operative.

- The Innovative Co-operative Projects component provides funding for innovative projects that respond to public policy priority areas and generate best practices and learning.
- The Research and Knowledge Development component is designed to undertake, support and share research that will advance co-operative development and growth.

**Co-operative Development Initiative**

Telephone: 613-759-7194  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-757-8725  
Fax: 613-759-7489  
Email: coops-progr@agr.gc.ca  
Website: www.coop.gc.ca/COOP/display-afficher.do?id=1232543849777&lang=eng

**Innovative Co-operative Projects**

Telephone: 613-238-6711 ext. 227  
Fax: 613-567-0658  
Email: coops-progr@agr.gc.ca

**Expanding Your Business Options**

The **Agricultural Flexibility Fund (AgriFlexibility)** is designed to provide targeted investments in priority areas that support the long-term competitiveness of the sector. The objective is to facilitate the implementation of new initiatives, both federally and in partnership with provinces, territories and industry.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-290-2188  
Fax: 613-773-1922  
Email: AgriFlex@agr.gc.ca  
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/agriflexibility

The **AgriProcessing Initiative (API)** is a program designed to increase the competitiveness of the Canadian agri-processing sector. API will provide repayable contributions for the purchasing and installing of new equipment in Canadian facilities to enable the adoption of new manufacturing technologies and processes.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-BIO-4682 (1-877-246-4682)  
Email: API@agr.gc.ca  
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/cb/index_e.php?s1=n&s2=2009&page=n90911
Business Development Program

Farmers and other businesses in the sector who need to adjust their operation require sound business management practices and skills and continuous learning to help them understand their businesses’ financial situation, assess opportunities, implement necessary improvements to be profitable, respond to change and meet business goals. The Business Development Program gives them access to resources and skills development opportunities to help them make their farm operation viable and profitable.

Website: www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1238591099980&lang=eng

Canadian Agricultural Adaptation Program (CAAP)

CAAP is a five-year program delivered under three components: national, regional and multi-regional. A national federal administration entertains projects that are national in scope and Industry Councils administer projects that are of a regional and multi-regional focus. The objective of the program is to facilitate the agriculture, agri-food and agri-based products sector’s ability to seize opportunities, to respond to new and emerging issues and to find and pilot solutions to new and ongoing issues in order to help it adapt and remain competitive.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-290-2188
Fax: 613-773-1922
Email: caap-pcaa@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/caap

The Promoting Agri-Based Investment Opportunities Initiative will encourage greater interaction between investors, entrepreneurs and small and medium size enterprises (SME) within the Canadian agricultural sector by supporting the delivery of a series of national innovation events that would bring them together to promote and explore potential opportunities in agri-based business ventures.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-857-2287
Email: infoinvestment@agr.gc.ca
Website: www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1240426424142&lang=eng

The Slaughter Improvement Program will make interest-free, conditionally repayable federal contributions available to support private sector investments in sound
business plans aimed at reducing costs, increasing revenues and improving operations of red meat slaughter and processing operations in Canada.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-246-4682
Email: SIP@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/slaughterhouse

Making Foods that Satisfy Consumers and Markets

Canadian Integrated Food Safety Initiative (CIFSI):

The Food Safety Systems Development (FSSD) Component of the Canadian Integrated Food Safety Initiative provides funding to national organizations to support the documentation of a phased and integrated approach to preventative food safety controls. The objective is to facilitate industry momentum in developing national, government-recognized on-farm and/or post-farm Hazard Analysis of Critical Control Point (HACCP) or HACCP-based food safety systems.

Telephone: 613-773-1931
Fax: 613-773-1911
Email: cifsi-icisa@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/cifsi

The Industry Traceability Infrastructure (ITI) Component of the Canadian Integrated Food Safety Initiative provides funding to organizations to develop and implement industry-led traceability systems for agricultural commodities. The objective of ITI is to develop or enhance traceability capacity for agriculture and agri-food products through specified stages of production, processing, and distribution.

Telephone: 613-773-1931
Fax: 613-773-1911
Email: cifsi-icisa@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/cifsi

The Livestock Auction Traceability Initiative (LATI) is a multi-year initiative undertaken through the Agricultural Flexibility fund that will support capital investments that will improve traceability capabilities in facilities where live animals routinely commingle.

Telephone: 613-773-1931
Fax: 613-773-1911
Email: agriflex@agr.gc.ca
Website: www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1259183499838&lang=eng

Pesticide Risk Reduction and Minor Use Pesticides Programs:

The Pesticide Risk Reduction Program focuses on the development of risk reduction strategies for the Canadian agriculture and agri-food sector. The program creates a framework through which growers develop and implement pesticide risk reduction strategies. It focuses on selected crops and priority pest management issues that are determined through stakeholder consultations at a national level. The program also provides funding and regulatory support for the implementation of developed strategies.

The Minor Use Pesticides Program responds to the needs of Canadian minor crop growers for increased access to the new minor uses of pesticides. The program facilitates a grower-led pest management prioritization process in consultation with the provinces, pesticide manufacturers, and Health Canada’s Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) to identify and match key pest/crop problems with potential solutions.

Telephone: 613-694-2457
Email: pmc-cla.info@agr.gc.ca
Website: www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1176486531148&lang=eng

Managing the Risk of Your Business

The Advance Payments Program (APP) is a financial loan guarantee program that provides producers with a cash advance on the value of their agricultural products during a specified period. By improving their cash flow throughout the year, the APP helps crop and livestock producers meet their financial obligations and benefit from the best market conditions. The program assists producers in maintaining a steady income throughout the year by providing them with easier access to credit, therefore allowing them more opportunities to market their products.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-346-2511
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/app
AgrilInsurance (also known as Production Insurance) is a federal-provincial-producer cost-shared insurance-based program that stabilizes a producer’s income by minimizing the economic effects of production losses for a wide variety of agricultural products resulting from natural hazards beyond their control (adverse weather, disease, pest, etc.). The federal government also provides a reinsurance arrangement (deficit financing) to provinces.

Website: [www.agr.gc.ca/agriinsurance](http://www.agr.gc.ca/agriinsurance)

**British Columbia Ministry of Agriculture and Lands**

**Agriculture Risk Management Branch**

Phone: 250-861-7211

Phone (toll-free): 1-888-332-3352

Fax (toll-free): 1-877-772-2200 (BC only)

Website: [www.al.gov.bc.ca/production_insurance](http://www.al.gov.bc.ca/production_insurance)

**Agriculture Financial Services Corporation (Alberta)**

Phone (toll-free): 1-877-899-AFSC (1-877-899-2372)

Fax: 403-782-4336

Website: [www.afsc.ca](http://www.afsc.ca)

**Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation**

Phone: 306-728-7202

Phone (toll-free): 1-888-935-0000

Email: aginfo@gov.sk.ca

Website: [www.saskcropinsurance.com](http://www.saskcropinsurance.com)

**Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation**

Phone: 204-239-3246

Fax: 204-239-3401

Email: mailbox@masc.mb.ca

Website: [www.masc.mb.ca](http://www.masc.mb.ca)

**AGRICORP (Ontario)**

Phone (toll-free): 1-888-247-4999

Fax: 519-826-4118

Email: contact@agricorp.com

Website: [www.agricorp.com](http://www.agricorp.com)

**La Financière agricole du Québec**

Phone (toll-free): 1-800-749-3646

Email: financiereagricole@fadq.qc.ca

Website: [www.fadq.qc.ca/index.php?id=1086&no_cache=1&L=1](http://www.fadq.qc.ca/index.php?id=1086&no_cache=1&L=1)

**New Brunswick Department of Agriculture and Aquaculture**

Phone: 506-453-2666

Fax: 506-453-7170
Email: DAA-MAA@gnb.ca
Website: www.gnb.ca

**Nova Scotia Crop and Livestock Insurance Commission**
Telephone: 902-893-6370
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-565-6371
Fax: 902-895-4622
Email: nsclic@gov.ns.ca
Website: www.gov.ns.ca/agric

**Prince Edward Island Insurance Corporation**
**Prince Edward Island Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture**
Telephone: 902-368-4842
Fax: 902-569-7745
Email: peiaic@gov.pe.ca
Website: www.gov.pe.ca/growingforward

**Newfoundland and Labrador Crop Insurance Agency**
Telephone: 709-637-2077
Fax: 709-637-2591
Website: www.nr.gov.nl.ca/agric

**AgrilInvest** is a savings account designed to help producers address small income declines. Producers can make an annual deposit into their individual AgrilInvest account and receive a matching contribution from governments (deposits are cost shared on a 60/40 federal/provincial basis). The amount a producer can deposit is based on a percentage of their Allowable Net Sales (i.e., the net sales of their allowable commodities). Producers can withdraw funds at any time. *AgrilInvest is delivered federally in all provinces except Quebec.*

Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-367-8506
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/agriinvest

**Quebec**

**La Financière agricole**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-749-3646
Website: www.faqd.qc.ca/index.php?id=1086&no_cache=1&L=1

**AgriRecovery** is a framework that allows governments to jointly respond to natural disasters (e.g., diseases, weather, pests) with quick, targeted assistance on a case-by-case basis. The framework provides the process for governments to quickly determine whether or not assistance beyond what is provided through existing
programming (e.g., assistance under the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, AgriStability, Agrilnsurance) is warranted, and if so, what form that assistance should take.

Website: www.agr.gc.ca/agrirecovery

AgriStability is a margin-based program that provides income support when producers experience large margin losses (over 15 per cent). The program works in conjunction with AgrilInvest, which is designed to assist producers with small income declines. AgriStability assists producers to stabilize their income, minimize their losses and protect against large margin declines.

AgriStability is delivered federally in the Yukon, British Columbia**, Saskatchewan, Manitoba**, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland and Labrador.

Federal Administration
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-367-8506
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/agristability

AgriStability is delivered provincially in Alberta, Ontario, Québec and Prince Edward Island.

Alberta
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-744-7900
Website: www.afsc.ca

Ontario
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-838-5144
Website: www.agricorp.com/en-ca/programs/agristability

Quebec
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-861-2272
Website: www.fadq.qc.ca/index.php?id=1086&no_cache=1&L=1

Prince Edward Island
Telephone (toll-free): 902-368-4842
Email: peiaic@gov.pe.ca
Website: www.gov.pe.ca/growingforward/index.php3?number=1021634&lang=E

** At the time of printing, negotiations were underway to transfer the AgriStability program from the Government of Canada to the provinces of British Columbia and Saskatchewan. Until further notice, please continue to direct all AgriStability enquiries for those provinces to Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada at agr.gc.ca/agristability or 1-866-367-8506.
The **Canadian Agricultural Loans Act (CALA)** program is a financial loan guarantee program that gives farmers easier access to credit. Farmers can use these loans to establish, improve, and develop farms and Agricultural co-operatives, and may access loans to process, distribute or market farm products. The CALA program is available through participating lending organizations across the country. The objectives of the program are to support the renewal of the agricultural sector and to enable co-operatives to better seize market opportunities.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-346-2511  
Email: fgp-pgf@agr.gc.ca  
Website: [www.agr.gc.ca/cala](http://www.agr.gc.ca/cala)

The **Farm Debt Mediation Service (FDMS)** offers financial counselling and mediation services to farmers who are financially insolvent. The service is a private, confidential and economical alternative to the often costly, public and drawn-out process of resolving financial disputes in the courts. This free service provides a forum through which insolvent farmers and their creditors can attempt to reach arrangements satisfactory to all parties.

Website: [www.agr.gc.ca/fdms](http://www.agr.gc.ca/fdms)

**Canadian Agri-Renewal Services/Farm Debt Mediation Service**

**British Columbia, Alberta, Yukon Territory, Northwest Territories and Nunavut**  
Telephone: 780-495-3212  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-452-5556  
Fax: 780-495-3971

**Saskatchewan and Manitoba**  
Telephone: 306-780-5544  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-452-5556  
Fax: 306-780-7353

**Ontario**  
Telephone: 519-763-8135  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-452-5556  
Fax: 519-836-3213

**Quebec**  
Telephone: 418-648-4775  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-452-5556  
Fax: 418-648-2439
New Brunswick, PEI, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Labrador
Telephone: 506-452-4098
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-452-5556
Fax: 506-452-4975

The Hog Farm Transition Program provides financial assistance to those hog producers who wish to cease production for a period of at least three years. To be eligible, producers had to be involved in hog production as of April 1, 2009. Barns idled under the Cull Swine Breeding Program will not be eligible under the Hog Farm Transition Program.

Canadian Pork Council
Telephone: 613-236-9239
Fax: 613-236-6658
Email: info@cpc-ccp.com
Website: www.cpc-ccp.com/program-farm-transition-e.php

The Hog Industry Loan Loss Reserve Program (HILLRP) assists the pork industry to deal with immediate short-term cash-flow pressures. It is designed to increase access to credit for eligible producers currently producing hogs in Canada and who can provide a business plan which demonstrates that the business is or can be viable and has a reasonable prospect of repaying the loan.
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-346-2511
Email: HILLRP@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/HILLRP

The Plum Pox Eradication Program (PPEP) provides funding for activities aimed at eradicating the Plum Pox Virus (PPV) from Canada. The bulk of the funding supports an extensive survey of tender fruit orchards, PPV research and financial assistance for producers whose orchards are affected by the PPV.

