

PROVINCIAL FUNDING

1. Agricultural Initiatives Program (AIP) – program & capital based

- The 2005/2006 program provides \$2.95 million support.
- Programs, projects, and activities that encourage local initiative in agricultural programming are eligible and may be funded on a 3:1 grant: member basis. Maximum grant for a community or region is \$20,000
- Capital projects may be funded on a 1:1 cost share basis. Maximum grant is \$75,000 per each phase of construction.
- Application may be submitted at any time throughout the year.
- Information and application form available at www.agric.gov.ab.ca. Click on Ropin' the Web and key in Agricultural Initiatives Program - Guidelines.
- Contact Shauna Johnston 780. 427.4221 or Cindy Dixon 780.427.4311 for further information or clarification.

2. Community Initiatives Program (CIP) – program based

- The 2005/2006 program provides an estimated \$30 million support for project based initiatives in the areas of community services, seniors services, libraries, arts and culture, sports, education and recreation.
- Maximum grant of \$75,000 available, usually on a matching grant basis.
- One time operating grant will be considered if a special need can be demonstrated by the applicant.
- Application may be submitted at any time throughout the year.
- Information available at Lottery and Gaming website www.gaming.gov.ab.ca
- Click on Alberta Lottery Fund; then click on Applying For A Grant.
- OR contact CIP at Alberta Gaming 1.800.642.3855; fax 447.8903

3. Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) – capital based

- The 2005/2006 program provides an estimated \$38.5 million financial assistance for expansion and upgrading community-use facilities.
- Matching grant basis to build, purchase, repair, renovate or improve facilities.
- Application may be submitted at any time throughout the year.
- Information available at Lottery and Gaming website www.gaming.gov.ab.ca
- Click on Alberta Lottery Fund; then click on Applying For A Grant.
- OR contact CFEP at Alberta Gaming 1.800.642.3855, fax 780.447.8903

4. Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks & Wildlife Foundation (ASRWF) – program based

- The 2005/2006 program provides an estimated \$17.5 million for financial assistance in support of sport, recreation and wildlife.
- Application deadlines vary.
- Information available at Lottery and Gaming website www.gaming.gov.ab.ca
- Click on Alberta Lottery Fund; then click on Applying For A Grant.

- OR contact ASRWF at Alberta Community Development phone 780. 415. 1167
- 5. Alberta Historical Resources Foundation (AHRF) – program & capital based**
- The 2005/2006 program provides an estimated \$ 6.9 million financial assistance for local heritage initiatives including building restoration, research and publications, educational projects, historical markers and area conservation.
 - Application deadlines September 1st and February 1st.
 - Information available at Lottery and Gaming website www.gaming.gov.ab.ca
 - Click on Alberta Lottery Fund; then click on Applying For A Grant.
 - OR contact AHRF at Alberta Community Development phone 780. 431. 2300
- 6. Alberta Foundation for the Arts (AFA) – program based**
- The 2005/2006 program provides an estimated \$ 29. million financial assistance to organizations and individuals involved in the performing, literary and visual arts, cultural industries and film production companies. Types of grants include organization operational funding, film production assistance and project support.
 - Application deadlines vary between the programs.
 - Information available at Lottery and Gaming website www.gaming.gov.ab.ca
 - Click on Alberta Lottery Fund; then click on Applying For A Grant.
 - OR contact AFA at Alberta Community Development phone 780. 427. 9968

ALBERTA GAMING & LIQUOR COMMISSION – CASINO & OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 1. Casino License – program & capital based**
- Phone 1.800. 272. 8876 ; Contact www.aglc.gov.ab.ca/policies/forms.asp
- 2. Bingo, Pull Ticket, Raffles**
- Phone 1.800. 272. 8876 ; Contact www.aglc.gov.ab.ca/policies/forms.asp

FEDERAL PROVINCIAL GRANTS

Western Economic Diversification has several areas of funding available:

