

**Community and
Regional Economic Development
Funding Programs**

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The following document briefly describes a number of funding programs related to community and regional economic development. Although the majority are Government of Canada and Government of Alberta programs, it does include a number of foundations and not-for-profit programs.

This document is by no means a comprehensive list of all the available programs relating to community and regional economic development, however, it does provide a foundation of programs to build from. Each program listed has a brief description, web address, and contact information.

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GOVERNMENT OF CANADA PROGRAMS

ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT CANADA

Program Name	Program Description
Community Economic Development Program (CEDP)	<p>The Community Economic Development Program provides core financial support for First Nation and Inuit communities for public services in economic development. The financial support is intended for community economic development planning and capacity development initiatives, development of proposals and leveraging financial resources, and carrying out economic development activities.</p> <p>Contact: Alberta Region Ph: 780-495-2773</p> <p>Email: infopubs@ainc-inac.gc.ca</p> <p>http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1100100033414</p>
Community Economic Opportunities Program (CEOP)	<p>The Community Economic Opportunities Program provides project-based support to those First Nation and Inuit communities that have the best opportunities for public services in economic development. The program leads to community economic benefits such as more community employment, greater use of land and resources under community control, enhanced community economic infrastructure, more business opportunities, and a better climate and environment for community economic development.</p> <p>Contact: Alberta Region Ph: 780-495-2773 Email: infopubs@ainc-inac.gc.ca</p> <p>http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1100100033414</p>

<p>Aboriginal Business Canada (ABC)</p>	<p>Aboriginal Business Canada is an Indian and Northern Affairs Canada program that maximizes Aboriginal people's participation in the economy through business development. Aboriginal Business Canada provides support to Aboriginal entrepreneurs for a range of activities including business planning, start-up, expansion, and marketing. Aboriginal Business Canada works with clients of all Aboriginal heritage groups; on-reserve and off-reserve; and in urban, rural and remote areas.</p> <p>Contact: Edmonton</p> <p>Aboriginal Business Canada Ph. 780-495-2954</p> <p>http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ecd/ab/abc/index-eng.asp</p> <p>Apeetogosan (Metis) Development Inc. (AMDI) Edmonton Research Park Ph. 780-452-7951</p> <p>Email: office@apeetogosan.ab.ca</p> <p>www.apeetogosan.ab.ca</p>
<p>The ecoENERGY for Aboriginal and Northern Communities Program (EE/RE)</p>	<p>The ecoENERGY for Aboriginal and Northern Communities Program is focused exclusively on providing Aboriginal and northern communities with funding support for clean energy projects. The program is part of a broader strategy to tackle climate change by taking action to reduce greenhouse gases and air pollution.</p> <p>Email ecoENERGIE-ecoENERGY@ainc-inac.gc.ca</p> <p>http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1100100034261</p>
<p>First Nation Infrastructure Fund</p>	<p>The objective of the First Nations Infrastructure Fund is to improve the environment and the quality of life of First Nation communities by improving and increasing the development of public infrastructure. This fund also supports roads and bridges, energy systems, planning and skills development projects and solid waste management.</p> <p>Email: InfoPubs@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca Phone: (toll-free) 1-800-567-9604 Fax: 1-866-817-3977 TTY: (toll-free) 1-866-553-0554</p> <p>http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1100100010659</p>

AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA

Program Name	Program Description
The FCC AgriSpirit Fund	<p>The FCC AgriSpirit Fund is about making life better for people in rural communities. Successful projects in the past have included hospitals and medical centres, childcare facilities, fire and rescue equipment, playgrounds, food banks, libraries, recreation centres and community gardens.</p> <p>Farm Credit Canada will begin accepting applications in 2013</p> <p>http://www.fcc-fac.ca/en/aboutus/Responsibility/agrispiritfund_e.asp</p>
Canadian Agricultural Adaptation Program	<p>The Canadian Agricultural Adaptation Program (CAAP) is a five-year (2009-2014), \$163 million program with the objective of facilitating the agriculture, agri-food, and agri-based products sector's ability to seize opportunities, to respond to new and emerging issues, and to pathfind and pilot solutions to new and ongoing issues in order to help it adapt and remain competitive. Launched as a successor to the Advancing Canadian Agriculture and Agri-Food (ACAAF) program, the Canadian Agricultural Adaptation Program (CAAP) will continue to support industry-led initiatives at the national, regional and multi-regional levels.</p> <p>All activities, including performance and financial reporting activities, must be completed no later than March 31, 2014.</p> <p>Contact: Agriculture and Food Council (Alberta) Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Email: caap-pcaa@agr.gc.ca Telephone: 877-290-2188</p> <p>http://www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1182366508375&lang=eng</p>
ecoAgriculture Biofuels Capital Initiative	<p>If you are a Canadian agricultural producer, you could receive up to \$25 million to build or expand a biofuel factory using agricultural materials to make fuel for transportation. You have to repay this money. The program ends on September 30, 2012.</p> <p>Contact ecoAgriculture Biofuels Capital Initiative, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Telephone: 1-877-246-4682 Email: bioagriculture@agr.gc.ca</p> <p>http://www.canadabusiness.ca/eng/summary/2128/</p>

<p><u>Agri-Business and Product Development Grant</u></p>	<p>As an agri-food processor or producer in Alberta you may be eligible for a grant to develop new or healthier products and/or expand your business. Eligible expenses may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Product development Market research and development Consulting or business coaching Labelling and packaging development Design of product presentation materials In store or in market product demonstration, excluding the cost of product samples <p>Toll-free in Alberta: 310 FARM (310-3276)</p> <p>http://www.canadabusiness.ca/eng/program/2359/</p>
<p><u>Agricultural Programs and Services</u></p>	<p>For a complete list of agricultural programs and services available, go to:</p> <p>http://www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1204208063121&lang=eng</p>

CANADA COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS

Program Name	Program Description
Canada Council for the Arts	<p>The Canada Council for the Arts is Canada’s national, arm’s-length arts funding agency. Our main areas of activity are:</p> <p><i>Grants:</i> We provide funding to individual professional artists and arts organizations through a peer assessment process.</p> <p>Grants are available for;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aboriginal Arts • Audience and Market Development • Dance • Endowments and Prizes • Equity Office • Inter-Arts • Media Arts • Music • Theatre • Visual Arts • Writing & Publishing <hr/> <p>Contact:</p> <p>Canada Council for the Arts 350 Albert Street P.O. Box 1047 Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5V8 Canada</p> <p>http://www.canadacouncil.ca/calendar/default.htm</p>

CANADA FOUNDATION FOR INNOVATION

Program Name	Program Description
Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI)	<p>The Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) is an independent corporation created by the Government of Canada to fund research infrastructure. The CFI's mandate is to strengthen the capacity of Canadian universities, colleges, research hospitals, and non-profit institutions to carry out world-class research and technology development.</p> <p>Contact: Canada Foundation for Innovation Ph: 613-947-6496 Email: info@innovation.ca</p> <p>http://www.innovation.ca/en</p>
Explore Available Funding Programs	<p>Discover funding programs for your Canadian small business. Use the Grant Finder engine. http://www.grants-loans.org/programs.php</p>

CANADIAN HERITAGE INFORMATION NETWORK

Program Name	Program Description
Grants and Foundations	<p>Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN)</p> <p>For more than 35 years, we have been connecting museums with Canadians. A national centre of excellence, the Canadian Heritage Information Network (CHIN) enables Canada's museums to connect with each other and their audiences through the use of digital technologies.</p> <p>Virtual Exhibits Investment Program,</p> <p>http://www.rcip-chin.gc.ca/financement-investment/expositions_virtuelles-virtual_exhibits/index-eng.jsp</p>

CANADA REVENUE AGENCY

Program Name	Program Description
Scientific Research and Experimental Development (SR&ED) Tax Incentive Program	<p>The Scientific Research and Experimental Development (SR&ED) Tax Incentive Program (Canada Revenue Agency) is a federal tax incentive program to encourage Canadian businesses of all sizes and in all sectors to conduct research and development (R&D) in Canada that will lead to new, improved, or technologically advanced products or processes. Claimants can apply for SR&ED investment tax credits for expenditures such as wages, materials, machinery, equipment, some overhead, and SR&ED contracts.</p> <p>Contact: Calgary Tax Service Office (Serving Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and the Northwest Territories) Ph: 403-691-5890</p> <p>http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/txcrdt/sred-rsde/bts-eng.html</p>

