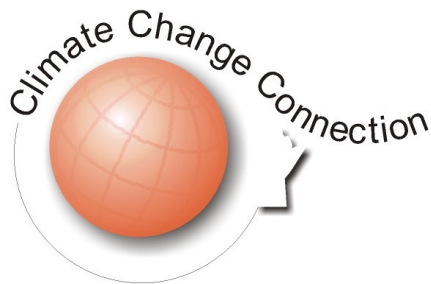


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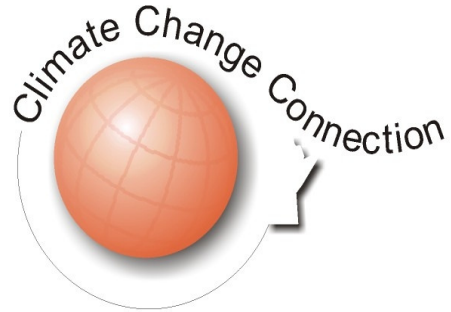
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Manitobans will be aware of climate change facts related to Manitoba and will take action to reduce their greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, both individually and as a community.

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Introduction

Climate Change Connection's goal is to assist Manitobans in creating climate-friendly communities. There are numerous sources of funding available for community projects, but finding them can be time consuming. This guide is designed to facilitate finding support for community projects that enhance sustainability and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Over 50 funding programs are included in the guide. A brief, one-page information summary on each program is provided. The description offers a general overview of each source of funding, eligibility, funding provided, deadlines, and contact information.

The information in this guide is organized by:

- Programs available nationally and provincially,
- Program name, and
- Type of sponsor.

The *Manitoba Climate Change Funding Guide* is one of the many resources produced by Climate Change Connection to help communities take action on climate change. For more information on climate change in Manitoba please contact Climate Change Connection at (204) 943-4836 or climate.connection@mts.net.

We update this guide continually but program specifications and requirements often change. You should always contact the program sponsor before applying for funding to verify that the information that you have is up-to-date and double check important details such as deadlines.

We hope that this resource will help you find the funding you need to support projects that both reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases and enhance the sustainability of your community.

City of Winnipeg Programs

Winnipeg Housing and Homelessness Initiative

Sponsored by: Governments of Canada, Manitoba, and the City of Winnipeg

The WHHI provides information on a range of housing programs specifically designed to assist homeowners and residents based on their individual needs. Renovations and repairs supported by a WHHI program may be used to make your home more energy efficient to reduce your home's carbon footprint.

Eligible:

Varies but mainly for low-income, older homes.

Fund:

Offers various programs and funding opportunities:
[Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program \(RRAP\)](#)
[Neighbourhood Housing Assistance \(NHA\)](#)
[Minimum Home Repair Program \(MHRP\)](#)
[Home Renovation Tax Assistance \(HRTA\)](#)

Please see website below for more information.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Note: The EcoEnergy Retrofit – Small and Medium Organizations program **will finish March 31, 2011**. Applications will be accepted until March 31, 2011, or when the funds are allocated, whichever comes first.

For more information:

Winnipeg Housing and Homelessness Initiative
361 Hargrave Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 2K2
Tel: (204) 940-3070
Fax: (204) 940-3077
Email: whhirecept@gov.mb.ca
Website: <http://www.whhi.ca/programshomeowners.htm>

Federal Government Programs

Canadian Industry Program for Energy Conservation (CIPEC)

Sponsored by: Natural Resources Canada

Natural Resources Canada's (NRCan's) ecoENERGY for Industry and ecoENERGY Retrofit initiatives are designed to improve industrial energy intensity and reduce energy-related industrial greenhouse gases (GHGs) and air pollution.

Eligible:

Industrial companies registered as a CIPEC leader. Eligible industries include:

- Aluminum
- Brewery
- Cement
- Chemicals
- Construction
- Dairy
- Electrical & Electronics
- Electricity Generation
- Fertilizer
- Food & Beverage
- Forestry
- Foundry
- General Manufacturing
- Lime
- Mining
- Oil Sands
- Petroleum Products
- Pipelines
- Plastics
- Pulp & Paper
- Rubber
- Steel
- Textiles
- Transportation Equipment Manufacturing
- Wood Products
- Upstream Oil & Gas

Fund:

NRCan will provide a financial incentive of up to **25 percent** of project costs to a maximum of **\$50,000** per application and **\$250,000** per corporate entity to help small- and medium-sized industrial facilities implement energy-saving projects. Funding is available for up to **50 percent** of the cost of a Process Integration Study Incentive, to a maximum of **\$50,000**. Funding is available for up to **50 percent** of the cost of a Computational Fluid Design study, to a maximum of **\$30,000**.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Industrial Programs Division
Office of Energy Efficiency
Natural Resources Canada
580 Booth Street, 18th Floor
Ottawa, ON K1A 0E4
Tel: (613) 996 - 6891
Fax: (613) 992 - 3161
Website: <http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/industrial/cipec.cfm>

CanmetENERGY – Business Development Office

Sponsored by: Natural Resources Canada

The Business Development Office seeks business partnering opportunities in the field of energy technology research and development.

Eligible:

Industry
Government
Universities
NGOs
Associations

Fund:

CanmetEnergy Business Development Office can (1) provide information about its programs and services; (2) determine if one of its programs is a good fit; (3) refer experts to assist with designing a solution to meet your energy needs; (4) facilitate the acquisition of rights to use CanmetENERGY technology; and (5) facilitate your participation in CanmetENERGY-led research initiatives.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

General Inquiries

Laura Sheppard
Junior Business Development Officer
CanmetENERGY
Natural Resources Canada
1 Haanel Drive
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A 1M1
Tel: (613) 996-7652

E-mail: Laura.Sheppard@nrcan-rncan.gc.ca

Website: http://canmetenergy-canmetenergie.nrcan-rncan.gc.ca/eng/about_us/ottawa/bdo/contact_bdo.html

Clean Energy for First Nations

Sponsored by: Centre for Indigenous Environmental Resources

CIER will work with First Nations to reduce their reliance on non-renewable resources that contribute to climate change and turn high operating costs into economic development opportunities through technologies such as wind, solar and small hydro. We will also work with First Nations who have an opportunity to generate clean energy on their land and sell power directly to the energy grid to offset non-renewable energy in other regions.

Eligible:

First Nations communities using diesel generated heat and/or power.

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Centre for Indigenous Environmental Resources
3rd Floor, 245 McDermot Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3B 0S6
Phone: (204) 956-0660
Fax: (204) 956-1895
E-mail Form: <http://www.cier.ca/about-us/contact-us.aspx?id=1736>
Website: <http://www.cier.ca/taking-action-on-climate-change/partnership-opportunities.aspx?id=306>

Cleaning Up Lake Winnipeg

Sponsored by: Environment Canada

The Government of Canada is investing \$18 million to clean up Canada's sixth-largest freshwater lake, Lake Winnipeg. This initiative, accompanied by provincial actions to clean up Lake Winnipeg, is part of the Government of Canada's Action Plan for Clean Water. Nutrient management initiatives with crop and livestock operations improve water quality and help mitigate climate change by reducing the need for synthetic fertilizers and/or improving sequestration of nutrients and carbon with habitat and soil conservation.

Eligible:

- Landowners
- Environmental groups
- Community groups (e.g. youth and seniors groups, community-based associations, service clubs)
- Small and medium sized business (eg. developers, industries etc.)
- Aboriginal organizations (e.g. First Nations Councils, Métis Associations)
- Stewardship Networks
- Watershed based organizations
- Agriculture Associations
- Educational institutions
- Industry
- Provincial/municipal governments

Fund:

Varies. The fund targets a federal contribution of one-third, and a one-third provincial contribution, but may provide up to two-thirds of total project costs. In cases where other federal programs are supporting partners in the project, the total federal contribution must **not exceed two thirds** of the total cost of the project.

Deadline(s):

For letters of intent: October 1, 2010

For Proposals: November 30, 2010

NOTE: Funding for the Lake Winnipeg Basin Stewardship Fund **ends March 31, 2012.**

For more information:

Lake Winnipeg Basin Stewardship Fund

Environment Canada

Suite 150, 123 Main Street

Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 4W2

Phone: 1-800-567-1570

Email: LW.Info@ec.gc.ca

Website: <http://www.ec.gc.ca/paae-apcw/default.asp?lang=En&n=61284017-1>

Community Pasture Program

Sponsored by: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada & Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration

The Community Pasture Program is PFRA's largest and longest-running contribution to soil conservation on the prairies.

Eligible:

Small producers in need of grazing space.

To be eligible for grazing privileges, applicants must be:

- a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant
- at least eighteen (18) years of age
- considered to be actively engaged in managing and operating a farm; and considered a bona fide farmer.

Fund:

The program is designed to help producers strengthen their operations by providing pastures as well as a breeding service. The formula used to allot grazing space is designed to benefit small producers by allocating grazing privileges in inverse proportion to land owned, leased or rented by clients. Fees are charged for all services provided on the pastures.

Deadline(s):

November 1, 2010

For more information:

Land Management Division Manager
Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration Shelterbelt Center
Tel: (306) 780-6508
Website: <http://www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher.do?id=1183491574124&lang=eng>

EcoACTION

Sponsored by: Environment Canada

Funding is available through the EcoAction Community Funding Program for projects that address Environment Canada's priority issues of Clean Air and Climate Change, Clean Water, and Nature. **Funding priority may be given to eligible projects that address Clean Air and Climate Change issues.**

Eligible:

- Community groups
- Environment groups
- Aboriginal groups
- First Nations councils
- Service clubs & associations
- Youth & senior's organizations

Fund:

\$100,000 - Requires matching funds or in-kind support from other sponsors (at least 50 percent of the total value of their project comes from sources other than the federal government).

Deadline(s):

November 1, 2010

For more information:

EcoACTION, Environment Canada
150 - 123 Main Street
Winnipeg, MB R3C 4W2
Toll-free: 1-800-567-1570
Fax: (204) 983-0964
E-mail: ecoaction.pnr@ec.gc.ca
Website: <http://www.ec.gc.ca/ecoaction/default.asp?lang=En&n=FA475FEB-1>

ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat

Sponsored by: Natural Resource Canada

EcoENERGY for Renewable Heat will invest \$36 million over four years to increase the use of renewable thermal energy by industry, commercial businesses and institutions; boost the amount of renewable thermal energy created for these sectors; and contribute to cleaner air by helping Canadian businesses use less fossil fuel-based energy for space and water heating in buildings across the country.

Eligible:

Incentives are offered to the industrial/commercial/institutional sector to install active energy-efficient solar air and/or water heating systems.

Fund:

ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat will offer an incentive to industrial, commercial and institutional purchasers of solar heating systems. The anticipated incentive amount is calculated as follows: Performance Factor x Incentive Rate (e.g. remote vs. urban) x Area of Collector (Please view website for more information: <http://www.ecoaction.gc.ca/ecoenergy-ecoenergie/heat-chauffage/index-eng.cfm>).

Deadline(s):

Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. All forms must be signed and sent to Natural Resources Canada by October 1, 2010.

Note: This program will **end March 31, 2010**.

For more information:

ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat
Renewable and Electrical Energy Division
Natural Resource Canada
615 Booth Street, Room 150
Ottawa, ON K1A 0E9
Toll-free: 1-800- 622-6232 TTY: 1-800-926-9105
Fax: (613) 943-6743
E-mail: ecoenergyrhp@nrcan.gc.ca
Website: <http://www.ecoaction.gc.ca/ecoenergy-ecoenergie/heat-chauffage/index-eng.cfm>

ecoENERGY – Renewable Power

Sponsored by: Natural Resource Canada

ecoENERGY for Renewable Power will invest \$1.48 billion to increase Canada's supply of clean electricity from renewable sources such as wind, biomass, low-impact hydro, geothermal, solar photovoltaic and ocean energy.

