

AGENDA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF LONGVIEW
In the Province of Alberta, held on Wednesday, February 3, 2021
Zoom Meeting Commencing at 6:30 p.m.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 AGENDA

3.0 DELEGATION

3.1 Kirk Davis – Solar Project

4.0 CAO REPORT TO COUNCIL

5.0 ACTION ITEM LIST

6.0 BUSINESS

6.1 Communications Policy

6.2 ICF Agreement Draft

6.3 Solar Funding

6.4 Fireworks

7.0 CLOSE MEETING

Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act specifies that a council may close all or part of a meeting to the public if a matter to be discussed is within one of the exceptions to disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of FOIPP. No bylaw or resolution can be passed at an in-camera meeting except a resolution to revert to the council meeting in public or to recess.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT



VILLAGE OF LONGVIEW
CAO REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO: Council
FROM: Dale Harrison
SUBJECT: CAO Report from Jan 14, – Jan 28, 2021
DATE: January 29, 2021

Development:

- Road Closure – contact two business on south-end prior to Public Hearing
- Safety Codes inspection on ramp at hall
- Business expansion request
- Send Road Closure information to Ab Transportation
- Meet with owner to discuss construction plans
- Two property owners on annexation

Office

- Prep, print, punch, post o website and email agenda package
- Muniware – assessment report for auditors
- Review ATCO Franchise Agreement
- Election – prep Bylaw, look for clarification on Special Ballots
- Contact Fortis on possible power for sign
- Contract contractors about cost of pilons & steel for signs
- Filing Land Title documents
- Talked with contractor for quote on tiles at post office
- MPE – utility ROW on Road closure
- Review and revise the ICF from Foothills
- Prep package to send to ATCO for franchise agreement

Finance

- Start inputting and reviewing budget numbers
- Start gather info for 2020 grant SFE's
- Talk with auditors about upcoming audit dates
- Work with Linda to prep for audit

Council

- Public Hearing prep, procedures, minutes
- Receive, review and edit Communication Policy from BD
- Receive, review and edit Fireworks Policy from BD

Public Works

- Utility consumption challenge
- Moose not on the loose
- Water leak at WTP

FCSS Program

- Needs Assessment – contact with contractor
- Westwinds-Habitate Survey
- Discuss FCSS funding part of ICF with Foothills

Covid-19

- 2 - Deena Hinshaw Covid Updates

NO	ACTION DESCRIPTION	OWNER	DATE ASSIGNED	DATE DUE	STATUS
1	Look into transfer of liability from Malmberg to Village.	Dale	03-Jun		\$3,000 Survey and land titles legal fees
2	Post Office - tiles	Dale			Contractor quote \$600 - 20 inch x 32 inch
3	Internet service for the hall	Dale	16-Jun		Contacted IT provider in Calgary for point to point pricing
4	Installation cost of Sound system	Dale		Dec COW	Two contractors at \$5,000
5	Cost on local work on installation of sign pilons, mounts and electrical	Dale	09-Dec		Got costs for post for pounding and above ground
6	Contact LED Signs - for quote on electronic signs	Dale	15-Dec		Changed names to National Signs - left message with sales rep
7	Review & adapt BD Communication Policy	Dale	06-Jan		Revised the documents sent by BD
8	review Firework in town Bylaw	Dale	06-Jan		Revised the documents sent by BD
11	Letter opposing Open Pit Coal Mines	Kathie	19-Jan		
12	Cheq 346 Brownlee	Dale	19-Jan		sent email to Council
13	Jan PW Report	Dale	19-Jan		Sent Email to Council
14	Research Video & Audio recording of Council made public		19-Jan		Nothing in MGA or FOIP
15					
16					
17					
18					



POLICY #: 5 - 1 - 2 1	
TITLE: Public Communications Policy	
Approval Date:	Resolution #:
Revisions:	
Approval Date:	Resolution #:
Department: Administration	

Policy Statement:

To inform and educate residents and to facilitate an improved level of communication between departments, between staff and Council and between Council and the Public using a variety of methods, means and media.

1. Reason for Policy

To establish guidelines to ensure that communication with stakeholders and residents of the Village of Longview are efficient, effective, consistent, timely and open. This Policy will apply to all internal and external communications of the Village of Longview.

2. Related Information

- 2.1. *Communications Handbook* (Appendix A of the associated Procedure)
- 2.2. *Municipal Government Act (MGA) RSA 2000, c M-26*
- 2.3. *Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP)*
- 2.4. *5-01-18 Council Policy - Public Participation*
- 2.5. *Bylaw 410-18 Public Notification Bylaw*
- 2.6. *12-2011-001 Sign Board Policy*



3. Definitions

- 3.1. *Alberta Emergency Alert (AEA)* means a system that provides updates on provincial emergencies and recovery information in Alberta. Employees with this training would be able to make emergency posts on this site should it be necessary.
- 3.2. *Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)* means the person appointed to the position by the Council of the Village of Longview to carry out the power, duties and functions of the CAO. It may also mean a person appointed to this position on an interim basis, or a person to whom the CAO has delegated their authorities to, in accordance with the Village of Longview Chief Administrative Officer Bylaw.
- 3.3. *Emergency Public Information Officer* means the communication coordinator or spokesperson who is responsible for providing information to the Public and the Media as required during an emergency.
- 3.4. *External Communications* means the dissemination of information to external stakeholders.
- 3.5. *Internal Communications* means the dissemination of information to internal stakeholders.
- 3.6. *Media* means the means of communication such as radio, television, newspapers and magazines that reach or influence people widely.
- 3.7. *Media Release* means a factual written summary of information issued to the Media for the purpose of making a statement or announcement.
- 3.8. *Municipal Stakeholder* means the residents of the Municipality, as well as other individuals, organizations or persons that may have an interest in, or are affected by, a decision made by the Municipality.
- 3.9. *Social Media* means e-technologies platforms and on-line sites used by the Village to share opinions and information, promote, discuss and build relationships. These include but are not limited to Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Snapchat and Instagram.
- 3.10. *Strategic Plan* means the strategic priorities, goals and strategies to move Longview forward as a Community.
- 3.11. *Village* means the municipal corporation of the Village of Longview.
- 3.12. *Village Council (Council)* means the duly elected Council for the Village of Longview.
- 3.13. *Website* means the municipal website www.village.longview.ab.ca is the primary source of municipal information. Allows the community access to information 24 hours.



4. Responsibilities

4.1. Village Council is to:

- 4.1.1.** Approve, by resolution, this Policy and any amendments.
- 4.1.2.** Consider the allocation of resources for the successful implementation of this Policy in the annual budget process.
- 4.1.3.** Ensure all Policies conform to the overall mission, goals and values as set out in the Village's Strategic Plan.
- 4.1.4.** Understand and adhere to this Policy and Procedure.

4.2. Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) is to:

- 4.2.1.** Ensure that this Policy and Procedure is reviewed every three (3) years.
- 4.2.2.** Ensure implementation of this Policy and approve Procedures and any amendments thereto.
- 4.2.3.** Understand and adhere to this Policy and Procedure.

4.3. All Employees are to:

- 4.3.1.** Understand and adhere to this Policy and Procedure.
- 4.3.2.** Ensure the implementation of this Policy and Procedure within their departments.
- 4.3.3.** Make recommendations to the CAO for necessary Policy or Procedure amendments.
- 4.3.4.** Ensure employees are aware of and adhere to this Policy and Procedure.

5. End of Policy



Growing the Future

Working Together to Enrich Our Region

Village of Longview and Foothills County

INTERMUNICIPAL COLLABORATION
FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

FOREWORD

Village of Longview and Foothills County share a common history. Together these same individual characteristics link them into a healthy and viable region.

Village of Longview and Foothills County are committed to identifying current and future issues where joint benefits may be realized through more formalized and rigorous processes and cooperation. Examples are evident in servicing areas such as fire protection, library, FCSS, solid waste, water, wastewater, and recreation that creates a complete region that is attractive for people to live, work and play.

As the Provincial Government seeks to encourage regional thinking, Village of Longview and Foothills County are well placed to lead proactively through the creation of this Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) Agreement.



Village of Longview and Foothills County share a common history and foundation based largely upon location

Goals of the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework

Agreement

The Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework has five main purposes:

1. Conform to the requirements of provincial legislation.
2. To promote the principles of collaboration between neighboring municipalities with a common border.
3. To ensure municipalities consult and communicate on intermunicipal matters.
4. To clearly lay out a process that the partners to this agreement can utilize to review service levels and decide if the service would benefit from additional collaborative efforts.
5. To consider appropriate cost sharing mechanisms and deal with differences which may occur from time to time.



The ICF Agreement between Village of Longview and Foothills County will:

Recognize and share the vision and priorities of the two municipalities toward providing effective and efficient service levels to their citizens: Where feasible and practical – each municipality will work together to assess how commonly utilized services will be provided and funded for the benefit of citizens.