ENVIRONMENT CANADA

Program Name	Program Description
EcoAction - Community Funding Program	<p>The EcoAction Community Funding Program provides financial support to community groups for projects with measurable, positive impacts on the environment. Funding is available for projects that address Environment Canada's priority issues of Clean Air and Climate Change, Clean Water, and Nature.</p> <p>The Program encourages action focused projects that will protect, rehabilitate or enhance the natural environment, and build the capacity of communities to sustain these activities into the future. Application deadline - November 1st each year</p> <p>Contact: Prairie and Northern Region <i>Alberta, Manitoba, Northwest Territories, Nunavut and Saskatchewan</i> 123 Main Street, Suite 150 Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 4W2 Phone: 204-984-5952 or 1-800-567-1570 (toll-free) Fax: 204-983-0964 E-mail: ecoaction.pnr@ec.gc.ca</p> <p>http://www.ec.gc.ca/ecoaction/default.asp?lang=En&n=FA475FEB-1</p>
Environment Canada Funding Programs	<p>Environment Canada offers funding through various Grants and Contributions programs. These programs offer funding to eligible groups, organizations and individuals for local action projects that protect or conserve our natural environment and to create employment opportunities for young scientists and post-secondary graduates seeking hands-on training.</p> <p>Contact: Alberta Office Telephone: 780-951-8600 Email: enviroinfo@ec.gc.ca</p> <p>http://www.ec.gc.ca/financement-funding/Default.asp?lang=En&n=3A49CF19-1</p>

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE CANADA (DFAIT)

Program Name	Program Description
Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada Funding Programs	<p>The Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) funds an array of projects and programs in Canada and around the world. These departmental programs, aligned to government priorities, are important policy tools to protect Canadians and advance Canada's priorities, interests and leadership abroad. We also manage Canada's annual contributions to International Organizations.</p> <p>http://www.international.gc.ca/about-a_propos/grants-subventions/index.aspx?lang=eng&view=d</p>
Invest Canada-Community Initiatives	<p>The Invest Canada-Community Initiatives (ICCI) Program assists Canadian communities in attracting, retaining and expanding foreign direct investment. ICCI supports non-profit and public-private partnerships at the local community level. The program follows three basic principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focusing on supporting the attraction, retention, and expansion of foreign direct investment; • Work through partnerships; • Sharing costs. <p>April 1, 2012 Start date for submitting claims & progress reports</p> <p>Contact: Alberta Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada 400-639 5th Avenue S.W. Calgary, AB T2P 0M9 Tel: 780-495-4529 Email: clgry.icci-icic@international.gc.ca http://www.international.gc.ca/funding-financement/investment-investissement/index.aspx?lang=eng&view=d</p>
Innovation, Science and Technology	<p>Within this ever changing environment, the Trade Commissioner Service can connect you to a network of qualified international contacts, to assist with the commercialization of Canadian innovations abroad, assist for sourcing innovative technologies and partnerships, and financial support through various funding mechanisms in order to increase the Canadian innovation capacity.</p> <p>As a Canadian company you may need additional sources of funding to foster your innovation abroad.</p> <p>Going Global Innovation</p> <p>Going Global Innovation (Going Global) is the innovation, science and technology pillar of the Global Commerce Support Program (GCSP). The GCSP provides a client focused consolidated approach for accessing funding sources from DFAIT in order to attract foreign direct investment, increase Canadian innovation and commercialization opportunities and to increase Canada's business share in foreign markets.</p>

[International Science and Technology Partnerships Program](#)

The International Science & Technology Partnerships Program (ISTPP) was renewed by the Government of Canada in Budget 2010 to promote international collaborative research and development. The five-year, \$20-million program will increase the international competitiveness and prosperity of Canada by building stronger science and technology relationships with Israel, India, China and Brazil.

[More funding opportunities](#)

The Global Commerce Support Program (GCSP) is a contribution program that amalgamates three funding programs for Canadian national associations, communities, companies and researchers.

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HUMAN RESOURCES AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CANADA

Program Name	Program Description
Human Resources and Skills Development Canada Funding	<p>A list of funding programs offered through Human Resources and Skills Development Canada</p> <p>Disability Component – Social Development Partnerships Program (SDPP-D) Deadline August 17, 2012</p> <p>Apprenticeship Completion Grant (ACG) Ongoing</p> <p>Apprenticeship Incentive Grant (AIG) Ongoing</p> <p>Career Focus Ongoing</p> <p>Foreign Credential Recognition Program (FCRP) Ongoing</p> <p>Interprovincial Labour Mobility Initiative (ILMI) Ongoing</p> <p>Opportunities Fund for Persons with Disabilities Local and regional projects: Ongoing</p> <p>Skills Link Ongoing</p> <p>Work-Sharing (WS) Ongoing</p> <p>Youth Awareness Ongoing</p> <p>http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/funding_programs/index.shtml</p>

INDUSTRY CANADA

Program Name	Program Description
Small Business Internship Program	<p>The Small Business Internship Program provides small and medium-sized enterprises financial support to hire a post secondary student intern to assist them in their adoption of e-business strategies to increase their productivity and competitiveness.</p> <p>Contact: Telephone: 306-566-6000 Fax: 306-757-4322 E-mail: papi.tshiswaka@ccs-sk.ca</p> <p>http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/sbip-pspe.nsf/eng/home</p>
Strategic Aerospace and Defence Initiative (SADI)	<p>Strategic Aerospace and Defence Initiative objectives are to: Encourage strategic research and development (R&D) that will result in innovation and excellence in new products and services; Enhance the competitiveness of Canadian Aerospace and Defence (A&D) companies; Foster collaboration between research institutes, universities, colleges and the private sector.</p> <p>Contact: Industrial Technologies Office Industry Canada Toll free (Canada): 1-800-266-7531 Email: info@ito.gc.ca Industrial Technologies Office website: www.ito.gc.ca/epic/site/ito-oti.nsf/en/Home SADI website: http://ito.gc.ca/epic/site/ito-oti.nsf/en/h_00023e.html</p>

INFRASTRUCTURE CANADA

Program Name	Program Description
Green Infrastructure Fund	<p>Through Canada's Economic Action Plan, the Government of Canada established the Green Infrastructure Fund (2009-2014). This program specifically targets projects that will improve the quality of the environment and lead to a more sustainable economy over the long term.</p> <p>The Green Infrastructure Fund is allocated based on merit and funding is provided on a cost-shared basis to provinces, territories, local or regional governments, public sector bodies, and other eligible non-profit organizations and private sector companies, either alone or in partnership with a province, territory or a government body. The Fund focuses on a few, large scale, strategic infrastructure projects.</p> <p>Email: info@infcc.gc.ca Telephone Infrastructure Canada: 613-948-1148 Toll Free Number: 1-877-250-7154</p> <p>http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/gif-fiv-eng.html</p>
Green Municipal Fund (GMF)	<p>Grants of up to \$350,000 are available to municipal governments to cover half the eligible costs of integrated sustainable community Plans and Studies. Funding is also available for Capital Projects related to brownfields, energy, transportation, waste, water.</p> <p>Email Paul Gregory at pgregory@fcm.ca</p> <p>http://www.fcm.ca/home/programs/green-municipal-fund/about-the-program.htm</p>

NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL CANADA

Program Name	Program Description
National Research Council Canada	<p>Research and Technology Development Activities</p> <p>The National Research Council of Canada Industrial Research Assistance Program (NRC-IRAP) may provide financial support to qualified small and medium-sized enterprises in Canada to help them develop technologies for competitive advantage. NRC-IRAP operates on a shared-risk model, providing cost-shared financial assistance for research and development projects that meet both the firm and project assessment criteria.</p> <p>http://www.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/eng/services/irap/financial-assistance.html#ar#ar</p>
	<p>Youth Employment Strategy Programs</p> <p>The National Research Council of Canada Industrial Research Assistance Program (NRC-IRAP) delivers its Youth Employment Program under the Career Focus stream of the Youth Employment Strategy and provides small and medium-sized enterprises with financial assistance to hire highly skilled post-secondary graduates.</p> <p>http://www.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/eng/services/irap/youth-initiatives.html</p>

NATURAL RESOURCES CANADA

Program Name	Program Description
Sustainable Development Technology Canada (SDTC)	<p>Sustainable Development Technology Canada is a not-for-profit foundation that finances and supports the development and demonstration of clean technologies which provide solutions to issues of climate change, clean air, water quality and soil, and which deliver economic, environmental and health benefits to Canadians. The Foundation draws from an investment fund of \$550 million.</p> <p>SDTC operates two funds aimed at the development and demonstration of innovative technological solutions. The \$550 million SD Tech Fund supports projects that address climate change, air quality, clean water, and clean soil. The \$500 million NextGen Biofuels Fund supports the establishment of first-of-kind large demonstration-scale facilities for the production of next-generation renewable fuels.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SDTC bridges the funding gap in the innovation chain.• SD Tech Fund™• NextGen Biofuels Fund™ <p>Contact: Ron Barkwell Manager, Applications Sustainable Development Technology Canada Ph: 613-234-6313 Ext.349</p> <p>Email: rbarkwell@sdtc.ca</p> <p>http://www.sdtc.ca/index.php?page=about-our-funds&hl=en_CA</p>

