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Canadian Agricultural Adaptation Program – Agriculture and Agri-food Canada http://www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1286477571817&lang=eng		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organizations and associations - Co-operatives - Marketing boards - Aboriginal groups - For-profit companies - Individuals - Federal, provincial, territorial, or municipal governments, universities, and colleges are not eligible applicants 	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>The funding level will be determined on a case-by-case basis. Priority will be given to applicants with industry-leveraged cash funding. The maximum level of total government funding will not exceed 85%.</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Projects must seize opportunities, respond to new and emerging issues, or pathfind or pilot solutions to new and ongoing issues to help the sector adapt and remain competitive; - Project proposals must clearly demonstrate the potential for economic viability and longer-term self-sufficiency, where the nature of the project warrants; - Funding is project-based and will be provided for a limited period; - Funding will not be provided for activities intended to directly influence / lobby any level of government; - Funding will not be provided for advertisement, promotion and/or awareness activities that brand one region, commodity, and/or product over another; - Funding will not be used as direct income support; - Funding will not be provided for ongoing activities, normal operations of organizations / businesses, nor normal commercial expansion; - Funding will not be provided for basic research (experimental or theoretical work which is undertaken primarily to acquire new knowledge without a commercial or other specific application in view); - Funding is conditional on applicants/recipients meeting all program requirements, performance management and audit requirements.

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Community Capital Fund - Ontario Trillium Foundation http://www.trilliumfoundation.org/cms/en/CCF_main.aspx		
Eligible Organizations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registered charities • Incorporated not for profits 	Funding Amounts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 cent dollars. • Minimum \$20,000. • Maximum of \$500,000. • \$50 million in total funding. 	Criteria <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Projects must be completed by December 31, 2012. 2. Capital projects that increase energy efficiency and green building.

Community Development Program - Rural Secretariat http://www.rural.gc.ca/RURAL/display-afficher.do?id=1249068275163&lang=eng		
Eligible Organizations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-profit organizations • organizations/associations • universities/colleges • co-operatives • non-governmental organizations • Local governments and provincial territorial governments (where there is no local government presence). • Must be incorporated. 	Funding Amounts Funding amounts depend on project categories and project scope (e.g. regional or national reach). <u>Partnerships:</u> Funding ranges from 50% of total project costs up to a maximum of \$100,000 <u>Knowledge Building:</u> Up to 50% of total project costs, to a maximum of \$200,000 per project and up to a maximum of \$100,000 per fiscal year <u>Workshops:</u> Up to 50% of total project costs, to a maximum of 15% per project.	Criteria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The development of collaborative activities which engage multiple communities and the development and transfer of knowledge. • And at least one of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enhancing the competitiveness of rural and northern regions 2. Fostering the transformation of local ideas and untapped assets into sustainable innovative economic activities 3. Facilitating the development of new economic opportunities from existing natural and cultural amenities. <p>Three project categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Partnerships – develop partnerships and partnering initiatives among stakeholders to enhance capacity for innovative development. 2. Knowledge Building – build knowledge on barriers, barrier removal, gaps in access and use of tools, new tools and information to address gaps and barriers to rural and northern development. 3. Workshops – engage and mobilize community and regional stakeholders to work together on development issues.

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Community Energy Partnership Program http://www.communityenergyprogram.ca/		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) One or more individuals residing in Ontario b) A registered charity with its head office in Ontario c) A not-for-profit organization with its head office in Ontario d) A co-operative corporation, as defined in the Co-operative Corporations Act (Ontario), all of whose members are residents in Ontario. e) A private corporation whose shareholders all fall into categories (a) – (d) above, and for whom commercial electricity generation is not their primary business or employment. f) A partnership or limited partnership whose partners all fall into categories (a) – (d) above, and for whom commercial electricity generation is not their primary business or employment. g) Any legal entity that would be considered to have a 100% Community Participation Level under Ontario’s Feed In Tariff rules. 	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>Maximum total CEPP grant is \$200,000 per project.</p> <p>There are also technology specific grant caps for solar, wind, waterpower, biogas, biomass and landfill gas. The caps are also based on size of project.</p> <p>CEPP will cover up to 90% of the actual costs of each eligible activity.</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <p>Renewable energy projects are eligible for CEPP funding if they:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Have an installed capacity greater than 10 kW and less than or equal to 10 MW. - Use wind, solar photovoltaic, biomass, biogas, landfill gas or waterpower. - Are located in Ontario - Are economically viable and the subject of a future Feed In Tariff contract. - Are not funded by any other OPA funding program. - Are developed by a “Community” <p>Types of Grants</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Project Design and Development Activities associated with developing your community power project. 2. Regulatory Approvals necessary to develop your community power project.