Eligible:

- Canadian utilities
- Businesses
- Municipalities
- Institutions
- Organizations

Organizations must be of a total rated capacity of 1 megawatt (MW) or greater, with the exception of wind energy projects that were commissioned after March 31, 2006, and before April 1, 2007, which must have a total capacity of at least 500 kilowatts (kW).

Incentive:

EcoENERGY for Renewable Power will provide an incentive of one cent per kilowatt-hour for up to 10 years to eligible low-impact, renewable electricity projects constructed over the next four years, April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2011.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.
Note: This program will **end March 31, 2011.**

For more information:

Fax : (613)-995-8343
E-mail: ecoenergyrp@nrcan.gc.ca

ecoENERGY for Renewable Power
Renewable and Electrical Energy Division
Natural Resources Canada
615 Booth, Room 160
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0E9

Website: <http://ecoaction.gc.ca/ecoenergy-ecoenergie/power-electricite/index-eng.cfm>

ecoENERGY Retrofit - Home

Sponsored by: Natural Resource Canada

The residential energy assessment initiative has been developed by the Office of Energy Efficiency of Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) to help property owners make retrofit choices that improve the comfort and energy efficiency of their home.

Eligible:

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) is offering residential energy efficiency evaluations through licensed service organizations to owners of single-family homes, including detached, semi-detached and low-rise multi-unit residential buildings (MURBs) that are no more than 3 storeys high. Also eligible are some small buildings of no more than 3 storeys for which at least 50 percent of the floor area is used as one or more permanent residences.

Energy advisers that are certified by NRCan conduct a detailed, on-site evaluation of your home's energy use from the attic down to the foundation. They then provide you with a personalized report, including a checklist of recommended retrofits to improve the energy efficiency of your home and, in some cases, reduce water consumption. The report also shows the grant amounts for each eligible upgrade that you can receive by carrying out these energy-saving improvements.

Incentive:

The maximum grant you can receive for a home is \$5,000. In the case of multi-unit residential buildings, the maximum grant receivable is \$5,000 per dwelling unit. The maximum grant for property owners with multiple properties is \$500,000.

Deadline(s):

Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. You must complete your retrofits and receive your post-retrofit evaluation by **March 31, 2011**, or within 18 months from the date of your pre-retrofit evaluation report, whichever comes first and subject to available funding.

Once you have received your post-retrofit evaluation, you can re-enter the program using the evaluation as a baseline if you would like to perform more work within a new 18-month deadline, provided you do not exceed the maximum grant of \$5,000 per dwelling unit. To re-enter the program, you must first contact your service organization to register for a new 18-month period.

Note: Only homeowners who booked a pre-retrofit evaluation by **March 31, 2010** can receive an ecoENERGY Retrofit - Homes grant.

For more information:

General Inquiries: 1-800-622-6232

TTY: 1-800-926-9105

Email form: <http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/residential/personal/contact-us.cfm?attr=4>

Website: <http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/residential/personal/retrofit-homes/retrofit-qualify-grant.cfm?attr=4>

ecoENERGY Retrofit Incentive for Buildings

Sponsored by: Natural Resources Canada's Office of Energy Efficiency (OEE)

Owners of small and medium-sized buildings in the commercial and institutional sectors often lack the financial and technical resources to make energy improvements.

Eligible:

Organizations that own, manage or lease the following types of buildings and that pay the energy bills can apply:

- Commercial and institutional buildings
- Provincial, territorial and municipal buildings
- Multi-unit residential buildings (with a common entrance and at least four storeys or a footprint of 600 square metres or more)

You can include multiple buildings in one project, but each must have an area no greater than 10,000 square metres (107,639 square feet).

When applying, you will need to provide a pre-project energy audit of your buildings.

Note: Please do not start the retrofit project or incur eligible costs until you receive written approval from Natural Resources Canada.

Incentive:

- \$10 per gigajoule of estimated annual energy savings
- up to 25 percent of eligible project costs, to a maximum of \$50,000 per project

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis but the program ends on **March 31, 2011** or when all funds are committed.

For more information:

Building Division
Office of Energy Efficiency
Natural Resources Canada
580 Booth Street
C/O Observatory #3
Ottawa ON K1A 0E4
Tel: 1-877-360-5500 or (613) 992-3245
Fax: (613) 947-4121
TTY: (613) 996-4397
Email Form: <http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/commercial/contact-us.cfm?attr=20>
Website: <http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/commercial/existing.cfm?attr=20>

ecoENERGY Retrofit Incentive for Industry

Sponsored by: Natural Resources Canada

Natural Resources Canada's (NRCan's) ecoENERGY Retrofit program is designed to help industrial facilities overcome financial barriers to improving the energy efficiency of their operations.

Eligible:

A facility can apply for a retrofit incentive once over a 12 month period. To be eligible for assistance, an industrial facility must:

- have fewer than 500 employees
- not be in a sector targeted for GHG emission regulations per the Clean Air Act. Targeted sectors include: Aluminum, Cement, Chemicals, Lime, Pulp & Paper, Wood Products, Steel smelting, Base Metal Smelting, Electricity Generation (from combustion), Upstream Oils and Gas, Petroleum Refining, Oil Sands, Natural Gas Pipelines.
- be in operation for 12 months or more
- be registered with Natural Resources Canada's (NRCan's) CIPEC Leadership Network

To be eligible for an incentive, companies **must apply** to NRCan for funding **before** incurring any costs related to the project. To be eligible for funding, a retrofit project must:

- involve capital expenditures that modifies or upgrades an **existing** building, equipment/systems or process.
- result in a measurable and verifiable reduction of energy use
- have a net simple payback period of more than one year

Fund:

NRCan will provide a financial incentive of up to **25 percent** of project costs to a maximum of **\$50,000** per application and **\$250,000** per corporate entity to help small- and medium-sized industrial facilities implement energy-saving projects.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Note: Program ends **March 31, 2011**.

For more information:

Buildings Division

Office of Energy Efficiency

Natural Resources Canada

580 Booth Street

C/O Observatory #3

Ottawa ON K1A 0E4

Tel: 1-877-360-5500

Fax: (613) 947-4121

Website: <http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/industrial/financial-assistance/retrofit/index.cfm>

Application: <http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/industrial/financial-assistance/retrofit/request.cfm?attr=24>

Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP)

Sponsored by: National Research Council Canada

The National Research Council of Canada Industrial Research Assistance Program (NRC-IRAP) provides financial support to qualified small and medium-sized enterprises in Canada to help them develop technologies for competitive advantage. NRC-IRAP operates on a shared-risk model, providing cost-shared financial assistance for research and development projects that meet both the firm and project assessment criteria.

Eligible:

To be eligible for financial assistance, your business must:

- Be a small and medium-sized enterprise in Canada, incorporated and profit-oriented
- Have 500 or less full-time equivalent employees
- Have the objective to grow and generate profits through development and commercialization of innovative, technology-driven new or improved products, services, or processes in Canada

The potential client must contact one of our Industrial Technology Advisors who work directly with many of our smaller clients to develop a technical proposal. Larger companies often come to the program with a clear technical proposal already in mind.

Fund:

Varies – Financial support may be provided for an eligible research and development project, supporting up to 100 per cent of salary costs associated with the project, or up to 75 per cent of contractor fees.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Industrial Research Assistance Program
National Research Council of Canada
435 Ellice Ave.
Winnipeg, MB R3B 1Y6
Tel: (204) 983-0092
Toll-free: 1-877-994-4727
Fax: (204) 983-8835
E-mail: publicinquiries.irap-pari@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca
Website: <http://www.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/eng/services/irap/financial-assistance.html>

Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP) – Youth Employment Strategy

Sponsored by: National Research Council Canada

The Youth Employment Strategy is the Government of Canada's commitment to help young Canadians (aged 15 to 30) obtain career information, develop skills, find good jobs and stay employed. Through federal departments and agencies, among others, the Youth Employment Strategy assists employers in hiring young Canadians.

Eligible:

To be eligible for financial assistance under the Youth Employment Program, your small and medium-sized enterprise must:

- Be incorporated and for-profit
- Have 500 or less full-time equivalents
- Be ready to enhance their innovation capacity, and willing to establish a trusting relationship with NRC-IRAP

To be eligible for the Youth Employment Program, graduates must:

- be Canadian citizens, permanent residents or persons who have been granted refugee status in Canada
- be between 15 and 30 years old (inclusive)
- have graduated from a post-secondary institution
- not be in receipt of Employment Insurance benefits
- be legally entitled to work according to relevant provincial legislation and regulations
- be a first-time youth participant in a placement of the Career Focus Program of the Youth Employment Strategy

Fund:

Varies – The maximum contribution is \$30,000 towards the salary costs of a post-secondary graduate.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Industrial Research Assistance Program
National Research Council of Canada
435 Ellice Ave.

Winnipeg, MB R3B 1Y6

Tel: (204) 983-0092

Toll-free: 1-877-994-4727

Fax: (204) 983-8835

E-mail: publicinquiries.irap-pari@nrc-cnrc.gc.ca

Website: <http://www.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/eng/services/irap/financial-assistance.html>

Manitoba Hydro Programs

Environmental Partnership Fund

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro

The Environmental Partnership Fund, which began in 1993, gives Manitoba Hydro opportunities to support environmentally worthwhile endeavors by external, not-for-profit organizations. The program provides one-time or multi-year contributions toward environmental projects that relate to our activities and have a strong environmental/energy education focus.

Eligible:

Non-profit groups for educational initiatives excluding staffing and capital expenses.

Fund:

\$5,000

Deadline(s):

Written proposal accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Linda Morin
Manitoba Hydro
820 Taylor Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3M 3T1
Tel: (204) 360-4934
Fax: (204) 360-6128
Website: http://www.hydro.mb.ca/environment/programs/partnership_fund.shtml

Forest Enhancement Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro

The Forest Enhancement Program is a practical approach for Manitoba Hydro to recognize the loss of forest cover that results from the construction of transmission lines, substations, generating stations and gas operations. Its purpose is to enhance and sustain the forest environment of the communities and regions of Manitoba by funding tree planting, forest education and innovative forest projects.

Eligible:

The Program is aimed primarily at non-profit, non-government organizations including citizen, school, youth, conservation, cultural, heritage, environmental, community and service club groups, also higher educational institutions.

Fund:

Varies depending on projects – the maximum funding (including applicable taxes):

- Small Projects (all categories) — \$5 000
- Large Scale Tree Planting and Forest Education Projects — \$20 000
- Large Innovative Projects — \$30 000

Deadline(s):

Applications may be submitted from July 1 to November 1 of each year for projects planned for implementation in the next year.

For more information:

Shane Mailey
Chairperson, Forest Enhancement Program
Manitoba Hydro
PO Box 7959 STN Main
Winnipeg, MB R3C 0J1
Website: http://www.hydro.mb.ca/environment/forest_enhancement/index.shtml

Power Smart* for Commercial Business

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro

Power Smart* products and services help businesses save on their electricity bills.