WESTERN ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION CANADA

Program Name	Program Description		
Alberta Women Entrepreneurs	<p>Alberta Women Entrepreneurs (AWE) is a not-for-profit organization that provides a range of tools to help women across Alberta succeed in business. Since 1995, AWE has supported women in business through business advising, business skills development, financing up to \$150,000 and networking opportunities.</p> <p>Contact:</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Edmonton Alberta Women Entrepreneurs Toll-free (information): 1-800-713-3558 Email: info@awebusiness.com</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Calgary Alberta Women Entrepreneurs Toll-free (information): 1-800-713-3558 Email: info@awebusiness.com</p> </td> </tr> </table> <p>www.awebusiness.com www.awebusiness.com</p>	<p>Edmonton Alberta Women Entrepreneurs Toll-free (information): 1-800-713-3558 Email: info@awebusiness.com</p>	<p>Calgary Alberta Women Entrepreneurs Toll-free (information): 1-800-713-3558 Email: info@awebusiness.com</p>
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WD Funding for Not-for-Profits and Communities	<p>Funding is available to not-for-profit organizations and communities for projects that support at least one of WD's project activities: innovation, business development and entrepreneurship and community economic development.</p> <p>Innovation</p> <p>Western Diversification Program (WDP) (eligibility criteria) (application process) is the main program through which WD invests in projects that support our strategic outcomes related to innovation, business development and entrepreneurship and community economic development.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Economic Partnership Agreements (WEPAs) (eligibility criteria) are multi-year funding commitments to strengthen economic activity and improve quality of life in western communities. • The Economic Development Initiative will invest \$3.2 million in the West over five years to support business and economic development that encourages sustainable growth in Western Canada's Francophone communities. <p>Business Development and Entrepreneurship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Western Canada Business Service Network provides services and resources to help western Canadians start, grow and expand their businesses. <p>Community Economic Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WD helps increase the viability and diversification of local economies in Western Canada through a variety of programs and services, tailored to the region's own particular strengths, challenges and opportunities. <p>Contact: WD Alberta</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Edmonton</p> <p>Phone: 780-495-4164 http://www.wd.gc.ca/eng/240.asp</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Calgary</p> <p>Phone: 403-292-5458 http://www.wd.gc.ca/eng/240.asp</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Edmonton</p> <p>Phone: 780-495-4164 http://www.wd.gc.ca/eng/240.asp</p>	<p>Calgary</p> <p>Phone: 403-292-5458 http://www.wd.gc.ca/eng/240.asp</p>
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<p>Western Economic Diversification Canada Programs</p>	<p>WD helps to fill the gap between traditional bank lending and the availability of venture capital for small business by working with not-for-profit organizations. The department accomplishes this through partnerships with its Western Canada Business Services network as well as individual agreements with commercial lenders.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Futures offices offer loan programs (eligibility criteria) for rural entrepreneurs as well as the entrepreneurs with disabilities program (eligibility criteria) in rural communities. <p>Women's Enterprise Initiative offices provide loan programs (eligibility criteria) to assist women entrepreneurs.</p> <p>Le Conseil de développement économique des municipalités bilingues du Manitoba manages a risk capital fund for Manitoba businesses owned by Francophones.</p> <p>Contact:</p> <p>Phone: 403-292-5458 http://www.wd.gc.ca/eng/16.asp</p> <p>Phone: 780-495-4164 http://www.wd.gc.ca/eng/16.asp</p>
<p>Community Futures (CF)</p>	<p>Community Futures (CF) is a national community economic development program. In western Canada, Community Futures is funded by Western Economic Diversification Canada. Community Futures are non-profit organizations, guided by volunteer boards of directors and staffed with business professionals. Together, community volunteers and staff are actively engaged in helping to develop and implement community-based economic development strategies with a focus on rural economic diversification.</p> <p>Core services include:</p> <p>Small Business Loans Community Futures offers eight different loans products, each designed to meet a particular business need</p> <p>Self Employment Program Some Alberta Community Futures organizations deliver the Self Employment (SE) Program, which provides business training and financial assistance to new entrepreneurs while they get their business up and running.</p> <p>Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program The Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program (EDP) was established to make it easier for entrepreneurs with disabilities to pursue their business goals and contribute to economic growth within their rural community. In addition to offering business training and mentoring, the EDP can also provide business loans, through the Business Able loan product.</p>

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GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA PROGRAMS

ABORIGINAL RELATIONS

Program Name	Program Description
<p>First Nations Economic Partnerships Initiative (FNEPI)</p>	<p>The Ministry of Aboriginal Relations works with Aboriginal communities, the federal government, industry and other stakeholders to promote social and economic opportunities designed to enhance the quality of life of Aboriginal people in Alberta. http://www.aboriginal.alberta.ca/877.cfm</p> <p>Economic Capacity Building (ECB) Program Aboriginal Economic Partnerships (AEP) Branch provides funding thru the Economic Capacity Building (ECB) Program to support capacity building initiatives that help strengthen the ability of First Nation individuals, communities and businesses to participate in economic activities. ECB supports rural and urban Aboriginal communities to develop the skills and knowledge needed to identify, plan and implement economic development projects. http://www.aboriginal.alberta.ca/516.cfm</p> <p>Strategic Economic Initiatives (SEI) Program Aboriginal Economic Partnerships (AEP) Branch provides funding to First Nations, Tribal Councils, First Nation companies and organizations, and other non-government organizations that directly promote the economic capacity building of First Nations. All projects must demonstrate both significant strategic value and sustainable economic partnerships with other stakeholders such as government and industry. http://www.aboriginal.alberta.ca/515.cfm</p> <p>Contact:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Phone: 780-427-9390 Email: fnepi@gov.ab.ca</p>

AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Program Name	Program Description
2012 Programs and Services for Growth	<p>Development Officers with Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development serve as the first point of contact for Alberta's growing and established agri-processing companies. In addition to having a thorough understanding of the agri-processing industry, Development Officers can help navigate through the numerous programs and services. They are 'your connection to resources for business growth.'</p> <p>For information regarding: The following information will help you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - discover what's available to help grow your agri-processing business, - find the programs and services that suit your needs, - apply to financial cost-sharing opportunities for new initiatives, - access resources that improve your business. <p>For;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Automation, Technology & Lean Manufacturing • Food Safety • Investment • Nutrition/Labelling • Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S) • Research & Development/Marketing • Sustainability • Workforce Development <p>http://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/\$department/deptdocs.nsf/all/agp8038</p>
Agriculture Initiatives Program	<p>Funds are provided by the Alberta Lottery Fund to encourage improvements in agriculture, the quality of life in the agricultural community and to facilitate rural development. Funds will be granted to agricultural societies incorporated under the Agricultural Societies Act (Alberta), and to other registered not-for-profit organizations with objectives related to agriculture and rural development.</p> <p>Contact:</p> <p>Bill Gordon Ag Initiatives Program Grant Manager Rural Programs Branch Ph: 780-422-2611 Email: bill.gordon@gov.ab.ca</p> <p>http://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/general/progserv.nsf/all/pgmsrv61?opendocument</p>

Growing Forward: Agri-Foods Marketing Assistance Program	<p>Growing Forward programs are designed to support progressive thinking as Albertans become increasingly health-conscious and environmentally aware. With a suite of programs to choose from, Growing Forward offers something for the changing needs of the agriculture and agri-foods industry. Opportunities are focused on building a sector that is profitable and competitive, able to retain/capture domestic or international market opportunities, prepared for and able to respond effectively to emergencies, and able to manage risk effectively. Funding programs include: Food Safety – Processing, Livestock Welfare, Agri-Business and Product Development Grant, and Agri-Business Automation and Lean Manufacturing.</p> <p>Contact: Growing Forward Toll-free: 310.3276 Email: growingforward@gov.ab.ca http://www.growingforward.alberta.ca/AboutGrowingForward/index.htm</p>
Agrivalue Processing Business Incubator (APBI)	<p>The APBI is dedicated to assisting food processors in the scale up and commercialization of new products and technologies so they can establish their own facilities. Early stage business entrepreneurs and more established food organizations will find the Incubator and its campus of services a unique avenue for developing and processing an array of food products for the value-added market. Typically, a new processor will desire mentoring assistance with experts in processing technology, food safety and HACCP implementation, safe and cost efficient operating practices, business plan development and industry networking. Depending on eligibility, funding assistance may also be available.</p> <p>Contact: Robert Gibson Ph: 780-980-4866 Email: robert.gibson@gov.ab.ca</p> <p>http://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/\$department/deptdocs.nsf/all/fpdc10937</p>
Rural Gas Program	<p>The Rural Utilities Division is responsible for ensuring the safe and orderly development of natural gas distribution systems, conducting technical reviews, issuing approvals, development of policy issues respecting rural gas utility operations and business practices and regulation of gas co-ops. The division administers a grant program to help reduce the high cost of providing natural gas service in rural Alberta.</p> <p>Contact: Tom Kee Rural Utilities Branch Ph: 780-427-0944 Email: tom.kee@gov.ab.ca</p> <p>http://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/general/progserv.nsf/all/pgmsrv13?opendocument</p>