Strengthening the region while maintaining local autonomy: Each Council maintains the right to make individual decisions for their citizens, but each agree that they will always consider the bigger regional municipality in the decision-making process.

Promote networks and linkages: Developing positive joint approaches where practical to create efficiencies by sharing opportunities, connections, goals, knowledge and experience to promote the greater good between both municipalities.

Embrace differences in respective municipalities: The distinct characteristics of the individual municipalities is advantageous in providing choice and diversity.

Cooperation not Competition: Although each municipality is responsible to its citizens there is recognition that the citizens and businesses of the region share similar needs and interests and as such each Council will emphasize cooperation rather than direct competition with respect to setting municipal policy.

Foster an environment of openness and trust: Cooperation and collaboration requires communication that in turn encourages understanding and better results in reaching common goals.

Commitment to Consultation and Cooperation – Consultation Protocol:

The fundamental basis of this agreement is communication and consultation and as such, the two municipalities agree to consult on projects which have potential for regional impact. By recognizing the requirement to consult, each municipality will include the other in their regional scale project circulations and both agree to meet and work through matters as they arise. Where notification has been provided that a discussion is required it shall be first handled by the respective Chief Administrative Officers or their designate and if that does not resolve the concerns at hand it shall be dealt with by a committee from each Council recognizing time may be of essence. The purpose of this consultation protocol is to ensure that the municipalities leverage opportunities to collaborate and develop common solutions to any challenges that affect the region.

It is understood that this agreement will encourage communication at all levels of both organizations to ensure opportunities are recognized, information is passed through the respective organizations, and decision makers are informed not just about their own municipality but about regional issues and concerns. Cooperation, collaboration and commitment to consult are not meant to constrain or



restrict the authority or the ability of individual Councils, or to homogenize the unique culture and identity of each municipality. It is possible that there will be instances of differences in values, goals, beliefs, perspectives and decisions which are not common to both communities. In these instances, where differences remain, the commitment to communicate will enable the communities to develop proactive and positive solutions to issues that may arise.

Roles in Managing the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework Agreement:

The Role of both Councils:

Each Council retains the ability and responsibility to make decisions on behalf of their residents. As the public is at the center of any governance initiative, their voice needs to be considered to ensure the impacts of services and actions taken in the region have the desired results and support the prosperity of the region. By signing onto the agreement each Council affirms the commitment to continued cooperation at both the political and administrative levels.

This agreement signals a shift towards maximizing regional benefit through collaborative decision making. Each Council member will demonstrate leadership to act strategically as they formulate plans for each of their organizations which will bring value to the citizens of both communities.

The Role of the CAOs and Administration:

The CAOs have been identified as the principals responsible for maintaining this ICF, its implementation, and dealing with intermunicipal issues that surface from time to time during the term of this agreement. Administration brings continuity to the relationship between the municipalities and they each have the ability to initiate communication on an as needed basis to ensure that each municipality observes the principles of the agreement. The CAOs will foster communication and facilitate the sharing of information, identify opportunities and prioritize municipal actions for consideration by each Council. Disputes or disagreements between CAOs will be dealt with in accordance with the Conflict Resolution section of this agreement.

The Role of Staff:

Staff at all levels will be responsible to ensure the principles of this agreement are implemented. This means that staff will work cooperatively with their municipal counterparts to address issues that may arise within the scope of their authority and mandate. Staff will also bring to the attention of their respective CAO any issues that arise which require their attention with respect to meeting the commitment and intent of this agreement. Disputes will be addressed in accordance with the Conflict Resolution section of this agreement.

The Framework Protocols

Development of an Intermunicipal Communication Protocol

Understanding that the success of this agreement is based upon respectful dialogue, the municipalities are committed to ensuring the provision of information is communicated in a transparent and honest manner. They agree to observe the following communication protocols:

1. The protocol should recognize that cooperative communication is the key to a successful relationship. At all times and through all levels of each organization, when dealing with one another, the following principles should apply:
 - a. Seek to understand
 - b. Avoid personal attacks either privately or publicly
 - c. Ask for clarification on policies of interest adopted by the other municipality to ensure understanding
 - d. Resolve common issues from a perspective of collaboration
 - e. Seek to maximize the benefits for both parties

2. The Protocol should seek to establish collaboration and cooperation in each municipal organization.
 - a. Both organizations agree to ensure proper training takes place with elected officials on intermunicipal collaboration following a municipal election
 - b. Both organizations agree to provide additional training and adequate orientation with this agreement, as may be required, following any change in elected officials or senior administration

3. The protocol should ensure that each municipality provides to the other information pertaining to:
 - a. Issues of a nature which may impact the other municipality

Conflict Resolution

The municipalities recognized that the development of this agreement is the start – not the end of the process. Recognizing that not all issues may be agreed upon, the municipalities recognize the need to establish a conflict resolution process based upon the following principles:

1. At the earliest opportunity, and at the point closest to where a problem is initiated, the CAOs will seek to address matters of conflict.
2. All matters of conflict should be attempted to be resolved swiftly, inexpensively and in an uncomplicated way.
3. All matters of conflict should be resolved using a clear procedural pathway.
4. Respect and collaboration should be maintained on common issues, even though conflict may exist.

Process

If a municipality believes an obligation under the agreement has been breached, the matter should be immediately brought to the attention of the respective CAO. The CAO will investigate and if it appears that a 'breach' of the agreement has occurred, the matter will be immediately brought to the attention of the other municipality's CAO. Once notification has occurred, an effort to resolve the matter through informal problem-solving discussions is to be initiated.

If differences occur outside of an outright 'breach' of an agreement, which may include divergent expectations in the delivery of a joint service, variance on how the committee wishes to proceed on an issue, or any circumstance which may impact or disrupt service delivery or relationships, an informal discussion between CAOs will be conducted.

If this does not resolve the issue, an Intermunicipal Dispute Committee shall be appointed by both Councils who will attempt to decide on and negotiate an effective solution.

If the subcommittee negotiation process is unsuccessful, a mediated process will be initiated using the services of a jointly agreed upon mediator with costs shared equally between the municipalities. The mediator will be solely responsible for the governance of the mediation process.

If the process is not resolved through mediation, the municipalities will select an arbitrator, sharing all costs in doing so, and will have the matter resolved through the process defined in the Municipal Government Act. The arbitrator is governed by the principles of natural justice and procedural fairness.

ICF Agreement – Statutory Provisions

Amendments to the Modernized Municipal Government Act have revised the purpose of municipalities. The new Act requires municipalities to work collaboratively with neighboring municipalities to plan, deliver and fund intermunicipal services. The Act requires municipalities with common borders to develop an Intermunicipal Collaborative Framework Agreement. The following services have been considered; fire protection, water, wastewater, solid waste, Library, recreation, FCSS, road maintenance and emergency services.

This Agreement encourages the municipalities to consult with each other and develop opportunities for collaboration for the benefit of both communities.

Fire Protection

The Parties entered into a Fire Service Agreement on December 4, 2008. Foothills County owns the Fire Station and the land on which it is situated, as well as the fire equipment and apparatus, and is responsible for the volunteer firefighter staffing model. Foothills County operates and maintains the Fire Hall within the Village including the addition or replacement of firefighting and rescue apparatus, and the Village of Longview shares in eligible expenses as per the Fire Service Agreement.

Water

The Village owns and operates the water treatment facilities that includes the source wells, water treatment plant, storage and distribution system. In accordance with the Service Agreement dated October 21, 2009, and Schedule "A" of the Agreement as amended August 23, 2013 Foothills County

is contracted to act as chief operator for the water, wastewater, and storm sewer systems for Longview, and to provide supervision with a Water Distribution Class 2 Operator. The Village of Longview is responsible to fund the construction and replacement of the physical system components as needed.

Wastewater

The Village of Longview has a wastewater system that collects the wastewater and moves it to the wastewater treatment lagoons. The Village contracts Foothills County in accordance with the Service Agreement dated October 21, 2009, and Schedule "A" of the Agreement as amended August 23, 2013 to operate the system and act as chief operator for the water, wastewater, and storm sewer systems for Longview, and to provide supervision with a Wastewater Collection Class 2 Operator. The Village is responsible for the construction and maintenance of the physical components of the system including annual flushing of the system. Foothills County supervises and monitors the lift station and the release of water from the lagoons.

Solid Waste

No agreements exist or are currently required between Village of Longview and Foothills County in the area of solid waste. Should opportunities to collaborate come forward, both municipalities will examine the regional and municipal benefit that an initiative of this nature would bring forward.

Library

The Village operates a library and Foothills County supports the operation through an annual per Foothills County resident member contribution.

Recreation

The Village of Longview and Foothills County contribute funds to the Longview Recreation Board for the development and provision recreation services and to provide grants to organizations within the Village that share in the delivery of recreation services.