- **Agricultural Heat Pads** – Reduce your electricity costs by up to 70 per cent by switching from heat lamps to heat pads in farrowing crates.
- **Commercial Building Envelope** - Reduce air leaks and reduce heating and cooling loads by upgrading the building envelope, including air barriers, insulation, and windows.
- **Commercial Building Optimization** - Help return existing commercial buildings to their top intended performance by identifying energy conservation opportunities with short payback periods.
- **Commercial Clothes Washers** - Save up to 30 per cent on water use and up to 20 per cent on energy use — we offer incentives to help you upgrade to energy efficient, front-loading commercial clothes washers.
- **Commercial Custom Measures**- Electrical and natural gas savings and measures custom-designed for commercial buildings.
- **Commercial HVAC** - Reduce maintenance and operating costs through the use of energy efficient heating, ventilation, and cooling systems.
- **Commercial Kitchen Appliances** - Upgrade your commercial steamers and fryers to save on your annual energy bills and qualify for rebates.
- **Commercial Lighting** - Tips and incentives for installing the most appropriate energy efficient lighting in new construction and renovation projects.
- **Commercial Parking Lot Controllers** - Reduce your electricity costs by up to 50 per cent by controlling the amount of electricity going to an outdoor plug, depending on outside temperatures.
- **Commercial Refrigeration** - Check out the more than 20 different rebates offered to retail stores and restaurants that are committed to reduce their energy consumption through energy efficient equipment upgrades.
- **Earth Power (Geothermal Heat Pumps)** - Cut your heating, cooling, and water heating costs and increase comfort with energy efficient and environmentally friendly geothermal heat pumps.
- **Heat Pad Program** - We offer guidance and financial assistance to our agricultural customers to switch from heat lamps to heat pads in farrowing crates.
- **Network Energy Management Program** - Rebate available for eligible software programs that manage personal computer energy use.
- **New Buildings Program** - Design, build and operate your new building to Power Smart standards; we offer technical guidance and financial incentives.
- **Power Smart Design Standards** - Help for owners and engineering/architectural teams to develop building designs that qualify their proposed new or renovated buildings for designation as Power Smart.
- **Power Smart Energy Manager (PSEM) Program for Schools** - Providing information, training and support for Manitoba school divisions to hire dedicated Energy Managers.
- **Power Smart Shops** - Helps small business owners reduce energy and water use, and recycle waste responsibly.
- **Recreation Facilities** - Work towards reducing your facility's operating costs by completing our survey. We'll review and provide you a report that includes potential energy saving measures.
- **Religious Buildings Initiative** - Through an assessment and financial support, find out how you can reduce your energy costs.
- **Rinse and Save** - Free energy efficient pre-rinse spray valves available to restaurants and food service companies.

Eligible:

Businesses

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Contact for details

For more information:

Manitoba Hydro, Power Smart* for Business, Marketing Programs
 Tel: (204) 360-3676
 Toll-free: 1-888-MB-HYDRO
 Fax: (204) 360-6157
 E-mail: powersmartforbusiness@hydro.mb.ca
 Website: http://www.hydro.mb.ca/your_business/savings_commercial.shtml

Power Smart* for your Farm

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro

Manitoba Hydro can work with you by offering technical advice and guidance, as well as inform you about current promotional offers and incentives for your new construction or renovation projects.

Eligible:

Farms

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Contact for details

For more information:

Toll-free: 1-888-MB-HYDRO

Website: http://www.hydro.mb.ca/your_business/farm/index.shtml

Power Smart* Furnace and Boiler Replacement Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro

This program is a way for us to provide our customers with an option for a more affordable energy source that is also a more environmentally friendly, renewable, alternative fuel source.

Eligible:

Must be a Manitoba Hydro customer with an electric account and replace your current natural gas furnace or boiler with a new, high efficiency natural gas model.

- Furnaces must have a minimum efficiency of 92 per cent AFUE and a DC variable-speed motor.
- Boilers must have a minimum efficiency of 85 per cent AFUE.

Incentive:

There is a \$245 rebate offered in the form of a Manitoba Hydro natural gas bill credit for customers installing an ENERGY STAR high-efficiency furnace.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Residential Propane and Oil Furnace/ Boiler Replacement Program

Manitoba Hydro – Energy Services & Sales

P.O. Box 815, Station Main

Winnipeg, MB R3C 2P4

Toll-free: 1-888-MBHYDRO (1-888-624-9376)

E-mail: powersmartexpert@hydro.mb.ca

Website: http://www.hydro.mb.ca/your_home/replace_oil_propane_furnace/index.shtml

Power Smart* Home Insulation Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro

The Home Insulation Program offers information and rebates to homeowners who add insulation to their existing home.

Eligible:

Your home qualifies if:

- You are the homeowner and the home has an active Manitoba Hydro account.
- It is detached, semi-detached, or a mobile/modular home on a permanent foundation with a permanent water supply, and intended as a residence.
- It is your principal residence or your tenant's principal residence.

Incentive:

The following rebates are available for adding insulation to meet Power Smart recommended levels:

- Attic insulation: \$0.02 /R /square foot
- Uninsulated wall cavities: \$0.04 /R /square foot
- Walls, re-siding: \$0.10 /R /square foot
- Basement walls: \$0.02 /R /square foot
- Crawlspace: \$0.08 /R /square foot for walls; \$0.06 /R /square foot for horizontal skirt requirement (note: both requirements must be met in order to qualify for a rebate)

Rebates will be calculated based upon the difference between the insulation levels required by the applicable building codes(s) in effect at the time of construction of the home, or addition to the home, and Power Smart levels. Rebate amounts cannot exceed the material cost of the insulation measure(s) installed.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Manitoba Hydro
820 Taylor Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 2P4
Tel: (204) 480-5900
Toll-Free: 1-888-MBHYDRO
E-mail: publicaffairs@hydro.mb.ca
Website: http://www.hydro.mb.ca/your_home/home_insulation.shtml

Power Smart* Industrial Programs

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro

Power Smart* products and services help industries save on their electricity bills.

- **Bioenergy Optimization Program**
Convert your company's waste streams and by-products into fuel that produces useful heat and power.
- **Performance Optimization Program**
Increased energy efficiency through the optimization of electro-technology processes and motor-drive systems. Technical support and financial incentives are offered for feasibility studies as well as implementation.
- **Natural Gas Optimization Program**
This custom program promotes energy efficiency through the optimization of process related natural gas-fired equipment and systems. Technical support and financial incentives are offered for feasibility studies as well as implementation.
- **Energy Efficiency Screening Studies**
These studies are offered to industrial facilities at no cost to address energy efficiency potential and to identify Power Smart saving opportunities. Power Smart Lean is an additional service offered to companies who have adopted lean manufacturing principles.
- **Engineering Studies**
 - **Eco-Efficiency Solutions**
Make improvements that will lead to enhanced productivity by accessing the technical expertise and financial assistance under this program.
 - **Lighting Studies**

Eligible:

Industries

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Contact for details

For more information:

Manitoba Hydro
 Power Smart* for Industry
 P.O. Box 815, Station Main
 Winnipeg, MB R3C 2P4
 Tel: (204) 360-4698
 Toll-free: 1-888-MB-HYDRO
 Fax: (204) 360-6108
 E-mail: ICS@hydro.mb.ca
 Website: http://www.hydro.mb.ca/your_business/savings_industrial.shtml

Power Smart* New Home Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro *

The best time to install energy efficient systems is during construction of your new home. You will save energy, reduce your energy bills, enjoy more comfort, and your home will produce fewer greenhouse gas emissions.

Eligible:

New homes built to Manitoba Hydro's Power Smart New Home Silver or Gold Standard

Incentive:

For each Gold Standard qualifying home built and enrolled in the Power Smart New Home Program, the homeowner can receive:

- **A Manitoba Hydro customer incentive**
A voucher for up to \$1,000 towards the purchase of a front-loading washing machine OR \$600 rebate on a Manitoba Hydro energy bill.
- **A CMHC incentive**
A 10 per cent rebate on CMHC (Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation) mortgage loan insurance premium and eligibility to extend the amortization period with no additional mortgage insurance premium surcharge.
- **An EnerGuide for New Homes label**
This rating provides information on the energy efficiency of the new home. It enables comparison with other homes that have EnerGuide ratings.

See website for Silver Standard guidelines.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Power Smart New Home Program
Manitoba Hydro
P.O. Box 815, Station Main
Winnipeg, MB R3C 2P4
Toll-Free: 1-888-MBHYDRO
E-mail: info@newhomeprogram.ca
Website: http://www.hydro.mb.ca/your_home/new_home_program.shtml

Power Smart* Residential Loan

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro

Eligible:

Applicant must be a Manitoba Hydro customer, and the owner of the home in which energy improvements are to take place. Upgrades must be made to levels recommended by Manitoba Hydro.

Homeowners implementing any of the following energy saving renovations:

- Adding insulation,
- Installing ventilation,
- Sealing air leaks,
- Replacing windows and doors,
- Lighting,
- Electrical service and wiring,
- Replacing your toilet
- Solar water heating systems and/or
- Upgrading the efficiency of your existing furnace or water heater.

Incentive:

The maximum loan is \$7,500 and the minimum is \$500. The annual fixed interest rate is 4.9%. No down payment is required. The maximum term is 60 months. Monthly installments are included on the customer's energy bill.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Manitoba Hydro
Power Smart*
P.O. Box 815, Station Main
Winnipeg, MB R3C 2P4
Toll-free: 1-888-MB-HYDRO
E-mail: powersmartexpert@hydro.mb.ca
Website: http://www.hydro.mb.ca/your_home/residential_loan.shtml

Residential Earth Power Loan

Sponsored by: Manitoba Hydro Power Smart

The Residential Earth Power Loan assists homeowners with the cost of installing a geothermal heat pump.

Eligible:

Eligibility requirements:

- The homeowner must be a Manitoba Hydro customer who is approved for credit from Manitoba Hydro.
- The heat pump must be designed and installed by a certified contractor. The contractor must be recognized by the MGEA.
- The geothermal heat pump must be tested and rated under CSA Standard C-13256, and installed to meet CSA C448.
- Air-source heat pumps do not qualify.

Incentive:

Manitoba Hydro offers homeowners Residential Earth Power Loans of up to \$20 000 at an interest rate of 4.9% (initial 5 year fixed term) to cover the additional cost of installing a geothermal heat pump, rather than a conventional heating and cooling system. The maximum term of the loan is 15 years. The loan is conveniently paid off on your Manitoba Hydro energy bill.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Earth Power Program
PO Box 815 STN Main
Winnipeg, Manitoba
Canada R3C 2P4
Tel: (204) 474-3311
Toll-Free: 1-888-MBHYDRO
E-mail: earthpowerinfo@hydro.mb.ca
Website: <http://www.hydro.mb.ca/earthpower/loan.shtml>

Manitoba Non-Government Programs

Assiniboine Credit Union Sustainable Community Grant Program

Sponsored by: Assiniboine Credit Union

ACU invests in community leaders working to create positive solutions for environmental concerns, specifically to:

- (1) encourage action to address climate change concerns;
- (2) promote access to clean air, safe drinking water, and food security for all; and
- (3) protect and restore biodiversity and threatened ecosystems.

Eligible:

- Associations, societies, charities, cooperatives, or social enterprises (a business that has a social, environmental or cultural purpose and uses its profits to strengthen the business or otherwise achieve its intended purpose).
- An organization whose mission and values are consistent with the mission and values of Assiniboine Credit Union.

Fund:

Between \$100 and \$5000

Deadline(s):

September 10, 2010

For more information:

Nan Colledge – Community Program Manager
6th Floor 200 Main Street
Box 2, Station Main
Winnipeg R3C 2G1
Phone: (204) 258-3464
Fax: (204) 943-6798
E-mail: ncolledge@assiniboine.mb.ca

Website: <http://www.assiniboine.mb.ca/My-Community/Sponsorships---Grants/About-Sustainable-Community-Gr.aspx>

Bye Bye Beaters

Sponsored by: The Lung Association Manitoba

The objective is to remove vehicles from the road that are 1995 and older since they produce significantly higher vehicle emissions levels. New for 2009, Bye Bye Beaters is pleased to be part of the Retire Your Ride national vehicle scrappage program as the Manitoban deliver partner. Please visit www.retireyourride.ca or www.adieubazou.ca for more information on this Canada-wide program.