Canadian Food Inspection Agency
Website: www.inspection.gc.ca/english/plaveg/pestrava/ppv/ppve.shtml

The Price Pooling Program provides a price guarantee that protects marketing agencies and producers against unanticipated declines in the market price of their products. Program participants use the price guarantee as security in obtaining credit from lending institutions.
This credit allows the marketing agency to improve the cash flow of producers through an initial payment for products delivered. It also provides equal returns to producers for products of like grades, varieties and types.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-346-2511
Email: fgp-pgf@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/ppp

Positioning You for International Markets

AgriMarketing was launched on April 7, 2009. As the successor to the Canadian Agriculture and Food International (CAFI) Program, AgriMarketing provides a platform to enhance marketing capacity and competitiveness of the Canadian agriculture, agri-food, fish and seafood industry, including small and medium sized enterprises, for success in global markets.

AgriMarketing Secretariat
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
Fax: 613-773-0199
Email: agrimarketing@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/agrimarketing

Protecting the Environment

The Community Pasture Program is AAFC’s largest and longest-running contribution to landscape conservation on the Prairies. Created in the 1930s to reclaim badly degraded lands, the program currently manages 929,000 hectares of land for environmental and economic sustainability. The program aims to manage a productive, bio-diverse rangeland and promote environmentally responsible land use practices, and to utilize the resource to complement livestock production.

Telephone: 306-780-5119
Website: www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1183491574124&lang=eng

The Orchards and Vineyards Transition Program (OVTP) is aimed at helping the tree fruit and grape industries in British Colombia, Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia adapt to market and industry pressures. The objective of the program is to assist producers of tree fruits and/or grapes in the removal of less desirable fruit trees or grapevines in order to aid in
adaptation to industry pressures and changing markets.

**British Columbia - BC Fruit Growers’ Association**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-665-5254

**Ontario - Agricorp**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-247-4999

**Quebec**
Telephone: 418-380-2110
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-222-6272

**New Brunswick**
Telephone: 506-453-2666
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-622-4742

**Nova Scotia**
Telephone: 902-893-6510
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-844-4276

The **Prairie Shelterbelt Program (PSP)** provides technical services and tree and shrub seedlings for establishment of shelterbelts and other agroforestry, conservation and reclamation projects on agricultural and eligible lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and in the Peace River region of British Columbia. The program objective is to improve the performance and sustainability of the agricultural sector by helping to achieve the social, economic and environmental benefits of agroforestry.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-766-2284
Email: agroforestry@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/shelterbelt

**Science/Innovation**

**The Agri-Foresight Initiative** will help the agricultural sector anticipate future challenges and opportunities. Partners and stakeholders will be invited to participate in workshops to anticipate, plan for and take leadership in developing innovation strategies.

**Science Strategy Development**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-857-2287
Email: infoAgriproducts@agr.gc.ca
Website: www4.agr.gc.ca/AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1240425049110&lang=eng

The **Agri-Opportunities Program** provides repayable contributions to accelerate the commercialization of new agricultural products, processes or services that are
Currently not produced or commercially available in Canada.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-BIO-4682 (1-877-246-4682)
Email: agri-opps@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/agri-opportunities

**Canadian Agri-Science Clusters Initiative**

The purpose of this initiative is to encourage key agricultural organizations to mobilize and coordinate a critical mass of scientific and technical capacity in industry, government and academia required to create, design and implement a national program of applied science, technology transfer and commercialization plans in support of their sector strategies and priorities for enhanced profitability and competitiveness.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-857-2287
Email: infoClusters@agr.gc.ca
Website: www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1240335632472&lang=eng

The **Developing Innovative Agri-Products Initiative** will help accelerate the pre-commercial development of new agri-products, processes and practices that require access to, and an understanding of, the application of science and technology. The initiative will support industry-led projects and foster the enhancement and development of value chains by producers, processors, distributors, researchers and others to help bring to life new knowledge, new products and new market opportunities.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-857-2287
Email: infoAgriproducts@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/agri-innovations

**ecoAgriculture Biofuels Capital (ecoABC),**
a four-year initiative ending on March 31, 2011, provides conditionally repayable contributions towards the capital costs of new or expanding biofuel production facilities. Projects must include new equity investment by agricultural producers of a minimum of five per cent of eligible project costs, and use agricultural feedstock to produce ethanol and biodiesel.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-BIO-4682 (1-877-246-4682)
Email: ecoABC@agr.gc.ca
Website: www.agr.gc.ca/ecoABC

For more information regarding provincial and territorial programs:
British Columbia
**British Columbia Ministry of Agriculture and Lands**
Telephone: 604-660-2421
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-663-7867
Email: EnquiryBC@gov.bc.ca
Website: www.gov.bc.ca/al

Alberta
**Department of Agriculture and Rural Development**
Telephone: 310-3276 (FARM – within Alberta)
Telephone: 403-742-7901 (Out of province)
Website: www.agric.gov.ab.ca

Yukon
**Department of Energy, Mines and Resources**
Telephone: 867-667-5838
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-661-0408 ext. 5838
Email: agriculture@gov.yk.ca
Website: www.agriculture.gov.yk.ca

Northwest Territories
**Department of Industry, Tourism and Investment**
Website: www.iti.gov.nt.ca

Nunavut
**Department of Economic Development and Transportation**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-975-5999
Website: www.edt.gov.nu.ca

Saskatchewan
**Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture**
Telephone: 306-787-5140
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-457-2377
Email: aginfo@gov.sk.ca
Website: www.agriculture.gov.sk.ca

Manitoba
**Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives (MAFRI)**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-626-4862 (1-866-MANITOB)
Email: mgi@gov.mb.ca
Website: www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture

Ontario
**Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-479-3931 (1-888-GRWFWD1)
Email: growingforward@ontario.ca
Website: www.ontario.ca/growingforward
Quebec
Ministère de l’Agriculture, de Pêcheries et de l’Alimentation du Québec (MAPAQ)
Telephone: 418-380-2110
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-222-6272 (1-888-222-MAPA)
Website: www.mapaq.gouv.qc.ca

Nova Scotia
Nova Scotia Department of Agriculture
Telephone: 902-893-6378
Fax: 902-424-4671
Email: daffrecrep@gov.ns.ca
Website: www.gov.ns.ca/agri

New Brunswick
New Brunswick Department of Agriculture and Aquaculture
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-622-4742
Fax: 506-453-7170
Email: DAA-MAA@gnb.ca
Website: www.gnb.ca/agriculture

Prince Edward Island
Prince Edward Island Department of Agriculture
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-PEI-FARM (1-866-734-3276)
Fax: 902-368-4857
Email: peiextension@gov.pe.ca
Website: www.gov.pe.ca/agriculture

Newfoundland and Labrador
Newfoundland and Labrador Department of Natural Resources
Telephone: 709-729-5282
Fax: 709-729-0059
Website: www.nr.gov.nl.ca/agric

Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA)

Community Adjustment Fund (CAF) provides funding for projects that will create jobs and employment opportunities in communities that are hard-hit by the economic downturn. Activities supported by the fund include science and technology initiatives, community transition plans that foster economic development and
other measures to promote economic diversification in affected communities.

Telephone: 506-851-2271
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-561-7862
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-456-6500
Fax: 506-851-7403
Website: www.acoa-apeca.gc.ca/English/ImLookingFor/ProgramInformation/CAF/Pages/home.aspx

New Brunswick
Telephone: 506-452-3184
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-561-4030
Fax: 506-452-3285

Prince Edward Island
Telephone: 902-566-7492
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-871-2596
Fax: 902-566-7098

Newfoundland and Labrador
Telephone: 709-772-2751
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-668-1010
Fax: 709-772-2712

Nova Scotia
Telephone: 902-426-6743
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-565-1228
Fax: 902-426-2054

Cape Breton
Telephone: 902-564-3600
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-705-3926
Fax: 902-564-3825
Email: ecbcinfo@ecbc.ca

Ottawa
Telephone: 613-954-2422
Fax: 613-954-0429

Innovative Communities Fund (ICF) invests in strategic projects that build the economies of Atlantic Canada’s communities. Working in partnership with 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.
Recreational Infrastructure Canada (RInC) Program provides funding for projects to rehabilitate recreational facilities across Canada, including upgrades and repairs of existing assets and new construction that adds to or replaces existing recreational infrastructure.

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Fax: 506-851-7403
Website: www.acoa-apeca.gc.ca/English/ImLookingFor/ProgramInformation/RInC/Pages/Home.aspx
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Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-561-4030  
Fax: 506-452-3285

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Telephone: 902-566-7492  
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Newfoundland and Labrador  
Telephone: 709-772-2751  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-668-1010  
Fax: 709-772-2712

Nova Scotia  
Telephone: 902-426-6743  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-565-1228  
Fax: 902-426-2054

Cape Breton  
Telephone: 902-564-3600  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-705-3926  
Fax: 902-564-3825

Ottawa  
Telephone: 613-954-2422  
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Regional Economic Development Organizations (REDO)  
The mandate of the REDOs varies from one Atlantic province to another in order to address the economic development needs of the individual provinces. They are involved in numerous activities such as community capacity building, the provision of information and support to prospective businesses, the management of various projects aimed at economic development opportunities, the promotion of entrepreneurial success, and business counselling.

Telephone: 506-851-2271  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-561-7862  
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-456-6500  
Fax: 506-851-7403

Website: www.acoa-apec.ca/English/IWantTo/StrengthenMyCommunity/Pages/REDOs.aspx
New Brunswick
Telephone: 506-452-3184
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-561-4030
Fax: 506-452-3285

Prince Edward Island
Telephone: 902-566-7492
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-871-2596
Fax: 902-566-7098

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Telephone: 709-772-2751
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-668-1010
Fax: 709-772-2712

Nova Scotia
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Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-565-1228
Fax: 902-426-2054

Cape Breton
Telephone: 902-564-3600
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Fax: 902-564-3825
Email: ecbcinfo@ecbc.ca

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Telephone: 613-954-2422
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Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC)

Aboriginal Entrepreneur
Through its Aboriginal Banking Unit, BDC provides financing and management services to Aboriginal businesses to start a new business or to expand an existing one. Beyond conventional lending, BDC helps promote development in Aboriginal communities through a number of initiatives, including the Aboriginal Business Development Fund, the Growth Capital for Aboriginal Business program, peer lending and E-Spirit, a national Internet-based Aboriginal youth annual business plan competition.
Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)

CANPASS Remote Area Border Crossing (RABC)
The CANPASS Remote Area Border Crossing (RABC) program facilitates the border services clearance process for individuals wishing to cross the border into Canada at the following remote areas:
• From Pigeon River through to and including Lake of the Woods
• The Canadian shore of Lake Superior
• Cockburn Island
• Sault Ste. Marie (upper lock system)

Reporting procedures:
CANPASS RABC permit holders entering Canada where there is an open CBSA office are not exempt from the normal reporting process. Dependents travelling separately must have a copy of the CANPASS RABC permit in their possession.

Website: www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/prog/canpass/rabc-pfre/menu-eng.html
Applications can be made in person at any of the following ports of entry:

Fort Frances
Telephone: 807-274-3655

Rainy River
Telephone: 807-852-3341

Pigeon River
Telephone: 807-964-2093

Sault Ste. Marie
Telephone: 705-941-3063

Emerson West Lynne
Telephone: 204-373-2197
Canada Business – Services for Entrepreneurs

If you are thinking of starting or buying a business or if you wish to improve on an existing one, go to Canada Business. Online or in-person, you will learn about important regulations and government financing, tools, and services that can help you succeed.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-576-4444
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-457-8466
Fax (toll-free): 1-888-417-0442
Website: www.canadabusiness.ca

Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions (CED-Q)

The Business and Regional Growth Program seeks to: help enterprises improve their performance, become more competitive and engage in more innovation to facilitate their sustainable development; support the transfer of technology and research outputs to enterprises; and create the right conditions to attract foreign investment and international organizations.

Telephone: 514-283-6412
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-385-6412
Fax: 514-283-3302
Website: www.dec-ced.gc.ca/eng/programs/growth/growth.html

Business Contact is an economic leadership concept designed by Canada Economic Development in conjunction with Quebec’s Community Futures Development Corporations (CFDCs) and Business Development Centres (BDCs). This event targets the growth of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).
and the development of all Quebec regions. Business Contact is intended for business people and SME support organizations.

Telephone: 514-283-6412
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-385-6412
Fax: 514-283-3302
Website: www.dec-ced.gc.ca/eng/agency/business-contact/contact.html

Business Startup and Succession Fund
The objective of this Fund is to increase access to venture capital in Quebec’s regions so as to support business startup and the legal and operational transfer of enterprises in order to maintain decision-making centres and preserve jobs in the regions of Quebec.

Telephone: 514-283-6412
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-385-6412
Fax: 514-283-3302
Website: www.dec-ced.gc.ca/eng/programs/cfp/startup.html

Community Adjustment Fund (CAF) is an economic stimulus initiative. This Fund is intended to mitigate the impact of the economic downturn in the short term by contributing to the creation and maintenance of employment, while addressing transitional and adjustment challenges in communities.

Telephone: 514-283-6412
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-385-6412
Fax: 514-283-3302
Website: www.dec-ced.gc.ca/eng/programs/caf/caf.html

Community Economic Diversification Initiative – Vitality (CEDI-Vitality) was created to support communities with slow economic growth in seven regions and 21 Quebec regional county municipalities. The initiative is intended to: diversify the economic base of these communities; reduce the dependency of communities whose economies are based on a single industry or sector, or on natural resource development; create sustainable employment; and decrease population exodus.
Telephone: 514-283-6412
Fax: 514-283-3302
Website: www.dec-ced.gc.ca/eng/programs/cedi-vitality/cediv.html

**Community Futures Program**

Through this program, Canada Economic Development contributes to the financing of the 57 Community Future Development Corporations (CFDC), of the 10 Community Business Development Corporations (CBDC) and of the 15 Community Economic Development Corporations (CEDC). These organizations support enterprises and communities in urban and rural areas by providing numerous services such as access to funding, technical assistance and consulting services; by stimulating enterprise startup; and by supporting local entrepreneurship.