Programs And Services for All Audiences	<p>For a variety of Programs and services for all audiences</p> <p>http://www.agriculture.alberta.ca/app52/programsservices</p>
Business Opportunity Grant	<p>The Business Opportunity Grant Program is designed to provide assistance in accessing one-to-one business management knowledge and expertise that will contribute to helping the agriculture industry adapt to meet changing market and consumer demands.</p> <p>Contact: 310-FARM(3276) GrowingForward@gov.ab.ca</p> <p>http://www.growingforward.alberta.ca/ProgramAreas/Management/BusinessManagementSkillsandTools/BusinessOpportunityGrant/index.htm</p>
Agri-Business and Product Development	<p>The purpose of the Growing Forward Agri-Business and Product Development Grant Program is to stimulate new investment in value added food and agri-product processing sectors. The program targets agri-businesses and producers with innovative market driven opportunities to commercialize a new product, create healthy or healthier products or expand their business.</p> <p>http://www.growingforward.alberta.ca/ProgramAreas/BusinessCompetitiveness/ProductandMarketDevelopment/Agri-BusinessandProductDevelopmentGrant/index.htm</p>
Collaborative Research and Development Grants	<p>The Collaborative Research and Development (CRD) program is intended to give companies operating from a Canadian base access to the unique knowledge, expertise and educational resources available at Canadian post-secondary institutions and to offer opportunities for mutually beneficial collaborations that result in industrial or economic benefits to Canada.</p> <p>Contact Toll-free in Alberta: 310-FARM (310-3276)</p> <p>http://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/general/progserv.nsf/all/pgmsrv183</p>

CULTURE

Program Name	Program Description
<p>Grants and Foundations</p>	<p>Heritage Preservation Partnership Program This program offers matching grants, along with technical and advisory assistance to organizations and individuals for the conservation of Alberta's historic places and heritage awareness initiatives such as the installation of historical interpretive signs, historical research and publications http://www.culture.alberta.ca/ahrf/default.aspx</p> <p>Support to Provincial Heritage Organizations The Alberta Historical Resources Foundation provides annual funding to five other provincial heritage organizations: Alberta Museums Association, the Archives Society of Alberta, the Historical Society of Alberta, the Alberta Genealogical Society and the Archaeological Society of Alberta. Funding assists these organizations in delivering programs and services that document, preserve and present the province's heritage. http://www.culture.alberta.ca/cfep/default.aspx</p>
<p>Organization grants</p> <p>ALBERTA FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS</p>	<p>Arts Organizations Project Grant Program The Arts Organizations Project Grant program assists Alberta arts organizations, companies and/or schools by providing a grant for a specific arts-related project or event. http://www.affta.ab.ca/organization-project-grant-program.aspx</p> <p>Arts Organizations Operational Grant Program The Arts Organization Operational Grant program supports the annual operating expenses of some of Alberta's arts and cultural organizations and companies, including theatre and performing arts organizations, public art galleries and community arts organizations. http://www.affta.ab.ca/organization-operational-grant-program.aspx</p> <p>Contact: Alberta Foundation for the Arts Telephone: 780-427-9968 (toll-free within Alberta by first dialing 310-0000)</p>
<p>Alberta Lottery Fund</p>	<p>Each year thousands of non-profit/volunteer organizations in Alberta require funding for a variety of projects and initiatives. This year, the Alberta Lottery Fund will re-invest \$1.5 billion in communities across the province. Some of this funding is available to these organizations through various lottery-funded grant programs.</p> <p>Community Initiatives Program (CIP) grants support community programs or services for sports, health, recreation, libraries, arts and culture</p> <p>Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) helps communities build, buy or repair a local building such as an indoor hockey rink, recreation centre or library.</p>

Other Initiatives Program (OIP) The Other Initiatives Program provides support to worthy Alberta projects which cannot be funded under the criteria or existing funding levels of other Alberta Lottery Fund grant programs. Through this program, support may also be provided to national and international projects, such as disaster relief initiatives

Alberta Foundation for the Arts (AFA) From paintings to music, from writing to weaving, we celebrate life through the arts. Experience your world through different artistic media and see for yourself what Alberta's vibrant arts community has to offer.

Alberta Historical Resource Foundation (AHRF) It provides financial and technical assistance to individuals and organizations for initiatives that preserve and interpret Alberta's heritage through a variety of grants offered by the [Heritage Preservation Partnership Program](#); and to municipalities through the [Alberta Main Street Program](#) and the [Municipal Heritage Partnership Program](#)

Alberta Human Rights and Multiculturalism (HREM) is two-fold: 1) Work with community organizations, public institutions and government to foster equality and to reduce discrimination by supporting initiatives that make it easier for all Albertans, especially those excluded because of their race, ancestry, colour, religious beliefs, gender, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation and other human rights protected grounds to participate fully in society. 2) Help organizations become a catalyst for change through projects and initiatives that:

Contact:

Alberta Lottery Fund
Ph. 1-800-642-3855

<http://albertalotteryfund.ca/>

ENERGY

Program Name	Program Description
Energy Efficiency Assessment Program	<p>Using less energy per unit of production can reduce production costs and improve your organization's bottom line. By implementing energy efficiency retrofit projects you can: Reduce energy consumption, Improve your productivity and competitiveness, Reduce greenhouse gas emissions, Produce a healthier, more comfortable workplace.</p> <p>The Energy Efficiency Assessment Program is here to assist you with identifying and implementing the projects that best fit your manufacturing business.</p> <p>Contact: Productivity Alberta Suite 301, Cecil Place 10110-104 Street NW Edmonton, AB T5J 1A7 Tel: +1 780-784-6000 Fax: +1 780-784-6060</p> <p>http://www.productivityalberta.ca/tools/energy-efficiency/guides-resources/energy-efficiency-assessment-program</p>
Bioenergy Producer Credit Program (2011-2016)	<p>The Bioenergy Producer Credit Program (BPCP) is intended to encourage investment in bioenergy production capacity in Alberta in order to reduce reliance on fossil fuels, support Alberta's Renewable Fuels Standard and create value-added opportunities with economic benefits.</p> <p>Contact: Email BPCP.Energy@gov.ab.ca</p> <p>http://www.energy.gov.ab.ca/BioEnergy/1400.asp</p>

ENTERPRISE AND ADVANCED EDUCATION

Program Name	Program Description
Alberta Innovates Connector Service	<p>Alberta Innovates is a new system for innovation that companies and researchers around the world agree is unique. Businesses, government, and universities collaborate to share resources, experts, and ideas across sectors. University researchers work together, unrestricted by academic barriers.</p> <p>We invest billions of dollars in research through long-term endowment funds — that means our investments are there for the long term. And instead of needing to negotiate with multiple partners in industry, government and universities, you can access all the resources you need through one point of contact, one agreement and one system.</p> <p>Contact:</p> <hr/> <p>Alberta Innovates Connector Service Alberta Advanced Education and Technology Ph: 877-828-0444 Email: connector@albertainnovates.ca</p> <hr/> <p>http://albertainnovates.ca/question.aspx</p>

HUMAN SERVICES

Program Name	Program Description
Summer Temporary Employment Program (STEP)	<p>Summer Temporary Employment Program (STEP) is a program element under the Training for Work program. It was developed by Alberta Employment and Immigration (AE&I) and community partners to help students who would benefit from temporary employment during the spring and summer months. STEP encourages the hiring of students across Alberta during the months of May to August. Its primary intent is to provide meaningful summer employment to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • stimulate the creation of new and/or additional employment opportunities, • stimulate the creation of career-related employment opportunities for students, • stimulate the creation of employment for students studying away from home, in their home communities, • enhance employer awareness to youth workers and the unique contributions they can make to an organization, • support skill development opportunities <p>Contact: Alberta Employment and Immigration Training for Work Program Ph: 780-422-5082 Email: STEP@gov.ab.ca</p> <p>http://employment.alberta.ca/CES/3158.html</p>
The Labour Market Partnerships (LMP)	<p>The Labour Market Partnerships (LMP) program supports workplace human resource development and labour market adjustment strategies through community partnerships. The LMP Program is designed to develop and support projects with groups, organizations, industry sectors, and communities with common labour market needs.</p> <p>See http://employment.alberta.ca/BI/3332.html for contact information in your area</p> <p>http://employment.alberta.ca/documents/CES/CES-WP_imp_guidelines.pdf</p>
Workforce Attraction and Retention Partnerships (ARP)	<p>The Workforce Attraction and Retention Partnerships (ARP) program assists employers and employer associations take timely and direct action to attract and retain workers.</p> <p>See http://employment.alberta.ca/BI/3332.html for contact information in your area</p> <p>http://employment.alberta.ca/documents/ARP-Grant-Proposal-Form.pdf</p>

[Affordable Housing Programs](#)

The Community Housing Program provides subsidized rental housing to low-income families, senior citizens, and individuals with special needs who cannot afford private sector accommodation. Applicants whose income falls below local income limits are eligible to apply ([Core Need Income Threshold](#)). Applicants are given priority based on need, as determined by income, assets, and current housing condition. A tenant's rent, which includes heat, water and sewer expenses, is based on 30 percent of a household's adjusted income. The tenant is responsible for electricity, telephone and cable television, as well as any additional services they may request (i.e. parking).