FCSS

The Village operates FCSS services that provides programming and grant monies to organizations that serve children, families, and seniors in both the Village and the surrounding rural community. Foothills County contributes matching funds to operate the program under the mandate of the provincial FCSS organization.

Road Maintenance

The Village does not have equipment that can maintain gravel lanes during the summer or snow removal in the event of a heavy winter snow fall. In accordance with the Road Maintenance Agreement dated April 4, 1991 Foothills County provides grading services to the Village for annual lane grading which may include the provision of some gravel.

Emergency Services

Village of Longview and Foothills County are both member municipalities of the Foothills Regional Emergency Services Commission, and as such, receive emergency service dispatching through this organization.

Intermunicipal Development Plan

An Intermunicipal Development Plan was adopted by separate bylaws between Village of Longview and the Foothills County. Village of Longview and the Foothills County Intermunicipal Development Plan is a statutory planning document that fosters ongoing collaboration and cooperation between both municipalities regarding planning matters and clarifies land use expectations within the Plan area.

Village of Longview adopted Bylaw No. [2015-019 on September 16, 2015](#).

Foothills County adopted Bylaw No. [83/2015 on November 4, 2015](#).

Commitment to Collaboration

Village of Longview and Foothills County acknowledge and affirm that they will seek to fulfill both the intent and the spirit of this agreement by seeking opportunities to collaborate where practical as well as to honor all applicable legislation with respect to intermunicipal collaboration within the Province of Alberta.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have hereunto set their hands and affixed their corporate seals as witnessed by the hand or hands of its proper signing officers duly authorized in that behalf as of the _____ day of _____, 2021.

FOR FOOTHILLS COUNTY

PER: _____
REEVE

PER: _____
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

FOR VILLAGE OF LONGVIEW

PER: _____
MAYOR

PER: _____
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Request for Funding from Economic Development Committee for Longview Solar Project

Presenter Kirk Davis

EDC is requesting \$4000 to complete an energy study with Fortis. The original request from Eco renewables to Fortis for an energy study was wrong because the power was being supplied from Black Diamond which required a lot of upgrades to the amount of 4 million. It should have been supplied from High River which is where Longview presently gets its power from. Fortis will complete a study from High River to Longview which may be less power, but at no construction costs. The lower construction costs will help sell the project to a developer, but to prove it we need the new Fortis study. We are looking at several other grant opportunities both Federal and Alberta. Please see attached.

Longview was accepted by Alberta MCCAC to the Community Energy Champions 8 other Alberta municipalities where also accepted. EDC members Sean McCarthy and Kirk Davis will be attending the 60 hours of lectures and workshops over the next 6 months. The goal is to do an energy audit of the village and then find possible savings and improvement of the village use of energy.

Attached

- Alberta Funding Guide (examples of grant opportunities with MCCAC/AUMA)
- Innisfail Solar Farm Fact Sheet

Alberta Funding Guide

January 2021

This guide provides information about climate adaptation and mitigation funding opportunities available to municipalities in Alberta.



Municipal
Climate Change
Action Centre



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About

This funding guide assists Alberta municipal government staff, elected officials, communities, organizations, and their members in their search for appropriate funding to support local government energy planning, and climate adaptation and mitigation projects. Due to limited space, only key information is included for each program.

The guide provides a comprehensive listing of funding programs for which Alberta municipal governments are eligible. Each listing includes the program title, description, application deadline, restrictions on eligibility, amount of funds available, organization, contact information and website address.

Disclaimer

The views expressed herein do not necessarily represent the views of the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre or the Community Energy Association.

Every effort is made to provide accurate information however, information provided in this document may deviate, as programs are updated over time. It is recommended that readers contact each program to confirm the details.

Contributors



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The Municipal Climate Change Action Centre is a partnership between the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association, Rural Municipalities of Alberta and the Government of Alberta. The Action Centre provides funding, technical assistance, and education to support Alberta municipalities in a reducing their greenhouse gas emissions through climate adaptation and mitigation planning and projects.

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Community Energy
Association

The Community Energy Association is a charitable organization that supports local governments in BC, Alberta and across Canada with climate action in their community and own corporate operations. Community Energy Association helps to accelerate building energy efficiency, renewable energy projects and sustainable transportation through community energy planning and project implementation.

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Steps to a winning grant application

1. Review Alberta Funding Guide to determine if programs are available to support your project

2. Ensure a good fit

Check your project's goals and objectives against those of the funding program. Review evaluation criteria and ensure that your proposal responds directly to each criterion, or as many as possible.

3. Contact funding agency and ask:

- Does this project meet the funding program's goals and objectives?
- What are key parts of past successful applications?
- What are the evaluation criteria (if not listed on form)?
- Can supporting material (i.e. letters of support) be submitted after the closing date?
- Are previous applications available for review?
- Is Council or Board endorsement of the application required before submission?

4. Create a timeline for application preparation and an application package checklist, including:

- Obtaining executive committee, Council or Board endorsement, if required
- Identifying and/or obtaining matching funding, if required
- Identifying possible partners and reaching agreements
- Writing the proposal and ensuring senior management review and final edits
- Securing letters of support
- Developing a budget
- Copying and filing
- Confirming submission deadline, format and method of delivery (postmarked document, email, etc.)

5. Review application package checklist and ensure that all requirements have been met

6. Submit proposal on time in the required format

Application Content

Follow the recommended format of application:

1. Focus on key elements and ensure you clearly address all evaluation criteria. Include everything you think is important, but be succinct – longer is not better.
2. List resources your agency has committed or will commit to ensure success.
3. Identify partners and note how you will work with them to ensure success.
4. Describe any planned community engagement processes and consider using innovative approaches.
5. Facts and figures are helpful. If possible, calculate or estimate the magnitude of benefits of the project.
6. A budget can be either calculated or estimated but it should not necessarily reflect the maximum amount of funding available, unless you can justify it. Provide a reasonable level of detail for costs, itemize matching funds, and in-kind contributions.



Cross Reference

This cross reference table is here to help you find what you are looking for faster. The grants, loans and deductions listed below fall into one or more of the categories, depending on what is funded. The categories are related to climate adaptation and mitigation, including: buildings, infrastructure, renewable energy and transportation.

- Buildings refers to upgrading individual buildings with energy-efficient measures
- Infrastructure refers to installing larger climate adaptation and mitigation projects, such as a network of electric vehicle charging stations
- Renewable energy refers to installing solar PV or other forms of renewable energy
- Transportation refers to purchasing electric vehicles, such as buses or ATVs

	CATEGORIES				INCENTIVES	
	BUILDINGS	INFRASTRUCTURE	RENEWABLE ENERGY	TRANSPORTATION	GRANT	LOAN/DEDUCTION
Alberta Co-Operative Energy Green Offset Program			●			●
Alberta Community Partnership		●			●	
Alberta Municipal Solar Program	●	●	●		●	
Alberta Municipal Water and Wastewater Partnership		●			●	
Alberta Real Estate Foundation	●	●	●	●	●	
Canada Infrastructure Bank Growth Plan	●	●	●	●	●	
Clean Energy Improvement Program	●		●			●
Climate Action Awareness Fund		●			●	
Climate Adaptation Program	●	●	●	●	●	
Climate Innovation Fund	●	●	●	●	●	
Co-op Community Spaces Funding Program	●	●				●
Electric Vehicles for Municipalities Program				●	●	
ENMAX Community Investment Program	●	●	●		●	
EQUS Solar PV Micro-Generation Financing & Incentives			●		●	
EQUS Micro-Generators	●	●				●
Farm Credit Canada AgriSpirit Fund	●	●			●	
Federal Gas Tax Fund	●	●	●	●	●	
Federation of Canadian Municipalities	●	●	●	●	●	●
Fortis Alberta Community Grants	●	●			●	
Green Municipal Fund – Community Efficiency Financing	●	●	●		●	
Green Municipal Fund– Sustainable Affordable Housing	●	●	●		●	
Incentives for Zero Emission Vehicles Program				●	●	
Municipal Energy Manager Program	●	●			●	
Municipal Sustainability Initiative	●	●	●	●	●	
Municipalities for Climate Innovation Program	●	●	●			●
Recreation Energy Conservation Program	●	●			●	
TD Friends of the Environment Foundation Grant		●			●	
Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction Economic Recovery Program					●	
Water for Life		●			●	
Western Diversification Program		●		●	●	



ACE Green Offset Program

RENEWABLE ENERGY

1.888.865.8750
info@ACEnergy.ca
acenergy.ca/green

Alberta Cooperative Energy (ACE) customers that join the Green Offset Program choose which renewable energy generators to support. They might select a local wind farm, a group of solar or wind micro-generators in their community. Municipalities may register to sell the green attributes of their exported energy. If municipalities have received funding from the Government of Alberta, they cannot sell their green attributes.