Telephone: 514-283-6412
Fax: 514-283-3302
Website: www.dec-ced.gc.ca/eng/programs/cfp/cfp.html

**Major Economic and Tourism Facilities** supports the economic development in regions and communities. This initiative comprises two facets:

1) community economic facilities projects (which supplement or improve an existing facility or service, and projects which provide Broadband services in the regions);

2) major tourism development projects (projects to develop ports of call for international cruise ships and major tourism projects which target the development of large-scale tourist attractions that could serve as a driver of growth for the regional economy).

Telephone: 514-283-6412
Fax: 514-283-3302
Website: www.dec-ced.gc.ca/eng/programs/facilities/facilities.html
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)

Aboriginal Capacity Development facilitates the acquisition of tools in terms of knowledge, skills, training and resources that will allow First Nations to work towards self-sufficiency in housing and take on more responsibility for the functioning of their community. Assistance is provided to First Nations housing institutions and individual housing providers to acquire the skills and knowledge to design, build, inspect and manage housing on-reserve. Aboriginal Capacity Development initiatives are targeted primarily to Aboriginal communities on-reserve in Canada.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-668-2642
Website: www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/ab/noho/noho_003.cfm

On-Reserve Non-Profit Housing Program

The program assists First Nations in the construction, purchase and rehabilitation, and administration of suitable, adequate and affordable rental housing on-reserve. This program is targeted to Aboriginal communities on-reserve in Canada.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-668-2642
Website: www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/ab/onre/onre_010.cfm

Canada Post

Canada Post provides reliable, accessible, innovative and affordable solutions to connect all Canadians through a network of postal outlets, by phone and Internet.

Telephone: 416-979-8822
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-607-6301
TDD (toll-free): 1-800-267-2797
Website: www.canadapost.ca
Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)

Aboriginal Peoples – Tax Information
This Web page provides easy access to publications, forms, and general tax information for Aboriginal peoples.
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-959-8281
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/aboriginalpeoples

Authorized Representatives – Tax Information
Individuals and businesses can use the “Represent a client” electronic service to grant permission to specific authorized representatives to act on their behalf in addressing their tax concerns in a secure and controlled manner.
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-322-7849
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/representatives

Business – Online Services
My Business Account is an electronic service that provides business owners (including sole proprietors, partners, and directors) secure online access to their GST/HST, payroll, corporation income tax, and other levies accounts. You can use My Business Account to file and view the status of returns, view account balances and transactions, transfer payments, make online requests for financial transactions, stop the mail-out of statements or remittance envelopes, and so much more. Go to the Web page below to learn about the growing list of services available.

For general business enquiries:
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-959-5525
For technical help with My Business Account
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-322-7849
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/mybusinessaccount

Charities and Giving – Information for Donors and Charities
This Web page provides useful links to charity-related topics, including applying for registration, revoking registered status, donating to charity, as well as policies and technical
information. It also provides information to help donors make informed decisions about the charities they give to.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-267-2384
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/charities

**Child and Family – Benefits and Credits**
This Web page provides easy access to the benefit and credit programs administered by the Canada Revenue Agency on behalf of the federal, provincial, and territorial governments.

Website: www.cra.gc.ca/benefits

**GST/HST credit enquiries**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-959-1953

**Canada Child Tax Benefit**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-387-1193

**Working Income Tax Benefit**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-959-8281

**Universal Child Care Benefit**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-387-1193
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354

**Farmers – Tax Information**
This Web page provides easy access to publications, forms, and general tax information for people earning income as self-employed farmers or as members of a farming partnership.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-959-5525
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/farming

**Fishers – Tax Information**
This Web page provides easy access to publications, forms, and general tax information for people earning income as self-employed fishers or as members of a fishing partnership.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-959-5525
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/fishers

**Persons with Disabilities – Deductions and Credits**
This Web page provides information about programs and services specifically for persons with disabilities,
including the disability tax credit, the disability amount, and various other deductions and credits.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-959-8281  
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354  
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/disability

Seniors – Tax Information
This Web page highlights numerous tax measures, services, and programs to help seniors and links to information on RRSP withdrawals, pension income splitting, RRIFs, the age amount, medical expenses, electronic services, and more.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-959-8281  
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354  
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/seniors

Taxpayers and Benefit Recipients – Tax Information
View and manage your income tax and benefit information online, seven days a week, using the My Account for individuals’ service.

For general taxpayer information:  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-959-8281  
For technical help with My Account:  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-714-7257  
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354  
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/myaccount

Canadian Heritage

The Aboriginal Languages Initiative maintains and revitalizes Aboriginal languages for future generations by increasing the number of Aboriginal language speakers, by encouraging the transmission of these languages from generation to generation, and by expanding language usage in family and community settings.

Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/pgm/pa-app/pgm/ila-ali/index-eng.cfm

Arts Presentation Canada gives Canadians direct access to a variety of quality artistic experiences through financial assistance to arts presenters or the organizations that support them. The outcome will be that Canadians
will have more access to artists’ work from all regions of Canada that reflect our country’s rich cultural diversity. Canadian communities of all backgrounds will have the opportunity to participate in and benefit from the broadest possible range of artistic experiences.

Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pac-apc/index_e.cfm

Building Communities through Arts and Heritage supports activities that celebrate local historical heritage, artists and artisans that are intended for and open to the general public. The program’s objective is to involve citizens in their communities through festivals, events and activities that promote the local performing and visual arts, as well as through the expression, celebration and preservation of local historical heritage. Building Communities through Arts and Heritage funding can be accessed through two components:

• **Local Arts and Heritage Festivals**, which supports local community events and activities that feature the public presentation of local artists and/or local heritage.

• **Historical Anniversaries Programming**, which supports local community events and activities that commemorate the 100th anniversary or greater (in increments of 25 years) of a local historically significant event or person.

Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/pgm/lst/106-eng.cfm#a5

**Celebrate Canada** is an eleven-day celebration which takes place from June 21 to July 1. National Aboriginal Day on June 21 kicks off the celebrations. Events continue with Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day on June 24 and Canadian Multiculturalism Day on June 27, and culminate with Canada Day on July 1.

Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/special/canada/index-eng.cfm

**Cultural Development Fund**

Objectives:

• Support and strengthen the cultural and artistic activities and cultural expression of official language minority communities to enhance their vitality.
• Promote the contribution of arts, culture and heritage to the sustainable development of official language minority communities and Canadian society.
• Develop and promote the arts, culture and heritage of official language minority communities in Canadian society.
• Foster identity building and a sense of belonging within Canada’s official language minority communities.
• Give Canadians access to the richness of the official language minority communities’ culture, arts and heritage.

Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/pgm/lo-ol/pgm/cult-eng.cfm

The **Cultural Spaces Canada** program contributes to improved physical conditions for artistic creativity and presentation/exhibition. It is designed to increase and improve access for Canadians to performing arts, visual arts and media arts, as well as museum collections, heritage displays, and exhibitions. The program supports the improvement, renovation and expansion of arts and heritage facilities and the acquisition of specialized equipment. Feasibility studies will not be considered a priority at this time.

Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/pgm/ecc-CSP/index-eng.cfm

**Development of Official Languages Communities Program – Community Life component**

The Community Life component of the Development of Official Language Communities Program aims to enable the federal government to work with partners to offer official language minority communities access to services in their own language, as well as the infrastructure necessary to ensure their growth and development.

Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/pgm/lo-ol/pgm/dclo-vc-eng.cfm

**Exchanges Canada** creates opportunities for young Canadians to gain a better understanding of their country, connect with one another, and gain a better appreciation of both the diversity and the shared aspects of life in Canada. The Exchanges Canada website also provides a single window to information on a wide range of
exchanges available in Canada and abroad.
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-O-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
Fax (toll-free): 1-877-297-5014
Email: exchanges@pch.gc.ca
Website: www.exchanges.gc.ca

The Publications Assistance Program (PAP) provides a postal subsidy to eligible Canadian magazines and non-daily newspapers mailed in Canada for delivery in Canada. The program enables Canadians in every part of Canada to have access to magazines and non-daily newspapers from across the country.
Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/pap/index-eng.cfm

Women’s Community Initiatives
The objectives of the Women’s Community Initiatives are to:
• influence public policy and decision-making related to concerns and aspirations of Aboriginal women at all levels of Aboriginal and Canadian government;
• maintain the cultural distinctiveness and preserve the cultural identity of Aboriginal women;
• enhance and develop strong leadership capabilities, as well as individual and collective skills and talents, so that Aboriginal women can play a central role in their own communities as well as participate effectively in Canadian society; and
• undertake projects to improve the social and economic conditions of their community.
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-811-0055
Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/pgm/lst/103-eng.cfm#a7

Young Canada Works offers students and recent graduates the chance to put their skills to the test, build career equity, earn money for their education or get started on the right career path. Summer jobs and internships give young people access to unique opportunities to learn and work, whether it be to practice their second language in a museum, work in an Aboriginal friendship centre or even travel abroad.
Website: www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/special/jct-ycw/index-eng.cfm
Citizenship and Immigration Canada

After You Arrive
There are many things you need to do when you settle in a new country. Find out how to get the help you need and learn all about living in Canada.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-242-2100
TTY (toll-free): 1-888-576-8502
Website: www.cic.gc.ca/english/newcomers/index.asp

Department of Justice Canada

The Aboriginal Justice Strategy (AJS) comprises two funds; the Community-Based Justice Program Fund, and the Capacity Building Fund. The community-based justice programs are cost-shared with provincial and territorial governments, and the AJS currently funds programs in every province and territory in the country. The Capacity Building Fund is designed to support capacity building efforts in Aboriginal communities, particularly as they relate to building increased knowledge and skills for the establishment and management of community-based justice programs.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-442-4468
Fax: 613-957-4697
Email: ajs-sja@justice.gc.ca
Website: www.justice.gc.ca/eng/pi/ajs-sja/index.html

British Columbia
Telephone: 604-666-6009
Fax: 604-666-7121

Alberta and Saskatchewan
Telephone: 306-780-3204
Fax: 306-975-5116

Ontario and Manitoba
Telephone: 613-957-3330
Fax: 613-957-4697
Quebec and Atlantic
Telephone: 613-941-2974
Fax: 613-957-4697

Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut
Telephone: 867-393-7963
Fax: 867-393-7951

The Family Violence Initiative (FVI) works towards reducing family violence in Canada. Justice’s role in the Initiative is to review, develop and reform criminal justice laws and policy; conduct related research; and provide project funding for community-based projects and public legal education and information on family violence.

The program also supports efforts to prevent and reduce family violence in rural and remote communities by funding pilot projects in these communities and increasing the number of public legal education materials on family violence topics that apply to these communities.

Telephone for Justice-related issues: 613-946-2222
Telephone (toll-free) for Justice-related issues:
1-888-373-2222
Telephone (toll-free) National Clearinghouse on Family Violence: 1-800-267-1291
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-465-7735
Fax: 613-941-8930
Email: fv-vf@justice.gc.ca
Website: canada.justice.gc.ca/eng/pi/fv-vf/index.html

The Research and Statistics Division has published a number of justice-related research reports on issues impacting rural communities in Canada. These reports are available free of charge on the Department’s Internet site. The Division undertakes research that focuses on a wide variety of matters, including Aboriginal issues, criminal justice issues, criminal procedure reform, Criminal Code reform, drug addictions, family violence, governance, human rights and privacy, international research, legal aid, mental health, Northern justice issues, organized crime, public opinion research, race and diversity, sentencing, terrorism and security, victims, and youth justice.

Telephone: 613-957-4222
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
TDD/TTY: 613-992-4556
TDD/TTY (toll-free): 1-800-465-7735
Fax: 613-954-0811
Email: rsd.drs@justice.gc.ca
Website: www.justice.gc.ca/eng/pi/rs/index.html

Environment Canada

The Aboriginal Species at Risk Program enables the Government of Canada to help build capacity in Aboriginal communities/organizations for their participation in the implementation of the Species at Risk Act and to support Aboriginal involvement in activities that protect or conserve habitats for species at risk.

Website: www.registrelep.gc.ca/involved/funding/asrp_e.cfm

Terrestrial Species (Environment Canada)

Atlantic
Telephone: 506-364-5049

Quebec
Telephone: 418-648-7025

Ontario
Telephone: 416-739-4100

Prairie and Northern Region:
  Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan
  Telephone: 780-951-8672
  Northwest Territories
  Telephone: 867-669-4765
  Nunavut
  Telephone: 867-975-4633

Pacific and Yukon Region:
  British Columbia
  Telephone: 604-940-4646
  Yukon
  Telephone: 867-667-3928

Aquatic Species
(Department of Fisheries and Oceans)

Pacific
Telephone: 604-666-4565

Central and Arctic
Telephone: 519-383-1884
Ontario
Telephone: 905-336-6472

Quebec
Telephone: 418-648-4566

Gulf
Telephone: 506-851-7290

Maritimes
Telephone: 902-426-6036

Newfoundland and Labrador
Judy Guest
Telephone: 709-772-2922
Patricia Williams
Telephone: 709-772-3732

Atlantic Coastal Action Program (ACAP) is a unique community-based program initiated by Environment Canada in 1991 to help Atlantic Canadians restore and sustain watersheds and adjacent coastal areas. ACAP recognizes that local organizations are the most effective champions to achieve sustainability in their communities.