Eligible:

To be accepted into the Bye Bye Beaters Program your vehicle must meet the following criteria:

- You must be the registered owner of a 1995 or older car or light-duty truck (not exceeding 2,721kg/6,000 lbs).
- Your vehicle must be registered and insured in the Province of Manitoba for the last six months. If not, your vehicle may still be eligible, please call to speak with our staff.
- The vehicle must be operational.
- There are no outstanding liens or encumbrances on the vehicle.

Incentive:

One of the below:

- A \$500 voucher to be used toward the purchase or lease of a 2004 or newer vehicle.
- Donate your automobile. Vehicles are towed free of charge and recycled. The donor receives a **tax receipt** in the amount of \$100. (Only option that does not require your vehicle to be registered to receive a tax receipt.)
- Winnipeg Transit EcoPass - choose between two options:
 - five free monthly passes within the year of participation - a \$364 value;
 - 12 consecutive monthly passes at a cost of \$40 per month - a \$393.60 savings plus an additional \$72 deduction on your federal income tax return.
- Get a one year Brandon Transit pass free, a \$744 value!
- Adult or Youth Bicycle. Receive a \$100 gift certificate towards an adult or youth bicycle at either Woodcock Cycle Works Inc. in Winnipeg, Manitoba or A&L Get Active in Brandon, Manitoba.
- \$300.00 cash

Deadline(s):

Cars accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Bye Bye Beaters
 The Lung Association of Manitoba
 629 McDermot Avenue
 Winnipeg, MB R3A 1P6
 Telephone: (204) 772-0858
 Fax: (204)772-5083
 E-mail: manitoba@retireyourride.ca
 Website: <http://www.mb.lung.ca/beaters/>

Manitoba Community Services Council Grants

Sponsored by: Manitoba Community Services Council Incorporated

The Manitoba Community Services Council (MCSC) awards grants to successful applicants in the form of monies, bingos or a combination of the two. It is one application process. MCSC makes the decision on the type and amount to fund. There is a great deal of flexibility with the funding and thus may include climate change initiatives.

Eligible:

Non profit, volunteer community service, social service, recreation, and health-related organizations in Manitoba.

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis. Usually 3-4 month period between receipt of an application and Council's decision on funding.

For more information:

Manitoba Community Services Council Inc.
102-90 Garry Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3C 4H1
Phone: (204) 940-4450
Fax: (204) 453-2692
E-mail address: applications@mbcsc.ca
Website: www.mbcsc.ca/grants

Manitoba Livestock Manure Management Initiative

Sponsored by: Manitoba Livestock Manure Management Initiative Incorporated

The goal of the MB Livestock Manure Management Initiative is to foster sustainable development of the livestock industry in Manitoba in an environmentally sound and community friendly manner such as the reduction of Greenhouse gases from hog production operations.

Eligible:

Individuals
Organizations

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Manitoba Livestock Manure Management Initiative Inc.
812 - 401 York Ave.
Winnipeg, MB R3C 0P8
Tel: (204) 945-2122
Fax: (204) 948-2844
E-mail: brandy.street@gov.mb.ca
Website: <http://www.manure.mb.ca/>

Manitoba Rural Adaptation Council (MRAC)

Funded by: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

MRAC channels funding that flows from the Canadian Agricultural Adaptation Program (CAAP), a five-year, \$163 million program that aims to help farmers across the country exercise leadership in advancing the agricultural sector and provide them with opportunities to work with others to find solutions to shared challenges.

Eligible:

Individuals, organizations, associations, cooperatives, marketing boards, corporations, aboriginal groups, non-profit organizations and for-profit companies are eligible to apply to MRAC for CAAP funds.

Fund:

MRAC will fund up to \$300,000 of total eligible cash costs of a proposed project. Collective Outcome projects are now eligible for \$500,000 of total eligible cash costs of a proposed Manitoba led project that demonstrates greater industry collaboration amongst national, multi-regional and regional stakeholders.

Deadline(s):

4 application deadlines: February 15, April 15, June 30, September 15, and November 30

For more information:

Manitoba Rural Adaptation Council
700 – One research Road.
Winnipeg, MB R3T 6E3
Tel: (204) 982-4790
Fax: (204) 982-4794
Toll-free: 1-800-216-9767
E-mail: mracinfo@mrac.ca
Website: www.mrac.ca/content/funding-programs

Richardson Foundation

Funded by: Richardson International Limited

The Richardson Foundation endeavours to support registered Canadian charities in the following areas: the Visual and Performing Arts, Education, Youth Initiatives and Environmental Issues. Be creative to increase awareness about, and/or take action against, climate change!

Eligible:

Organizations with a Registered Charitable Organization Number. The Foundation does not support health care/health care initiatives, religious or sectarian organizations and conferences/seminars. Under Canada Revenue guidelines, support from this source cannot be directed to an individual under any circumstances.

Fund:

Application forms and/or guidelines are not provided. Submit detailed written proposals to local Richardson International business locations. Requests received by these companies are passed along to Head Office with a recommendation from the manager or management group at the location involved. In turn, these proposals are reviewed individually on their own merit by the Board of Trustees of the Richardson Foundation.

Be sure to include a brief overview on your organization, the nature of your request, status of a campaign/project, other sources of funding, recent budgetary information, as well as your Registered Charitable Organization Number.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Kelly Harris
Executive Director
Richardson Foundation
Email: Kelly.Harris@jrsl.ca
Website:
<http://www.jrsl.ca/innerpage.aspx?x=P2qblHivXac1ZJqacEhkut4EkJe7WPyk90k5pZtzeg3HlpF%2bmHZZ4HpCe%2b8xSfWd>

The Winnipeg Foundation

Sponsored by: The Winnipeg Foundation

The Winnipeg Foundation makes grants to local registered charities in the areas of community services, education, health, arts and culture, heritage, recreation and the environment.

Eligible:

Registered charitable organizations

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Grant requests **less than \$100,000** can be submitted on one of the three following dates:

- January 30 for decision in May
- April 30 for decision in September
- September 30 for decision in January

Grant requests **\$100,000 and greater** (including multi-year projects where the total request is \$100,000 or over) can be submitted once per year:

- December 30 for decision in June

For more information:

The Winnipeg Foundation

1350 One Lombard Place

Winnipeg, MB R3B 0X3

Tel: (204) 944-9474

Fax: (204) 942-2987

E-mail: info@wpgfdn.org

Website: www.wpgfdn.org

Online Application: <http://www.wpgfdn.org/grantsagency-communitygrantsapply.php>

The Winnipeg Foundation – EnviroGrants Program

Sponsored by: The Winnipeg Foundation

The Winnipeg Foundation’s EnviroGrants pilot program awards grants of up to \$5,000 to charitable organizations taking concrete steps toward more sustainable operations.

Eligible:

Registered charitable organizations

Fund:

Varies, up to \$5000.00.

Deadline(s):

Grant requests **less than \$100,000** can be submitted on one of the three following dates:

- April 15 for decision in May
- October 15 for decision in November

For more information:

Megan Tate
The Winnipeg Foundation
1350 One Lombard Place
Winnipeg, MB R3B 0X3
Tel: (204) 944-9474
Fax: (204) 942-2987
E-mail: mtate@wpgfdn.org
Website: www.wpgfdn.org
Online Application: <http://www.wpgfdn.org/grantsagency-envirogrants.php>

Thomas Sill Foundation

Sponsored by: Thomas Sill Foundation Incorporated

The Thomas Sill Foundation exists to provide encouragement and financial assistance to qualifying organizations operating in Manitoba that are working to advance the quality of life in the province.

Eligible:

Organizations which are resident in Manitoba, and which possess a charitable registration number, are eligible to submit a request for funding. Formal applications can be obtained by telephoning the Foundation's office. They are not available online.

Fund:

Varies - the Foundation provides primarily capital grants. Secondly, pilot or demonstration projects also receive consideration. Operating grants are rarely issued, and when awarded are usually for start-up purposes.

Deadline(s):

There are no deadlines by which applications must be submitted. The Foundation meets regularly to render decisions on grant requests. Applicants should allow four months, from the submission of a request, to receive a response.

For more information:

Hugh Arklie, Executive Director
Thomas Sill Foundation
115 Plymouth Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R2X 2T3
Tel: (204) 947-3782
Fax: (204) 956-4702
Website: www.thomassillfoundation.com

Manitoba Provincial Government Programs

Agricultural Sustainability Initiative

Sponsored by: Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

The **Agricultural Sustainability Initiative (ASI)** provides funding to Manitoba producer groups and provincial commodity organizations to conduct demonstrations or technology transfer projects on environmentally sustainable agriculture practices throughout the province. The goal of the ASI program is to improve the health of agricultural ecosystems in Manitoba by encouraging adoption of these sustainable agriculture practices.

Eligible:

Manitoba producer groups and provincial commodity organizations may apply for ASI funding.

Applicants must:

- have an interest in agricultural sustainability
- be legal groups representing farmers in their geographic areas
- identify partnership funding and in-kind contributions from other partners

Fund:

- **Applied investigation of demonstration projects**
These projects improve sustainable farming practices, such as introduction of new crops, field-scale testing of equipment, or diagnostic plots to measure crop nutrition or pest control.
- **Transfer or sharing of technology and information**
These projects include extension services and demonstration of proven management methods and technology. Activities could include workshops and field days for producers, news releases and articles, newsletters or technical bulletins on activities and projects and publication of industry guidelines.
- **Economic Analysis**
These projects measure the economic impact or merit of projects, commodities, practices and systems.

Deadline(s):

To be determined: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/research/asi/asi01s00.html>

For more information:

Kim Wolfe - Agricultural Sustainability Initiative Program Coordinator
MAFRI
P.O. Box 1240, 810 Philips Street
Portage la Prairie, MB R1N 3J9
T (204) 871-4373
F (204) 239-3180
E-mail: kim.wolfe@gov.mb.ca
Website: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/research/asi/index.html>

Agri-Food Research and Development Initiative

Sponsored by: Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

This program funds innovation in agri-food production and processing. Priority is given to projects that create new farm income sources, growth in the value-added sector and lower primary production costs. By improving food production and processing efficiency farmers can reduce their primary production costs and reduce their greenhouse gas emissions.

Eligible:

- farmers
- agri-processors
- research institutions
- entrepreneurs and businesses
- commodity associations, co-operatives
- First Nations
- other legal entities engaged in innovative agriculture projects

Fund:

The program's target is to provide 50 per cent of the funds for approved projects. Funds are available for, but are not limited to:

- project labour costs (excluding salary/wages paid to the business owner or principal)
- materials and equipment operating costs
- facility and equipment leasing or rent
- travel and accommodation
- workshop and meeting expenses
- service agreements
- administration
- legal costs directly related to the project

Deadline(s):

To be determined: <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/programs/index.php?name=aaa14s09>

For more information:

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Growing Opportunities Office
 (<http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/contact/agoffices.html>);
 or call Manitoba Government Inquiry at 1-866-626-4862 for the GO Office nearest you.
 Website: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/research/ardi/purpose.html>

Biomass Energy Development and Bioproducts Strategy

Sponsored by: Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

Manitoba's Agri-Energy office is working with producers to develop opportunities for the use of biomass energy. The benefits of pelletizing crop residues and dedicated perennial crops are being studied, which will ultimately enhance environmental stewardship and energy self-sufficiency on the farm.