Contact:

Housing Services
Ph: 780-422-0122
Email: housing@gov.ab.ca

<http://www.housing.alberta.ca/561.cfm>

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Program Name	Program Description
Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI)	<p>The Municipal Sustainability Initiative provides municipalities with sustainable funding to assist them in meeting the challenges of growth and enhancing their long-term sustainability. These objectives are met by providing new conditional grants to municipalities until fiscal year 2016.</p> <p>Contact: Municipal Services Branch Ph: 780-427-2225 Email: mah.msicapitalgrants@gov.ab.ca (capital funding) mah.msioperatinggrants@gov.ab.ca (conditional operating funding)</p> <p>http://www.municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/municipalgrants-description.cfm?program_id=38</p>
Regional Collaboration Program RCP	<p>The objective of the Regional Collaboration Program (RCP) is to improve the viability and long-term sustainability of municipalities through strategic activities related to regional collaboration and capacity building. Qualifying projects include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Regional Collaboration</i> - Support for regional approaches to municipal service delivery and governance 2. <i>Mediation and Cooperative Processes</i> - Support to municipalities for building relations within and between municipalities and resolving regional and inter-municipal issues 3. <i>Municipal Internship</i> - Support to municipalities or planning service agencies to recruit, train and retain competent municipal employees who can progress into leadership positions 4. <i>Strategic Initiatives</i> - Initiatives that address municipal or inter-municipal special needs or circumstances of strategic significance <p>Contact: Municipal Services Branch Ph: 780-427-2225 Email: rcp.grants@gov.ab.ca</p> <p>http://www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/MC_regionalcollaborationprogram.cfm</p>

Emergency Management Grants	<p>2012/2013 Fire Services Emergency Preparedness Program (FSEPP) The objective is to provide an effective and cost-efficient mechanism for increased training capacity that results in a greater number of trained emergency management practitioners. In turn, this will create a greater capability of Alberta communities to respond effectively to disasters and major emergencies.</p> <p>2012/2013 Search and Rescue (SAR) Grant This program expands and enhances ground search and rescue training in preparation and response.</p> <p>http://www.ofc.alberta.ca/Grant%20Funded%20Training.cfm</p>
Grants in Place of Taxes (GIPOT)	<p>GIPOT assists municipalities in the cost of providing municipal services. Although Crown-owned properties are exempt from assessment and therefore exempt from taxation, the Province of Alberta pays a grant equivalent to the property taxes that would otherwise be levied on many of these properties. Approximately 170 municipalities receive grants in place of taxes for 6,600 Crown properties.</p> <p>Contact phone: 780-427-2225.</p> <p>http://www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/municipalgrants-description.cfm?program_id=35</p>

TOURISM, PARKS AND RECREATION

Program Name	Program Description
Grants and Foundations	<p>Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development Initiatives Program Donation Fund Program Hosting major events Grants for coaches and officials Podium Alberta Grants for Athletes Provincial Healthy/Active Living Initiatives Grant <p>Program Gant listing available at: http://www.asrpf.ca/grant-funding-programs.aspx</p>
Tourism Investment Services	<p>The Tourism Business Development, Research and Investment Branch provides assistance in:</p> <p>Assessing and matching your investment interests and financial resources with appropriate tourism business investment opportunities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing contacts and facilitating meetings to assist with your business interests. • Providing information to substantiate your business case or feasibility study. • Providing information and assistance with regard crown land leasing opportunities through the Alberta Tourism Recreation Leasing process.

	<p>Contact: Bill Hodgins Tourism Business Development, Research and Investment Branch Ph: 780-427-6485 Email: bill.hodgins@gov.ab.ca</p> <p>http://www.tpr.alberta.ca/tourism/investment/investmentservices.aspx</p>
<p>ALBERTA SPORT, RECREATION, PARKS AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION</p>	<p>This Event Support Program focuses on sport, recreation, parks and wildlife program development. The program provides financial support to communities and associations to assist them in hosting major events, and as a result, promotes economic growth throughout the province.</p> <p>Find out about financial support available to communities and associations that are hosting major events.</p> <p>Contact: Jaime Sorenson, Alberta Games and Marketing Branch Telephone: 403-297-2909 Email: jaime.a.sorenson@gov.ab.ca</p> <p>www.asrpf.ca/grant-funding-programs</p>

TRANSPORTATION

Program Name	Program Description
Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program	<p>The Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program (AMIP) provides per capita financial assistance for Core Capital Municipal Infrastructure projects to municipalities, cities, towns, villages, summer villages, municipal districts, specialized municipalities, improvement districts, special areas, and Metis settlements.</p> <p>http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/534.htm</p>
Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Program	<p>The Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership (AMWWP) assist eligible Alberta municipalities with the construction of priority water supply and treatment and wastewater treatment and disposal facilities. The program Applies to Cities with an official pop under 45,000, Towns, Villages, Summer Villages, Counties, municipal districts, Metis Settlements, special areas and improvement districts.</p> <p>http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/2719.htm</p>
BASIC MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION GRANT (BMTG)	<p>The objective of the program is to support municipalities in developing and maintaining their capital transportation infrastructure requirements, promote economic growth, and improve the quality and transportation safety of community life. This program provides annual allocation-based funding for capital construction and rehabilitation of local transportation infrastructure including roads, bridges, and public transit.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Central - 403-340-5166 North-Central - 780-674-8221 Peace - 780-624-6280 Southern - 403-381-5426 </p> <p>http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/Content/docType4492/Production/BMTG_guidelines.pdf</p>
Green Transit Incentives Program (GreenTRIP)	<p>The Green Transit Incentives Program (GreenTRIP) is a one-time capital funding program that will support public transit in Alberta. This program is intended to provide Albertans with a wider range of sustainable public transit alternatives which will help increase transit ridership, reduce traffic congestion and thereby reduce greenhouse gas emissions.</p> <p>http://alberta.ca/acn/201006/28647600F68AB-9D3D-8FDB-3964EB27F31BF3DF.html</p>

New Deal for Cities and Communities	<p>The New Deal for Cities and Communities per capita grant assists municipalities in addressing their sustainable municipal capital infrastructure needs.</p> <p>http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/2709.htm</p>
NEW DEAL FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT (NDPT)	<p>NEW DEAL FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT (NDPT) The New Deal for Public Transit is an amendment to the New Deal for Cities and Communities. The amendment applies specifically to those municipalities that own and operate a provincially recognized public transit system. This supplementary program initiated in 2006 is intended to assist those municipalities in addressing their sustainable municipal public transit capital infrastructure needs. The program is supported through the allocation to Alberta Municipalities of a portion of the federal tax surplus.</p> <p>http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/3453.htm</p>
Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP)	<p>The objective of the program is to support municipalities in developing and maintaining key transportation infrastructure to promote economic growth and improve mobility, through strategic, project-specific investment in capital construction and rehabilitation of important local transportation infrastructure, including local and regional roads, municipal bridges, airports and resource roads.</p> <p>Contact:</p> <p>Central - 403-340-5166 North-Central - 780-674-8221 Peace - 780-624-6280 Southern - 403-381-5426</p> <p>http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/Content/doctype4495/Production/STIP_guidelines.pdf</p>

CORPORATE COMMUNITY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

AGRIUM INC.

Funding Organization	Program & Description
AGRIUM INC.	<p>Agrium funding programs meet a wide range of needs within their communities. Requests for financial support must fall into one or more of the following program streams: Local Community Investment Program; Global Community Investment Program; and Emergency Assistance. The application form will guide you to apply to the appropriate Agrium community and program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding Programs <p>www.agrium.com/sustainability/1552.jsp</p>

ALBERTA CREDIT UNIONS

Funding Organization	Program & Description
ALBERTA CREDIT UNIONS	<p>Community involvement has historically been one of the ways that credit unions differentiate themselves from other financial institutions. By remaining community-based, locally owned and operated, and by offering substantial financial backing to local initiatives, credit unions across Canada have maintained a leadership role in the arena of community involvement. Although initiatives vary from Credit Union to Credit Union, the common thread is that initiatives are targeted to meet identified needs in each of their communities.</p> <p>Locate your local Credit Union for funding opportunities that may support your economic development initiative.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By Community • By Credit Union Name <p>www.albertacreditunions.com/public/bins/index.asp</p>

ALLIANCE PIPELINE

Funding Organization	Program & Description
ALLIANCE PIPELINE	<p>The Community Investment Program provides financial and volunteer assistance for programs and initiatives in one of five funding priority areas that benefit people in communities where Alliance business is conducted. Funding Priorities consider Community-driven building and social causes, including support for community events and infrastructure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding Priorities • Communities We Support <p>Contact: Rob Gray, Senior Communications Advisor Telephone: 1-800-717-9017 Email: rob.gray@alliancepipeline.com</p> <p>www.alliance-pipeline.com/inside.aspx?cid1=4&cid2=437&cid3=0</p>

ATCO ELECTRIC

Funding Organization	Program & Description
ATCO ELECTRIC	<p>ATCO Electric looks for community projects or initiatives in its Community Investment Program that bring the most value to the company and the communities it serves. Top priority is given to organizations or causes that support four key areas of focus: Community Safety, Environment, Education and Community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Giving <p>www.atcoelectric.com/community/corpgiving.asp</p>

ATCO GAS

Funding Organization	Program & Description
ATCO GAS	<p>ATCO Gas participates in community projects and initiatives that have a lasting effect on the foundation of its service communities – health and wellness, arts and culture, economic growth, education and community infrastructure. It looks for initiatives that touch a broad segment of its service communities; those that address community priorities and that make a significant and unique contribution to community life.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Getting Support <p>www.atcogas.com/Community/How_to_get_support/</p>

AVAC Ltd.