Telephone: 902-426-8679 or 902-426-7231
TTY: 819-994-0736
Fax: 902-426-6348
Email: 15th.reception@ec.gc.ca
Website: atlantic-web1.ns.ec.gc.ca/community/acap

EcoAction Community Funding Program provides financial support to community groups for projects that have measurable, positive impacts on the environment. EcoAction encourages action focus projects that will protect, rehabilitate or enhance the natural environment, and build the capacity of communities to sustain these activities into the future.

Website: www.ec.gc.ca/ecoaction/default.asp?lang=En&n=FA475FEB-1

Atlantic
Telephone: 902-426-8521 or 709-772-4269
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-663-5755
Fax: 902-426-2062
Email: ecoaction.atl@ec.gc.ca

Quebec
Telephone: 418-648-3537
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-668-6767
Ecological Gifts Program (EGP)

Canada’s Ecological Gifts Program provides a way for Canadians with ecologically sensitive land to protect natural areas and leave a legacy for future generations. Landowners donating ecologically sensitive land or a partial interest, such as a conservation easement, covenant or servitude to an environmental charity or government body, are eligible to receive income tax benefits for their donation.

Website: www.cws-scf.ec.gc.ca/ecogifts/intro_e.cfm

National Secretariat
Telephone: 819-994-6687 or 819-953-4003
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-668-6767
Fax: 819-953-3575

Pacific and Yukon
Telephone: 604-940-4700
Fax: 604-946-7022

Alberta
Telephone: 780-951-8826
Fax: 780-495-2615

Saskatchewan
Telephone: 306-780-5322
Fax: 306-780-7614
Manitoba
Telephone: 204-984-0863
Fax: 204-983-5248

Northwest Territories and Nunavut
Telephone: 867-669-4760
Fax: 867-873-8185

Ontario
Telephone: 416-739-5828 or 416-739-4286
Fax: 416-739-5845

Quebec
Telephone: 418-649-6136
Fax: 418-649-6475

New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Telephone: 506-364-5049
Fax: 506-364-5062

Newfoundland and Labrador
Telephone: 709-772-7456
Fax: 709-772-5097

The Environmental Damages Fund (EDF) is a special holding or trust account to manage funds received as compensation for environmental damage. These funds may come from court orders, awards, out of court settlements, and voluntary awards. Eligible recipients include non-government organizations; community based environmental groups, aboriginal groups, universities, provinces, territories and municipalities.

Priority for funding is given to projects in the following four categories: restoration of natural resources, environmental quality improvement, research and development relating to environmental damage assessment and restoration, and education related to pollution prevention and environmental quality improvement.

The amount of funding awarded is determined on a project-by-project basis. Contact the EDF office in your area for information concerning deadlines.

Website: www.ec.gc.ca/edf-fde/default.asp?lang=En&n=C5BAD261-1

New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Telephone: 902-426-8521
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-663-5755
Fax: 902-426-2062
Email: edf-fde.atl@ec.gc.ca

Newfoundland and Labrador
Telephone: 709-772-4269
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-663-5755
Fax: 709-772-5097
Email: edf-fde.atl@ec.gc.ca

Quebec
Telephone: 418-648-3537
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-463-4311
Fax: 418-649-6674
Email: edf-fde.Quebec@ec.gc.ca

Ontario
Telephone: 416-739-4734
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-661-7785
Fax: 416-739-4235
Email: edf-fde.on@ec.gc.ca

Alberta, Manitoba, Northwest Territories, Nunavut and Saskatchewan
Telephone: 204-984-5952
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-567-1570
Fax: 204-983-0964
Email: edf-fde.pnr@ec.gc.ca

British Columbia and Yukon
Telephone: 604-664-9093
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-667-7779
Fax: 604-713-9527
Email: edf-fde.pyr@ec.gc.ca

The Habitat Stewardship Program (HSP) for Species at Risk provides funding to “stewards” to implement activities that protect or conserve habitats for species designated as being at risk (endangered, threatened, or special concern) in Canada by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada. These activities must take place on private lands, provincial Crown lands, Aboriginal lands, or in aquatic and marine areas across Canada.

Website: www.cws-scf.ec.gc.ca/hsp-pih

Atlantic
Telephone: 506-364-5049

Quebec
Telephone: 418-649-6313
Ontario
Telephone: 416-739-4986

Prairie and Northern Region:

Manitoba
Telephone: 204-983-5264

Saskatchewan
Telephone: 306-780-5322

Alberta
Telephone: 306-780-5322

Nunavut
Telephone: 867-975-4633

Northwest Territories
Telephone: 867-669-4760

Pacific and Yukon Region
Telephone: 604-940-4700

The Invasive Alien Species Partnership Program (IASPP) provides funding to projects that further the implementation of the Invasive Alien Species Strategy for Canada. The goal of the IASPP is to engage Canadians in actions that help prevent, detect, and manage invasive alien species, thereby minimizing the risk these species pose to Canada’s environment, economy, and society.

Telephone: 819-953-8571
Email: IASPP-PPEEE@ec.gc.ca
Website: www.recovery.gc.ca/IASPP-PPEEE/index_cfm?lang=e

Farm Credit Canada

Agriculture Property
View Farm Credit Canada’s listing of Canadian properties for sale.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-910-5263
TTY: 306-780-6974
Fax: 306-780-8919
Email: csc@fcc-fac.ca
Website: www.fcc-fac.ca/en/Products/Property/property_e.asp

Farm Credit Canada (FCC) offers a wide range of flexible financing products and services supporting
diversification initiatives as well as value-added operations beyond the farm gate. For information, call our (toll-free) telephone line or visit our website.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-332-3301
TTY: 306-780-6974
Fax: 306-780-8919
Email: csc@fcc-fac.ca
Website: www.fcc-fac.ca

Farm Credit Canada (FCC) Enviro-Loan helps producers finance the construction or improvement of operations to implement sound environmental practices that will help protect the farm for future generations. Producers can take up to 18 months before making principal payments, allowing them to manage cash flow during construction.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-332-3301
TTY: 306-780-6974
Fax: 306-780-8919
Email: csc@fcc-fac.ca
Website: www.fcc-fac.ca/en/products/lending/enviro_loan_e.asp

Farm Credit Canada (FCC) Learning advances management practices that lead Canadian producers to success through the delivery of FCC learning and information programs. FCC Learning delivers workshops, seminars, learning tours and forums in a diverse offering of management topics. Information on agricultural and agribusiness issues is provided through the AgriSuccess Express, a weekly e-newsletter dedicated to agriculture, and the AgriSuccess Journal, a bimonthly magazine focused on advancing management practices for producers. Both publications are free.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-332-3301
TTY: 306-780-6974
Fax: 306-780-8618
Email: info@agrisuccess.ca
Website: www.fcc-fac.ca/en/learningcentre/index.asp?main=4
FedDev Ontario

Eastern Ontario Development Program (EODP)
Administered by FedDev Ontario, and created as part of Canada’s Economic Action Plan, the Eastern Ontario Development Program (EODP) promotes socio-economic development in Eastern Ontario by creating, building and developing the necessary conditions to increase business and employment opportunities in the area. The EODP will assist economic renewal in five priority areas:

- Business and community development;
- Skills development;
- Access to capital;
- Retention and attraction of youth;
- Technological enhancements.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-593-5505
Website: southernontario-suddelontario.gc.ca/eic/site/723.nsf/eng/h_00042.html

FedNor

FedNor is a federal regional development organization in Northern Ontario that works with a variety of partners, as both a facilitator and catalyst, to help create an environment in which communities can thrive, businesses can grow and people can prosper.

Community Futures Program
As part of Industry Canada’s Community Futures (CF) Program, FedNor supports 24 Community Futures Development Corporations (CFDCs) located in the North. In total, 61 CFDCs across Ontario offer a wide variety of programs and services supporting community economic development and small business growth. In particular, they provide:

- Strategic community planning and socio-economic development;
- Support for community-based projects;
- Business information and planning services; and
- Access to capital for small and medium-sized businesses and social enterprises.

These community-based, not-for-profit organizations are staffed by professionals and are each governed
by local volunteer boards of directors familiar with their communities' needs, concerns and future development priorities.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-333-6673
TTY (toll-free): 1-866-694-8389
Website: www.ic.gc.ca/cfdc-ontario

Northern Ontario Development Program (NODP)
The NODP is an ongoing program created in 1987 to promote economic growth, diversification, job creation and sustainable communities in Northern Ontario through a community-based approach. NODP invests in projects focused on one or more of the following six priority areas:

• Community economic development;
• Information and communications technology;
• Innovation;
• Trade and tourism;
• Human capital; and
• Business financing support.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-333-6673
TTY (toll-free): 1-866-694-8389
Website: www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/h_fn02348.html

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO)

Canada’s Ocean Strategy (COS)
An ever-increasing number of demands are being placed on our oceans and their resources. Aquaculture, oil and gas exploration and development, and eco-tourism have joined traditional fishing and marine transportation as significant ocean industries. The challenge is to support this growth in activity, which support jobs and gives Canada an important economic boost, with a strong commitment to maintaining and enhancing the well-being of our marine environment.

Canada’s Oceans Strategy will help Canada to meet this challenge by moving to an integrated, comprehensive vision for ocean management; taking advantage of economic opportunities while integrating social and environmental goals; and giving Canadians an opportunity to become engaged in decisions affecting Canada’s three oceans.
The framework by which Canada can achieve its vision for ocean management is through the involvement of key stakeholders in DFO’s integrated management areas called Large Oceans Management Areas (LOMAs). These LOMAs enable DFO to review the health of particular marine ecosystems, address user conflicts, define the cumulative impacts of human activities, and facilitate collaboration for the sustainable use of our oceans. To discover more about the LOMAs and our approach to integrated oceans management, please refer to:

Website: [www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/oceans/oceans-eng.htm](http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/oceans/oceans-eng.htm)

The **Canadian Coast Guard (CCG)** owns and operates the federal government’s civilian fleet, and provides key maritime services to Canadians. As a Special Operating Agency of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), the CCG helps DFO meet its responsibility to ensure safe and accessible waterways for Canadians. The CCG also plays a key role in ensuring the sustainable use and development of Canada’s oceans and waterways.

Canadians expect the federal government to:
- protect the marine environment;
- support economic growth;
- ensure public safety on the water; and
- ensure Canada’s sovereignty and security by establishing a strong federal presence in our waters.

The CCG helps the government meet the public’s expectation of clean, safe, secure, healthy and productive waters and coastlines.

**Telephone:** 613-993-0999  
**Fax:** 613-990-5541  
**TDD:** 613-941-6517  
**Email:** info@dfo-mpo.gc.ca  
**Website:** [www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca](http://www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca)

The **Canadian Coast Guard College** is the national centre of excellence for maritime training for the Canadian Coast Guard (CCG). Located in Sydney, Nova Scotia, the college delivers training and services in both official languages, and is an important source of trained and skilled personnel for the CCG. The College offers unique learning opportunities for Officer Cadet recruits and Canadian Public Service employees involved in marine safety and environmental protection.

**Email:** info@dfo-mpo.gc.ca
Website: www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/eng/CCG/Ccg_College

The Canadian Coast Guard’s (CCG) Aids to Navigation Program manages, maintains, and provides aids to navigation in Canadian waters in order to facilitate safe and expeditious movement of maritime traffic to protect the marine and freshwater environment, maintain maritime safety and to facilitate maritime commerce and ocean development.

Fax: 613-998-8428
Email: atn-ain@dfo-mpo.gc.ca
Website: www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/eng/CCG/ATN_Home

The Canadian Coast Guard’s (CCG) Environmental Response Program is responsible for ensuring the cleanup of ship-sourced spills of oil and other pollutants into Canadian waters. Canadian law holds polluters responsible for costs associated with cleaning up spills, including CCG’s costs for monitoring and/or managing a response effort.

Reporting a Marine Pollution Incident
By law, all pollution or threats of pollution must be reported. Pursuant to the Pollutant Discharge Reporting Regulations, 1995, a report shall include the following information:

- The identity of any ship and oil-handling facility;
- The time and location of the discharge or estimated time and location of the probable discharge;
- The nature of the discharge or probable discharge, including the type and quantity of pollutant involved;
- In the case of a discharge, a description of the assistance and salvage measures employed; and,
- Any other relevant information.

Website: www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/eng/CCG/Environmental_Response

Regional contact numbers for reporting a marine pollution incident:

Newfoundland and Labrador
Telephone (toll-free) - 24 hours: 1-800-563-9089

St. John’s and Newfoundland
Telephone: 709-772-2083

Central and Arctic Region
Telephone (toll-free) - 24 hours: 1-800-265-0237

Quebec
Telephone (toll-free) - 24 hours: 1-800-363-4735
Maritimes
Telephone (toll-free) - 24 hours: 1-800-565-1633

Pacific
Telephone (toll-free) - 24 hours: 1-800-889-8852

Vancouver and British Columbia
Telephone: 604-666-6011

The Canadian Coast Guard’s (CCG) Icebreaking Program, in partnership with Environment Canada’s Canadian Ice Service, helps maritime traffic move safely and quickly through, or around, ice-covered Canadian waters.
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-920-7767
Fax: 613-990-5541
Email: ice-glace@dfo-mpo.gc.ca
Website: www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/eng/CCG/Icebreaking

The Canadian Coast Guard’s (CCG) Marine Communications and Traffic Services (MCTS) Program provides communications and traffic services for the marine community and for the benefit of the public.
Website: www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/eng/CCG/Mcts

The Canadian Coast Guard’s (CCG) Search and Rescue Program involves searching for, and providing assistance to, people, ships or other craft that are, or are believed to be, in imminent danger. The CCG is part of a search and rescue network led by the Department of National Defence (DND). The network is made up of six federal departments and two volunteer groups.
Website: www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/eng/CCG/Search_Rescue

Fisheries and Aquaculture Management is a national program committed to providing Canadians with a sustainable fishery resource that provides for an economically viable and diverse industry.
Telephone: 613-993-0999
Fax: 613-990-1866
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-465-7735
Email: info@dfo-mpo.gc.ca
Website: www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fm-gp/index-eng.htm

Fish Habitat Management
Fish habitat can be easily damaged and lost due to human activities that occur in, near or with water. These often result in both big and small changes to fish habitat in

1-888-757-8725
ways that are both obvious and subtle. The changes often have profound effects on the economic, social, cultural and environmental benefits that marine and freshwater fish provide to Canadians. The Fish Habitat Management Program plays an important role in the conservation and protection of fish habitat in Canada. Program staff in over 65 offices across Canada work collaboratively with provinces, territories, industry, conservation and aboriginal groups on protecting and conserving fish habitat.

