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Funding name	Status	Funding Deadline	Description	Eligibility	Link
Aboriginal Participation Fund	Open	Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.	<p>The Aboriginal Participation Fund was developed to help support Indigenous communities and organizations participate in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> regulatory processes under the Mining Act economic development activities associated with mineral exploration and development <p>There are five streams available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> advanced exploration and development support early exploration support education and relationship-building mineral development advisor stream values mapping and related projects 	N/A	https://www.ontario.ca/page/available-funding-opportunities-ontario-government#section-1
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Tourism Economic Development and Recovery Fund	Open	Applications are ongoing.	<p>Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Tourism Economic Development and Recovery Fund (TEDRF) is an application-based, cost-sharing program designed to provide non-capital funding to projects that either: Encourage the development of innovative new tourism products Support tourism investment Build the capacity of Ontario's tourism industry <p>The program also supports innovative tourism recovery projects aimed at increasing tourism within Ontario to address the reduction in global travel as a result of coronavirus (COVID-19).</p>	<p>Eligible applicants include:</p> <p>Municipalities and Destination Marketing Organizations (Regional Tourism Organizations are not eligible)</p> <p>Indigenous Organizations</p> <p>Ontario Tourism Industry Associations</p> <p>Not-for-Profit Organizations (with a clearly defined tourism focus)</p> <p>For-Profit Tourism Organizations</p>	https://www.ontario.ca/page/available-funding-opportunities-ontario-government#section-21

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Values mapping and related projects	Open	Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The values mapping and related projects sub-stream supports projects that focus on values identification or related projects between Indigenous communities, which will support communities' capacity to effectively participate in and respond to information requests in regulatory processes under the Mining Act. 	<p>Project funding is open to Aboriginal Indigenous communities or organizations in Ontario.</p> <p>Joint applicants must provide a Band Council Resolution in support of the application from each community represented on the application.</p>	https://www.ontario.ca/page/available-funding-opportunities-ontario-government#section-1
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Rural Enhancement Funding Stream	Open	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Rural Enhancement Funding Stream is designed to support the priorities of rural communities to contribute to healthy and strong communities. 	Rural municipalities, Indigenous communities, not-for-profit organizations and Local Services Boards having or serving a population of less than 30,000.	https://nohfc.ca/en/pages/programs/community-enhancement-program/rural-enhancement-funding-stream
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Jobs and Growth Fund	Open	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Jobs and Growth Fund provides funding to businesses and organizations to help create jobs and position local economies for long-term growth. 	Indigenous-led organizations and/or businesses are strongly encouraged to apply. Under the initiative, FedNor may contribute up to 100% of eligible project costs for projects with Indigenous clients.	https://fednor.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/fn04093.html

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Tourism Relief Fund	Open	Funding ends March 31, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - With a budget of \$500 million over two years (ending March 31, 2023), including \$50 million specifically dedicated to Indigenous tourism initiatives and \$15 million for national initiatives. 	Indigenous tourism projects are important to Canada's economic recovery efforts and a priority under the Tourism Relief Fund. Under the fund, a minimum of \$50 million will specifically support Indigenous tourism initiatives.	https://www.otf.ca/our-grants/resilient-communities-fund
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Business scale-up and productivity — for ambitious companies in need of growth funding	Open	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Funding offered under this program stream helps businesses at various stages of development, including high-growth firms, to accelerate growth and adopt innovative technologies that support scale-up, commercialization, productivity and market expansion to become more competitive globally. 	Individual operating a businesses, partnerships, social enterprises, incorporated companies, corporations or co-operatives, or an Indigenous organization such as Indigenous/First Nation/Métis Settlement owned businesses, and all other types of enterprises.	https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/solicited-sectoral-workforce-solutions-economic-recovery.html#h2.5
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Indigenous Transportation Initiatives Fund for Indigenous communities and organizations	Open	Apply between February 8, 2022, to March 22, 2022, at 3:00 p.m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Canada Service Corps (CSC) promotes civic engagement among young people from 15 to 30 years old through access to meaningful volunteer service that help them gain essential life skills and experience. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not-for-profit organizations • Indigenous organizations (including band councils, tribal councils and self-government entities) 	https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/microgrants-diversity-youth-organizations.html