Loan or Tax Break

Export green energy to support Alberta Green Energy Generation.

SPARK Certified Green Generators (generators) have the opportunity to sell the green attributes of their exported energy at the current rate of 1.85 cents/kWh. Generators will also continue to receive compensation for their exported energy as they would if they were not registered in the SPARK Green Offset Program. Only the green attributes of the exported energy are registered with ACE in the form of a Green Energy Offset for sale to its customers.

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, if you meet the requirements:

- ACE Member and SPARK Member and Green Generators
- ACE micro-generators that have received funding from the provincial Energy Efficiency Alberta Residential and Commercial Solar Program are not eligible to participate.
- ACE micro-generators that have received funding from the provincial Energy Efficiency Alberta Residential and Commercial Solar Program are not eligible to sell their offsets anywhere else.



Alberta Community Partnership

INFRASTRUCTURE

780.422.7125
acp.grants@gov.ab.ca
alberta.ca/alberta-community-partnership

The objective of the Alberta Community Partnership is to improve the viability and long-term sustainability of municipalities. This program supports regional collaboration and capacity building initiatives which may include planning for energy efficiency and renewable energy solutions. The Partnership offers support for inter-municipal collaboration and finding efficient and effective ways to deliver regional municipal services, municipal restructuring (e.g. amalgamation or dissolution), cooperative processes to resolve conflict and facilitate collaboration, and municipal internships.

Grant

Explore and implement regional service delivery framework options and strategies (e.g. plans, studies, service delivery and cost-sharing models, and governance models).

Funding varies per project. Application deadlines depend on the project area and are available when program guidelines are released. The internship program deadline is October 1 each year.

How to Apply

Variable application intake, if you meet the requirements:

- Municipalities
- Improvement Districts
- Métis settlements
- Town site of Redwood Meadows Administration Society
- Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board
- Calgary Metropolitan Region Board
- Municipally controlled planning service agencies



Alberta Municipal Solar Program

RENEWABLE ENERGY

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This program provides financial rebates to Alberta municipalities that install grid-connected solar photovoltaic (PV) systems on municipally owned facilities or land and complete public engagement for the project. Rebate based on system size and will not exceed 30% of eligible expenses (municipality capped at \$1.5 million). Eligible for bonus of \$0.25/watt for first-time applicants (capped at \$250,000). Solar PV system must be grid connected and located on land that is owned and paid by the municipality or community-related organization (CRO), and owned by the municipality or CRO for life of project.

Loan or Tax Break

Install solar PV systems on municipally-owned buildings or land.

- Greater than or equal to 2 kW (kW DC PV array capacity) is eligible
- Municipalities in Alberta can submit multiple applications, but each municipality can only apply for rebates up to \$1.5 million, including any bonuses
- Must not have received an incentive for solar PV system under another provincial solar incentive program (federal or other funding stacking is permitted, provided all funding does not exceed 100% of project costs)

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, and funding is first-come-first-serve, if you meet these requirements:

- All municipalities within Alberta
- Community-related organizations: non-profit CROs are eligible to participate if the project is located on a municipally owned facility or land (municipality must be the signatory)



Alberta Municipal Water and Wastewater Partnership

INFRASTRUCTURE

780.674.4700
alberta.ca/amwwp-apply

The Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership, which launched in 1991, provides cost-shared funding to eligible municipalities to help build municipal facilities for water supply and treatment, and wastewater treatment and disposal which may include planning for energy efficiency and renewable energy solutions. Municipalities can apply for funding for municipal water supply and treatment facilities, and wastewater treatment and disposal facilities. Municipalities can apply for funding for water and wastewater projects that support water conservation. Municipalities can apply for funding for planning studies to identify water and wastewater needs.

Grant

Explore and implement cost-sharing models to build municipal facilities for water supply and treatment.

For regional water systems where upgrades are made to existing facilities, a weighted average is used to determine each municipality's share of the allocated funds.

How to Apply

Deadline to apply is November 30 each year, if you meet these requirements:

- Municipalities with less than 1,000 people: up to 75% of project costs
- Municipalities with 1,000 to 45,000 people: grant percentage is based on a formula
- The percentage ratio decreases as the population rises
- New regional systems are funded at 90% with future extensions at 100%



Alberta Real Estate Foundation

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aerf.ab.ca/get-funding

ALL CATEGORIES

The Alberta Real Estate Foundation invests in real estate policy, research, practices, and education that strengthen Alberta's communities. Alberta Real Estate Foundation offers grants for projects that fall within one of four categories: housing, land stewardship and environment, community innovation, or industry leadership. Generally, financial assistance is offered to projects that meet certain criteria such as capacity building in a municipality or real estate industry, knowledge sharing, cooperation to leverage resources, and participation of the real estate sector.

Grant

Examples of funded projects include:

- Adopting technologies to increase the energy efficiency and sustainability of buildings
- Adapting housing best practices from elsewhere to Alberta communities
- Featuring smart growth principles in municipal land use planning
- Enabling better land stewardship and land use management
- Solving a community problem through collaboration, capacity building, and entrepreneurship

How to Apply

Apply by one of the application deadlines, if you meet the requirements:

- Municipalities, if partnering with a non-profit organization
- In 2021, apply by January 25, May 3 or August 9



Canada Infrastructure Bank Growth Plan

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ALL CATEGORIES

The Canada Infrastructure Bank is a new Crown corporation that operates at arm's length from government and is governed by a Board of Directors. The \$10 billion Growth Plan developed by the Canadian Infrastructure Bank aims to stimulate jobs for Canadians and strengthen Canada's economy through new infrastructure investments. By increasing levels of public and private investment in infrastructure, the CIB's Growth Plan will contribute to Canada's competitive, connected and resilient economy. Over the next three years, the Canada Infrastructure Bank will deliver a \$10 billion Growth Plan to help Canadians get back to work, connect more households and small businesses to high-speed Internet, strengthen Canadian agriculture, and help build a low-carbon economy.

Grant

Funding for:

- \$1.5 Billion for Zero-Emission Buses
- \$2.5 Billion for Clean Power
- \$2 Billion for Energy-efficient Building Retrofits
- \$2 Billion for Large Scale Broadband
- \$1.5 Billion for Agriculture Infrastructure
- \$500 Million for Project Acceleration

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, if you meet the requirements:

- Zero-Emission Buses
- Clean Power
- Energy-efficient Building Retrofits
- Large Scale Broadband
- Agriculture Infrastructure
- Project Acceleration



Clean Energy Improvement Program

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RENEWABLE ENERGY & BUILDINGS

The Clean Energy Improvement Program (CEIP) administered by the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre, is an innovative financing tool for property owners to pay for energy efficiency upgrades and renewable energy installations. With payments made through property taxes, and approval based on mortgage and property tax payment history, participants finance projects with a competitive interest rate and flexible terms. Municipalities can support property owners to take on energy efficiency renovations and/or renewable energy projects and pay over time as they save on their energy bills.

Loan or Tax Break

Financing for clean energy upgrades and renewable energy for residential and commercial properties.

CEIP provides residential and commercial property owners with access to competitive, long-term financing to cover up to 100% of their project costs. This program can improve building stock and increase property values, energizing the local economy by creating new business opportunities for contractors and healthier communities.

Funding for:

- Over 50 different upgrades including: insulation, windows and doors, solar power and high-efficiency heating and cooling systems

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, if you meet the requirements:

- CEIP is a voluntary program and municipalities can opt-in by passing a bylaw to enable CEIP in their community
- Rolling intake in participating municipalities
- Open to Alberta residential, commercial, and agricultural property owners in participating municipalities.



Climate Action Awareness Fund

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canada.ca/funding-programs/

climate-action-awareness-fund

INFRASTRUCTURE

The Climate Action and Awareness Fund is designed to support projects that can create middle class jobs for Canadians that work in science and technology, academia and at the grassroots community level. These projects are critical as we continue to build a sustainable net zero emissions economy by 2050. Organizations requesting funding between \$100,000 up to \$500,000 must spend funds over one to two fiscal years, starting in 2020-2021. Organizations requesting over \$500,000 up to \$6 million must complete their project within five years of the signed Funding Agreement.

Grant

The minimum project funding request is \$100,000 and the maximum is \$6 million.

- Support youth climate awareness (request for proposals - closed summer 2020) and community-based climate action (request for proposals – closed fall 2020)
- Support climate research at Canadian think tanks and in academia (request for proposals - winter 2021)
- Advance climate science and technology (request for proposals - winter 2021)

How to Apply

Application intake in late 2021, if you meet the requirements:

- Not-for-profit non-governmental organization
- University or academic institution
- Indigenous organization
- Applicants are responsible for submitting their proposal and for negotiating and signing a funding agreement if selected
- Applicants are encouraged to partner with at least one other organization (i.e. a non-governmental organization, Indigenous organization, academic institution, small and medium-sized enterprise, and/or a provincial, territorial or municipal government).



