

VENTURE CENTRE COMMUNITY RECOVERY FUND APPLICATION GUIDELINES

What is The Venture Centre/ Le Centre de développement?

The Venture Centre/ Le Centre de développement is a community-based, non-profit organization which is dedicated to creating entrepreneurship, community development and economic opportunity. We work with the Northern Ontario communities of Timmins, Gogama, Foleyet, Mattagami First Nation, Shining Tree and Biscotasing. The total population we serve is approximately 50,000.

What is the Venture Centre Community Recovery Fund?

The Venture Centre/Le Centre de développement is able to disburse funds, in support of local economic recovery projects identified as critical in the COVID-19 recovery efforts of the community. The amount of funds allocated per project will be based on the scope of the project and the impact on the community. Projects will normally be under \$5,000.00.

PROJECT CRITERIA

Projects considered for funding should demonstrate one or more of the following:

1. Relevance to The Venture Centre's priority interests including Strategic Planning and Community Economic Development within the catchment area communities
2. Relevance to the community's plan for COVID-19-recovery
3. FedNor's priorities of trade, innovation, Investment, connectedness, community partnerships.
4. **Recipients of this funding must provide any materials for public use in both Official Languages.** This may include signage, website, advertising, marketing, plaques, media releases etc.
5. Funds must be expended by March 31st 2021.

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Pre-feasibility studies
Consulting fees for new strategic plans
Small scale capital projects
Community ICT strategies & projects
Seminars/workshops
Other community based economic recovery projects

Projects to promote innovation & new technology
Marketing & promotional activities
E-commerce promotion
Community tourism events
Development of on-line services
Purchase of PPE.

NOT ELIGIBLE

Ongoing operational activities

For-profit activities

Activities that create financial dependencies on The Venture Centre/Le Centre de Développement

Projects benefiting one individual

Retroactive funding

EXAMPLES of past projects funded by The Venture Centre/Le Centre de développement

Environmental Project/feasibility study

Festivals

GIS project

Marketing Initiatives/material

Minor capital projects

Seminars, workshops

Small Business, seminars & workshops

Strategic Planning Initiative

Technology projects

Trade shows, Tourism, Brochure/Map projects

Trail Groomer

Training programs

Youth entrepreneurship initiatives

TO APPLY

Please give our staff a call to discuss your project and determine its eligibility. Once you've reviewed the project, complete the attached application form. You may complete this electronically or print a copy and use the space provided. Please use extra pages if you need to or attach a separate document following the guidelines provided. You may email your application or send in a hard copy.

DEADLINE TO APPLY IS OCTOBER 15, 2020.

All proposals will be reviewed in October by a panel of community members from The Venture Centre/Le Centre de développement board.

All applicants will receive notification of the review results.

EXPECTATIONS upon Approval

Photo Op of cheque presentation

Report detailing the final results of project

Submit application to:

Venture Centre Community Recovery Fund

The Venture Centre/Le Centre de développement

134-38 Pine St. N. Timmins, ON P4N 6K6

Phone: 705-360-5800 Fax: 705-360-5656

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**VENTURE CENTRE
COMMUNITY RECOVERY FUND
APPLICATION FORM**

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Applicant/organization:	
Contact Person:	
Address and Postal Code:	
Telephone:	
Fax:	
Email:	
Website Address:	
PROJECT INFORMATION	
<p>Which of the priorities will your proposal address?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Strategic Planning <input type="radio"/> Community Economic Development <input type="radio"/> Business Development <input type="radio"/> FedNor's five pillars of <i>trade, innovation, investment, connectedness, community partnerships</i> <input type="radio"/> Other _____ 	
Project Name:	
Project completion date :	
Provide clear description of your project and its anticipated results	
Project Partner(s)	
Estimate of Volunteer hours in this project :	

PROJECT WORKPLAN/ANTICIPATED RESULTS
How does your project provide economic benefit as it relates to the community's COVID-19 recovery?

PROJECT BUDGET	
Project Partner	Contribution Amount
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	
Expense Item	Amount
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: _____

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