Eligible:

- Producers

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Varies

For more information:

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Growing Opportunities Office
(<http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/contact/agoffices.html>);
or call Manitoba Government Inquiry at 1-866-626-4862 for the GO Office nearest you.
Website: <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/programs/index.php?name=aaa19s19>

Climate-Friendly Farm Woodlot Practices

Sponsored by: Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

This program will enhance carbon sequestration and ecological resilience by rejuvenating woodlots. It will also stimulate rural economic development and bioenergy crop options in Manitoba. The province will provide extension services to farm producers to implement sustainable woodlot management and build capacity for bioenergy production. It will provide direct payments to producers to implement best management practices supporting environmentally sensitive logging and regeneration. It will also provide training to micro-forestry entrepreneurs to minimize the environmental impacts of logging and maximize economic returns.

Eligible:

Individual landowners

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Growing Opportunities Office
(<http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/contact/agoffices.html>);
or call Manitoba Government Inquiry at 1-866-626-4862 for the GO Office nearest you.
Website: <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/programs/index.php?name=aaa19s19>

Small Business Venture Capital Tax Credit (SBVCTC)

Sponsored by: Manitoba Competitiveness, Training and Trade

Formerly the Community Enterprise Investment Tax Credit (CEITC). The SBVCTC was established to encourage more investors to partner with growing businesses in need of equity capital to continue growing. The SBVCTC program is intended to assist eligible small corporations to raise incremental equity capital. In some cases, businesses may use the capital for "green" initiatives such as upgrading or purchasing of new equipment or technologies, etc.

Eligible:

The criteria to be considered an eligible small business corporation is as follows:

- the business must be a Canadian-controlled private corporation;
- all or substantially all of the carrying value of the assets must be used principally in an active business;
- the revenue of the business must principally be from one or more active businesses that are not ineligible activities;
- have either 50 or less full time equivalent employees, or less than \$15,000,000 in gross revenue;
- the small corporation has at least \$25,000 in stated capital;
- 25% of the employees are resident in Manitoba; and
- The corporation can not be a reporting issuer as defined in *The Securities Act*.

In brief, ineligible activities include:

- providing professional services;
- providing management, administrative, financial or other similar services;
- leasing, developing or selling real property;
- exploring for, developing or processing mineral, oil and gas resources;
- farming, fishing, hunting or similar activity;
- holding, operating or granting franchises;
- operating a restaurant, lounge, bar or similar establishment; and
- performing arts, amusement or gaming activities.

Fund:

The SBVCTC will assist eligible small corporations to issue new equity to primarily new investors. The small corporation will be able to issue from \$100,000 up to a limit of \$5,000,000 of new equity that will be eligible investments for the SBVCTC. The SBVCTC is not a tax benefit for the eligible corporation.

Eligible investors who purchase eligible investments are able to earn a 30% non-refundable provincial tax credit up to an annual limit of \$135,000 in provincial tax credits. From the \$135,000 of earned provincial tax credits the investor can claim on its income tax return an annual limit of \$45,000 in provincial tax credits and carry forward unused provincial tax credits for ten years.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Doug Frye – Senior Project Manager
 Manitoba Entrepreneurship, Training and Trade
 Financial Services
 1040 – 259 Portage Avenue
 Winnipeg, Manitoba R3B 3P4
 Phone: (204) 945-5839
 Toll Free: 1-800-282-8069
 Fax: (204) 945-1193
 Website: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/ctt/busdev/financial/index.html>

Community Places Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Tourism

The Community Places Program provides funding and planning assistance to non-profit community organizations for facility construction, upgrading, expansion or acquisition projects. Eligible projects are those which provide sustainable recreation and wellness benefits to communities.

Eligible:

Eligible to apply are non-profit community organizations throughout Manitoba with the exception of public schools, universities, hospitals, nursing homes, businesses, commercial co-operatives and federal, provincial and City of Winnipeg departments and agencies.

Fund:

Up to 50% of the first \$15,000 of project costs and up to 1/3 of project costs over that amount. The maximum grant is \$50,000.

Deadline(s):

December 15, 2010

For more information:

Central Region:

225 Wardrop St.
Morden, MB R6M 1N4
Tel: (204) 822-5418
E-mail: gisele.timmerman@gov.mb.ca

Eastman Region:

Box 50, 20 1st St. S
Beausejour, MB R0E 0C0
Tel: (204) 268-6018
E-mail: roger.langlais@gov.mb.ca

Interlake Region:

Box 1519, 62 2nd Ave.
Gimili, MB R0C 1B0
Tel: (204)642-6006
E-mail: dave.cain@gov.mb.ca

Norman Region The Pas:

Box 2550, 3rd St. and Ross Ave.
The Pas, MB R9A 1M4
Tel: (204) 627-8213
E-mail: wayne.huculak@gov.mb.ca

Norman Region Thompson:

59 Elizabeth Dr.
Thompson, MB R8N 1X4
Tel: (204) 677-6780
E-mail: sam.antila@gov.mb.ca

Parkland Region:

Box 14, 27 2nd Ave., S.W.
Dauphin, MB R7N 3E5
Tel: (204) 622-2022
E-mail: david.bosiak@gov.mb.ca

Westman Region:

Room 146, 340 9th St.
Brandon, MB R7A 6C2
Tel: (204) 726-6066
E-mail: kris.doull@gov.mb.ca

Winnipeg Office:

3rd Floor-213 Notre Dame Ave.
Winnipeg, MB R3B 1N3
Tel: (204) 945-0502
E-mail: mcpp@gov.mb.ca

Website: www.gov.mb.ca/chc/grants/cpp.html

Crop Residue Burning Reduction Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

The program will provide a comprehensive approach to address the issue of crop-residue burning and the resulting greenhouse gas emissions, air quality, human health concerns and farm crop-management challenges that arise from this practice. This program will also provide feedstock opportunities for the bio-economy such as bio-energy, fibre and other bioproducts.

Eligible:

Varies

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Varies

For more information:

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Growing Opportunities Office
(<http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/contact/agoffices.html>);
or call Manitoba Government Inquiry at 1-866-626-4862 for the GO Office nearest you.
Website: <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/programs/index.php?name=aaa19s19>

Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) Grants

Sponsored by: Manitoba Education and Manitoba Hydro

Manitoba Education and Manitoba Hydro want to support schools in which educators work together to plan and teach ESD.

The **objectives** of the grant are to:

1. Support schools in their efforts to help students acquire the knowledge, skills, values, and life practices that contribute to a sustainable future.
2. Contribute to effective practices in education for sustainable development.
3. Provide students with opportunities to make decisions and analyze sustainability.

Eligible:

Kindergarten to Grade 12 English, Français and French Immersion public schools in Manitoba are eligible to apply. Applications from urban, rural and northern public schools are encouraged.

Fund:

Up to \$2,000

Deadline(s):

February 11, 2011.

For more information:

Education for Sustainable Development Grants

Manitoba Education
Instruction, Curriculum and Assessment Branch
1567 Dublin Avenue
Winnipeg MB R3E 3J1
Telephone: (204) 945-6943
Toll-Free: 1-800-282-8069, extension 6943
Fax: (204) 945-1704
Email: anne.macdiarmid@gov.mb.ca
website: http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/esd/grant/esd_11.html

Environmental Farm Action Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

This program supports agricultural producers in reducing identified environmental risks and improving the management of Manitoba's agricultural land. The goal is to reduce identified risks and improve management of water resources, air quality, soil productivity and wildlife habitats.

Eligible:

Eligible applicants include individuals, partnerships or operations incorporated under federal and/or provincial laws. Applicants must own, rent, lease, manage or control agricultural land used to produce agricultural products. Applicants must have completed an [Environmental Farm Plan](#), or an Equivalent Agri-Environmental Plan, and have received a valid Statement of Completion.

Fund:

There is a catalogue that lists the BMP categories, practices; cost-shared funding levels in Manitoba and eligibility details. For each category, limits on the funding cost-share are indicated, as is maximum funding available through the program for each farm entity. The maximum amount payable to one farm entity under EFAP is \$160,000.

Deadline(s):

February 1, April 1, June 1, September 1 and November 1 until March 31, 2013.

For more information:

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Growing Opportunities Office
(<http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/contact/agoffices.html>);
or call Manitoba Government Inquiry at 1-866-626-4862 for the GO Office nearest you.
Website: <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/programs/index.php?name=aaa19s15>

Environmental Youth Corps (EYC)

Sponsored by: Manitoba Conservation

The EYC program allows Manitoba youth the opportunity to become involved in a variety of environmental activities. Financial assistance is available to Project Sponsors planning to carry out activities such as community clean-ups or creating green space.

Eligible:

Charitable and voluntary organizations, environmental organizations, service clubs & local government organizations (inc. municipalities, band councils & aboriginal organizations), educational institutions & student groups.

Fund:

Sponsors approved under the program will be eligible for financial assistance up to a maximum of \$5,000, to help cover project costs such as materials and supplies, equipment rental, transportation and wind up events. Financial assistance may be provided in the form of wages, honorarium or stipend for a Project Coordinator. The position must be staffed by a youth between the ages of 16 to 24. The project is to involve the participation of Manitoba youth between the ages of 5 to 24 on a voluntary basis.

To receive funding support, projects must address concerns relating to environmental protection, enhancement, rehabilitation, conservation, and/or resource management. Environmental projects eligible for funding include, but are not restricted to, waste minimization, protection of flora and fauna, rehabilitation of the natural environment, and habitat preservation.

Deadline(s):

Applications are reviewed several times per year.

For more information:

Pollution Prevention Branch
Manitoba Conservation
123 Main St, Suite 160
Winnipeg, MB R3C 1A5

Tel: (204) 945-8443

Toll-free: 1-800-282-8069 (ext. 8443)

Fax: (204) 945-1211

E-mail: sdif@gov.mb.ca

Website: www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/pollutionprevention/eyc/index.html

Hometown – Tree Planting

Sponsored by: Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

The program provides financial support for community greening initiatives for rural municipalities and town organizations. Eligible projects include parks, golf courses, or entrances to communities.

Eligible:

- Non-profit community organization, municipality, northern community council, or cooperative.
- Project must have community support.
- Must purchase trees from a Manitoba based nursery.

Fund:

Hometown Tree Planting will contribute up to 1/2 of total eligible project costs, to a maximum of \$5,000. The applicant will make up the balance of eligible costs, in cash or in-kind (to a maximum of 25% of the project costs or \$2,500, whichever is less).

Deadline(s):

March 15, 2011

For more information:

Any GO TEAM office or Centre:

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/contact/agoffices.html>

URBAN GO TEAM

Urban GO Centre

13-59 Scurfield Boulevard

Winnipeg, Manitoba R3Y 1V2

Tel: (204) 981-8416

Toll-free: 1-800-567-7334

Website: www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/ri/community/ria01s04.html

Manitoba Geothermal Energy Incentive Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Science, Technology, Energy, and Mines (STEM)

The Province of Manitoba provides support of geothermal through a refundable tax credit that is retroactive to April 2007 and a provincial grant program effective January, 2009.

Eligible:

The Manitoba Geothermal Energy Alliance (MGEA) will work with Manitobans in assessing geothermal options for their specific needs, providing accredited installers and accessing various provincial, federal and Manitoba Hydro incentives. For more information on the MGEA, visit www.mgea.ca.