Program Name	Program Description		
Agrivalue Fund	<p>Agrivalue fund helps agriculturally based businesses with research, commercialization or start-up investment capital in order to promote the creation of new products and technologies.</p>		
Ag Research Fund	<p>Ag Research Fund invests in qualified research and development programs and projects in food products, environment management and other Alberta-based agricultural industries.</p>		
	<p>Contact:</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Calgary</p> <p>AVAC Ltd. Ph. 403-274-2774 Email: avacinfo@avacltd.com www.avacltd.com</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Edmonton</p> <p>Edmonton Research Park Ph. 780-485-2411 Email: avacinfo@avacltd.com www.avacltd.com</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Calgary</p> <p>AVAC Ltd. Ph. 403-274-2774 Email: avacinfo@avacltd.com www.avacltd.com</p>	<p>Edmonton</p> <p>Edmonton Research Park Ph. 780-485-2411 Email: avacinfo@avacltd.com www.avacltd.com</p>
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BANK OF MONTREAL

Funding Organization	Program & Description
BANK OF MONTREAL (BMO)	<p>BMO Financial Group's support focuses on social responsibility in the communities that it serves. Contributions are distributed over a broad range of initiatives, including education, health care, arts and culture, community development, sports and athletics.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donations and Sponsorships Application Guidelines <p>Contact: Prairies Division, Communications Manager Telephone: 403-503-7002</p> <p>www.bmo.com/home/about/banking/corporate-responsibility/community/application-guidelines</p>

BARRICK

Funding Organization	Program & Description
BARRICK	<p>Barrick's Heart of Gold Fund supports Canadian non-profit organizations and other charitable endeavors with mandates that contribute to economic and social development.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heart of Gold Fund Policy (PDF) <p>Contact: Julie Winget, Barrick Gold Corporation Email: heartofgold@barrick.com</p> <p>www.barrick.com/corporateresponsibility/community/heartofgoldfund/default.aspx</p>

BAYER CROPSCIENCE CANADA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
BAYER CROPSCIENCE CANADA	<p>Funding support is focused on defined areas of giving: agriculture, science & innovation, education & youth, and arts & culture. Bayer provides investment through industry support within agriculture, through sponsorships, and through community donations. Geographic Areas in Alberta are focused to Lethbridge, Calgary and Edmonton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Giving Guidelines <p>www.bayercropscience.ca/our-company/social-investment</p>

BAYTEX ENERGY CORP.

Funding Organization	Program & Description
BAYTEX ENERGY CORP.	<p>Baytex believes in enhancing the communities where employees live and work, supporting causes, and institutions through financial and volunteer efforts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Investment <p>www.baytex.ab.ca/corporate/community-investment.cfm</p>

BOW VALLEY CREDIT UNION LTD

Funding Organization	Program & Description
BOW VALLEY CREDIT UNION	<p>Bow Valley Credit Union Ltd.'s Corporate Sponsorship Program supports both the Credit Union and community values. Funding is focused and proactive with emphasis on youth and community based projects. Branches are located in Airdrie E., Airdrie W., Banff, Calgary, Canmore, and Cochrane.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Corporate Sponsorship Application Guidelines <p>www.bowvalleycu.com/sponsorship</p>

CANADIAN PACIFIC (CP)

Funding Organization	Program & Description
CANADIAN PACIFIC (CP)	<p>CP supports a number of non-profit organizations that work to affect positive social change and help to build strong vibrant communities. Community Investment Funding is focused in the following areas: Community, Environment, Safety, Education & Technology, and Employees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment <p>http://www.cpr.ca/en/in-your-community/community-investment/Pages/default.aspx</p>

THE CANADIAN WILDLIFE FEDERATION

Funding Organization	Program & Description
CANADIAN WILDLIFE FEDERATION FOUNDATION	<p>The Canadian Wildlife Foundation's Funding Program exists to promote the conservation of wildlife habitat and the sustainable use of wildlife resources in Canada. There are a number of socio-economic benefits in adopting innovative approaches to urban planning involving wetlands.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Funding Guidelines <p>www.cwf-fcf.org/en/action/funding-awards/grants</p>

CANFOR

Funding Organization	Program & Description
CANFOR	<p>The Canfor Corporate Sponsorship and Donation Program serves as the principal funding entity for the company's charitable contributions. Funding is approved and allocated for organizations and events in an equitable manner in communities in which it operates. (In Alberta, Canfor has manufacturing facilities in Grande Prairie with Distribution facilities in Edmonton).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Sponsorship Request Guidelines • Other Social Responsibility Funding Areas <p>www.canfor.com/responsibility/social</p>

CENOVUS ENERGY

Funding Organization	Program & Description
CENOVUS ENERGY	<p>The Cenovus Community Investment Program strategically concentrates its efforts in three core areas - learning, safety and well-being, and sustainable communities. (Alberta Locations)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidelines <p>http://www.cenovus.com/responsibility/index.html</p>

CIBC

Funding Organization	Program & Description
CIBC	<p>CIBC is committed to supporting causes that matter to its clients, employees and communities – with a focus on Kids, Cures and Community. Funding opportunities seek to assist Canadians in need through skills development, including financial literacy and employment opportunities; increased access to community services and promoting equality and diversity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donations and Sponsorship Funding Guidelines <p>Contact: Email: CommunityMatters.AB@CIBC.com</p> <p>https://www.cibc.com/ca/inside-cibc/in-your-community.html</p>

COCA-COLA COMPANY

Funding Organization	Program & Description
THE COCA COLA COMPANY	<p>The Coca-Cola Company, its global philanthropic arm, The Coca-Cola Foundation, and its regional foundations strive daily to be responsive to the citizenship priorities in the global communities where it does business. Community investment priorities focus on water stewardship, active healthy living, community recycling, and education. It also funds disaster relief in communities facing crisis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Requests Guidelines and Application <p>www.thecoca-colacompany.com/citizenship/foundation_coke.html</p>

CONOCOPHILLIPS CANADA (CPC)

Funding Organization	Program & Description
CONOCOPHILLIPS	<p>ConocoPhillips provides grants and contributions to nonprofits in communities where their employees live and work. They focus mainly on initiatives that benefit education, the environment, and health and safety.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment <p>www.conocophillips.ca/EN/sd/investment/Pages/index.aspx</p>

CO-OPERATORS FOUNDATION

Funding Organization	Program & Description
THE CO-OPERATORS	<p>The Co-operators Foundation supports healthy communities through its endowment fund for community economic development (CED) in Canada. The purpose of the fund is to support community enterprises and initiatives that create local employment and promote local self-reliance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Economic Development Fund (CED) <p>www.cooperators.ca/en/About-Us/foundation.aspx</p>

DAISHOWA-MARUBENI INTERNATIONAL LTD. (DMI)

Funding Organization	Program & Description
DAISHOWA-MARUBENI INTERNATIONAL LTD. (DMI)	<p>Daishowa-Marubeni International Ltd. (DMI) is an integrated forest products company that supports donation requests for community and/or environmental support and involvement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donation Requests <p>www.dmi.ca/about_dmi/dmi_in_alberta/donations.html</p>

ENBRIDGE

Funding Organization	Program & Description
ENBRIDGE	<p>Enbridge helps build communities across its operating regions in Canada and the U.S. that are sustainable, with solid infrastructure and programming in six focus areas: safe community, community leadership, natural legacy, school plus, arts & culture and lifelong learning.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Investment Programs• Review the Application Guide <p>www.enbridge.com/InYourCommunity/CommunityInvestment.aspx</p>

ENCANA CORPORATION

Funding Organization	Program & Description
ENCANA NATURAL GAS	<p>Community Investment Programs are strategically aligned to promote environmental stewardship, enhance the skill sets of the next generation of industry leaders and support the needs of communities where Encana operates. In Alberta, funding programs are supported in the communities of Calgary, Drumheller, Grande Cache, Grande Prairie, Red Deer and Strathmore.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Investment Guidelines <p>Contact: Telephone. 403-645-2000. Email: community.involvement@encana.com</p> <p>www.encana.com/communities/investment</p>