Telephone: 613-993-0999
Fax: 613-990-1866
TTY: 613-941-6517
Email: info@dfo-mpo.gc.ca
Website: www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/habitat/habitat-eng.htm

Small Craft Harbours (SCH) Program operates and maintains a national system for harbours, providing safe access and shelter for commercial fishing vessels and recreational boats.

Telephone: 613-993-3011
Fax: 613-952-6788
Email: schinfo@dfo-mpo.gc.ca
Website: www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sch/SCH-program_e.html

The Waterways Management Program ensures that commercial shipping channels are designed and maintained by their custodians and operators in the interests of safe navigation, that mariners are provided the necessary information to use the channels in a safe manner, that the channels are environmentally sustainable, and that the requirements of commercial channel navigation are met in the international hydraulically regulated channels of the St. Lawrence River.

Website: www.ccg-gcc.gc.ca/eng/CCG/WM_Waterways_Development

Health Canada

Federal Tobacco Control Strategy (FTCS)

Health Canada undertakes and promotes initiatives that reduce or prevent the negative health impacts associated with tobacco use. This is accomplished in part by supporting the development and implementation of
smoking cessation and prevention programs at the community, regional and national levels.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-318-1116
Fax: 613-954-2377
Email: TCP-PLT-questions@hc-sc.gc.ca
Website: www.hc-sc.gc.ca/hc-ps/tobac-tabac/index-eng.php

National Native Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program (NNADAP) helps First Nations and Inuit communities set up and operate programs aimed at reducing high levels of alcohol, drug, and solvent abuse among on-reserve populations.

Telephone: 613-957-2991
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-225-0709
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-267-1245
Fax: 613-941-5366
Email: Info@hc-sc.gc.ca
Website: www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fniah-spnia/substan/ads/nnadap-pnlaada-eng.php

National Youth Solvent Abuse Program (NYSAP) is a national residential in-patient treatment program that compliments community-level activities aimed at preventing youth solvent abuse. The program provides culturally appropriate treatment, specialized treatment and recovery programs for First Nations and Inuit youth with chronic solvent abuse problems.

Telephone: 613-957-2991
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-225-0709
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-267-1245
Fax: 613-941-5366
Email: Info@hc-sc.gc.ca
Website: www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fniah-spni/substan/ads/nysap-pnlasaad-eng.php

Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB) Program

Health Canada provides eligible First Nations people and Inuit with a specified range of medically necessary health-related goods and services when they are not covered through private insurance plans or provincial/territorial health and social programs. Non-Insured Health Benefits (NIHB) include prescription drugs, over-the-counter medication, medical supplies and equipment, short-term...
crisis counselling, dental care, vision care, and medical transportation.

For NIHB contact information in your region please see the following link:
Website: www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fniah-spnia/nihb-ssna/index-eng.php

The Office of Nursing Services (ONS), working in partnership with regional nursing teams and other directorates within the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch, provides nursing leadership, support and consultation in health service delivery to First Nations and Inuit communities. The ONS promotes evidence-informed and culturally safe quality nursing services and supports national nursing recruitment and retention through development of nursing human resources policies, continuing education programs for nurses, strategies aimed at improving the work/life of nurse employees and promotion of career development opportunities.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-267-3367
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-267-1245
Email: fnihb-dgspni@hc-sc.gc.ca
Website: www.hc-sc.gc.ca/ahc-asc/branch-dirgen/fnihb-dgspni/ons-bsi/index-eng.php

Human Resources and Skills Development Canada

The Canada Education Savings Program encourages Canadians to save for the post-secondary education of their children through Registered Education Savings Plans (RESPs). The Canada Learning Bond is available for children born after December 31, 2003 and whose parents get the National Child Benefit Supplement as part of the Canada Child Tax Benefit. The Canada Learning Bond offers $500 the first year and $100 per year up to age 15 and is deposited directly into the child’s RESP. With the Canada Education Savings Grant, the Government of Canada will add 20 to 40 per cent to a child’s RESP based on the net family income and how much the parents
save. For example, a family whose net income is $38,832 or less, the Canada Education Savings Grant could add up to $200 on the first $500 saved annually until the child turns 17.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-926-9105
Website: www.canlearn.ca/eng/saving/index.shtml

The **Canada Pension Plan** pays retirement, survivor, death, disability, and children’s benefits to those who qualify. Most working Canadians contribute to the Canada Pension Plan and are entitled to a retirement pension. Quebec residents are covered by a similar plan, called the Quebec Pension Plan.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-277-9914
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-603-3540
Website: www.servicecanada.gc.ca/en/sc/cpp/retirement/canadapension.shtml

The **Canada Student Loans and Grants**, together with provincial or territorial student assistance programs, make getting an education more affordable for students from low- and middle-income families. To be eligible for a Canada Student Loan, a student must be a Canadian citizen, a permanent resident or a protected person, and must be enrolled or accepted in a program of at least 12 weeks at a designated post-secondary institution. The amount of the loan a student can receive depends on the need of the student. Up to $210 per week is available in federal loans for full-time students and a total of $10,000 is available for part-time students.

When students qualify for a student loan, their eligibility is automatically assessed for most Canada Student Grants. Canada Student Grants do not need to be paid back and are available for students from low- and middle-income families, as well as for students with permanent disabilities and students with dependants. Canada Student Grants can reduce the amount of loan a student has to repay. In addition, the new Repayment Assistance Plan provides more flexibility in how and when student loans are repaid.

Canada Student Loans and Grants are available across Canada, except in Quebec, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut, which operate their own student financial assistance programs.
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-926-9105
Website: www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/learning/canada_student_loan/index.shtml

CanLearn.ca is an important online source of information on post-secondary education in Canada. It has detailed information on saving for post-secondary education, as well as on student loans, grants, scholarships and bursaries. New online tools help students and families calculate the loans and grants they could receive and the loan repayments they would have to make. Visit CanLearn.ca to find out more about how the Government of Canada helps students achieve their educational goals.

Website: www.canlearn.ca

Enabling Fund for Official Language Minority Communities

The goal of the Enabling Fund is to strengthen the capacity of official language minority communities (OLMC) in human resources development and community economic development and to promote partnerships at all levels.

The Enabling Fund complements existing support programs and creates favourable conditions for sustainable community-level economic development. It is the cornerstone of the Government of Canada’s efforts to strengthen employability and economic development in these communities and to promote linguistic duality across the country.

The Fund supports OLMC through two community economic development networks: Reseau de developpement economique et d’employabilite (RDEE Canada) and its 12 provincial partners; and Community Table, in Quebec, which consists of 11 Community Economic Development and Employability Committees. Anglophone and francophone national committees of federal and community representatives have also been formed to discuss the priorities and strategies of the two networks.

Website: www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/epb/olscc/fund.shtml

New Horizons for Seniors helps to ensure that seniors are able to benefit from and contribute to the quality of life
in their communities through their social participation and active living. The Program has two funding streams that are responsive to the needs of seniors in rural and remote areas: Community Participation and Leadership Funding and Capital Assistance Funding. Community Participation and Leadership Funding provides grant funding of up to $25,000 for projects that encourage seniors to contribute to their communities by sharing their skills, wisdom and experience and helping to reduce isolation. Capital Assistance Funding provides grant funding up to $25,000 for upgrading community facilities and equipment related to existing programs and activities for seniors.

Telephone (toll-free) service in English: 1-800-277-9914
Telephone (toll-free) service in French: 1-800-277-9915
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-255-4786
Website: www.hrsdc.gc.ca/seniors

Old Age Security Pension provides a modest pension at age 65 for those who have lived in Canada for at least 10 years. Low-income seniors may be eligible for other benefits as early as age 60 including the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS), the Allowance, and the Allowance for the Survivor.

Canada and US
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-277-9914
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-255-4786

Outside Canada and US
Telephone (toll-free): 613-990-2244 (collect calls are accepted)
Website: www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/isp/pub/oas/oaspension.shtml

The Skills Link Program is part of the Government of Canada’s Youth Employment Strategy. The program is one of three Government of Canada programs that help young Canadians obtain career information, develop skills, gain work experience, find good jobs and stay employed.

Skills Link focuses on helping youth who are facing barriers to employment, such as single parents, Aboriginal youth, young persons with disabilities, recent immigrants, youth living in rural and remote areas and youth who have dropped out of high school. It offers a client-centred approach based on assessing an individual’s specific needs. The program supports youth in developing basic and advanced employment skills. Eligible participants
between 15 and 30 years of age—who are not receiving Employment Insurance benefits—are assisted through a coordinated approach, offering longer-term supports and services that can help them find and keep a job.

Website: [www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/epb/yi/yep/newprog/skillslink.shtml](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/epb/yi/yep/newprog/skillslink.shtml) or contact your local Service Canada Centre.

The **Thérèse Casgrain Volunteer Award** is presented annually to two exceptional volunteers. It recognizes volunteers from communities across Canada. Award recipients are individuals whose social commitment and persistent efforts have contributed significantly to the well-being of their fellow Canadians.

Website: [www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/community_partnerships/therese_casgrain/index.shtml](http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/community_partnerships/therese_casgrain/index.shtml)

**Understanding the Early Years (UEY)** is a national initiative that enables members of communities across Canada to better understand the needs of their young children and families so that they can determine the best programs and services to meet those needs. The UEY assists communities by providing them with the tools and resources they need for gathering information about their children and working together to address the needs of young children. The initiative has involved children from a variety of backgrounds, including Aboriginal children (a category that generally applies to First Nations, Inuit and Métis), children of new immigrants, children in official language minority communities and children in disadvantaged circumstances.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)  
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-465-7735  
Website: [www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/community_partnerships/early_years/index.shtml](http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/community_partnerships/early_years/index.shtml)

**Work-Sharing**, an element of the Employment Insurance (EI) program, assists businesses experiencing a temporary slowdown caused by factors beyond their control. It is designed to help companies avoid layoffs by offering EI income benefits to qualifying workers willing to work a reduced work-week while their employer recovers. Under Work-Sharing, employers can keep their employees and avoid expensive re-hiring and re-training costs and employees are able to continue working and keep their skills up-to-date.
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)

Aboriginal Business Canada (ABC) is a program which provides a range of services and support that helps to promote the growth of a strong Aboriginal business sector in Canada. ABC support varies depending upon the needs of the client, the availability, and sources of funding, the eligibility of costs, the economic benefits and the reasonableness and timing of financial returns on investment. ABC provides entrepreneurs and organizations with financial assistance, business information, resource materials, and referrals to other possible sources of financing or business support. ABC aims to increase the number of viable businesses in Canada that are owned and controlled by Aboriginal Canadians; improve access to business opportunities; increase self-reliance, and provide a supportive business environment for Aboriginal Canadians in all areas of Canada.

Website: www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/work_sharing/index.shtml

Halifax
Telephone: 416-902-2018

Montreal
Telephone: 514-283-1828

Toronto
Telephone: 416-973-8800

Ohsweken
Telephone: 519-445-0470

London
Telephone: 519-680-2843

Winnipeg
Telephone: 204-983-7316

Saskatoon
Telephone: 306-975-4329

Edmonton
Telephone: 780-495-2954
Community Economic Development Program (CEDP) provides financial support for human resources planning and entrepreneurial training initiatives, business information and advisory services, feasibility studies, promotional strategies, and research and advocacy activities in response to opportunities identified by First Nation and Inuit communities and the organizations they mandate. This proposal driven program is expected to lead to community economic benefits including more community employment, greater utilization and increased value of lands and resources under community control, enhanced community economic infrastructure, and a better business environment for private sector investments.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-567-9604
Fax (toll-free): 1-866-817-3977
TTY (toll-free): 1-866-553-0554
Email: InfoPubs@ainc-inac.gc.ca
Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ecd/ep/ced/index-eng.asp

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Telephone: 902-661-6200
Fax: 902-661-6237

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Ontario – South
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Fax: 416-954-3189

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Fax: 807-623-4514

Manitoba
Telephone: 204-983-4928
Fax: 204-983-7820
Saskatchewan
Telephone: 306-780-5945
Fax: 306-780-5733

Alberta
Telephone: 780-495-2773
Fax: 780-495-4088

British Columbia
Telephone: 604-666-7891
Fax: 604-775-7149

Yukon
Telephone: 867-667-3888
Fax: 867-667-3387

Northwest Territories
Telephone: 867-669-2500
Fax: 867-669-2711

Nunavut
Telephone: 867-975-4500
Fax: 867-975-4560

Community Economic Opportunities Program (CEOP) provides financial support to First Nation and Inuit communities and organizations to hire qualified individuals who can deliver economic and business development services to community members. The provision of these services is expected to lead to increased and more effective community economic development planning and capacity development initiatives through the development of better proposals on behalf of their clients, and to assist in leveraging financial resources leading to increased community economic benefits.