Fund:

- For geothermal installations in new homes, Manitobans can receive up to \$3,000 in incentives including a refundable Green Energy Equipment Tax Credit worth about \$2,000, and a \$1,000 grant for homes in natural gas serviced areas of the Province.
- For conversions in existing homes, Manitobans can also receive a refundable Green Energy Tax Credit worth about \$2,000. When included with existing federal ecoENERGY retrofit grants, homeowners can receive up to \$6,375 in incentives.
- Owners of commercial buildings and apartments may be eligible to receive up to 10 per cent of the value of their installed systems.
- Building owners who install new district geothermal service systems may be eligible to receive up to \$150,000.
- Manitoba heat pump manufacturers can receive up to 5 per cent of the price for heat pumps made and sold for use in the province.

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Manitoba Geothermal Energy Incentive Program
Manitoba Science, Technology, Energy and Mines
1200-155 Carlton Street
Winnipeg, MB R3C 3H8
Website: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/stem/energy/geothermal/incentives.html>

Manitoba Lotteries Corporation Community Support Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Lotteries Corporation

Manitoba Lotteries Corporation (MLC) promotes the social and economic well being of communities through the Community Support Program. MLC generally provides event-focused support including climate change related events.

Eligible:

Charitable and voluntary organizations, environmental organizations, service clubs & local government organizations (inc. municipalities, band councils & aboriginal organizations). MLC does not provide funding for events or activities primarily serving or marketed to children and youth.

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Proposals accepted on an ongoing basis. All submissions should be mailed at least 90 business days prior to an event.

For more information:

Chrystal Robert
Director, Community Support & Partnerships
Manitoba Lotteries Corporation
842 Milt Stegall Drive
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3G 3L4
Tel: (204) 957-2500 ext. 8464
Fax: (204) 957-4934
Website: <http://www.mlc.mb.ca/MLC/content.php?pageid=240&langdir=E>

Manitoba Sustainable Agriculture Practices Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

Sustainable agriculture is a provincial priority and this program is designed to:

- help meet the provincial climate change goals and move to a low-carbon, greener economy
- provide environmental, social and economic benefits, including improved soil and water quality
- help farmers adopt best management practices and meet greenhouse gas reduction targets
- help the province benefit from improved water quality, reduced production costs and increased rural economic development
- help farms and rural communities adapt to climate changes (ex: extreme weather, droughts and pests)

Combined with the [Environmental Farm Action Program](#), this program will improve producers' stewardship of the land, water, air and biodiversity resources and local and global confidence in the safety and environmental sustainability of Manitoba-grown food products.

Eligible:

Eligible applicants include individuals, partnerships and operations incorporated under federal, provincial or territorial laws. Applicants must own, rent, lease, manage or control agricultural land used to produce agricultural products. Applicants must have completed an [Environmental Farm Plan](#), or an Equivalent Agri-Environmental Plan, and have a valid Statement of Completion.

Fund:

There is a catalogue that lists the BMP categories, practices, cost-shared funding levels in Manitoba and eligibility details. For each category, limits on the funding cost-share are indicated, as is maximum funding available through the program for each farm entity. The maximum amount payable to one farm entity under MSAPP is \$100,000.

Funding through MSAPP has also been provided for research and development projects and extension activities.

Deadline(s):

February 1, April 1, June 1, September 1 and November 1 until March 31, 2012.

For more information:

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Growing Opportunities Office
<http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/contact/agoffices.html>;
 or call Manitoba Government Inquiry at 1-866-626-4862 for the GO Office nearest you.
 Website: <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/programs/index.php?name=aaa19s19>

Manitoba Water Services Board

Sponsored by: Manitoba Water Stewardship

The Manitoba Water Services Board (MWSB) assists rural residents outside Winnipeg in developing safe and sustainable water and/or sewerage facilities.

The Board's primary objectives are to ensure that public health and/or environmental concerns are alleviated; and to ensure the sustainability of rural communities. Fulfillment of these objectives will support and promote sustainable community development activities.

Eligible:

- Municipalities
- Water cooperatives

Fund:

The Board provides technical and financial assistance to municipalities and water co-operatives for:

- Obtaining, development, transmission, distribution and control of water supplies.
- Collection, treatment and disposal of municipal sewage in a manner consistent with environmental sustainability.

Deadline(s):

Varies

For more information:

Manitoba Water Services Board
P.O. Box 22080
2022 Currie Boulevard
Brandon, Manitoba R7A 6Y9
Tel: (204) 726-6076
Fax: (204) 726-6290
E-mail: mwsb@gov.mb.ca
Website: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/mit/mwsb/index.html>

Organic Transition Program

Sponsored by: Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives

The Manitoba Organic Transition Program (MOTP) will provide financial incentives for Manitoba farmers and processors considering converting their cropland, pasture, livestock and/or processing to certified organic status. Many sustainable farm practices are already being undertaken by organic farmers. MAFRI has established an office specializing in organic farming support. Organic farming may include many practices that benefit climate protection including zero synthetic fertilizer use, crop rotation, cover crops, integrated farming systems and integrated pest management practices.

Eligible:

- Producers
- Processors

Fund:

MOTP will reimburse up to two-thirds of the cost of certification fees paid by Manitoba operators to an organic certification agency during the formal transition period to full organic status. The maximum contribution is \$800 per year for two years.

Deadline(s):

November 30

For more information:

Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives Growing Opportunities Office
(<http://www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/contact/agoffices.html>);
or call Manitoba Government Inquiry at 1-866-626-4862 for the GO Office nearest you.
Website: <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/agriculture/programs/index.php?name=aaa01s22>

Sustainable Development Innovations Fund (SDIF)

Sponsored by: Manitoba Conservation

The SDIF provides funding for the development, implementation and promotion of environmental innovation and sustainable development projects delivered by local governments, industry, community and youth groups, Aboriginal organizations, and First Nation communities.

The SDIF provides grants through several priority program areas. Proposed projects must address one or more priority area and achieve or demonstrate measurable progress toward achieving the fund's objectives. They must also be environmentally and ecologically sound, promote a sustainable approach, have clear environmental benefits and take into account benefits to the community and the economy. Projects should also demonstrate the involvement of youth where possible.

Eligible:

Municipal corporations, local governments, including Northern Affairs and First Nation communities, private and non-profit organizations and businesses, educational institutions, youth groups and community associations are eligible to submit project proposals. Individuals, or groups excluded from the above list, may submit a joint application with an eligible applicant.

Fund:

Funding of up to \$25,000. Projects eligible for funding for amounts over \$25,000 will be subject to the review and approval process of the Provincial Government Treasury Board. Grants will generally not exceed \$50,000.

Deadline(s):

5 application deadlines: April 15, June 15, August 15, October 15, and December 15

For more information:

Manitoba Conservation
 Pollution Prevention Branch
 160 – 123 Main Street
 Winnipeg, MB R3C 1A5
 Tel: (204) 945-8443
 Toll free: 1-800-282-8069, ext. 8443
 Fax: (204) 945-1211
 E-mail: sdif@gov.mb.ca
 Website: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/pollutionprevention/sdif/sdifopen.html>

Trees for Tomorrow

Sponsored by: Manitoba Conservation

As part of the Manitoba government's action plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 2012, the *Trees for Tomorrow* program is committed to planting over one million trees a year in Manitoba over the next four years – for a total of five million over five years.

To deliver this program, the Province of Manitoba has partnered with the Manitoba Forestry Association (MFA) — a non-profit charitable organization dedicated to public education about trees and forests. The MFA will work with other organizations, partners and landowners to submit application forms, determine site eligibility, and coordinate tree planting. As an educational organization the MFA will also be available to answer your tree planting and tree care questions.

Eligible:

Landowners interested in planting trees on their property.

Fund:

Depending on your parcel of land, and on the plan we develop with you, *Trees for Tomorrow* could provide you with a free program:

- including a site inspection,
- the development of a site plan,
- free seedlings,
- site preparation,
- overseeing the planting,
- tending the young trees, and...
- follow-up survival assessments.

Just want a few tree seedlings?

Watch for the Trees for Tomorrow display at various events throughout the province to pick up your free tree seedlings (limit ten per person).

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis. View website or contact number below for tree giveaway events.

For more information:

Manitoba Conservation
 Forestry Branch
 200 Saulteaux Crescent, Box 70
 Winnipeg, Manitoba CANADA
 R3J 3W3
 Telephone: (204) 945-7989
 E-mail: forestinfo@gov.mb.ca
 Website: <http://manitoba.ca/conservation/forestry/t4t.html>

Waste Reduction & Pollution Prevention (WRAPP) Fund

Sponsored by: Manitoba Conservation

The Waste Reduction and Pollution Prevention (WRAPP) Fund supports projects that focus on waste reduction, pollution prevention, and integrated waste management practices.

The WRAPP Fund is a broad allocation of the Sustainable Development Innovations Fund (SDIF).

Eligible:

Municipal corporations, local governments, including Northern Affairs and First Nation communities, private and non-profit organizations and businesses, educational institutions, youth groups and community associations are eligible to submit project proposals. Individuals, or groups excluded from the above list may submit a joint application with an eligible applicant.

Fund:

Maximum grant per individual project is \$50,000. As a guideline, at least 50% of total project support — either cash contributions or in-kind support — should come from project proponents or sponsors other than the Province of Manitoba. In-kind support may include donations of equipment, materials, office space, volunteer time and professional services.

Deadline(s):

April 15, June 15, August 15, October 15, and December 15, 2009

For more information:

Manitoba Conservation
Pollution Prevention Branch
160 -123 Main Street
Winnipeg MB R3C 1A5
Tel: (204) 945-8443
Toll-free: 1-800-282-8069 ext. 8443
Fax: (204) 945-1211
E-mail: sdif@gov.mb.ca
Website: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/pollutionprevention/wrapp/wrappfund.html>

Water Stewardship Fund

Sponsored by: Manitoba Water Stewardship

The WSF provides financial assistance to develop, implement and promote projects that maintain or improve the stewardship of Manitoba's water.

The objectives:

- The fund supports and promotes research projects and activities that further the goals of *The Water Protection Act*.
- The fund encourages the development and implementation of watershed management plans, water conservation programs and water quality initiatives.
- The fund stimulates economic development and diversification that will improve the quality of life and the environment in Manitoba.

Eligible:

- local governments
- conservation districts
- private and non-profit organizations and businesses
- industries
- educational institutions
- Aboriginal organizations
- communities
- youth groups

Fund:

Grants are generally limited to \$25,000 per project, but may be considered for more. Multi-year projects may also be considered, but would require grant applications and annual reports to be submitted for review and approval every year.

Deadline(s):

November 15 for fall funding & April 15 for spring funding

For more information:

The Water Stewardship Fund
 Manitoba Water Stewardship
 Planning and Coordination Branch
 Box 11, 200 Saulteaux Crescent
 Winnipeg, MB R3J 3W3
 Tel: (204) 945-5965
 Toll Free: 1-800-214-6497
 Fax : (204) 945-7419
 E-mail : wsf@gov.mb.ca
 Website: http://www.gov.mb.ca/waterstewardship/water_info/wsf/index.html

National Corporate Programs

Community Investment Program

Sponsored by: Dupont Canada

DuPont seeks to improve the quality of life and enhance the vitality of the communities in which it operates, through financial contributions, knowledge partnerships, and local involvement.

Donations are available in pursuit of the following segments:

- Education, Science and Technology
- Social Innovation
- Sustainability

Eligible:

Non-profit organizations operating in communities where Dupont has operations.