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Conservation Fund – Ontario Power Authority http://www.powerauthority.on.ca/cfund		
Eligible Organizations	Funding Amounts	Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Funding is provided to incorporated organizations operating in Ontario. This may, for example, include business corporations, non-profit corporations, foundations or co-operative corporations, and may on a case-by-case basis include organizations in the broader public sector. - Projects must be consistent with the strategic objectives of the OPA to develop, coordinate and stimulate electricity conservation. - Projects must help promote the development of a culture of conservation. - Projects must meet the goals of the Fund as described in the Fund Guidelines - Projects must demonstrate a benefit to one or more sectors of Ontario’s economy. - Funding will not be provided to individuals. 	<p>The maximum allowable funding from the Conservation Fund is \$400,000.</p> <p>It is recommended that a minimum of 50% of the cost of the project should be obtained in leveraged funding from the applicant or other sources.</p>	<p>The OPA established the Conservation Fund in 2005 to provide funding for action-oriented, sector-specific electricity conservation pilot projects, thereby helping to build a culture of conservation in Ontario. The goals of the Conservation Fund are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • build marketplace capability for the design, delivery, marketing and uptake of conservation programs • test new or unique conservation program elements • use the results from pilot projects to help inform the development of future conservation programs.

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EcoAction Community Funding – Environment Canada http://www.ec.gc.ca/ecoaction/		
Eligible Organizations Non-profit groups and organizations including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Environmental groups - Community groups - Youth and seniors groups - Community-based associations - Service clubs - Aboriginal organizations 	Funding Amounts Funding is available up to a maximum of \$100,000 per project. For every dollar you receive from the Government of Canada, including the EcoAction Community Funding Program, you must obtain at least the same amount from non-federal government partners. (cash or in-kind)	Criteria Project must address one or more of Environment Canada’s environmental priority issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clean air: to reduce emissions that contribute to air pollutions - Clean water: to divert and reduce substances that negatively affect water quality or to focus on water conservation and efficiency - Climate change: to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change or to deal with the impacts of climate change - Nature: to reduce biodiversity loss, protect wildlife and plants, and protect and improve the habitat where they live.

ecoAgricultural Biofuels Capital Initiative – Agriculture and Agri-food Canada http://www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1195672401464&lang=eng		
Eligible Organizations Corporations (including co-operatives), individuals, and partnerships are eligible to apply for ecoABC funding. Eligible applicants cannot be subject to controlling interest by a federal, provincial or municipal government.	Funding Amounts ecoABC provides repayable contributions of up to \$25 million per project for the construction or expansion of transportation biofuel production facilities. Funding is provided for projects that use agricultural feedstocks to produce biofuels and that have new agricultural producer equity investments in the projects equal to, at minimum, five percent (5%) of the total eligible project costs.	Criteria Projects to construct new or expand existing renewable transportation biofuel production facilities are eligible for funding if they meet the following eligibility criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - they have an equity investment in the project from agricultural producers equal to or exceeding five percent (5%) of the eligible project costs. - A maximum of \$1 million investment per individual agricultural producer will be recognized when calculating the total agricultural producer investment in a project although the actual individual agricultural producer investment may exceed this amount. - agricultural feedstocks must be used to commercially produce the transportation biofuels. For the purposes of ecoABC, transportation biofuels are substances such as ethanol, biodiesel, and cellulosic ethanol that are produced from agricultural feedstocks and can be blended into traditional fuels. - the minimum annual production capacity of the new facility, or the increase in capacity of an existing facility must be a minimum of 3 million litres per year for biodiesel facilities and 5 million litres per year for fuel ethanol facilities.

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Green Infrastructure Fund – Infrastructure Canada http://www.buildingcanada-chantierscanada.gc.ca/media/news-nouvelles/2009/gif-fiv-eng.html		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <p>Eligible recipients include provinces, territories, local or regional governments; public sector bodies, non-profit organizations and private companies, either alone or in partnership with a province, territory or a government.</p>	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>The fund focuses on a few, large scale, strategic infrastructure projects. The merit of the projects is assessed based on basic eligibility, financial and legal requirements, and benefits.</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <p>This fund is intended to focus on green priorities such as building transmission lines for clean hydro or upgrading wastewater treatment systems. Sustainable energy infrastructure, such as modern energy transmission lines, will contribute to improved air quality and lower carbon emissions. Eligible projects are new or rehabilitation projects that promote cleaner air and water, reduced greenhouse gas emissions and fall within any of the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wastewater infrastructure; - Green energy generation infrastructure; - Green energy transmission infrastructure; - Carbon transmission and storage infrastructure; - Solid waste infrastructure.