Climate Adaptation Program

BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE

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The Climate Adaptation Program will help Alberta municipalities and Indigenous communities better understand, cope, manage, and adjust to changing climatic conditions. This program will enhance the ability of Alberta municipalities and Indigenous communities to prepare for and respond to climate-related risks. The Municipal Climate Change Action Centre will launch program activities in 2021 that offer networking and outreach events, information resources and tools, as well as training, and one-on-one support for Alberta municipalities and Indigenous communities.

Grant

Amount of funding to be announced in 2021

Funding for:

- Broadening their climate adaptation literacy
- Assessing climate vulnerabilities
- Building climate adaptation plans
- Making progress on risk reduction strategies

How to Apply

Launching in 2021 and you must meet the requirements:

- All municipalities in Alberta
- Indigenous communities in Alberta



Climate Innovation Fund

ALL CATEGORIES

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Alberta Ecotrust is launching a \$40 million Climate Innovation Fund. Partnering with the two largest municipalities in Alberta, the Climate Innovation Fund will implement a local program framework in each city to identify, invest in, and scale up carbon reduction solutions. As a new program within Alberta Ecotrust, it will build upon organizational strengths while fostering innovative climate action. The Climate Innovation Fund will incubate the seeds of innovation required to ensure Calgary and Edmonton's future communities and economies are resilient.

Grant

Municipal climate planning:

- The Climate Innovation Fund is designed to amplify the municipal climate plans in Calgary and Edmonton, providing a tremendous opportunity to continue to build on the strengths of an active and creative climate action ecosystem

How to Apply

Program is launching in 2021

- More details to be released when the program launches



Co-op Community Spaces Funding Program

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co-op.crs

BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE

Co-op Community Spaces Program is to improve community health and wellbeing by building places for Western Canadians to come together and build social connections. Three funding areas have been selected to ensure the program achieves its core objectives of enabling community development and bringing people together.

Grant

Applicants are eligible for funding between \$25,000 and \$150,000 for projects in one of the following categories: Recreation, Environmental Conservation and Urban Agriculture.

Funding for:

- Be available and accessible for community use
- Align with one of the three funding categories (recreation, conservation or urban agriculture)
- Be a capital project, located in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan or Manitoba, and completed within two years
- Provide the opportunity for permanent signage

How to Apply

Applications open on February 1 each year and are due by the first business day in March, if you meet the requirements:

- Municipalities are not eligible to apply, but are encouraged to partner with non-profit organizations to support a project
- Registered charities under the Canada Revenue Agency with valid registration numbers
- Registered non-profit organizations under their provincial government with proof of registration
- Non-profit organizations partnered with their municipal government that will accept funding and issue receipts on their behalf
- Community service co-operatives



Electric Vehicles for Municipalities Program

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TRANSPORTATION

The Electric Vehicles for Municipalities Program provides funding to municipalities to purchase electric vehicles, charging stations, and feasibility studies. This program provides funding for a variety of electric vehicle types, including: Passenger Battery Electric Vehicles and Plug in Hybrid Electric Vehicles, Medium and Heavy-Duty Battery Electric Vehicles and Plug in Hybrid Electric Vehicles, and Low Speed, Non-Road Battery Electric Vehicles and Plug in Hybrid Electric Vehicles. This program is administered by the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre.

Grant

Funding for:

- Purchase or lease of new passenger vehicles, such as electric sedans, sport-utility vehicles, or trucks with funding up to \$14,000 per vehicle.
- Purchase or lease of new medium or heavy-duty vehicles such as electric garbage or yard trucks with funding up to 30 per cent of costs, up to \$300,000 per vehicle.
- Purchase or lease of new, low speed, non-road vehicles such as electric ice resurfacing vehicles or utility task vehicles with funding up to 30 per cent of costs, up to \$50,000 per vehicle.

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, and funding is first-come-first-serve, if you meet the requirements:

- All municipalities within Alberta





ENMAX Community Investment Program

RENEWABLE ENERGY & BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE

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ENMAX financially supports community projects that correspond to one of four focus areas, Powering Alberta, Powering Tomorrow, and Powering Partners. As part of these focus areas, education and guidance is provided to limit the chance of these situations occurring in the future. Funding varies per project.

Grant

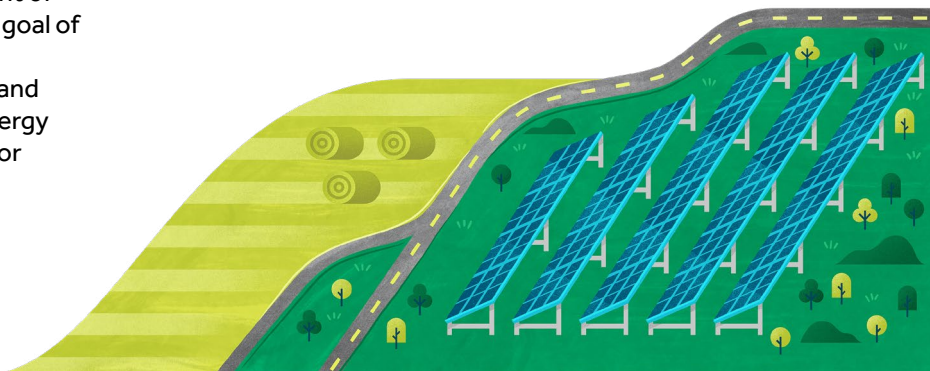
Funding for:

- Powering Alberta funds grassroots energy projects that help communities
- Powering Tomorrow supports the enhancement of electricity literacy through education with the goal of creating more electricity stewards
- Powering Partners helps community partners and organizations that offer aid, resources, and energy assistance to Alberta residents during a crisis or difficult times

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, if you meet the requirements:

- Non-profit and for profit entities



EQUUS Solar PV Micro-Generation Financing & Incentives

RENEWABLE ENERGY

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EQUUS offers financial assistance to members that generate electricity from solar PV systems. Financing is available for the installation of solar PV units. In addition, monetary incentives are offered per watt of solar PV installed. Solar PV micro-generation projects must be grid-connected, designed and installed by qualified installer and new installation. The solar projects must include all new system components (expansions are eligible but only that portion will be covered) and carry minimum warranty levels.

Grant

Funding for:

- Financing - Solar PV unit installation - \$1,500/kW up to \$15,000
- Incentive - \$0.10/W of solar PV installed up to \$500 (5 kW)

How to Apply

Rolling intake, if you meet the requirements:

- EQUUS Members



EQUS Micro-Generators

RENEWABLE ENERGY

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EQUS offers this program in partnership with ReWatt Power to open new revenue sources for our micro-generation members. ReWatt Power has developed an innovative web-based platform to streamline a once expensive and time-consuming process of tracking and validating Renewable Energy Credits (RECs). RECs are purchased by major energy consumers to help offset their carbon emissions. Previously, a single micro-generation system producing less than 50KW of solar power did not generate enough power to produce an attractive amount of RECs. Government of Alberta funded projects are not able to sell their RECs.

Loan or Tax Break

ReWatt Power's platform will pool all of the micro-generation together across EQUS' membership to produce enough RECs to be attractive to credit worthy buyers.

Additionally, they will facilitate the transaction process with these buyers and then distribute the revenue back to EQUS' micro-generation members that are part of the program in accordance with the percentage of generation they contribute to the pool.

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, if you meet the requirements:

- Micro-generators projects that generate more kW than used
- EQUS Members



Farm Credit Canada AgriSpirit Fund

BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE

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Farm Credit Canada is a financially self-sustaining federal commercial Crown corporation reporting to Canadians and Parliament through the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food. The purpose of the corporation is to enhance rural Canada by providing specialized and personalized business and financial services and products to farming operations, including family farms, and to those businesses in rural Canada, including small and medium-sized businesses that are related to farming. The Farm Credit Canada AgriSpirit Fund may provide between \$5,000 to \$25,000. Organizations must not have received AgriSpirit funding in the past four years. Capital and sustainability projects are eligible.

Grant

The FCC AgriSpirit Fund may provide between \$5,000 to \$25,000 to projects that qualify in a city, town or Indigenous community with fewer than 150,000 people.