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Community Investing Committee
E.I. du Pont Canada Company
Box 2200, Streetsville
Mississauga, ON L5M 2H3

Telephone: (905) 821-3300

Website: http://www2.dupont.com/Social_Compmitment/en_CA/outreach/index.html

Honda Canada Foundation

Sponsored by: Honda Canada Foundation

The Honda Canada Foundation was created to lend a hand to those registered charities that work to make valuable contributions to Canadians. We greatly admire the generosity of spirit and time that charitable groups display - and want to help them meet the challenges they face.

Our focus on communities is reflected in the Foundation logo. Each red arrow represents the three communities the Foundation reaches out to: education, environment, and engineering. The fourth arrow shows the connection of the Honda Canada Foundation as a contributor to these three communities.

Eligible:

The Honda Canada Foundation will make grants to charitable groups with CRA status such as:

- Educational institutions (primary, secondary, college, university)
- Charitable non-profit organizations
- Scientific and educational charitable non-profit groups
- Education-research organizations
- Other, tax exempt, national institutions in the fields of education, environment, and engineering

Fund:

Provides both cash and in-kind donations

Deadline(s):

August 1, 2010 and February 1, 2010

For more information:

Honda Canada Foundation

E-mail: hondacanadafoundation@ch.honda.com

Website: <http://www.hondacanadafoundation.ca/grant.htm>

Investors Group Community Project Funds

Sponsored by: Investors Group

Investors Group is committed to making a contribution to the many communities across Canada in which we operate by supporting local and national activities, events and organizations.

Eligible:

Funding available for:

- Organizations that are federally registered charities with the Canada Revenue Agency
- Projects or programs in communities where Investors Group has a business presence
- Any of the following areas: arts & culture, civic causes, education, environment, health, social services, amateur sport & recreation.

Fund:

Varies, however, 85% of Investors Group's donations are under \$5,000

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis but must be submitted at least 4 months prior to the event or start of the program.

For more information:

Community organizations that are interested in being considered for funding should contact their closest Investors Group Regional Director in writing. To locate your IG Regional Director visit: <http://www.investorsgroup.com/english/officeLocator/officeLocate.asp>

Investors Group
Community Affairs
One Canada Centre
447 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 3B6
Tel: (204) 943-0361

Website: <http://www.investorsgroup.com/english/corpCitizen/request/default.shtml>

MEC Community Contributions

Sponsored by: Mountain Equipment CO-OP (MEC)

Our grant programs are designed to help not-for-profit groups and organizations:

- **Conserve** our rapidly diminishing wild spaces.
- **Educate** Canadians about areas of significant ecological or outdoor recreational value.
- **Inspire** Canadians to become active participants in responsible, self-propelled outdoor activity.

MEC offers grants in the following categories:

- Land acquisition
- Capacity building
- Research
- Advocacy and education
- Access
- Urban Sustainability
- Grassroots product donations

Eligible:

Project requirements:

- Supports wilderness preservation and conservation goals.
- Not-for-profit (registered charitable status is not required).
- Carried out in Canada by Canadian citizens.
- Goals are attainable within the fiscal year.
- Budget is sound and fiscally responsible.
- Volunteer involvement is substantial.
- Proportion of overhead expenses to overall budget is low.

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

2 application deadlines: March 10 and September 10
Urban Sustainability and Grassroots Product Donations applications accepted anytime.

For more information:

Community Involvement Coordinator
Mountain Equipment Co-op
149 West 4th Avenue
Vancouver, BC V5Y 4A6
Toll free: 1-866-632-3863
E-Mail: community@mec.ca
Website:

http://www.mec.ca/Main/content_text.jsp?FOLDER%3C%3Efolder_id=1408474396038943&FOLDER%3C%3EbrowsePath=1408474396038943&bmUID=1208281837622

The Pepsi Refresh Project

Sponsored by: PepsiCo, Inc.

The Pepsi Refresh Project is an online grant program which makes available over a million dollars to be granted to projects which are intended to improve communities through an online, democratic voting process.

The Grant Program consists of six (6) categories:

- (1) HEALTH – fostering wellness;
- (2) ARTS & CULTURE – celebrating the arts;
- (3) FOOD & SHELTER – ideas for providing food and shelter for the community;
- (4) NEIGHBOURHOODS – building better communities;
- (5) EDUCATION – helping people learn at any age; and
- (6) THE PLANET – ideas which help the planet

Eligible:

All Canadian residents 13 years of age and older are eligible. Participants can be individuals, for profit organizations (which have a maximum of 50 employees and \$5 million in annual revenue) and non-profit organizations.

Fund:

Available in four categories: \$5,000, \$ 10,000, \$25,000, \$100,000.

Deadline(s):

Every other month (June, August, October, December, February, April) submissions will be accepted from the 1st to the 7th or until 300 applications are received, whichever comes first.

For more information:

website: <http://www.refresheverything.ca/>

online application form: <http://www.refresheverything.ca/how-it-works>

The Rebuilding Nature Grant Program

Sponsored by: The Home Depot Canada Foundation and led by Evergreen

For community groups to cover the costs of tools and building projects, native plants and trees, and other expenses in support of environmental stewardship projects.

Eligible:

- Available to Canadian community groups whose project site is located in a community where The Home Depot has a retail presence.
- Projects must be located on publicly accessible lands.
- Eligible groups must be working with at least one institutional partner in the planning, design and implementation of their projects.
- Previous grant recipients are welcome to apply again. There is no preference given to previously granted organizations and all applications will go through the same review process.
- Funded projects must be underway by October 31, 2010.

Fund:

\$1,000, \$3,000 or \$12,000, up to 50% of project costs, plus a \$2,000 The Home Depot Gift Card.

Deadline(s):

May 21, 2010.

For more information:

Shell Environmental Fund

Tel: (403) 691-3904

Fax: (403) 269-8031

E-mail: admin-sef@shell.ca

Website: http://www.shell.ca/home/content/ca-en/society_environment/environment/protect/support/environment_fund/dir_sef.html

Shell Environment Fund (SEF)

Sponsored by: Shell Canada

The Shell Environmental Fund (SEF) provides financial support for grass-roots, action-oriented projects that improve and protect the Canadian environment. Funding support can be requested for projects that yield a direct, positive environmental benefit and engage the local community through hands-on involvement.

Eligible:

Not-for-profit organizations including environmental/wildlife groups, community groups and associations, Aboriginal organizations, municipalities and educational institutions.

Fund:

Up to \$10,000. You can receive a grant only once for any single project.

Deadline(s):

- Applications for \$500 or less are not subject to deadlines.
- Applications for more than \$500 must be submitted by February 15 or September 13.

For more information:

Shell Environmental Fund

Tel: (403) 691-3904

Fax: (403) 269-8031

E-mail: admin-sef@shell.ca

Website: http://www.shell.ca/home/content/ca-en/society_environment/environment/protect/support/environment_fund/dir_sef.html

Shell Environment Fund (SEF) – Major Initiatives Fund

Sponsored by: Shell Canada

Beginning in 2009, Shell Canada will proactively grant up to \$100,000 towards four major initiatives that repair, enhance and/or protect the environment.

Eligible:

Eligible recipients must be located in areas adjacent to Shell Canada's operations/projects, and/or:

- Have a national focus
- Direct environmental benefit
- Be replicable
- Have a large volunteer component
- Capitalize on strengths of partnerships with other organizations

Fund:

Up to \$100,000

Deadline(s):

February 15 or September 13

For more information:

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Tel: (403) 691-3904

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Sunlight Green Clean Kids

Sponsored by: Sun Products Canada Corporation

The Sunlight Green Clean Kids provide funding for your green idea with a Sunlight Green Grant so you can make it happen. To apply, describe your green idea for your home, school or community in 150 words or less. There are five different grant categories to Choose from:

1. Clean and conserve water
2. Nature around us (trees and plants)
3. The air we breathe
4. Energy conservation
5. Reducing your footprint (recycling, etc.)

Eligible:

Contest is open to Canadian Residents aged 6 through 13 years at time of entry, except employees (or those with whom they are domiciled) of the Sun Products Canada Corporation.

Fund:

Three categories: \$1,500, \$500, and \$250.

Deadline(s):

Ongoing between October 5, 2009 and November 30, 2010.

For more information:

Sunlight Green Clean Kids Grant Contest
c/o Harbinger Communications
252 Adelaide St. East
Toronto, ON M5A 1N1

Website: <http://www.sunlightgreencleankids.ca/en/index.html>

TD Friends of the Environment Fund

Sponsored by: TD Canada Trust

Funding Focus Areas

- Protecting and preserving the Canadian Environment
- Assisting young Canadians in understanding and participating in Environmental activities
- Supporting urban renewal such as environmental projects to rejuvenate smaller or at-risk neighbourhoods and "main streets"
- Enhancing cooperation among Environmental organizations

Eligible:

- Organizations must be Canadian, using the funds in Canada and they must be not-for-profit with a Charitable Registration Number
- Schools, municipalities and First Nations groups are also eligible
- Organizations must be able to provide a charitable tax-receipt for the full amount of donation

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Online application (approx. 30 minutes to complete):

https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_371/Default.asp?CT=CT&SA=SNA&FID=35008

email: tdfef@td.com

Website: <http://www.fef.td.com/funding.jsp>

Toyota Evergreen Learning Grounds School

Sponsored by: Toyota

Toyota Evergreen Learning Grounds helps schools create outdoor classrooms to provide students with a healthy place to play, learn and develop a genuine respect for nature.

Eligible:

Schools applying for funding must have school grounds that are: (1) on school board property; (2) publicly accessible (greater community included) at all hours of the day and on weekends; and (3) publicly funded (i.e. non-tuition based).

Daycares applying for funding must be: (1) not-for-profit; (2) publicly accessible (greater community included) at all hours of the day and on weekends, with exceptions when students are using the site.

Fund:

\$500-\$3,500 for schools, \$500-\$2,000 for daycares.

Deadline(s):

September 17, 2010, December 17, 2010, March 4, 2011, and June 3, 2011.

For more information:

Alix Aylen
Grant Administrator - The Rebuilding Nature Grant Program
Email: aaylen@evergreen.ca
Toll-free: 1-888-426-3138 x312
In Toronto: 416-596-1495 x312
Website: <http://www.evergreen.ca/en/funding/grants/telg.sn>

Wal-Mart & Evergreen Green Grants

Sponsored by: Wal-Mart Canada and Evergreen

Wal-Mart Canada and Evergreen are pleased to offer *Green Grants*, a national program that helps fund community-based restoration and stewardship initiatives in urban and urbanizing areas.

Eligible:

All community groups working collaboratively with their local municipality or other institutional partners, government agencies, crown corporations or publicly funded institutions such as hospitals or universities.

Fund:

Up to \$10,000 (up to %50 of project budget) to local groups working on urban naturalization projects that use native plants to restore and steward woodlands, meadows, wetlands and ravines. This grant program also supports community gardening projects that involve native plants and food gardening.

Deadline(s):

January 31, 2011

For more information:

Alix Ayles, Grant Administrator
aaylen@evergreen.ca
Toll-free: 1-888-426-3138 x312
In Toronto: 416-596-1495 x312
Fax: 416-596-1443
Email: aaylen@evergreen.ca

Website: http://www.evergreen.ca/en/cg/pdf/Walmart_Guide2009EN.pdf

National Non-Government Programs

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation Mortgage Loan Insurance Refund

Sponsored by: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

A 10% CMHC mortgage loan insurance premium refund and extended amortization periods of up to 40 years without surcharge may be available when you use CMHC insured financing to purchase an energy-efficient home or make energy-saving renovations.

Eligible:

Individuals who use CMHC-insured financing to purchase an energy efficient home, purchase a home and make energy-saving renovations, or renovate their existing home to make it more energy efficient.