- 1. Infrastructure Canada-Alberta Program (ICAP)**
- ICAP's goal is to improve the quality of life of all Albertans and build the foundation for sustained long-term economic growth in the 21st century. Through ICAP, federal, provincial and municipal governments will be investing over \$508 million in municipal infrastructure over the life of the program. At least 40% of the funds will be directed to green infrastructure projects.
 - For more information contact Infrastructure Canada-Alberta Program www.icap-pica.ca
Phone: toll free 1-800-396-0214 or (780) 422-1151; Fax: (780) 427-5505

2. Additional Programs

- Funding is directed to initiatives that support WD's three ongoing priorities: innovation, entrepreneurship and sustainable communities. Specific priorities in some regions include **tourism revitalization**, development and promotion of environmental technologies, and groundbreaking health technology research and development.
- Contact www.wd.gc.ca or phone (780) 495-4164; 1-888-338 WEST (9378)

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1. Canadian Adaptation and Rural Development Fund

- CARD Alberta has been established to encourage growth, development and adaptation of the industry. CARD provides the agriculture and food sector and rural Canada with tools to acquire and use knowledge, skills and ideas to work together to create opportunities for themselves and their communities. There is a keynote speaker fund program available.
- Applications must be community based and /or industry supported.
- Obtain more information and apply through www.agfoodcouncil.com CARD Initiatives.

2. Natural Resources Canada ERA and CBIP – & capital based

- The **Energy Retrofit Assistance** (ERA) for Commercial and Institutional Buildings encourages public institutions to reinvest in public buildings.
- Eligible institutions will own, manage or lease buildings in non-profit sectors.
- Eligible measures are: energy audits, feasibility studies, and energy management plans.
- ERA (P) Applicants for retrofit planning can apply for up to 50% of costs for energy audits, feasibility studies, energy management plans and other project facilitation measures that lead to energy retrofits.
- ERA Applicants for retrofit projects can apply for up to 25% of costs –based on energy savings – for lighting, heating, controls, monitoring, training and other efficiency measures.
- Another program, **Commercial Building Incentive Plan** (CBIP) offers financial incentives for incorporation of energy efficient designs in **new** buildings.
- Information available at Natural Canada Resources website <http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/eij> Click on OEE Buildings and Industry to review initiatives funding and rebates.
- OR contact the Office of Energy Efficiency phone 613.992.3245 or fax 613.947.4121

3. Website Upgrades

- Surveys show that the best way to get your messages out to youth is through the internet. Does your site need to be reconstructed or upgraded to improve your ability to communicate with and access youth?
- Check out the following web site for information about grants and the tools to get them: http://www.vsi-isbc.ca/eng/imit/changing_funding.cfm

4. Summer Work Student Exchange

- A six-week (July 2 to August 10) summer employment program aimed at students aged 16 and 17 who will be returning to school in September. These students want to improve their second language skills, gain work experience, discover another part of Canada, and grow and develop.
- The summer jobs subsidized as part of our Program provide non-profit organizations with an opportunity to meet needs by creating positions they otherwise could not.
- Employers who accept funding from the Program also accept certain responsibilities, not only to the Program, but more importantly, to the student they agree to hire.
- For more information view employers information at the Government of Canada web site: www.summer-work.com

5. Benefits of Hiring Young Workers

- You can hire students through [co-operative education](#), [internship](#), [apprenticeship](#), and [field placement](#) programs to satisfy temporary or seasonal hiring needs at competitive rates. Hiring students can help you to learn about education and technology advances, earn a positive reputation within the community, add diversity and fresh ideas to the workplace and decrease future recruiting costs.
- Financial Assistance for Employers: For more information view the following web site: www.youth.gc.ca/yes
- There is a lot of information on this site so *use the search box on the site to locate this document*. The search words are; Benefits of Hiring Young Workers. These search words will open a page with information about employment programs and financial assistance for employers.