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Regional Development Program: Advanced Manufacturing and Innovation Competitiveness (AMIC) Stream	Open	There are two-application intake periods each year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide financial support to advanced manufacturing companies with a focus on small and medium-sized enterprises (SME) across Ontario by way of investments in capital equipment, technology adoption and skills development that will accelerate recovery in Ontario and place our companies in competitive global positions. - The types of support available include: 	Provides support for projects and investments to advanced manufacturing businesses.	https://www.ontario.ca/page/available-funding-opportunities-ontario-government#section-21
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Skills Development Fund Round 2	Open	The Skills Development Fund Round 2 is a non-competitive continuous intake program. Applications must be submitted by March 31, 2022 at 11:59 p.m EST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Skills Development Fund Round 2 will enable market-driven solutions and unlock the economic potential of skilled trades and broader workforce development initiatives to facilitate economic recovery. 	Organizations that are eligible to apply for the Skills Development Fund Round 2 are outlined in the application guideline section 3.1 Eligible Applicants.	https://www.ontario.ca/page/available-funding-opportunities-ontario-government#section-21
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Education and relationship-building	Open	Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines - The education and relationship building sub-stream helps Indigenous communities and organizations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enhance their understanding of mineral exploration and development processes • develop relationships between Indigenous communities, industry and government 	Project funding is open to Indigenous communities or organizations in Ontario.	https://www.ontario.ca/page/available-funding-opportunities-ontario-government#section-1

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Mineral development advisor stream	Open	Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines - The mineral development advisor (MDA) stream provides funding for a MDA for eligible Aboriginal communities and organizations to participate effectively in the regulatory consultation processes, including the review of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • exploration plan and permit applications • closure plans and closure plan amendments • environmental assessments <p>This funding helps to increase a community's knowledge and understanding of the mineral development sequence, mineral exploration, mineral development and mining activities, and the range of economic benefits.</p>	<p>Funding is available to Ontario Aboriginal communities or organizations experiencing high mineral exploration or development activity, having received 10 or more exploration plans or permit applications in the previous fiscal year (April 1 to March 31).</p> <p>Communities that receive fewer than 10 exploration plans or permit applications may be eligible for this stream if they are engaged in reviewing two or more closure plans, closure plan amendments, or mineral development-related environmental assessments.</p>	https://www.ontario.ca/page/available-funding-opportunities-ontario-government#section-1
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New Relationship Fund	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The New Relationship Fund (NRF) supports First Nations, Métis communities, and Indigenous organizations efforts to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • build consultation and engagement capacity and expertise • create jobs • develop business partnerships • improve economic opportunities 	N/A	https://www.ontario.ca/page/funding-indigenous-economic-development?utm_campaign=%2Fen%2Frelease%2F1001494%2Fontario-doubles-investment-in-economic-development-supports-for-indigenous-communities&utm_term=media&utm_source=newsroom&utm_medium=email#section-1

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Sectoral Workforce Solutions Program	Open	Apply between January 31, 2022 to March 18, 2022 at 3:00 p.m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Sectoral Workforce Solutions Program (SWSP) helps key sectors of the economy to develop and implement solutions to address current and emerging workforce needs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not-for-profit organization • For-profit organization • Municipal government • Indigenous organization, including: band council tribal council self-government entities 	https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/sectoral-workforce-solutions-economic-recovery.html
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Skills for Success Program – Research and Innovation Stream	Open	Apply between January 26, 2022 and March 9, 2022 3:00 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The objective of the Research and Innovation Stream of this Call for Proposals under the Skills for Success Program is to fund projects that: Support research and innovative projects to identify better ways of helping persons prepare for, return to or keep employment and be productive participants in the labour force. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not-for-profit organization • Indigenous organization including: band council tribal council • self-government entity 	https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/skills-success-research-innovation-stream.html
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Skills for Success Program – Training and Tools Stream	Open	Apply between January 26, 2022 and March 9, 2022 3:00 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The objective of this Call for Proposals under the Skills for Success (SFS) program is to fund organizations that will help Canadians at all skill levels improve their foundational and transferable skills to better prepare for, get and keep a job, and adapt and succeed at work. - 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labour union • Municipal government • Indigenous organization including: band council tribal council • self-government entity 	https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/skills-success-training-tools-stream.html