Funding for:

- Capital projects: construction or upgrades to a hospital, medical centre, childcare facility, rink, sports complex or the purchase of fire and rescue equipment
- Sustainability projects: upgrades to heating and cooling systems in a community building, installing new windows in a recreation centre or purchasing capital items for a recycling facility

How to Apply

Applications open to rolling intake March 2021, if you meet the requirements:

- Charities registered with the Canada Revenue Agency
- Non-profit organizations that partner with a municipal body, territorial or provincial government. The municipal body must agree to receive contributed money and issue a receipt
- Town or city under 150,000 people, rural municipality or First Nations band



Federal Gas Tax Fund

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alberta.ca/federal-gas-tax-fund

ALL CATEGORIES

The Federal Gas Tax Fund helps communities to build and revitalize public infrastructure that supports national objectives of productivity and economic growth, a clean environment, and strong communities. Local governments determine which projects to fund. Municipalities (with the exception of summer villages) will receive a minimum allocation of \$50,000 per year and summer villages will receive a base allocation of \$5,000 per year, in addition to the per capita amount.

Loan or Tax Break

Each municipality receives an annual allocation; funding varies per municipality.

Funding for:

- Local roads and bridges, highways, public transit
- Regional and local airports
- Drinking water, waste water, storm water, solid waste, brownfield redevelopment
- Sport infrastructure and recreational infrastructure
- Community energy systems, Cultural infrastructure and tourism infrastructure
- Disaster mitigation
- Short-line rail and/or short-sea shipping
- Broadband connectivity

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, if you meet the requirements:

- All municipalities in Alberta
- Métis Settlements
- The Town site of Redwood Meadows Administration Society



Federation of Canadian Municipalities

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ALL CATEGORIES

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities offers grants for municipal environmental projects. Loans are also available to municipalities at competitive rates, and most recipients receive an additional grant of up to 15 percent of their loan amount. Municipal partners may apply for competitive, long-term financing. Funding amount varies by program.

Grant & Loans or Tax Break

Funding for:

- Plans, studies, pilot projects, capital projects
- Asset Management Grants and Partner Grants

How to Apply

Rolling intake, if you meet the requirements:

- All municipal governments and partners are eligible to apply





FortisAlberta Community Grants

310.9473 (toll free)
fortisalberta.com

BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE

FortisAlberta offers community grants that help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Grants

Grants range in value from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Funding for:

- Community naturalization
- Tree planting
- Energy efficiency projects
- Environmental education program

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, if you meet the requirements:

- Municipalities and non-profit organizations in FortisAlberta service areas
- Elementary and junior high schools Fortis Alberta service areas



GMF – Community Efficiency Financing

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RENEWABLE ENERGY & BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE

The Community Efficiency Financing is part of the Green Municipal Fund operated by the Federation of Municipalities and delivers energy efficient financing programs for low-rise residential properties. Property Assessed Clean Energy, Local Improvement Charge financing and utility on-bill financing are just some examples of financing models used by municipalities delivering residential energy programming. GMF-supported initiatives aim to improve air, water, and soil, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Funding is available to all Canadian municipal governments and their partners for eligible projects.

Grant

Funding for:

- Feasibility Studies: Grants of up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum of \$175,000
- Pilot Projects: Up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum of \$350,000
- Capital Projects: Up to 80% of eligible project costs (loan max is \$5 million; grant amount is 15% of loan)
- Applicants with high-ranking projects may be eligible for a loan of up to \$10 million, combined with a grant for 15% of loan amount, to a max of \$1.5 million
- \$550 million to establish the Green Municipal Fund with \$125 million top-up in 2017-18

How to Apply

Application intake in early 2021, if you meet the requirements:

- All municipal governments and partners are eligible to apply

Projects are eligible for funding in the following focus areas:

- Sustainable neighbourhood and brownfields action plans
- Energy efficiency and recovery
- Transportation and fuel efficiency
- Water quality and conservation
- Waste management and diversion
- Brownfields



GMF – Sustainable Affordable Housing

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BUILDINGS

The Green Municipal Fund's Sustainable Affordable Housing fund supports municipal, non-profit, and cooperative housing providers in measurably improving the energy efficiency and affordability of existing and new affordable housing units. The initiative's mission is to achieve environmental, economic, and social benefits through the retrofitting and building of sustainable affordable housing. Sustainable Affordable Housing funding is offered to support projects at various stages.

Grant

Funding for:

- Planning: Up to 80% of costs to a max of \$25,000
- Study: Up to 50% of costs to a max of \$175,000
- Pilot Project: Up to 80% of costs to a max of \$500,000
- Retrofit: Financing up to 80% of costs up to a max of \$10 million; grant amount is 25-50% of loan
- New Build: Financing up to 20% of costs up to a max of \$10 million; 50% grant and 50% loan with \$125 million top-up in 2017-18

How to Apply

Rolling intake, if you meet the requirements:

- Canadian municipal governments (e.g., towns, cities, regions, districts, and local boards thereof)
- Municipally owned corporations, such as municipal housing service providers
- Non-profit, mission-driven affordable housing providers, including co-operatives



Incentives for Zero Emission Vehicles Program

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tc.gc.ca/zero-emission-vehicles

INFRASTRUCTURE & TRANSPORTATION

The higher cost of zero-emission vehicles can make it more difficult to adopt this clean technology. A zero-emission vehicle is a vehicle that has the potential to produce no tailpipe emissions. They can still have a conventional internal combustion engine, but must also be able to operate without using it. The Incentives for Zero-Emissions Vehicles Program offers funding and incentives, as well as testing and research, safety on automated and connected vehicles and zero-emission vehicles to help reduce the barriers of making the switch to help reduce the greenhouse gas emissions from gas cars and light trucks.

Grant

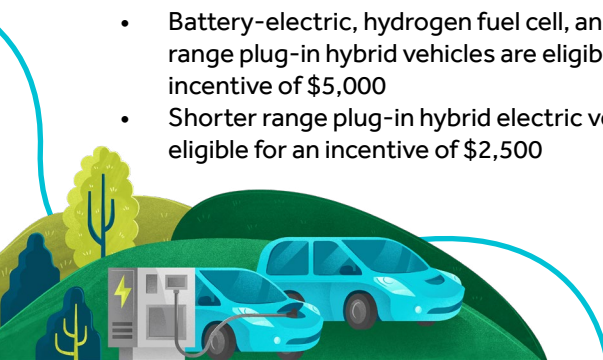
Incentives on a vehicle that has the potential to produce no tailpipe emissions, such as battery-electric, plug-in hybrid electric and hydrogen fuel cell

- Battery-electric, hydrogen fuel cell, and longer range plug-in hybrid vehicles are eligible for an incentive of \$5,000
- Shorter range plug-in hybrid electric vehicles are eligible for an incentive of \$2,500

How to Apply

Rolling intake, if you meet the requirements:

- Dealerships
- Individuals
- For-profit and non-profit business
- Municipalities





Municipal Energy Manager Program

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ALL CATEGORIES

Provides funding to offset the salary costs of an energy manager to develop energy management plans, lead energy and emissions reducing projects, find cost-saving opportunities, and more. Up to 80 per cent of the energy manager's salary to a maximum of \$80,000 and it may be renewable for a second year. This program is administered by the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre.

Grant

Funding is capped at \$160,000 per municipality. Energy managers are expected to complete the following as part of their contract:

- Build a customized energy management plan
- Find energy-saving opportunities throughout the community
- Lead energy and emissions reducing projects
- Encourage regional municipal partnerships
- Achieve 5% Greenhouse gas reduction per year
- Conduct an energy audit on the highest energy-consuming municipal building
- Assign Greenhouse gas reduction targets for the entire municipal building portfolio

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, and funding is first-come, first-served basis, if you meet these requirements:

- Municipalities within Alberta, with population sizes below 150,000 residents are eligible to participate



Municipal Sustainability Initiative

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alberta.ca/municipal-sustainability-initiative

ALL CATEGORIES

The Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) supports municipalities to manage growth pressures and become sustainable with public infrastructure and operating funding. Municipalities determine projects and activities to be funded by MSI based on local priorities within the general criteria set out in the program guidelines and are encouraged to take a long-term approach to planning for capital projects. Each municipality receives an annual capital and operating allocation.

Grant

Funding varies per municipality and it can be used for:

- Capital Projects - Roads, bridges, public transit, sport/recreation facilities, community centres, water and wastewater systems, solid waste management facilities and equipment, and emergency services
- Operating Expenses - General administration, governance, planning and development, municipal facility operations, environmental sustainability, public security, maintenance of core infrastructure, and capacity building

How to Apply

Rolling intake, if you meet the requirements:

- Municipalities in Alberta
- Métis settlements
- The Townsite of Redwood Meadows Administration Society



Municipalities for Climate Innovation Program

RENEWABLE ENERGY & BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE

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The Federation of Canadian Municipalities' (FCM) funding, resources and training can help you develop a response to climate change that protects your residents, environment and economy. You'll be able to take concrete actions such as assessing flood risks, reducing greenhouse gas emissions from waste collection trucks, encouraging residents to use less polluting forms of transportation and creating environmentally sound policies (e.g., no idling).