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Email: InfoPubs@ainc-inac.gc.ca
Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ecd/ep/ceo/index-eng.asp

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Fax: 867-669-2711

Nunavut
Telephone: 867-975-4500
Fax: 867-975-4560

First Nation Forestry Program (FNFP) is a partnership program between First Nations and the federal government, working to improve economic conditions in status First Nations communities while adhering to the principles of sustainable forest management.

Indian and Northern Affairs (INAC)
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-567-9604
Fax (toll-free): 1-866-817-3977
TTY (toll-free): 1-866-553-0554
Email: InfoPubs@ainc-inac.gc.ca
Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/enr/ft/fnfp-eng.asp

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)
Telephone: 613-947-9081
Fax: 613-992-5390

www.rural.gc.ca 67
First Nations and Inuit Youth Employment Strategy (FNIYES)

The Government of Canada has the primary responsibility for education for First Nation learners living on reserves. Many First Nation reserves are located in remote or rural areas of Canada. Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) supports education to learners on reserves through two main programs: Elementary/Secondary Education; and Post-Secondary Education Programs.

INAC also supports education through a variety of targeted programs that recognize the specific needs of First Nation learners on reserve. One of these targeted programs is the First Nations and Inuit Youth Employment Strategy, which is part of a broader Youth Employment Strategy, created to help young Canadians (between the ages of 15 and 30) obtain career information, develop skills, find good jobs and stay employed. There are two programs for First Nations and Inuit youth.

First Nations and Inuit Skills Link Program

• To promote the benefits of education as key to youth’s participation in the labour market.
• To support the development and enhancement of young people’s essential employability skills, such as communication, problem solving and working with others.
• To introduce youth to a variety of career options.
• To help youth acquire skills by providing wage subsidies for mentored work experience; and/or for mentored school-based work and study opportunities.

Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/edu/ep/ys/isl/index-eng.asp
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-567-9604
TTY (toll-free): 1-866-553-0554
Email: Infopubs@ainc-inac.gc.ca
Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/edu/ep/ys/index-eng.asp

First Nations and Inuit Summer Work Experience Program

• To help youth acquire skills by providing wage subsidies for their summer work experience.
• To assist First Nations and Inuit secondary and post-secondary students to prepare for future entry into the labour market by helping them to obtain summer employment.
• To enable First Nations and Inuit youth to earn wages to help finance their post-secondary education.

Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/edu/ep/ys/iye/index-eng.asp

First Nations SchoolNet
First Nations SchoolNet connects First Nations students and schools to the world. Internet access through the First Nations SchoolNet program has opened the doors to educational, economic, personal and professional opportunities for First Nations students and teachers on reserve. Six non-profit First Nations SchoolNet Regional Management Organizations deliver the program to First Nations schools in their respective region, working with Indian and Northern Affairs Canada.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-567-9604
TTY (toll-free): 1-866-553-0554
Email: pnr-fms@ainc-inac.gc.ca
Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/edu/ep/index1-eng.asp

First Nations SchoolNet Regional Management Organizations

Atlantic
Atlantic Canada’s First Nation Help Desk
Website: www.firstnationhelp.com

Quebec
First Nations Education Council
Telephone: 418-842-7672
Fax: 418-842-9988
Email: info@cepn-fnec.com
Website: www.cepn-fnec.com/accueil_e.aspx

Ontario
Keewaytinook Okimakanak
Website: www.knet.ca

Manitoba
Keewatin Tribal Council
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-397 5446
Fax: 204-949-4013
Email: info@mfns.ca
Website: www.mfns.ca
Saskatchewan and Alberta

Keewatin Career Development Corporation

Telephone: 306-425-4778
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-966-5232
Fax: 306-425-4780
Email: KCDWEB@kcdc.ca
Website: www.kcdc.ca

British Columbia

First Nations Education Steering Committee

Telephone: 604-925-6087
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-422-3672
Fax: 604-925-6097
Email: info@fnesc.ca
Website: www.fnesc.ca

Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business (PSAB)

Aboriginal firms have traditionally been under-represented in the Government of Canada procurement process. To change this, the Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business (PSAB), launched in 1996, was designed to increase the number of Aboriginal firms bidding for and winning government contracts.

Under the PSAB, government departments can set aside procurement opportunities for competition amongst Aboriginal firms only. There are also other components to the policy that include: training for Aboriginal businesses as well as for the procurement community, advocacy, business development, and monitoring.

In collaboration with Industry Canada and their Canadian Capability business list, the PSAB team has created and is maintaining a pre-qualified Aboriginal business list based on the PSAB criteria.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-400-7677 or 1-800-567-9604
TTY (toll-free): 1-866-553-0554
Fax (toll-free): 1-866-817-3977
Email: psab-saea@ainc-inac.gc.ca
Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ecd/ab/psa/index-eng.asp
Industry Canada (IC)

Community Futures Program (CFP) is an ongoing national program, administered by the Federal Economic Development Initiative for Northern Ontario (FedNor) under Industry Canada (IC) and the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario) in Ontario; Western Economic Diversification (WD) in Western Canada; Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions (CED-Q); and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) in Atlantic Canada, that provides operating assistance and investment capital to 258 Community Business Development Corporations (CBDCs) in Atlantic Canada and parts of Québec, and Community Futures Development Corporations (CFDCs) in other parts of Canada. These organizations in turn help support economic development at the community level. With this support, CBDCs and CFDCs carry out a mandate to provide repayable financing for local businesses; a variety of business services for small and medium-sized enterprises and social enterprises; strategic community planning and socio-economic development; and support for community-based projects.

FedNor
Telephone: 705-671-0711
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-333-6673
TTY (toll-free): 1-866-694-8389
Website: www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/h_fm01468.html

FedDev Ontario
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-593-5505
Website: southernontario-suddelontario.gc.ca/eic/site/723.nsf/eng/h_00041.html

Western Economic Diversification (WD)
Website: www.wd.gc.ca/eng/254.asp

WD British Columbia
Telephone: 604-666-6256
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-338-WEST (1-888-338-9378)
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
Fax: 604-666-2353
WD Alberta:

Edmonton
Telephone: 780-495-4164
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-338-WEST (1-888-338-9378)
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
Fax: 780-495-4557

Calgary
Telephone: 403-292-5458
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-338-WEST (1-888-338-9378)
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
Fax: 403-292-5487

WD Saskatchewan:

Saskatoon
Telephone: 306-975-4373
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-338-WEST (1-888-338-9378)
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
Fax: 306-975-5484

Regina
Telephone: 306-780-8080
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
Fax: 306-780-8310

WD Manitoba:

Winnipeg
Telephone: 204-983-4472
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-338-WEST (1-888-338-9378)
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
Fax: 204-983-3852

WD Ontario:

Ottawa
Telephone: 613-952-2768
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
Fax: 613-952-9384

Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions (CED-Q)
Telephone: 514-283-6412
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-385-6412
Fax: 514-283-3302
Website: www.dec-ced.gc.ca/eng/programs/cfp/cfp.html

Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA)
Telephone: 506-851-2271
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-561-7862
Northern Ontario Development Program (NODP)

Administered by FedNor, the NODP is an ongoing program created in 1987 to promote economic growth, diversification, job creation and sustainable communities in Northern Ontario through a community-based approach. NODP invests in projects focused on one or more of the following six priority areas:

- Community economic development;
- Information and communications technology;
- Innovation;
- Trade and tourism;
- Human capital; and
- Business financing support.

Telephone: 705-671-0711
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-333-6673
TTY (toll-free): 1-866-694-8389

Infrastructure Canada

Through Canada’s Economic Action Plan, the federal government is accelerating and expanding recent historic federal investments in infrastructure with almost $12 billion in new infrastructure stimulus funding over two years. These include a $500-million Top-Up to Building Canada’s Communities Component, which benefits communities of less than 100,000 people. The new funding supports shovel-ready projects that can start over the next two years, to create jobs and stimulate the economy.

Telephone: 613-948-1148
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-O-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-465-7735
Website: www.actionplan.gc.ca and click “Government or Aboriginal Community” for more information.
National Defence (DND) and the Canadian Forces (CF)

The CF provides a number of programs to help Aboriginal people explore military culture and potential careers, including the Aboriginal Leadership Opportunity Year, Black Bear, Bold Eagle, the Canadian Forces Aboriginal Entry Program, and Raven.

Aboriginal Leadership Opportunity Year (ALOY) Program

The Canadian Defence Academy is piloting a program for Aboriginal students at the Royal Military College (RMC). The aim of this program is to provide Aboriginal candidates with a “transition” or “foundational” year at the college to bridge any educational gaps that might otherwise preclude them from attending RMC or a civilian university under the CF Officer Training Program.

Website: [www.cmrsj-rmcsj.forces.gc.ca/ila-aloy/index-eng.asp](http://www.cmrsj-rmcsj.forces.gc.ca/ila-aloy/index-eng.asp)

Black Bear is a program sponsored by the Chief Military Personnel and is the newest Reserve Entry program. Black Bear is scheduled to run from July 12th to Aug 22nd in Borden, Ontario. It is a mirror program of Bold Eagle open to all of Canada.

Telephone (toll-free): **1-800-856-8488**

Bold Eagle is an Army sponsored program, designed for Aboriginal youth in Western Canada (Northern Ontario, the Prairies and BC), in collaboration with the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations and other Aboriginal organizations. The BOLD EAGLE program integrates Aboriginal culture and CF Military training. Over a 6-week period, participants receive Army Primary Reserve Basic Military Qualification (BMQ) Training. Upon graduation, the successful candidate is given the option of transferring to the Regular Force component of the CF; transferring to any Primary Reserve unit (if one is located nearby), or being honourably released.

Telephone (toll-free): **1-800-856-8488**

Email: [nolan.kemp@forces.gc.ca](mailto:nolan.kemp@forces.gc.ca)
Website: [www.army.forces.gc.ca/boldeagle](http://www.army.forces.gc.ca/boldeagle)

**Canadian Forces Aboriginal Entry Program (CFAEP)**

The CFAEP is a recruiting program that can lead to full-time Regular Force training and employment opportunities for qualified Aboriginal peoples. The CFAEP provides Aboriginal youth from across Canada who are interested in the military an opportunity to explore military culture and potential career fields before making the commitment to join the CF. The training for CFAEP consists of a three-week Pre-Recruit Training Course (PTC) comprised of lessons on rank structure, weapon skills, drills and physical fitness. Those graduates who choose not to enrol are encouraged to share their experience on PRTC with their communities/peers.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-856-8488  
Email: information@forces.gc.ca  
Website: [www.forces.ca/html/aboriginal programs_en.aspx](http://www.forces.ca/html/aboriginal programs_en.aspx)

**Canadian Rangers** are part-time reservists who provide a military presence in remote, isolated and coastal communities of Canada. They foster good citizenship, community responsibility, personal health and welfare, and self-esteem in youth, thereby building a stronger, healthier community for all.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-856-8488  
Email: Canadianrangers@forces.gc.ca  

**Canadian Ranger Patrol Groups**

**Yellowknife, NT**  
Telephone: 867-873-0700 ext. 0838  
Fax: 867-873-0704

**Richelain, QC**  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-817-2761  
Fax: 450-359-6818

**Borden, ON**  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-902-4534  
Fax: 705-423-3634  
Email: rangers@csolve.net

**Victoria, BC**  
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-299-8811  
Fax: 250-391-4244
Gander, NL
Telephone: 709-256-1703 ext. 1479
Telephone (toll-free) (NL only): 1-800-563-2133

The Junior Canadian Rangers Program offers young people in remote and isolated communities across Canada a unique opportunity to participate in a variety of fun and rewarding activities in a formal setting, while promoting traditional cultures and lifestyles. Under the supervision of the Canadian Rangers, these young Canadians (ages 12 to 18) become active and engaged citizens of their local communities.

Telephone: 613-995-9524
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-627-0828
Website: www.rangers.dnd.ca

Raven is a Navy sponsored program. It is a seven-week mirror course of Bold Eagle in CFB Esquimalt. The largest difference is that Raven’s last Exercise is shipboard and Bold Eagle is a Field Exercise.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-856-8488
Website: www.forces.ca/html/aboriginal programs_en.aspx

Natural Resources Canada (NR Can)

Canada Centre for Cadastral Management, formerly known as the Legal Surveys Division, is recognized for its contribution to sustainable development, strong and safe communities, and the development of the North and Aboriginal people. This is done by providing national leadership for a reliable and flexible property rights infrastructure on Canada Lands and for the maintenance of the International Boundary.

Website: sgb.nrcan.gc.ca/cad/index_e.php

Ottawa
Telephone: 613-995-4576
Fax: 613-995-2612

Atlantic
Telephone: 902-661-6766
Fax: 902-661-6769
Quebec
Telephone: 418-648-7681
Fax: 418-648-5728

Ontario
Telephone: 416-973-1006
Fax: 416-973-1004

Alberta (Edmonton)
Telephone: 780-495-4323 or 780-495-6176
Fax: 780-495-4052

Saskatchewan
Telephone: 306-780-5402
Fax: 306-780-5191

British Columbia
Telephone: 604-666-3517
Fax: 604-666-0522

Manitoba
Telephone: 204-983-3793
Fax: 204-983-0157

Yukon
Telephone: 867-667-3954
Fax: 867-393-6709

Northwest Territories
Telephone: 867-766-8525
Fax: 867-766-8533

Nunavut
Telephone: 867-975-6603
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-975-4633
Fax: 867-975-6624

Canadian Geospatial Data Infrastructure (CGDI)
provides Canadians with on-demand access to geographic information (e.g. maps, satellite images) and related services and applications in support of sound decision making, and is the underlying foundation needed to share this information over the Internet. Through the CGDI, users can access a variety of geographic information from anywhere in Canada or throughout the world, and combine these datasets to gain new insights into social, environmental and economic relationships.