Green Municipal Fund – Federation of Canadian Municipalities http://gmf.fcm.ca/Home/		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Municipal governments (e.g. cities, counties, regions, rural municipalities, towns, townships, villages, districts, regulatory authorities) - Partners of municipal government entities - Municipally owned organizations - Non-municipally owned organizations (when partnered collaboratively on the environmental issue). 	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>Funding for up to 80% of eligible project costs. Loans maximum of \$10 million and grant amount set at up to 20% of loan (max. \$1 million grant). Granting up to \$12 million annually.</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <p><u>Brownfields</u> – bring contaminated sites back into productive use and reduce the need for Greenfield development. <u>Energy</u> – reduce energy consumption. <u>Transportation</u> – reduce fuel consumption for transportation. <u>Waste</u> – reduce waste sent to the landfill. <u>Water</u> – watershed protection.</p>

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Industrial Research Assistance Program – National Research Council Canada http://www.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/eng/ibp/irap.html		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <p>To be eligible for financial assistance, your business must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be a small and medium-sized enterprise in Canada, incorporated and profit-oriented. - Have 500 or less full-time equivalent employees. - Have the objective to grow and generate profits through development and commercialization of innovative, technology-driven new or improved products, services, or processes in Canada. - The potential client must contact one of our Industrial Technology Advisors who work directly with many of our smaller clients to develop a technical proposal. Larger companies often come to the program with a clear technical proposal already in mind. 	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p><i>Financial support for firms</i></p> <p>Financial support may be provided for an eligible research and development project, supporting a portion of salary and contractor costs associated with the project.</p> <p><i>Youth Employment Program</i></p> <p>Small and medium-sized enterprises will receive a financial contribution geared towards supporting a portion of the salary costs of a post-secondary graduate, who will work on technical opportunities within the small and medium-sized enterprise and on non-technical but technology related projects.</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <p>In order to be considered for possible financial support, both the firm and the project are assessed by NRC-IRAP. Specifically, the due diligence process assesses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the business and management capabilities of the firm and the company's potential to achieve the expected results and outcomes associated with the proposed project; ▪ the financial capabilities of the firm and its plan to commercialize the developed technologies; and ▪ the technical aspects of the project and its potential impact on the firm.

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Innovation Demonstration Fund – Ontario Ministry of Research and Innovation http://www.mri.gov.on.ca/english/programs/idf/guidelines.asp		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <p>Ontario Companies with Eligible Projects that will be undertaken in Ontario, and where the project will result in full scale commercialization in Ontario.</p>	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>Funding ranges from \$100,000 to \$4 million and will cover up to 50% of eligible costs for approved projects that have as their goal commercialization.</p> <p>Type of funding is determined on a case-by-case basis and can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Secured forgivable loan - Secured repayable loan - Secured incentive term loans [may be principal deferred and interest free for a period of time] - Royalty agreements - Equity participation 	<p>Criteria</p> <p>Applicants must demonstrate how:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed technology demonstration at the pilot stage will provide a competitive advantage for Ontario or other significant benefits. • The proposed technology has been tested and proven to be viable, and can provide sufficient data to warrant a pilot scale project. • Following a successful pilot, the technology product or process will be moved into the global market. • The technology, product or process is best in class and will lead to a globally competitive business and market opportunity.

Prosperity Initiative – FedDev Ontario http://www.feddevontario.gc.ca/eic/site/723.nsf/eng/h_00398.html		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not-for-profit organizations - SMEs in Southern Ontario - Priority to organizations representing: environmental science and technologies; natural resources and energy; health and life sciences and technologies; information and communications technologies - Ineligible organizations include: federal, provincial, or municipal governments; post-secondary institutions 	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>Any portion of expenditures that could be financed by cash equity, commercial financing, and/or capital markets will not normally be supported.</p> <p>For-profit enterprises will be eligible for repayable contributions of up to 50% of eligible capital costs and 75% of eligible non-capital costs to a maximum of \$20 million.</p> <p>Not-for-profit corporations will be eligible for non-repayable contributions toward eligible project costs to a maximum of \$20 million.</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <p>The Prosperity Initiative will support eligible recipients to undertake activities within southern Ontario including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Creation of new opportunities for economic diversification; ▪ Market development and expansion; ▪ Business attraction to diversify regional or community economies; ▪ Business expansion supporting greater diversification.

