NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING PROGRAM MATRIX

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		Who Can Apply				Funding			Intake
		Municipalities / Regional Districts	First Nations	Non-Profits	Small and MediumSized Businesses	Maximum Grant % Available	Maximum Grant $ Available	Funding Type	Intake Frequency
Business Facade Improvement	Grant funding to encourage private sector investment in visual improvements to local businesses.	Yes	- - -	- - -	- - -	50%	$20,000 annually	Grant	Annually (Fall)
Community Places	Grant funding to support the creation, restoration or enhancement of community spaces that promote opportunities for community gathering.	Yes	Yes	Yes	- - -	70%	$30,000	Grant	Tri-annually
Competitiveness Consulting Rebate	A rebate for outsourced consulting services to assist small and medium sized businesses engaged in eligible industries.	- - -	- - -	- - -	Yes	50%	$30,000	Rebate	Continuous
Cultural Infrastructure	Grant funding to support the construction of new or revitalization of arts and cultural facilities to increase and improve access to and quality of professional arts and cultural facilities.	Yes	Yes	Yes	- - -	50% or 70%*	$300,000 or $100,000*	Grant	Tri-annually
Economic Development Capacity Building	Grant funding to increase economic development capacity for local governments to pursue economic growth and diversification opportunities or to hire and maintain an Economic Development Officer.	Yes	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	$50,000 annually	Grant	Annually (Winter)
Economic Infrastructure	Grant funding to support major infrastructure projects that strengthen the local economy. Projects may include public multi-use facilities that drive local revenue and job creation.	Yes	Yes	Yes	- - -	50% or 70%*	$300,000 or $100,000*	Grant	Tri-annually
Fabulous Festivals and Events	Grant funding to support unique events and festivals that contribute to service sector revenues for the local economy and promote Northern B.C. as a destination for cultural tourism.	- - -	- - -	Yes	- - -	- - -	$5,000	Grant	Continuous
Internship - First Nation Government	Grant funding for First Nation governments or Tribal Councils to assist with the cost of hosting an intern for a 12-month period.	- - -	Yes	- - -	- - -	- - -	$60,000^	Grant	Annually (Winter)
Internship - Local Government	Grant funding for municipalities and regional districts to assist with the cost of hosting a local government intern for a 12-month period.	Yes	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	$60,000	Grant	Annually (Winter)
Grant Writing Support	Annual grant funding to support a grant writing position in a local or First Nation government. The grant writer supports communities by preparing applications in an effort to access more funding dollars.	Yes	Yes	- - -	- - -	76%	^$8,000 Annually	Grant	Annually (Winter)
Main Street Revitalization Capital	Provides grant funding to complete strategic public investments in above ground public infrastructure within a community's downtown area to help create an economically vibrant downtown.	Yes	Yes	- - -	- - -	70%	$200,000	Grant	Tri-annually
Main Street Revitalization Planning	Provides local governments with funding to complete downtown revitalization planning which results in a community-wide vision and action plan for the downtown area.	Yes	- - -	- - -	- - -	50%	$20,000	Grant	Tri-annually
Marketing Initiatives	Grant funding to support new campaigns or projects that promote and/or position a community to take advantage of economic opportunities that support economic vitality and diversification.	Yes	Yes	Yes	- - -	50%	$20,000	Grant	Tri-annually
Northern Housing Incentive	Grant funding for local governments to create a "Dollars to the Door" program that will support economic development by incentivizing private sector housing developments.	Yes	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	$200,000	Grant	Tri-annually
Northern Industries Innovation Fund	A rebate program for small and medium sized businesses deploying innovative technologies in a wide variety of sectors and the supply chain activities related to these sectors.	- - -	- - -	+	Yes	50%	$50,000	Rebate	Continuous
Recreation Infrastructure	A grant program that focuses on the construction, rehabilitation or material enhancement of recreational infrastructure. This program supports community efforts to create jobs and new revenue.	Yes	Yes	Yes	- - -	50% or 70%*	$300,000 or $100,000*	Grant	Tri-annually
Small Business Recovery Consulting Rebate	A rebate program for outsourced consulting services to help sustain small and medium sized businesses that have been impacted by various industry and regional economic conditions (downturns, natural disasters and other business continuity events).	- - -	- - -	- - -	Yes	85%	$30,000	Rebate	Continuous

*Depending on project size, up to $100,000 in grant funding to a maximum of 70% of the eligible project budget or up to $300,000 to a maximum of 50% of the eligible project budget may be applied for.

^ Up to $10,000 of the maximum grant amount is available as a housing allowance to interns.

+The sole purpose of non-profit organizations who are applying to the Northern Industries Innovation Fund must be to create jobs and economic benefits in the specified industrial sectors.

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