Telephone: 613-992-0461
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-221-6213
Fax: 613-947-2410
Email: info@geoconnections.org
Website: www.geoconnections.org
ecoENERGY for Buildings and Houses
The program offers publications, software, training and other services to make it easier to be energy efficient in the home and in the workplace. The R-2000 Standard and EnerGuide Rating System provide new home buyers and new home builders with tools and information to help select energy-efficiency features to include in their construction plans. Professionals involved with commercial, institutional and government buildings can benefit from activities such as Dollars to Sense workshops, the Validation of New Building Designs service and the Heads Up Energy Efficiency newsletter.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-926-9105
Website: ecoaction.gc.ca/buildings

ecoENERGY for Personal Vehicles
With the launch of the ecoENERGY for Personal Vehicles Initiative, making the right choices is easier. This program offers easy access to information, including fuel consumption guides and other tools, to help Canadians choose the cleanest, most efficient car or truck for their particular needs.

It provides Canadian motorists with helpful tips on buying, driving and maintaining their vehicles to reduce fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change. Reducing fuel consumption means saving money and, more importantly, helping the environment.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-926-9105
Website: www.ecoaction.gc.ca/vehicles

Publications line:
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-387-2000
(National Capital Region): 613-995-2943
TTY for the hearing impaired: 613-996-4397

ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat
ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat will offer an incentive to businesses, industries and public institutions who install active energy-efficient solar air and/or water heating systems. This will help businesses lower costs, and reduce the amount of harmful emissions produced.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-926-9105  
Fax: 613-943-6517  
Email: ecoenergyhp@nrcan.gc.ca  
Website: www.ecoaction.gc.ca/ecoenergy-ecoenegie/heat-chauffage/index-eng.cfm

ecoENERGY Retrofit – Homes

ecoENERGY Retrofit for Homes provides home and property owners with grants of up to $5,000 to offset the cost of making energy-efficiency improvements. ecoENERGY Retrofit grants apply to a host of measures that reduce energy consumption and provide for a cleaner environment, from increasing insulation to upgrading a furnace.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)  
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-926-9105  
Website: www.ecoaction.gc.ca/homes

ecoENERGY Retrofit – Small and Medium Organizations

This financial incentive can help you implement new energy-saving projects in your buildings and facilities. Businesses, public institutions and municipalities can apply under the commercial and institutional component: ecoENERGY Retrofit Incentive for Buildings. Most agricultural or manufacturing facilities are eligible under the industrial component: ecoENERGY Retrofit Incentive for Industry.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-0-Canada (1-800-622-6232)  
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-926-9105  
Website: www.ecoaction.gc.ca/ecoenergy-ecoenegie/retrofitsmo-renovationpmo-eng.cfm

ENERGY STAR®

ENERGY STAR is the international symbol for energy efficiency. The ENERGY STAR symbol helps consumers identify products that operate at premium levels of energy efficiency without sacrificing the features, versatility and quality expected of high-performing products. As an internationally recognized, government-backed symbol of energy efficiency, ENERGY STAR can help manufacturers, distributors and retailers of energy-using equipment increase their sales of qualifying products. Participating in ENERGY STAR is also an opportunity for businesses and others to play a leadership role in Canada’s climate change response.
Forest Communities Program

The Forest Communities Program (FCP) is a $25-million, five-year partnership program launched in July 2007. Its purpose is to support community-driven, innovative research, best practices and tools that will help rural communities meet the challenges of forest sector transition and capitalize on emerging forest-based economic opportunities. Eleven community partnership organizations from across Canada were selected through a competitive process to participate in the program. The program also supports initiatives with likeminded national and provincial community-focused not-for-profit organizations.

Forest Communities Program Secretariat
Natural Resources Canada – Canadian Forest Service
Telephone: 613-992-5874
Fax: 613-992-5390
Email: fcp-pcf@nrcan.gc.ca
Website: www.cfs.nrcan.gc.ca/index/fcpgm

Pan Canadian Community Futures Group

Community Futures Development Corporations (CFDCs) are locally managed non-profit corporations delivering a variety of services, including technical and advisory services to business.

Website: www.communityfutures.ca/home/index-eng.html

British Columbia
Telephone: 604-685-2332
Fax: 604-681-6575
Email: info@communityfutures.ca
Website: www.communityfutures.ca/provincial/bc/index.html

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Telephone: 403-851-9995
Fax: 403-851-9905
Email: jon@cfnsa.ca
Website: www.cfnsa.ca

**Manitoba**
Telephone: 204-943-2905
Fax: 204-956-9363
Email: info@cfmanitoba.ca
Website: www.cfmanitoba.ca

**Saskatchewan**
Telephone: 306-260-2390
Fax: 306-665-5740
Email: tom@cksask.ca
Website: www.cfsask.ca

**Ontario**
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-668-2332
Email: info@oacfdc.com
Website: www.ontcfdc.com

**Quebec**
Telephone: 418-658-1530
Fax: 418-658-9900
Email: sadc@ciril.qc.ca
Website: www.reseau-sadc.qc.ca

**Atlantic**
Telephone: 902-747-2232
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-303-CBDC (1-888-303-2232)
Fax: 902-747-2019
Email: info@cbdc.ca
Website: www.cbdc.ca

**New Brunswick**
Telephone: 506-548-2406
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-303-2232
Website: www.cbdc.ca/index.php?rid=2

**Newfoundland and Labrador**
Telephone: 709-745-4406
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-833-1829
Fax: 709-745-4414
Website: www.cbdc.ca/index.php?rid=3
Yukon
Currently there are no Community Futures Development Corporations in the Yukon. For information on economic development in the Yukon, please go to:
Website: www.economicdevelopment.yk.ca

Northwest Territories
Website: www.nwtcf.ca

Inuvik
Telephone: 867-777-2836
Fax: 867-777-3470
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-244-1203
Email: generalmanager@northwestel.net

Hay River
Telephone: 867-874-2510
Fax: 867-874-3255
Email: swtbdc@northwestel.net

Norman Wells
Telephone: 867-587-2016
Fax: 867-587-2407
Email: exec.dir.sbdc@theedgenw.ca

Yellowknife
Telephone: 867-920-2502
Fax: 867-920-0363

Fort Simpson
Telephone: 867-695-2441
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-695-2441
Fax: 867-695-2052

Fort Smith
Telephone: 867-872-2795
Fax: 867-872-2824

Wha Ti
Telephone: 867-573-3140
Fax: 867-573-3142

Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)

Aboriginal Head Start (AHS) in Urban and Northern Communities is a Health Canada-funded early childhood development program for First Nations, Inuit and Métis children and their families. The primary goal of the initiative
is to demonstrate that locally controlled and designed early intervention strategies can provide Aboriginal children with a positive sense of themselves, a desire for learning, and opportunities to develop fully as successful young people. There are currently 126 AHS sites in urban and northern communities across Canada.

Email: PHAC_Web_Mail@phac-aspc.gc.ca
Website: www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/dca-dea/programs-mes/ahs_main-eng.php

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Fax: 780-495-7842

Manitoba and Saskatchewan
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Fax: 204-789-7878

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Fax: 416-954-8211

Quebec
Telephone: 514-283-2858
Fax: 514-496-7012

Atlantic
Telephone: 902-426-2700
Fax: 902-426-9689

Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program (CPNP) funds community-based groups and coalitions to increase access to health and social supports for prenatal and recently postpartum women facing challenging circumstances that put their health and the health of their infants at risk. These circumstances include: poverty; teen pregnancy; social and geographic isolation; recent arrival to Canada; substance use; and family violence. CPNP projects also increase the availability of culturally sensitive prenatal support for Aboriginal women.

Email: PHAC_Web_Mail@phac-aspc.gc.ca
Website: www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/dca-dea/programs-mes/cpnp_main-eng.php

Community Action Program for Children (CAPC) provides long term funding to community-based groups
and coalitions to develop and deliver comprehensive, culturally appropriate prevention and early intervention programs to promote the health and social development of children (0-6 years) and their families facing conditions of risk. These conditions include: children living in low-income families; children living in teenage-parent families; children experiencing developmental delays, social, emotional or behavioural problems; and abused and neglected children. Special consideration is given to Métis, Inuit and off-reserve First Nations children, the children of recent immigrants and refugees, children in lone-parent families and children who live in remote and isolated communities.

Email: PHAC_Web_Mail@phac-aspc.gc.ca
Website: www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/dca-dea/programs-mes/capc_main-eng.php

Regional contacts CPNP and CAPC:

Atlantic
Telephone: 902-426-2700
Fax: 902-426-9689

Quebec
Telephone: 514-283-2858
Fax: 514-283-3309

Ontario and Nunavut
Telephone: 416-973-0002
Fax: 416-973-0009

Manitoba and Saskatchewan
Telephone: 204-789-2000
Fax: 204-789-7878

Northern Region
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-332-9222
Fax (toll-free): 1-800-949-2718

Alberta
Telephone: 780-495-2754
Fax: 780-495-7842

British Columbia
Telephone: 604-666-2729
Fax: 604-666-8986

Nobody’s Perfect is a parent support and education program for parents of children during the critical early years, from birth to age five. The Program is built around five colourful, easy-to-read booklets which are provided free of charge to parents. A sixth booklet, Feelings, is a
recommended supplemental resource to the Nobody’s Perfect series, which builds upon the original five booklets and is intended to support the development of positive parent-child relationships; promote the non-physical discipline of children; and to serve as a guide to enable parents to find alternative ways of understanding and dealing with their children’s emotional responses as well as their own.

Telephone: 613-957-8502
Fax: 613-941-5492
Email: DCA_public_inquiries@phac-aspc.gc.ca
Website: www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/dca-dea/family_famille/nobody-eng.php

Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)

National Aboriginal Policing Services (NAPS)
As a long-standing law enforcement partner of Aboriginal communities, the RCMP continues to influence public policy, provide policing services in hundreds of communities across Canada, and works closely with Aboriginal groups to develop innovative policing approaches that meet their distinctive needs.

The RCMP’s National Aboriginal Policing Services (NAPS) is responsible for planning, developing and managing the organization’s strategies and initiatives for working with Aboriginal communities.

Telephone: 613-993-7267
TTY: 613-993-3887
Website: www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/aboriginal-autochtone/abo-aut-eng.htm

Service Canada

Service Canada offers single window access to a wide range of Government of Canada programs and services for citizens through more than 595 points of service located across the country, call centres, and the Internet. To find the Service Canada Centre nearest to you, visit our Website.
Statistics Canada

2006 Community Profiles contains data from the 2006 Census of Population for more than 5,400 incorporated towns and municipalities in Canada. In addition, information is available for the Federal Electoral Districts or for the Health Region in which the community is located. Also, 2006 Census of Agriculture information is presented for the Census Division and for the Census Agricultural Region in which the community is located.

Telephone: 613-951-8116
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-263-1136
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-363-7629
Fax: 613-951-0581
Fax (toll-free): 1-877-287-4369
Email: infostats@statcan.ca
Website: www12.statcan.ca/english/census06/data/profiles/community/Index.cfm?Lang=E

Agriculture and Rural Working Papers

Over twenty-five rural-related working papers are available at the Statistics Canada Web site. The working papers provide a detailed analysis on a variety of topics important to rural Canada.

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Fax: 613-951-0581
Fax (toll-free): 1-877-287-4369
Email: infostats@statcan.ca
Website: www.statcan.ca/bsolc/english/bsolc?catno=21-601-M&CHROPG=1

Health Indicators

Over 80 indicators measure the health of the Canadian population and the effectiveness of the health care system. Designed to provide comparable information at the health region and provincial/territorial levels, these data are produced from a wide range of the most recently available
sources. This Internet publication is produced by Statistics Canada and the Canadian Institute for Health Information.

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Fax (toll-free): 1-877-287-4369
Email: infostats@statcan.ca
Website: www.statcan.ca/bsolc/english/bsolc?catno=82-221-X

Health Reports is a peer-reviewed journal of population health and health services research. Topics cover several areas such as obesity, mental health, wait times for health services, nutrition, Aboriginal health status, smoking, cancer, life expectancy, chronic diseases and youth, to name a few. Many analyses are conducted comparing populations living in rural versus urban settings.

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Fax (toll-free): 1-877-287-4369
Email: infostats@statcan.ca
Website: www.statcan.ca/bsolc/english/bsolc?catno=82-003-XPE

Direct link to Health Reports:
www.statcan.ca/healthreports

Neighbourhood Insights is a fee-based service that generates annual socio-economic profiles for each six digit postal code (with adequate sample size) in Canada. For a copy of the catalogue of pre-specified tables, see the following link.

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Fax: 613-951-0581
Fax (toll-free): 1-877-287-4369
Email: infostats@statcan.ca
Website: www.statcan.ca/bsolc/olc-olc?catno=17-507-X&lang=eng

Rural and Small Town Canada Analysis Bulletin focuses on the analysis of socio-economic structures and
trends in rural Canada. Topics covered include: demography, health, education, manufacturing and labour, and household and family characteristics.

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Email: infostats@statcan.ca
Website: www.statcan.ca/bsolc/english/bsolc?catno=21-006-X&CHROPG=1

Transport Canada

**Airports Capital Assistance Program (ACAP)** assists eligible applicants in financing capital projects related to safety, asset protection, and operating cost reduction. Eligible applicants are: the owner of an eligible airport or its operator (if so designated by the owner and a long-term contractual relationship is in place). To be eligible, an airport must receive year-round regularly scheduled passenger service, meet airport certification requirements, and not be owned by the federal government.