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Apprenticeship Completion Grant	Open	Progression date January 1, 2021 or later Application deadline: 12 months from progression date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Apprenticeship Completion Grant (ACG) is a one-time taxable cash grant lifetime amount of \$2,000 per person for registered apprentices. It is for registered apprentices who: Successfully complete their apprenticeship-training program, and get their journey person certification in a designated Red Seal trade. 	In order to be eligible for the grant, you must have successfully completed your apprenticeship program.	https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/apprenticeship-completion-overview.html
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Enhance Your Community Stream	Open	On-going	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Incremental improvements, repairs, and/or renovations to improve and extend the useful life of capital assets including; social and recreational facilities, municipal assets and community halls, that contribute to a healthy and vibrant community. - The implementation of priority economic development initiatives that respond to an economic opportunity and / or contribute to improved quality of life for a community and/or region 	Municipalities, Indigenous communities, not-for-profit organizations, and Local Services Boards located in Northern Ontario.	https://nohfc.ca/en/pages/programs/community-enhancement-program/enhance-your-community-stream
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Indigenous Workforce Development Stream	Open	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The intent of the Indigenous Workforce Development Stream is to strengthen and develop Northern Ontario's Indigenous workforce through business partnerships by offering internships to Indigenous persons. 	Businesses, municipalities, Indigenous communities, and not-for-profit organizations located in Northern Ontario that have been in operation for at least one year and have minimum of one full-time employee.	https://nohfc.ca/en/pages/programs/people-talent-program/indigenous-workforce-development-stream

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Workforce Development Stream	Open	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The intent of the Workforce Development Stream is to strengthen and develop Northern Ontario's workforce through business partnerships by offering internships 	For eligible municipalities, Indigenous communities and not-for-profit organizations, funding is in the form of a conditional contribution of up to 90% of an intern's salary and employer's portion of MERCs to a maximum of \$35,000 per year.	https://nohfc.ca/en/pages/programs/people-talent-program/workforce-development-stream
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Targeted Manufacturing Initiative for Northern Ontario	Open	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FedNor is committed to supporting Northern Ontario's economy by encouraging businesses to become more innovative, productive and competitive. Through its Regional Economic Growth through Innovation program, FedNor can help existing Northern Ontario manufacturers upgrade and improve capital equipment used in manufacturing processes, including information and communications technology, to improve their competitiveness and productivity. 	Eligible applicants are established manufacturers located in Northern Ontario, with 500 or fewer employees. For further clarity, established manufacturers means firms currently operating, whose primary line of business is the manufacture of a commercial product and that are planning for growth	https://fednor.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/fn04072.html
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Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program	Open	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Government is investing in the construction, expansion, and improvement of public transit infrastructure, for projects that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve the capacity of public transit infrastructure; • Improve the quality or safety of existing or future transit systems; and • Improve access to a public transit system. 	Funding through this stream is allocated according to a formula based on ridership and population, which balances the demand on existing systems, while providing support for expected population growth.	https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/plan/icp-pic-INFC-eng.html

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Ontario Business Costs Rebate Program	Open	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will support eligible businesses that are required to close or reduce capacity due to recently announced public health measures. Eligible businesses will receive rebate payments for a portion of the property tax and energy costs they incur while subject to capacity limits or a requirement to temporarily close. The rebate amount will be 50 per cent up to 100 per cent of these costs depending on the degree to which the business is subject to public health restrictions. This program is targeted to businesses that are the most financially impacted by provincially-mandated public health measures. 	N/A	https://www.app.grants.gov.on.ca/obcrp/#/home
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Ontario COVID-19 Small Business Relief Grant	Open	March 11, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Ontario Small Business Relief Grant provides a one-time payment of \$10,000 to eligible small businesses that have been required to close indoor operations as a result of the province's modified Step 2 restrictions that came into effect on January 5, 2022. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must operate an eligible business in Ontario that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • closed indoor operation as a result of the province's modified Step Two restrictions; • began operating before 2022; and • was active as of January 14, 2022 	https://www.app.grants.gov.on.ca/osbrg/#/

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Apprenticeship Incentive Grant	Open	Progression date January 1, 2021 or later Application deadline: 12 months from progression date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Apprenticeship Incentive Grant (AIG) helps you pay for expenses while you train as an apprentice in a designated Red Seal trade. 	In order to be eligible for the grant, you must have successfully completed the first year (level/block) or second year (level/block) of an approved apprenticeship program.	https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/apprenticeship-incentive-eligibility.html
Apprenticeship Incentive Grant for Women	Open	Progression date on January 1, 2021 or later Application deadline: 12 months from progression date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Helps pay for expenses while you train as an apprentice in a Designated Red Seal Trade where women are under-represented. 		https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/apprenticeship-incentive-women-overview.html