ENMAX CORPORATION

Funding Organization	Program & Description
ENMAX	<p>Enmax strives to enrich the communities in which it does business by focusing funding to charitable organizations and programming through one or more of its investment pillars: youth; environment and safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enmax in the Community <p>https://enmax.sponsor.com</p>

EPCOR

Funding Organization	Program & Description
EPCOR	<p>EPCOR provides community support through charitable donations, sponsorships and in-kind contributions. All donations and sponsorships must link to at least one of the 3 pillars in its community investment approach: Water (Food), Energy (Shelter and Safety), and Education.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment <p>Contact: Email: community@epcor.com</p> <p>http://corp.epcor.com/communityinvestment/Pages/community-investment.aspx</p>

FINNING (CANADA)

Funding Organization	Program & Description
FINNING (CANADA)	<p>Finning (Canada) support will be considered for projects which contribute to the economic health, well-being and enjoyment of the community at large.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Investment <p>www.finning.ca/About/Corporate_Overview/Community_Investment/Default.aspx</p>

GORE MUTUAL

Funding Organization	Program & Description
GORE MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY	<p>The Gore Mutual Insurance Company Foundation supports the communities served by Gore Mutual Insurance Company by aiding and supporting social services, education, health, cultural and environmental activities as may be in the best interests of these communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gore Mutual Insurance Company Foundation <p>www.goremutual.ca/en/about/foundation.asp</p>

HALLIBURTON

Funding Organization	Program & Description
HALLIBURTON	<p>Halliburton supports primarily tax-exempt non-profit organizations dedicated to education, health, the environment and health-related community programs. Support for civic issues, arts and cultural programs may also be considered in areas where there is a significant presence of Halliburton employees and operations.</p> <p>Community Support</p> <p>www.halliburton.com/AboutUs/default.aspx?navid=982&pageid=2349</p>

THE HOME DEPOT

Funding Organization	Program & Description
THE HOME DEPOT	<p>The Home Depot Canada Foundation was established to expand The Home Depot Canada's commitment to giving back to the communities it serves. The foundation is dedicated to the development of affordable, sustainable housing and community improvement projects that make lasting physical improvements to the neighbourhoods that it serves.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home Depot Canada Foundation – Grant Programs <p>www.homedepot.ca/foundation</p>

HONDA CANADA FOUNDATION

Funding Organization	Program & Description
HONDA CANADA	<p>The Honda Canada Foundation was created to lend a hand to those registered charities that work to make valuable contributions to Canadians. The Foundation reaches out to: education, environment, and engineering.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applying for a Grant <p>www.hondacanadafoundation.ca</p>

HSBC BANK CANADA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
HSBC	<p>HSBC supports the communities in which it operates both through the involvement of its employees and through charitable donations. Its policy on corporate philanthropy is to focus on education and on the environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the Community <p>Contact: Donations Committee C/O Corporate Affairs Department HSBC Bank Canada 4th Floor, 885 West Georgia Street Vancouver, BC V6C 3E9</p>

www.hsbc.ca/1/2/en/about-us/in-the-community/charitable-donations

HUSKY ENERGY

Funding Organization	Program & Description
HUSKY ENERGY	<p>Husky invests in registered charitable organizations in communities where it has a business presence, supports non-profit organizations' activities, and provides financial contributions and in-kind donations for select events. The Community Investment Program focuses on health, education and community initiatives.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Funding Guidelines <p>Contact: Husky Energy Inc. Community Investment 707 8th Avenue S.W. Box 6525, Station D Calgary, Alberta T2P 3G7 Email: Community.Investment@huskyenergy.com</p> <p>www.huskyenergy.com/socialresponsibility/communityinvestment</p>

IMPERIAL OIL

Funding Organization	Program & Description
IMPERIAL OIL	<p>Imperial is pleased to fund and support many community activities, arts, health, social services and civic causes that help to address local needs and contribute to strong and vibrant communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Investment <p>www.imperialoil.ca/Canada-English/community_invest.aspx</p>

KPMG

Funding Organization	Program & Description
KPMG	<p>The KPMG Foundation acts as a catalyst in the mobilization of KPMG and its people in giving to their communities. More than providing an avenue for giving, the Foundation helps drive KPMG's mission to be a socially-responsible and civic-minded organization and promotes a culture in which its people thrive personally and professionally.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education Grant Request Form • Non-Education Grant Request Form <p>www.kpmg.com/ca/en/whatwedo/specialinterests/the-kpmg-foundation/Pages/Home.aspx</p>

LAPRAIRIE GROUP OF COMPANIES

Funding Organization	Program & Description
LAPRAIRIE	<p>LaPrairie Group of Companies is comprised of LaPrairie Crane, LaPrairie Works and Canadian Silica Industries. The company is a long-standing active supporter of community, environmental and sports initiatives in areas in where it does business and its employees and customers live.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Support <p>www.laprairiegroup.com/community</p>

LOBLAW

Funding Organization	Program & Description
LOBLAW COMPANIES LIMITED	<p>Loblaws is committed to participating in communities at the national, regional and local levels. Social Responsibility drives its funding programs with a specific focus on the following key target areas: healthy, active kids; feeding our neighbours; and greening our communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting Communities <p>www.loblaw.ca/English/responsibility/make-a-positive-difference-in-our-community/supporting-communities/default.aspx</p>

MOUNTAIN EQUIPMENT CO-OP (MEC)

Funding Organization	Program & Description
MOUNTAIN EQUIPMENT CO-OP (MEC)	<p>The MEC Community Contributions program is geared to continually increase support for Canada's outdoor recreation and conservation communities. Funding areas include Land Acquisition, Advocacy and Education, Access & Activity, Research and Capacity Building</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEC Community Contributions <p>www.mec.ca/AST/ContentPrimary/Sustainability/CommunityContributions.jsp</p>

NESTLÉ CANADA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
NESTLÉ CANADA	<p>Nestlé Canada encourages and supports the promotion of health and wellness in the communities we all share. Funding is directed toward programs and organizations that support healthy active living, with specific emphasis on encouraging physical activity in children, youth and their families, all in a non-competitive setting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Food, Good Life Community Funding Program <p>www.corporate.nestle.ca/en/aboutus/community/Pages/Community.aspx</p>

NEXEN INC.

Funding Organization	Program & Description
NEXEN	<p>Nexen supports projects through its Community Investment Program that help build strong, inclusive and vibrant communities. Projects or events must align with identified priorities and criteria.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment Operating Principles <p>www.nexeninc.com/en/Community/Giving/HowToApply.aspx</p>

PENN WEST EXPLORATION

Funding Organization	Program & Description
PENN WEST EXPLORATION	<p>Penn West Exploration is committed to the well-being of the communities and areas where it operates. As part of this commitment, Penn West believes that community investment is a fundamental part of its corporate culture.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment <p>www.pennwest.com/sustainability/community-investment</p>

RBC

Funding Organization	Program & Description
RBC	<p>The RBC Blue Water Project is a 10-year, \$50 million philanthropic commitment to supporting organizations that protect watersheds and ensure access to clean drinking water in Canada and abroad. RBC Blue Water Project offers: Leadership Grants and Community Action Grants. RBC also funds programs that support children and youth, emerging artists and sports.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RBC Community Investment <p>www.rbc.com/community-sustainability/index.html</p>

RIO TINTO ALCAN

Funding Organization	Program & Description
RIO TINTO ALCAN	<p>Through the Rio Tinto Alcan Canada Fund, Rio Tinto is committed to providing support for community-building initiatives that integrate environmental, economic and social considerations. It is seeking projects that demonstrate innovation, collaboration, new learning, and inclusion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rio Tinto Alcan Canada Fund <p>Contact: Telephone: 514-848-8000 Email: fondsrtaacanadafund@riotinto.com</p> <p>http://www.riotintoalcan.com/ENG/ourapproach/1356_rio_tinto_alcan_canada_fund.asp</p>

SHELL CANADA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
SHELL CANADA	<p>Since 2000, Shell in Canada has invested more than \$75 million in a wide range of initiatives in three main areas: Environment, Employees and Education. Examples of local funding initiatives range from community health to economic development and K to 12 educational programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shell Canada's Social Investment Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Application Form <p>Contact: Shell Canada Attention: Social Investment Manager P.O. Box 100, Stn. M Calgary, Alberta T2P 2H5 E-mail: generalpublicenquiries-ca@shell.com</p> <p>www.shell.ca/home/content/can-en/environment_society</p>

STANTEC

Funding Organization	Program & Description
STANTEC	<p>Stantec contributes to organizations or designated programs primarily in communities where it has a significant employee presence. Priority is given to funding programs in the following areas: Arts, Education, Environment, and Health & Wellness. Click here to view Stantec locations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment <p>Contact: Email: communityinvestment@stantec.com</p> <p>www.stantec.com/AboutUs.html#about_cioverview</p>