Telephone: 613-990-2309
TTY (toll-free): 1-888-675-6863
Fax: 613-954-4731 or 613-998-8620
Email: Questions@tc.gc.ca
Website: www.tc.gc.ca/programs/airports/ACAP/menu.htm

**Airports Operations and Maintenance Subsidy Program (O&MSP)**

Originally established in 1972, the objective of the Program is to cover the deficits relating to operations and maintenance expenditures of municipal airports. With the transfer of most of these airports having occurred since 1995, the only airports remaining in this Program are six of the Remote Airports and one Regional/Local Airport identified in the National Airports Policy.

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Fax: 613-954-4731 or 613-998-8620
Email: Questions@tc.gc.ca
Grade Crossing Improvement Program (GCIP)

Transport Canada is committed to reducing the number of injuries and fatalities that occur every year at Canada’s railway grade crossings. Through the Grade Crossing Improvement Program, Transport Canada funds up to 80 percent of safety enhancement costs at approximately 80-100 sites across Canada. This Web site provides details of the financial assistance available for safety improvements to railway crossings.

Telephone: 613-990-2309
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-267-7704
TTY (toll-free): 1-888-675-6863
Email: railsafety@tc.gc.ca
Website: www.tc.gc.ca/eng/railsafety/publications-46.htm

British Columbia
Telephone: 604-666-0011
Fax: 604-666-7747

Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut
Telephone: 204-983-3152
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-463-0521

Ontario
Telephone: 416-973-9820
Fax: 416-973-9907

Quebec
Telephone: 514-283-5722
Fax: 514-283-8234

Atlantic
Telephone: 506-851-7040

Labrador Coast Airstrips Restoration Program

The objective of the Restoration Program is to restore the airstrips along the Labrador Coast to ensure their operational capability is maintained at the level necessary to meet Transport Canada’s Airport Certification requirements. The Program contributes to the long-term sustainability and development of the communities along the Labrador Coast, since the coastal communities of Labrador are critically dependent on their airstrip for their survival and access to the national transportation system on a year-round basis.

Telephone: 613-990-2309
TTY (toll-free): 1-888-675-6863
Remote Airports

Transport Canada is currently responsible for the operation or funding of 13 remote airports across Canada. Airports are considered to be remote if the communities they serve depend on air transportation as the only reliable year round mode of transportation to get the majority of their travellers and cargo in and out. Under the National Airports Policy (NAP), the federal government continues to fund the operation of 13 remote airports, recognizing the need for outgoing support if these communities are to remain accessible year-round.

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Fax: 613-954-4731 or 613-998-8620
Email: Questions@tc.gc.ca
Website: www.tc.gc.ca/programs/airports/policy/remote.htm

Western Economic Diversification Canada

Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program (EDP) is designed to help western Canadians with disabilities gain easier access to business information, training and development, mentoring and one-on-one counselling services, and financial assistance in their pursuit of self-employment and entrepreneurship. In rural communities, the EDP program is delivered through the Community Futures offices.

Western Economic Diversification Canada
Telephone toll-free: 1-888-338-WEST (1-888-338-9378)
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
Email: info@wd-deo.gc.ca
Website: www.wd-deo.gc.ca/eng/273.asp

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Fax: 780-495-4557

Calgary
Telephone: 403-292-5458
Fax: 403-292-5487

Saskatchewan:

Saskatoon
Telephone: 306-975-4373
Fax: 306-975-5484

Manitoba:

Winnipeg
Telephone: 204-983-4472
Fax: 204-983-3852

Ottawa
Telephone: 613-952-2768
Fax: 613-952-9384

Women’s Enterprise Initiative (WEI) provides loans, business counseling and skills training specifically for women entrepreneurs. These non-profit centers offer a variety of unique products including advisory services, networking opportunities, business loans and referrals to complementary services.

Western Economic Diversification Canada
Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-338-WEST (1-888-338-9378)
TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
Email: info@wd-ddeo.gc.ca
Website: www.wd-ddeo.gc.ca/eng/256.asp

British Columbia
Telephone: 250-868-3454
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-643-7014
Email: info@womensenterprise.ca

Alberta:

Edmonton
Telephone: 780-422-7784

Calgary
Telephone: 403-777-4250
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-713-3558
Email: info@awebusiness.com
Saskatchewan:
  Saskatoon
  Telephone: 306-477-7173

Regina
  Telephone: 306-359-9732
  Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-879-6331
  Email: info@womenentrepreneurs.sk.ca

Manitoba
  Telephone: 204-988-1860
  Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-203-2343
  Email: wecinfo@wecm.ca

Francophone Economic Development Organizations (FEDOs) provide enhanced services to Francophones including training, business and community economic development, access to capital, information services, marketing advice, networking and mentoring.

Western Economic Diversification Canada
  Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-338-WEST (1-888-338-9378)
  TTY (toll-free): 1-877-303-3388
  Email: info@wd-gcc.ca
  Website: www.wd-deo.gc.ca/eng/257.asp

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  Fax: 604-732-3516
  Email: mailto:info@sdecb.com

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  Telephone (toll-free): 1-888-414-6123
  Fax: 780-414-2885

Saskatchewan
  Telephone: 306-566-6000
  Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-670-0879
  Fax: 306-757-4322

Manitoba
  Telephone: 204-925-2320
  Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-990-2332
  Fax: 204-237-4618
  Email: cdem@cdem.com
Programs and Services for Northern Canada
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)

**Aboriginal Capacity Development** facilitates the acquisition of tools in terms of knowledge, skills, training and resources that will allow First Nations to work towards self-sufficiency in housing and take on more responsibility for the functioning of their community. Assistance is provided to First Nations housing institutions and individual housing providers to acquire the skills and knowledge to design, build, inspect and manage housing on-reserve. Aboriginal Capacity initiatives are targeted primarily to Aboriginal communities on-reserve in Canada.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-668-2642  

**On-Reserve Non-Profit Housing Program**

The program assists First Nations in the construction, purchase and rehabilitation, and administration of suitable, adequate and affordable rental housing on-reserve. This program is targeted to Aboriginal communities on-reserve in Canada.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-668-2642  
TTY: 613-748-2447  

Canada Post

**Canada Post** has established linked deliveries across Canada’s North to create a network of ocean-to-ocean-to-ocean mail service, one that increasingly follows the shortest-distance rule of other networks.

Website: [www.canadapost.ca](http://www.canadapost.ca)

**Canada Post Northern Offices:**

**Yukon and Northern British Columbia**  
Telephone: 867-667-6131
Northwest Territories and Northern Alberta
Telephone: 867-873-3859

Nunavut
Telephone: 613-734-1624

Northern Saskatchewan
Telephone: 306-953-1902

Northern Manitoba
Telephone: 306-668-6725

Northern Ontario
Telephone: 807-467-3442

Northern Quebec
Telephone: 418-962-4932

Labrador
Telephone: 709-643-8352

Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)

Northern Residents – Tax Information
This Web page highlights information and services specifically for northern residents, including what deductions you may be entitled to.
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-952-8281
TTY (toll-free): 1-800-665-0354
Website: www.cra.gc.ca/tx/ndvdlssgmnts/nrth-rs/menu-eng.html

Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency (CanNor)

Community Adjustment Fund (CAF) in the North is a two-year national program, established under Canada’s Economic Action Plan, aimed at providing economic stimulus to mitigate the short-term impacts of the economic downturn by creating employment opportunities and addressing transitional and adjustment
challenges in restructuring communities.

Website: www.north.gc.ca/pr/caf-eng.asp

Northwest Territories
Telephone (toll-free): 1-866-669-2620
Email: ecdevnw@canor.gc.ca

Yukon
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-661-0451
Email: ytinfo@canor.gc.ca

Nunavut
Telephone: 867-975-4537
Email: ecdevnumavut@canor.gc.ca

Recreational Infrastructure Canada (RInC)
in the North is a national program announced in Budget 2009 that will be used to share the cost of repairing, upgrading, and expanding recreational infrastructure in Canadian communities until March 2011.

Website: www.north.gc.ca/pr/ip-eng.asp

Strategic Investments in Northern Economic Development (SINDE) is CanNor’s overall suite of northern economic development initiatives. Its goal is to promote the economic development of the North, in order to strengthen territorial economies and increase participation by Northerners. The SINED suite of programs includes: 1) the Innovation and Knowledge (I & K) Fund, 2) the Partnership Advisory Forums (PAF) and 3) the Targeted Investment Program (TIP) and beginning in 2010, 4) the Pan-territorial Fund (PTF).

Website: www.north.gc.ca/pr/si-eng.asp

1) The Innovation and Knowledge (I&K) Fund aims to expand publicly accessible knowledge and minor economic infrastructure; expand business and employment opportunities for Northerners; increase diversification of the territorial economies; and increase economic self-reliance.

2) The Partnership and Advisory Forums (PAF) is a fund for stakeholder groups and is available in all three territories.

3) The Targeted Investment Program (TIP) provides program dollars to focus on four themes: building the knowledge base; enhancing the economic infrastructure base; capacity development; and economic diversification.
4) The **Pan-territorial Fund (PTF)** has been created under the renewed SINED program suite in order to foster pan-territorial partnerships. This may include partnerships with the territories that include other jurisdictions. This fund becomes available in 2010-11.

**Health Canada**

The **Northern Region** is responsible for all Health Canada activities in Yukon, Nunavut and the Northwest Territories. This ensures that Health Canada’s activities and interests in the Territories are managed and represented in an integrated manner.

It is also responsible for managing the implementation and delivery of Health Canada’s community-based health promotion and illness prevention programs in the territories, as well as maintaining and strengthening partnerships with territorial governments, First Nations, Inuit and other stakeholders in the territories.

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**Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)**

**Food Mail Program**

This program, also known as Northern Air Stage Program, is administered by Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC). INAC provides funding to Canada Post for transporting nutritious, perishable foods to isolated communities by air. This funding helps keep the cost of food down and requires that transportation of these products be done in optimum conditions to improve the
quality of the food reaching remote communities. All isolated northern communities that do not have year-round access by surface transportation are eligible, except those where surface transportation is not available only for brief periods during freeze-up and breakup. About 135 communities – roughly 100,000 people – are eligible.

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Email: foodmail@ainc-inac.gc.ca
Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/nth/fon/fm/index-eng.asp

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Fax: 306-780-5733

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Fax: 780-495-4088

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Telephone: 867-975-4500
Fax: 867-975-4560
National Defence (DND)

Canadian Rangers are part-time reservists who provide a military presence in remote, isolated and coastal communities of Canada. They foster good citizenship, community responsibility, personal health and welfare, and self-esteem in youth, thereby building a stronger, healthier community for all.

Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-856-8488
Email: Canadianrangers@forces.gc.ca
Website: www.army.forces.gc.ca/land-terre/cr-rc/index-eng.asp

Canadian Ranger Patrol Groups:

Yellowknife, NT
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Richelain, QC
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Fax: 450-359-6818

Borden, ON
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-902-4534
Fax: 705-423-3634
Email: rangers@csolve.net

Victoria, BC
Telephone (toll-free): 1-877-299-8811
Fax: 250-391-4244

Gander, NL
Telephone: 709-256-1703 ext. 1479
Telephone (toll-free) (NL only): 1-800-563-2133

The Junior Canadian Rangers Program offers young people in remote and isolated communities across Canada a unique opportunity to participate in a variety of fun and rewarding activities in a formal setting, while promoting traditional cultures and lifestyles. Under the supervision of the Canadian Rangers, these young Canadians (ages 12 to 18) become active and engaged citizens of their local communities.

Telephone: 613-995-9524
Telephone (toll-free): 1-800-627-0828
Website: www.rangers.dnd.ca
Natural Resources Canada (NR Can)

Northern Resource Development Program
In partnership with the provincial and territorial geological surveys and other federal departments, the Northern Resource Development Program delivers an improved, expanded geoscience knowledge base to stimulate new private sector investment in mineral and energy development to create additional opportunities for Northerners. The program also supports northern capacity building in terms of increased understanding of geoscience for decision-making and increased employment opportunities provided by exploration firms.

Telephone: 613-995-0947
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Website: ess.nrcan.gc.ca/2002_2006/nrd/overview_e.php

Statistics Canada

Health Indicators
Over 80 indicators measure the health of the Canadian population and the effectiveness of the health care system. Designed to provide comparable information at the health region and provincial/territorial levels, these data are produced from a wide range of the most recently available sources. This Internet publication is produced by Statistics Canada and the Canadian Institute for Health Information.

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**Health Reports** is a peer-reviewed journal of population health and health services research. Topics cover several areas such as obesity, mental health, wait times for health services, nutrition, Aboriginal health status, smoking, cancer, life expectancy, chronic diseases and youth to name a few. Many analyses are conducted comparing populations living in rural versus urban settings.

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Direct links to Health Reports  
Website: [www.statcan.ca/healthreports](http://www.statcan.ca/healthreports)

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**Western Economic Diversification**

**Community Futures Program (CFP)** is a national program, administered by FedNor under Industry Canada and the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario) in Ontario; Western Economic Diversification (WD) in Western Canada; Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions (CED-Q); and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) in Atlantic Canada.

CFP provides operating assistance and investment capital to 258 Community Business Development Corporations (CBDCs) in Atlantic Canada and parts of Quebec, and Community Futures Development Corporations (CFDCs) in other parts of Canada. These organizations in turn support economic development and business development at the community level.

With this support, CBDCs and CFDCs provide repayable financing for local businesses; a variety of business services for small- and medium-sized enterprises and; strategic community planning and economic development; and support for community-based projects.
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