



NISHNAWBE ASKI DEVELOPMENT FUND

Local Initiative Contribution (LIC) 1st Call for Proposals F2012

Application Deadline: Monday, September 12, 2011

NADF has received \$75,000 in funding from FedNor for a Local Initiatives (LI) fund for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012. A maximum of \$5,000 can be approved for an individual project.

NADF invites funding proposals from non-profit organizations and/or First Nations for activities that support community and regional economic development strategies. Supported projects must evidence benefits to the local community and its members in the Community Futures Development Corporation (CFDC) service delivery area (*see attached listing of eligible communities*).

Contact Gail Anderson at 1-800-465-6821 or email ganderson@nadf.org for more information or to request an LI Application.

Mail, fax or email your funding application to:

Mail: Attention: Gail Anderson
Nishnawbe Aski Development Fund
2nd Floor, 106 Centennial Square
Thunder Bay, ON P7E 1H3

Fax: (807) 622-8271
Email: ganderson@nadf.org

Applications submitted by mail must be postmarked no later than September 5, 2011.

Eligibility

Eligible activities include pre-feasibility studies, research projects, community ICT strategies and projects, projects to promote innovation and new technology, E-Commerce promotion, development of on-line business services, environmental assessment reports, small-scale capital projects, seminars/workshops, marketing/promotional activities, community tourism and cultural events, and/or other community-based activities that enhance the local economy

Activities or Applicants NOT eligible for funding:

1. For-Profit organizations;
2. Projects which create a financial dependency on FedNor and/or Industry Canada;
3. Projects which require further FedNor and/or Industry Canada contributions to be completed successfully; and
4. Projects not specifically related to economic and business development outcomes; that is, job creation, potential and/or immediate economic impact to eligible communities.

Applications will be evaluated on the attached “Application Criteria”.

Reporting

Successful applicants will receive a letter of agreement and must sign to indicate acceptance of the terms. The agreement will outline the expectations of the project in terms of deliverables, communication plan and reporting obligations.

In general, projects approved by the NADF Board of Directors will be paid upon receipt of final report and financial statement including copies of invoices and cancelled cheques. An advance payment may be approved in special circumstances where the success of the project depends upon it but would require approval by the NADF Board of Directors. All requests for advance payments must be included when the proposal is submitted.

Funding Provided by:





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List of Eligible Communities Serviced Under CFDC Agreement

Aroland First Nation	Mishkeegogamang First Nation
Bearskin Lake First Nation	Muskrat Dam First Nation
Cat Lake First Nation	Neskantaga First Nation
Deer Lake First Nation	North Caribou First Nation
Eabametoong First Nation	North Spirit Lake First Nation
Ginoogaming First Nation	Pikangikum First Nation
Hornepayne First Nation	Poplar Hill First Nation
Kasabonika Lake First Nation	Sachigo Lake First Nation
Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwig	Sandy Lake First Nation
Keewaywin	Slate Falls First Nation
Kingfisher Lake First Nation	Wapekeka First Nation
Koocheching First Nation	Wawakapewin First Nation
Lac Seul First Nation	Webequie First Nation
Long Lake # 58 First Nation	Wunnumin Lake First Nation
MacDowell Lake First Nation	Whitewater Lake First Nation
Marten Falls First Nation	Whitesand First Nation
Nibinamik First Nation	

LI APPLICATION CRITERIA

Applications/proposals will be evaluated using the following “Criteria for Approval”:

- 1) The proposal must support ability of proponent to complete the project prior to **January 31, 2012**.
- 2) The application must provide support of the project’s relationship to a community and/or regional strategic plan.
- 3) The application must provide a plan for future independence from LIC funding.
- 4) The project must enhance the ability for the region to create new jobs.
- 5) Does the project develop more economic benefit for the community and the region as an opportunity for new business or expansion, enhancement of human resource skills and employer capacity?
- 6) Does the project introduce new technology and e-commerce into the region and create diversity in the regions economy?
- 7) The application must include an evaluation mechanism for assessing the success of the funding project with regard to job creation and economic impact.
- 8) The application/proposal **must identify other financial partner(s) providing financial assistance of a minimum of 10% of the proposed budget**. Where there are multiple partners identify the contribution of each including whether it is financial or in-kind. Evidence of the commitment of other funding partners is required to approve funding to the project or proposal.