STAPLES CANADA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
STAPLES CANADA	<p>Through its corporate giving program, Community@Work, Staples focuses charitable efforts in areas that will positively impact key stakeholders and reach out to communities where customers and associates live and work. Staples® is a proud supporter of programs and initiatives that encourage education, build entrepreneurship and preserve the environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staples in the Community <p>www.staples.ca/ENG/Static/static_pages.asp?pagename=soulcommunity</p>

SUN LIFE FINANCIAL

Funding Organization	Program & Description
SUN LIFE FINANCIAL	<p>Sun Life is committed to supporting the key priority areas of health and wellness, arts and culture, and sustainability. The Donation and Sponsorship program focuses on five key areas: health, arts & culture, education, social services, and sports. The Philanthropy Program focuses on health, arts and culture and education.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Corporate Responsibility <p>Contact: Linda M. MacKenzie, Assistant Vice-President, Philanthropy Tel: 416-979-6096</p> <p>www.sunlife.ca/Canada/sunlifeCA/About+us/Corporate+responsibility?vgnLocale=en_CA</p>

SUNCOR ENERGY

Funding Organization	Program & Description
SUNCOR ENERGY FOUNDATION	<p>Suncor is committed to using its strengths and capabilities as an integrated energy company to actively engage in the creation of strong sustainable communities. Suncor invests in building sustainable communities in three ways: sponsorships, charitable donations, and employee programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment <p>www.suncor.com/en/community/297.aspx</p>

SYNCRUDE

Funding Organization	Program & Description
SYNCRUDE	<p>Syncrude's Community Investment Program supports organizations and groups that require assistance with projects enhancing the quality of life within the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo and the city of Edmonton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment Program <p>www.syncrude.ca/users/folder.asp?FolderID=5617</p>

TALISMAN

Funding Organization	Program & Description
TALISMAN ENERGY INC	<p>Talisman is committed to investing in the communities where it does business. Investments are focused on education, health and wellness, the environment, and arts and culture.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Involvement <p>www.talisman-energy.com/responsibility/community_investments</p>

TD BANK GROUP

Funding Organization	Program & Description
TD BANK GROUP	<p>The TD funding program supports education and financial literacy; creating opportunities for young people; and protecting and enhancing the environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applying for Funding in Canada <p>www.td.com/corporate-responsibility/index.jsp</p>

TD FRIENDS OF THE ENVIRONMENT FOUNDATION

Program Name	Program Description
TD Friends of the Environment Foundation	<p>TD Friends of the Environment Foundation supports worthwhile community based environmental initiatives that make a positive difference to the Canadian Environment. Eligibility Criteria: Organizations must be Canadian (using the funds in Canada), not-for-profit (Charitable Registration Number), and must provide a charitable tax-receipt for the full donation.</p> <p>Contact: Aurora Bonin, Regional Manager (British Columbia, Alberta, Yukon and Northwest Territories) Ph: 604-654-8832 Email: aurora.bonin@td.com</p> <p>http://www.fef.td.com/</p>

TELUS

Funding Organization	Program & Description
TELUS	<p>Since 2000, TELUS, team members and retirees have proudly contributed \$211 million to charitable organizations and volunteered more than 3.7 million hours of service in local communities, making a significant impact across Canada. TELUS places funding decisions in the hands of local community leaders supported by TELUS team members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to Get Funded - Overview <p>http://about.telus.com/community/en/investment</p>

TERVITA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
TERVITA	<p>The Tervita Community Investment Fund was designed to support the sustainability and quality of life of communities where it is a corporate citizen. Community funding opportunities are provided within the following five pillars: Environment; Safety; Aboriginal capacity building; Education; and Imagination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment <p>www.tervita.com/about-tervita/community-involvement/Pages/community-investment.aspx</p>

TRANSALTA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
TRANSALTA	<p>TransAlta invests in various programs that enhance its communities, specifically those programs focused on one or more of the following areas: education, arts and culture, the environment, and health and human services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment Funding <p>www.transalta.com/sustainability/community-investment</p>

TRANSCANADA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
TRANSCANADA	<p>TransCanada believes in supporting local associations and organizations which serve as community assets in empowering individuals, building strong communities and creating effective citizens. Funding Priorities are focused on three main pillars: Wellness, Safety and Environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Investment <p>www.transcanada.com/community-investment.html</p>

UFA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
UFA	<p>UFA's community investment strategy - Learning and Living in the Country – seeks to support sustainability and viability of rural life in the communities they call home by concentrating community efforts in two key areas: education and rural living.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Investment <p>www.ufa.com/aboutUFA/communityInvestment.html</p>

VITERRA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
VITERRA	<p>Viterra contributes to positive social outcomes in the communities where it has operations and employees live, work and play. In order to align these positive outcomes with business value, Viterra provides support in the following two areas: promoting good nutrition and healthy lifestyles and supporting agriculture and associated activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Investment Program <p>www.viterra.com/Community</p>

WALMART

Funding Organization	Program & Description
WALMART CANADA	<p>Walmart provides funding to organizations through its community grant program, the Walmart Foundation, to improve the lives of its associates, customers and neighbors in its local communities. All funds must fall within the following focus areas: education; workforce development / economic opportunity; health and wellness; environmental sustainability; and hunger relief.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Grants <p>www.walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/10526.aspx</p>

OTHER COMMUNITY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

ALBERTA ECOTRUST FOUNDATION

Funding Organization	Program & Description
ALBERTA ECOTRUST FOUNDATION	<p>The Alberta Ecotrust Foundation mandate is to build partnerships to create sustainable environmental benefits in our communities. Based in Calgary, but provincially focused, this unique charitable organization is founded on the principles of partnership and collaboration where representatives from industry, environmental groups and the community at large work together for a common purpose - to approve, fund and facilitate grassroots environmental projects across Alberta.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant Programs <p>www.albertaecotrust.com/grants</p>

ALBERTA REAL ESTATE FOUNDATION

Alberta Real Estate Foundation	<p>Alberta Real Estate Foundation makes investments for the real estate industry and for all Albertans. The Foundation strategically allocates its grants around four areas of interest:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Education and Research 2. Housing Affordability 3. Land Stewardship and Environment 4. Innovation <p>Contact:</p> <p>Alberta Real Estate Foundation Ph: 403-228-4786 Email: grants@aref.ab.ca www.aref.ab.ca</p>
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CANADIAN ENVIRONMENTAL GRANTMAKERS NETWORK (CEGN)

Funding Organization	Program & Description
CANADIAN ENVIRONMENTAL GRANTMAKERS' NETWORK	<p>Search the Canadian Environmental Grants Database - Public Search for a list of grant makers by province/region and by environmental issue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canadian Environmental Grants Database – Public Search <p>Contact: Telephone: 647-288-8891 Email: pegi_dover@cegn.org</p> <p>www.cegn.org/English/grantmaking/cegnmakers_public.cfm</p>

COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS OF CANADA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS OF CANADA	<p>Community Foundations of Canada is the national network for Canada's more than 180 community foundations, which help Canadians invest in building strong and resilient places to live, work, and play. Community foundations are one of the largest supporters of communities, providing more than \$154 million in support of local priorities and organizations in 2011.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alberta Community Foundations <p>Contact: Telephone: 613-236-2664 Email: info@cfc-fcc.ca</p> <p>www.cfc-fcc.ca/about-cfs/grant-seekers.html</p>

GRANT ELIGIBLE CONSERVATION FUND (GECF)

Funding Organization	Program & Description
GRANT ELIGIBLE CONSERVATION FUND	<p>Funded by the province's hunters and anglers, the Grant Eligible Conservation Fund annually supports a variety of projects both small and large which benefit Alberta's wildlife and fish populations, as well as the habitat they depend on.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Fund Overview</p> <p>Contact: Amy MacKinven, GECF Grant Administrator Telephone: 1-877-722-4323 Email: amy.mackinven@ab-conservation.com</p> <p>www.ab-conservation.com/go/default/index.cfm/grants/grant-eligible-conservation-fund/overview</p>

THE LOAN CIRCLE SOCIETY OF CENTRAL ALBERTA

Funding Organization	Program & Description
LOAN CIRCLE SOCIETY OF CENTRAL ALBERTA	<p>The Loan Circle Society of Central Alberta - operating as 'Community Capital' is a Not-for-Profit community economic development organization committed to improving the well being and financial life of the people and families of Central Alberta.</p> <p>Contact: Mr. Kim Pasula, CEO Telephone: 403-340-1323 Post Office Box 27150 Retail Postal Outlet Red Deer, Alberta T4N 6X8</p> <p>www.communitycapital.ca</p>

RCMP FOUNDATION

Funding Organization	Program & Description
RCMP FOUNDATION	<p>Since its introduction in 1994, the RCMP Foundation Funding Program has donated over \$3.5 million dollars directly to Canadian community groups to support more than 750 initiatives for the benefit of youth at risk. By funding programs that strengthen confidence, skills, competence and character, they allow youth to envision becoming contributing members of a safer, healthier and more fulfilling society</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• RCMP Foundation Funding Program• Community Support (Funded Projects) <p>http://www.rcmp-f.ca/funding</p>