Loan or Tax Break

Funding varies per municipality. The Municipalities for Climate Innovation Program's work is centered around the following key themes:

- Climate change adaptation
- Greenhouse gas reductions
- Climate and asset management

How to Apply

Next round of funding to be announced. Eligible to apply if you meet the requirements:

- Municipal governments
- Tools are available on the website to the public



Recreation Energy Conservation Program

BUILDINGS

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The Recreation Energy Conservation (REC) program helps municipally-owned recreation facilities reduce energy use and Greenhouse gas emissions by providing financial rebates to help identify energy-saving opportunities and implement energy-saving projects. Get funding for up to 100% of costs for scoping audits and engineering studies that inform investment decisions. Then access more funding, up to 75% of costs, for implementing energy efficient retrofits. Simplified Measures can be implemented without an audit or study because of their predictable energy savings. Municipalities and community-related organizations are able to access up to \$750,000 for all projects. This program is administered by the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre.

Grant

Funding for:

- Scoping Audits: cover up to 100% of pre-GST costs to a maximum of \$12,000 (depending on the facility)
- Engineering Study: covers up to 100% of pre-GST Engineering Study to a maximum of \$20,000
- Implementation Project: the lesser of 75% of energy conservation measures costs, or the amount required to reach 1-year simple payback

How to Apply

Rolling intake of applications, and funding is first-come-first-serve, if you meet these requirements:

- All designated municipalities within the Province of Alberta or community-related organizations (CROs) are eligible to participate in the REC program if the Project is within a municipally-owned facility. While CROs are eligible to participate, the municipality must submit the REC Application and be the signatory to the Offer Letter.
- Municipally-owned recreation facilities



TD Friends of the Environment Foundation Grant

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INFRASTRUCTURE

The TD Friends of the Environment Foundation Grant supports the protection of the environment and green communities. The Foundation supports a wide range of environmental initiatives, with a primary focus on environmental education and green space programs. The focus of the grants vary slightly each year. Funding is allocated to projects involving the revitalization and stewardship of public green spaces. When planning a project, please keep in mind that grant has set deadlines and response times throughout the year.

Grant

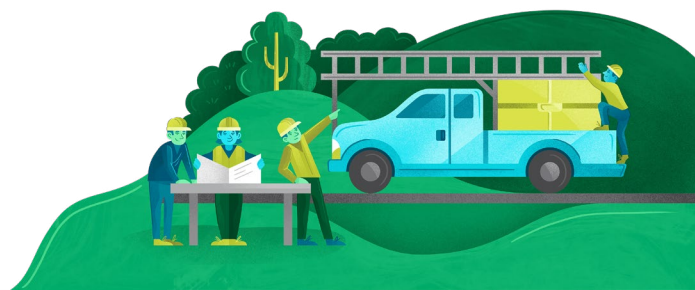
Eligible projects include schoolyard greening, park revitalization, community gardens, park programming and citizen science initiatives.

- Funding requests are needs based, and there is no set minimum or maximum amount for which you can apply
- The majority of grants are between \$2,000 and \$8,000

How to Apply

Applications due by January 15 or July 15, if you meet the following requirements:

- Municipalities
- Aboriginal groups
- Registered charities with a Charitable Registration Number
- Educational institutions



TIER Economic Recovery Program

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INFRASTRUCTURE

Alberta Innovates' TIER Economic Recovery Program funds a set of "shovel-ready" projects in cohorts that accelerate innovation in support of greenhouse gas emissions reduction, increase long-term economic competitiveness and stimulate growth in critically important sectors of Alberta's economy. Successful projects must align with TIER objectives, the Government of Alberta's and Alberta Innovates' strategic priorities, demonstrate contributions towards the Alberta Research and Innovation Framework 2030 Innovation Targets. Program investments will range from \$200,000 to \$5 million per project. Applicants will be required to provide some matching funds. Check back often to see when new cohorts of applications are being accepted.

Grant

Funding for projects that:

- Demonstrate greenhouse gas emissions reductions or enable future reductions and increase Alberta industry competitiveness
- Creation or maintenance of skilled jobs within Alberta and enabling future economic growth
- Technology Readiness Level must be 4 to 7 at project commencement
- Maximized industry contribution where possible (min. 25% of project costs), and
- Projects can start immediately = "shovel ready"

How to Apply

Call for applications announcement in January 2021. Apply if you meet the requirements:

- Program applicants may be technology developers, industry, industrial associations, small and medium-sized enterprises, research and development organizations, post-secondary institutions, municipalities, not-for-profit organizations, government research labs, and individuals
- Collaboration between multiple organizations is encouraged to add value through technology validation, commercialization, and sharing of results



Water for Life

INFRASTRUCTURE

780.674.4700

alberta.ca/water-life-program

The Water for Life Program, administered by the Government of Alberta, which launched in 2006, provides cost-shared funding to regional commissions or groups of two or more municipalities. Water for Life funding is only available for new regional water or wastewater systems or extensions to existing regional water or wastewater systems. Regional systems are more cost effective and environmentally sustainable than independent systems. Program funding is determined each budget cycle.

Grant

The minimum project funding request is \$100,000 and the maximum is \$6 million.

- Municipalities with less than 1,000 people – up to 75% of project costs
- Municipalities with 1,000 – 45,000 people – grant percentage is based on a formula. The percentage ratio decreases as the population rises
- For regional water systems where upgrades are made to existing facilities, a weighted average is used to determine each municipality's share of the allocated funds
- New regional systems are funded at 90% with future extensions at 100%

How to Apply

Application deadline is November 30 each year for consideration in following fiscal year budget, if you meet the requirements:

- Regional Commissions
- Public-private ventures
- Municipalities with contracted services to privately owned utilities
- Groups of two or more eligible municipalities, which include: cities (less than 45,000 people), towns, villages, hamlets within rural municipalities, Métis settlements
- Municipal Partnerships



Western Diversification Program

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This program funds projects related to community economic development and policy, innovation, and business development. Key focus areas include enhancing community and transportation infrastructure, building community capacity in economic development, creating value-added production in resource industries, and fostering community innovation. Respond to the economic development needs of western Official Languages Minority Communities (OLMC). Applicant(s) must represent and/or support francophone community economic development in Western Canada.

Loan or Tax Break

\$2.7 billion over 5 years to support one or more identified needs or priorities confirmed through consultations with OLMC stakeholders:

- Tourism, Trade and investment, Immigration, and community capacity building (with a focus on economic development)
- The economic well-being of western OLMC and enterprises
- Innovation, diversification, partnerships that support community economic development; and concrete, direct, and measurable impacts for OLMCs

How to Apply

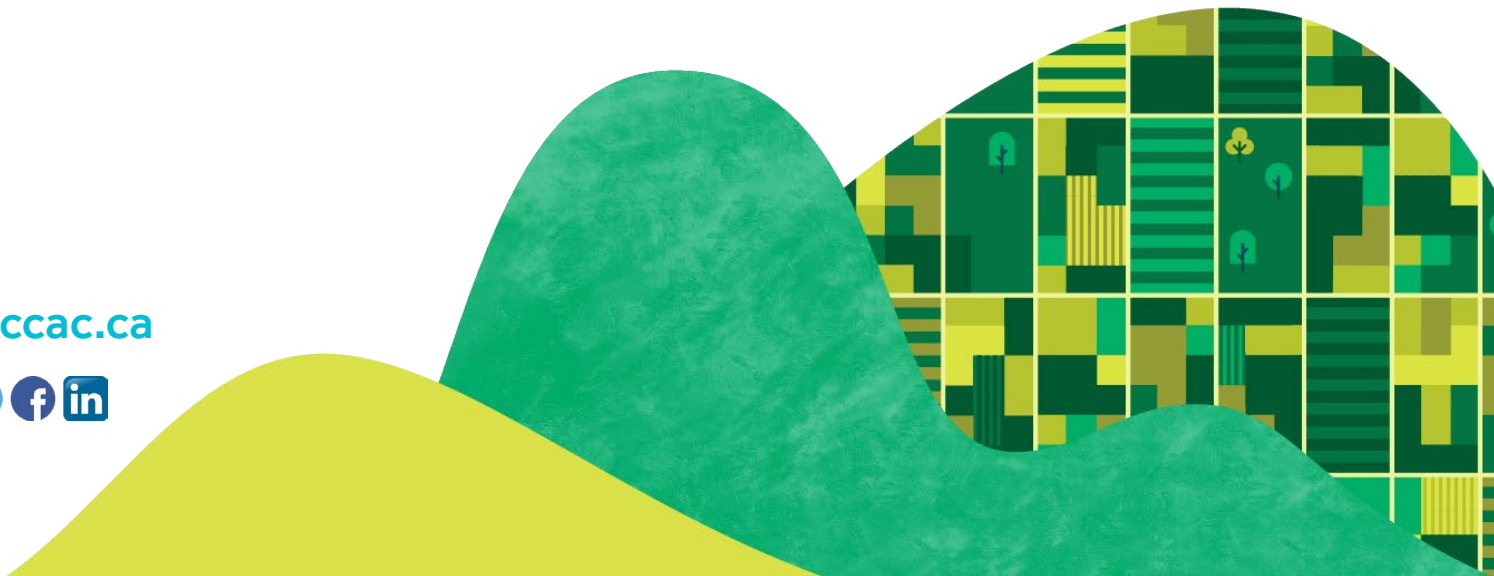
Rolling intake of applications, if you meet the requirements:

- Municipal governments
- First Nations
- Industry and economic development organizations
- Post-secondary institutions
- Provincial government departments and/or agencies
- Federal crown corporations

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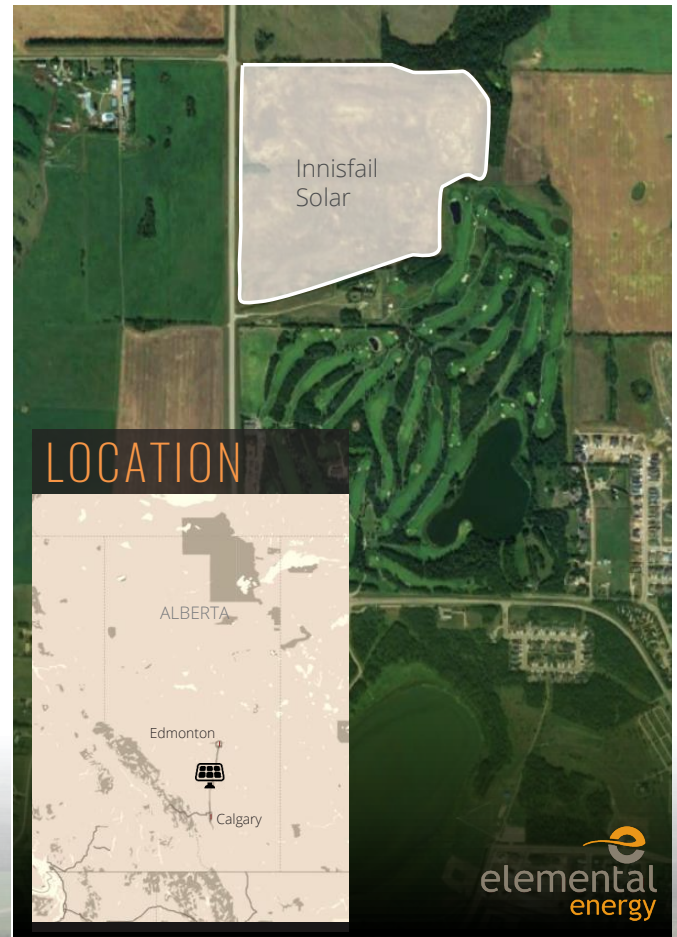


Innisfail Solar, a wholly-owned subsidiary of *Elemental Energy Inc.*, began operations of the Innisfail Solar Farm in July of 2020. Preliminary design and planning was provided by GP Joule and project construction began in late 2019. Mechanical work was completed in June 2020.

The construction project saw the creation of approximately 75 jobs at its peak. Approximately 80% of the labourers employed during construction were from Innisfail and Red Deer County, and over 95% were from Alberta.

The plant is housed on a 115-acre parcel of land owned by the Town of Innisfail. The site features solar panels which are expected to generate 25.3 MWdc of solar-generated power.

This project will benefit the town through a long-term lease, property taxes, and a community development fund. The total of these contributions will be approximately \$190,000 annually, \$20,000 of which will be an annual contribution to a community development fund which will be used to support community groups.



INNISFAIL SOLAR

FIREWORKS from Black Diamond Fire Bylaw

10.4 No Person shall:

(m) have in his or her possession, sell, offer for sale, give away or otherwise distribute, discharge, fire or set off FIREWORKS unless that person is the holder of a subsisting FIRE PERMIT or the FIREWORKS have been set by a MEMBER for the purpose of training MEMBERS.

SCHEDULE "A"

- 1.11 Permit to sell consumer FIREWORKS or shop goods: \$ 50.00 annual fee
- Permit to sell display FIREWORKS: \$2000.00 annual fee
- Permit to discharge consumer FIREWORKS: \$ 25.00/INCIDENT fee
- Permit to discharge display FIREWORKS: \$ 150.00 annual fee

(Non profit organizations involved in public displays may be exempt from fees, must have licensed operator)

SCHEDULE "C" FIREWORKS

Definitions:

1. Consumer FIREWORKS – Any small FIREWORKS device designed primarily to produce visible effects by combustion or deflagration that complies with the construction, chemical composition, and labeling regulations of the U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission, and its Canadian counterparts. Some small devices designed to produce audible effects are included, such as whistling devices, ground devices containing 50mg (0.002g) or less of explosive composition (salute powder), and aerial devices containing 130mg (0.005g) or less of explosive composition (salute powder) per explosive unit. Consumer FIREWORKS are normally classed as Explosives, 1.4G and described as FIREWORKS UN0336.
2. Display FIREWORKS – FIREWORKS devices intended for use in FIREWORKS displays that are presented in conformance with NFPA 1123. These devices are designed to produce visible or audible effects for entertainment purposes by, combustion, deflagration, or detonation. The term "display FIREWORKS", as used in NFPA 1123, includes consumer FIREWORKS to be used in FIREWORKS displays; larger devices of similar construction and chemical composition that are classed as Explosives, 1.3G and described as FIREWORKS, UN0335. Other devices that produce visible or audible effects for entertainment purposes that are classed as Explosives, 1.3G, 1.4G, or 1.4S.
3. FIREWORKS Display – A presentation of FIREWORKS for a public or private gathering.

4. Salute – A display FIREWORKS item that is designed to produce a loud report.
5. Salute Powder – A pyrotechnic composition that makes a loud report when ignited and constitutes the sole pyrotechnic effect of a salute.

Operator Licensing Requirements:

1. A requirement of licensing is that the applicant has attained the age of 21 years.
2. A requirement of licensing is that the applicant has passed a comprehensive written examination covering provincial laws pertaining to the display of FIREWORKS and NFPA 1123. At the option of the issuing office, alternate requirements may be substituted, such as acceptance of competency certification by a national organization or of licensing by another province.
3. A requirement of licensing is that the applicant has provided evidence of actively participating in the performance of at least 5 outdoor FIREWORKS displays.
4. The license shall be valid for a period of 4 years.
5. Renewal of the license shall be automatic upon provision of proof of actively participating in at least 3 outdoor FIREWORKS displays during the prior 4 years.

Types of Consumer FIREWORKS:

1. Ground and hand-held sparkling and smoke devices.
2. Cylindrical Fountain – cylindrical tube containing not more than 75g (2.6oz.) of pyrotechnic composition. Upon ignition, a shower of coloured sparks, and sometimes a whistling effect or smoke, is produced. This device can be provided with a spike for insertion into the ground (Spike Fountain), a wood or plastic base for placing on the ground (Base Fountain), or a wood or cardboard handle to be hand-held (Handle Fountain). Where more than one tube is mounted on a common base, total pyrotechnic composition cannot exceed 200g (7.1oz.)
3. Cone Fountain: cardboard or heavy paper cone containing not more than 50g (1.8oz.) of pyrotechnic composition. The effect is the same as the cylindrical fountain. Where more than one cone is mounted on a common base, total pyrotechnic composition cannot exceed 200g (7.1 oz.).
4. Illuminating Torch: cylindrical tube containing not more than 100g (3.5oz.) of pyrotechnic composition that produces a coloured flame upon ignition. Can be spike, base, or hand-held. Where more than one tube is mounted on a common base, total pyrotechnic composition cannot exceed 200g (7.1oz.).

5. Wheel: pyrotechnic device intended to be attached to a post or tree by means of a nail or string. Can have one or more drivers, each of which can contain not more than 60g (2.1oz.) of pyrotechnic composition. No wheel can contain more than 200g (7.1oz.) total pyrotechnic composition. Upon ignition, the wheel revolves, producing a shower of colour and sparks and sometimes, a whistling effect.
6. Ground Spinner: small device containing not more than 20g (0.7oz.) of pyrotechnic composition, venting out an orifice usually on the side of the tube. Similar in
 1. operation to the wheel but intended to be placed flat on the ground and ignited. A shower of sparks and colour is produced by the rapidly spinning device.
7. Flitter Sparkler: narrow paper tube attached to a stick or wire and filled with no more than 5g (0.2oz.) of pyrotechnic composition that produces colour and sparks upon ignition. The paper at one end of the tube is ignited to make the device function.
8. Toy Smoke Device: small plastic or paper item containing not more than 100g (3.5oz.) of pyrotechnic composition that, upon ignition, produces white or coloured smoke as its primary effect.