Fund:

10% of the cost of CMHC mortgage insurance (e.g., approximately \$550 for a \$200,000 mortgage with a 5% down payment) and extended amortizations without regular premium surcharges (e.g. approximately \$1,200 for a \$200,000 mortgage amortized over 40 years).

Deadline(s):

Application accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
Toll-Free: 1-800-668-2642
Website: http://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/co/moloin/moloin_008.cfm

Canadian Foundation for Climate & Atmospheric Sciences

Sponsored by: Canadian Foundation for Climate & Atmospheric Sciences (CFCAS)

Scientific studies which address:

- Climate system processes
- Meteorological, atmospheric & oceanic processes
- Predictions of extreme weather events
- Canadian climate system models

Eligible:

- Individual researchers & collaborative networks of researchers affiliated with universities & other degree granting institutions.
- Non-profit organizations that are federated or associated with universities.

Fund:

Currently not available but may be available once again in the near future. (Provides funds up to \$200,000.00 over two years.)

Deadline(s):

To be determined.

For more information:

Erica Wilson, Program Officer
Canadian Foundation for Climate and Atmospheric Sciences
350 Sparks Street, Suite 901
Ottawa, ON K1R 7S8

Tel: (613) 238-2223 Ext. 205

Fax: (613) 238-2227

Email: wilson@cfcas.org

Website: www.cfcas.org/applications_e.html

Clean Air Auto Loan

Sponsored by: Citizens Bank of Canada

Obtain a reward for your environmental efforts by saving money on your car loan.

Eligible:

We have a list of eligible vehicles that are split in to two tiers based on CO₂ emissions. Tier 1 contains only vehicles that have been specifically designed for superior environmental performance and have been positioned in the market as such. Tier 2 contains vehicles that are not necessarily positioned in the market as environmentally superior, but which do actually emit significantly less CO₂ than the average vehicle. For list of cars see website.

Fund:

Personal loan for up to \$35,000 with a rate of prime + 1 for tier 1 vehicles and prime +2 for tier 2 vehicles.

Deadline(s):

Apply anytime.

For more information:

Citizens Bank of Canada
Toll-Free: 1-888-708-7800
Website: <https://www.citizensbank.ca/Personal/Products/LoansLinesofCredit/CleanAirAutoLoan/>

Conservation Fund

Sponsored by: The McLean Foundation

The McLean Foundation was established in 1945 by the late Mr. J. S. McLean with an initial gift of \$505,400. Mr. McLean made additional gifts from time to time until his death on September 1, 1954.

Eligible:

The McLean Foundation will only accept applications from organizations that have first submitted a letter of inquiry and then been asked to submit a full proposal.

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Varies

For more information:

Ms. Ev McTaggart
The McLean Foundation
2 St. Clair Ave. W. Suite 1008
Toronto, Ontario
Canada M4V 1L5
Tel: (416) 964-6802
Fax: (416) 964-2804
Email: info@mcleanfoundation.ca
Website: <http://mcleanfoundation.ca/applications.htm>

Energy-Efficient Housing Program

Sponsored by: Genworth Financial Canada

Through the Energy-Efficient Housing Program, home buyers purchasing an energy-efficient home or refinancing an existing home to make energy-saving renovations with Genworth-insured mortgages are now eligible to receive a 10 per cent premium refund.

Eligible:

Purchasing a new or existing home*:

- EnerGuide Rated 77+ or R-2000 compliant; or
- Built under the Manitoba Hydro Power Smart™ New Home Program

Renovating an existing home*:

- Certify that energy-efficient improvements have been made to increase its EnerGuide rating by at least five points to a minimum rating of 40.

* The home being purchased or renovated must be Genworth-insured and funded on or after January 1, 2005

Fund:

- A 10% refund of the Genworth mortgage insurance premium
- Refund of any extended amortization insurance premium surcharge (Loans with amortizations >25-years)

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Genworth Financial Canada
2060 Winston Park Drive
Suite 300
Oakville, ON L6H 5R7

Toll-Free: 1-800-511-8888
Fax: 1-877-246-5509

Website:

http://www.genworth.ca/mi/eng/home_ownership/energy_efficient_housing_program.html

Environmental Grant Program

Sponsored by: EJLB Foundation

The EJLB Foundation was incorporated in February 1983 as a non-profit charitable corporation under Part II of the Canada Corporations Act.

The EJLB Foundations supports the protection of the environment principally through:

- The acquisition and preservation, throughout Canada, of natural areas of ecological significance or of importance to the urban landscape.
- Environmental scientific research performed in Canadian universities or affiliated research centres.

The Foundation also supports, on a case-by-case basis, a variety of other environmental endeavors. A letter of inquiry must be sent before a proposal is submitted.

Eligible:

Registered charitable organizations

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Mr. Robert Alain, Executive Director
EJLB Foundation
1350 Sherbrooke Street W, Suite 1050
Montreal, QC H3G 1J1
Fax: (514) 843-4080
Website: www.ejlb.qc.ca

Gainey Foundation Grant

Sponsored by: Gainey Foundation

The Gainey Foundation is committed to supporting charitable organizations that offer environmental and arts education programs for youth.

Eligible:

- Registered charities
- Housing corporations resident in Canada constituted exclusively to provide low-cost housing for the aged
- Municipalities in Canada
- The Federal Government, Provincial Government, or their agent

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis. Online application available at:
<http://www.gaineyfoundation.com/en/grants/grant-application-form>

For more information:

Gainey Foundation
1260 rue de la Gauchetiere West
Montreal, Quebec
H3B 5E8

Phone: (514) 989-2804
Email: info@gaineyfoundation.com
Website: www.gaineyfoundation.com

Green Municipal Fund

Sponsored by: Federation of Canadian Municipalities

FCM's Green Municipal Fund (GMF) offers a range of resources and services that specifically address the sustainable community development needs of municipal governments.

To ensure the greatest possible impact, FCM uses GMF to invest in plans, studies and projects that provide the best examples of municipal leadership in sustainable development and that can be replicated in other communities. FCM develops case studies and other tools to support municipal governments that are prepared to follow these examples.

Eligible:

Municipalities
Public or private sectors that are partners with the municipality

Fund:

Varies

Deadline(s):

- Plans – accepted on an ongoing basis
- Studies - accepted on an ongoing basis
- Projects –accepted on an ongoing basis

For more information:

Tel: (613) 907-6208
E-mail: gmf@fcm.ca
Website: <http://www.sustainablecommunities.fcm.ca/GMF/>

Green Streets Canada

Sponsored by: Tree Canada Foundation

Green Streets Canada is a flagship program of the *Tree Canada Foundation* – the only nationally based municipal forestry innovation program.

The purpose of the program is to encourage the adoption of innovative best management practices and policies in municipal forest management on as wide a regional basis as possible. These could include:

- Innovative urban forest planning
- Single tree and forest stand innovation demonstration projects
- Policy and best management practices workshops
- Outreach and educational activities on innovative practices including arboricultural practices
- Innovative management tools to protect and maintain the urban forest
- Innovative urban design which showcases "green infrastructure".

Eligible:

Canadian municipalities and First Nations communities with a minimum of 50% matching funding from other (non-Tree Canada) sources

Fund:

\$20,000 - \$40,000

Deadline(s):

February 15, 2010.

For more information:

Tree Canada
222 Somerset St. West
Suite 402
Ottawa ON K2P 2G3
Toll-free : 1-877-666-1444
Tel.: (613) 567-5545
Fax : (613) 567-5270
E-mail: tcf@treecanada.ca
Website: www.treecanada.ca/programs/greenstreets/index.htm

Greening Canada's School Grounds

Sponsored by: Tree Canada Foundation

Tree Canada is looking for projects that propose innovative, action-oriented ways to educate Canadians on the environment. Your school community can contribute to this process.

Eligible:

School Communities: local businesses, neighbors, the School Board, students, teachers, maintenance and other school employees, and parents.

Fund:

Up to \$5,000

Deadline(s):

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

Tree Canada Foundation
Greening School Grounds Program
222 Somerset St. West, Suite 402
Ottawa, ON K2P 2G3
Tel: (613) 567-5545
Fax: (613) 567-5270
E-mail: tcf@treecanada.ca
Website: <http://www.treecanada.ca/programs/school/index.htm>

Kidney Car Program (Manitoba)

Sponsored by: The Kidney Foundation of Canada

The Kidney Foundation of Canada provides tax receipts in exchange for old cars, which it will tow, free-of-charge. In most cases the tax receipt is for a fixed value of \$50, although the amount can be higher if the vehicle can be sold for a higher amount.

Vehicles are disposed of in an environmentally friendly manner. The car, including the tires, battery and motor oil, is recycled.

Eligible:

All cars are accepted.

Incentive:

Per vehicle: tax receipt for \$50 (typically) and free towing.

Deadline(s):

Cars accepted on an ongoing basis.

For more information:

The Kidney Foundation of Canada
Manitoba Branch
730 Taylor Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3M 2K8
Winnipeg: (204) 257- CARS (2277)
Brandon area: (204) 726-0031
Elsewhere: 1-800-729-7176
Website: www.kidney.mb.ca/cars.html

Additional Funding Source Information:

- (1) Thirty-eight Manitoba community foundations can provide grants to applicants with a charitable registration number:
- Altona Community Foundation Inc.
 - Beautiful Plans Community Foundations Inc.
 - Big Grass Community Foundation
 - The Boissevain and Morton Foundation Inc.
 - Brandon Area Community Foundation
 - Brokenhead River Community Foundation Inc.
 - Carberry and Area Community Foundation Inc.
 - Carman Area Foundation
 - The Cartwright and Area Community Foundation
 - Dauphin & District Community Foundation
 - Elkhorn Area Foundation
 - The Glenboro Area Foundation
 - Grandview & District Community Foundation Inc.
 - Interlake Community Foundation
 - Killarney Foundation Inc.
 - Living Legacy Community Foundation
 - Minnedosa Foundation
 - Morden Area Foundation
 - North Norfolk – MacGregor Foundation
 - Northern Neighbours Foundation
 - Oak Lake & Area Foundation
 - Pembina Manitou Area Foundation
 - Pilot Mound and District Community Foundation
 - Plum Coulee Community Foundation Inc.
 - Community Foundation of Portage and District Inc.
 - Reston and Area Foundation
 - Roblin District Community Foundation
 - Selkirk & District Community Foundation
 - Souris Glenwood Foundation
 - Southwest Manitoba Regional Foundation
 - Steinbach Community Foundation Inc.
 - Sturgeon Community Foundation
 - Community Foundation of Swan Valley Inc.
 - Thompson Community Foundation
 - Tiger Hills Community Foundation
 - Virden Area Foundation Inc.
 - Westshore Community Foundation
 - Winkler Community Foundation

For their contact information visit:

<http://www.manitobacommunityfoundations.ca/index.htm>.

- (2) Consult the funding guide provided by Environment Canada's EcoACTION program through their online search engine:
www.ec.gc.ca/ecoaction/grnsrc/index_e.cfm.
- (3) A thorough fundraising guide is available from Canadian Heritage. *Fundraising Ideas that work for Grassroots Groups* is available online at:
<http://www.ec.gc.ca/ecoaction/pdf/fr4grass.pdf>
- (4) On July 1, 2006, the Government of Canada launched its program to offer individual Canadians a non-refundable tax credit to help cover the cost of public transit. Because it is a non-refundable tax credit, anyone who applies does not receive the money in the form of a refund. Instead, the amount claimed is multiplied by the lowest personal income tax rate for the year (15% for 2009) and then is deducted from the amount of tax owed for that year. Visit <http://www.transitpass.ca/> for additional information about how to qualify and claim the public transit amount.

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