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Rural Economic Development Program – OMAFRA http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/food/industry/red-program.htm		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Individual food businesses are eligible to apply as sole applicants; however letters of support are encouraged. - Partnerships/strategic alliances between any combination of individuals, businesses, community organizations (including not-for-profit) and municipalities, with an arm's length relationship from each other. - All applicants must share in the risks of the project, invest in the project, and have a vested interest in completing the project. While not all partners must invest financially - they can contribute through "in kind" contributions -- the strength of the partnership and project is measured by the investment made by partners. 	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>Projects are eligible for up to a 50% grant to reimburse costs of project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marketing and promotional costs - Travel costs - Equipment (research and development) and minor capital (engineering, architectural, renovations) - Skills development 	<p>Criteria</p> <p>The priorities for the RED program are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the Food Processing Sector • Community Revitalization • Improve Access to Skills Training and Enhancement • Improve Access to Healthcare Services <p>RED Program Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diversified business climate in rural Ontario • Strategic and coordinated approach for rural development projects • Creation of alliances or partnerships and increased quality of participation of rural stakeholders. Eligible clients include partnerships between individuals, businesses, community organizations and municipalities • Development of information, tools and resources to enhance rural economic development

Sand Plains Community Development Fund http://www.sandplains.ca/		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Private companies, community organizations, not-for-profit organizations, co-operatives, municipalities that are within the Sand Plains Region (Brant, Elgin, Middlesex, Norfolk, and Oxford Counties) 	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>Loans are available for up to \$250,000 under the fund. Interest rates and loan terms are determined for each individual applicant.</p> <p>Patient Capital: Sand Plains is willing to make a financial investment with no expectation of turning a quick profit. The investment is characterized by a greater tolerance for risk, longer time horizons for return, and intensive business support.</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <p>Priority is given to projects related to agriculture/agri-food; incorporate economic, environmental, and social values; leverage other federal, provincial, municipal, or private sector investments.</p>

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Sustainable Development Canada Technology Fund		
http://www.sdte.ca		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <p>[1] a for-profit corporation, a partnership, a limited partnership or a business trust that has entered into a contract relating to the execution of the applicant's project with one or more of the following legal entities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • another corporation; • a partnership, a limited partnership or a business trust that has expertise in sustainable development technology; • a university, college or other provincially accredited post-secondary educational institution; • a research institute; • an individual who has expertise in sustainable development technology; • a not-for-profit corporation, with one of its purposes being to undertake, fund or otherwise support the development or demonstration of sustainable Development technology; <p>OR</p> <p>[2] same as above, except a for-profit corporation, a partnership, a limited partnership or a business trust that has entered instead into a collaborative arrangement with one or more of the following legal entities listed above to apply jointly to SDTC for funding to carry out the applicant's proposed project</p> <p>OR</p> <p>[3] a not-for-profit corporation, with one of its purposes being to undertake or fund the development or demonstration of sustainable development technology.</p>	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>SDTC may fund up to 33% of eligible project costs and never more than 50%. Eligible project costs include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) all goods and services and professional and technical personnel costs required to plan and conduct the scientific, technical, environmental, management and/or reporting activities directly related to the project (labor rates include T4 rates plus benefits but do not include a percentage of direct labor as overhead); b) The cost of capital items that have no residual value beyond the period of funding of the Eligible Project and are specifically required for the delivery of the project, including but not limited to the lease of land or license to use land, data collection equipment, prototypes, pilot plants or Demonstration plants including facilities that are themselves necessary for the project ; and c) The depreciation expense for the period of funding, of capital items that have an enduring commercial value accrued to an individual organization beyond the funding period, as determined by GAAP; and d) Feasibility studies pertaining to the Eligible Project <p>Note: there is no funding round announced at this time</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <p>Eligible projects must focus on the development and demonstration of new technologies that address issues of climate change, clean air, water and soil quality. The projects must be undertaken primarily in Canada.</p> <p>Applicants should demonstrate that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the proposed project is technically sound and undertaken by an applicant with the necessary technical, financial and management capacity; • the proposed project will be undertaken in a collaborative and innovative manner; • the new technology and related intellectual property will be diffused in a timely manner in the relevant market sectors; and • the funding is necessary to ensure that the project proceeds in a manner to ensure broad benefits to Canadians nationally or regionally.

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Technology Development Fund – Ontario Power Authority http://www.powerauthority.on.ca/tdfund		
<p>Eligible Organizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any organization that proposes to study, develop and/or demonstrate an emerging energy technology or application - Projects must be consistent with the Fund objective to support pre-commercial technology applications that have the potential to improve electricity supply, conservation or demand management - Funding will not be provided to individuals - There will be leveraging with other funding sources 	<p>Funding Amounts</p> <p>The maximum contribution by the OPA for any one project is \$250,000.</p> <p>Projects may be funded over a maximum of three calendar years.</p> <p>It is recommended that a minimum of 50% of the total eligible project costs be leveraged from other funding sources.</p>	<p>Criteria</p> <p>The Technology Development Fund assists innovative energy technologies that will improve the supply and conservation of electricity - are in the pre-commercial stage - and require funding for development, demonstration or verification.</p> <p>The investment of the Fund budget will be guided in part by the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Results of emerging technology scans commissioned by the OPA - Published industry research - Business plans of the managing institutions