



Welcome to the Alberta Social Economy Funder Database!

It can be confusing and overwhelming to find funding and financing for social enterprises. This database is designed to help social enterprises and funders/financers find each other more easily. The document below is organized by geography, and you can quickly jump from the Table of Contents to a listed funder by clicking their name. You can also use CTRL+F to search by keyword. A live version of this database can be found on the enterprising nonprofits' website at: [www.bit.ly/SEfunders](http://www.bit.ly/SEfunders).

This database is one result of a research project<sup>1</sup> designed to capture the scope and characteristics of social economy funders in BC and Alberta. Across BC, 80 organizations were identified as possible funders addressing the local social economy; in Alberta, 47 organizations were contacted. Another 42 organizations were identified with national delivery mandates. The data collected will be integrated into ongoing research on mapping the social economy in BC and Alberta, providing valuable information to practitioners, academics and policy makers with the aim to strengthen the social economy in Western Canada.

BALTA (BC-Alberta Social Economy Research Alliance) has partnered with ISIS a Research Centre at Sauder School of Business UBC, Vancity, Canadian Centre for Community Renewal and Enterprising Non-Profits (enp) to execute this project. To see BALTA's other research projects, please visit: <http://www.socialeconomy-bcalberta.ca/>.

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## CALGARY & AREA

<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Calgary Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Calgary and Area
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Community Grants Neighbour Grants Small Grants Organizational Development & Transformation Grants Stepping Stones Grants Proactive Grants & Initiatives Designated Donor Advised Charitable Organization Funds Student Awards
Description of Funds:	<a href="http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_overview_grants.htm">http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_overview_grants.htm</a>
URL:	<a href="http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org">http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	capacity building networking
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organizations
Eligibility Criteria & Application Process:	<a href="http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_communitygrants.htm">http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_communitygrants.htm</a> <a href="http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_neighbourgrants.htm">http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_neighbourgrants.htm</a> <a href="http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_steppingstonesgrants.htm">http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_steppingstonesgrants.htm</a> <a href="http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_additionalgrantprograms.htm">http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_additionalgrantprograms.htm</a> <a href="http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_studentawards.htm">http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_studentawards.htm</a> <a href="http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_additionalawards.htm">http://www.thecalgaryfoundation.org/gsa_additionalawards.htm</a>
Process Time:	Approx 4 months

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>City of Calgary</b>
Areas Served:	Calgary
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Family & Community Support Services
Description of Fund:	FCSS is a joint municipal/provincial funding program established to develop, support and fund preventive social services. This

	program has a significant impact on the quality of life for all Calgarians. The program is governed by the Family and Community Support Services Act, which emphasizes prevention, voluntarism, 80-20 cost sharing between the provincial and municipal partners and enhances local autonomy.
URL:	<a href="http://www.calgary.ca/fcss">http://www.calgary.ca/fcss</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<p>Funding priorities are established by City Council every three years. The FCSS Division reviews requests for funding from the social service agencies and makes recommendations to Standing Policy Committee on Community and Protective Services, which acts as the FCSS Board. The Committee reviews the funding recommendations and forwards its decision to City Council for ratification.</p> <p>In addition to being consistent with the FCSS Act, programs and services must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be consistent with City Council's funding priorities,</li> <li>• Be collaborative and not duplicate existing programs,</li> <li>• Involve volunteers,</li> <li>• Leverage 20% of the program cost,</li> <li>• State objectives in measurable terms, and</li> <li>• Demonstrate good governance and administration.</li> </ul>
Application Process:	
Process Time:	

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Calgary Learns Association</b>
Areas Served:	Calgary & Area
Types of Funding Provided:	program grants for foundational adult learning for low income adults
Name of Fund(s):	please collect this information from our website: <a href="http://www.calgarylearns.com/funding2010.htm">http://www.calgarylearns.com/funding2010.htm</a>
Description of Fund:	Certain entry-level training courses could be eligible for employability enhancement grants
URL:	<a href="http://www.calgarylearns.com">www.calgarylearns.com</a>

Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	networking currently we have a temporary professional training contract for adult educators
Legal form of funded organizations:	Charitable Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.calgarylearns.com/funding2010.htm">http://www.calgarylearns.com/funding2010.htm</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.calgarylearns.com/decision_making_process.html">http://www.calgarylearns.com/decision_making_process.html</a> <a href="http://www.calgarylearns.com/funding2010.htm">http://www.calgarylearns.com/funding2010.htm</a>
Process Time:	2 months to notification of success, 3.5 months to first installment of grant

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Social Venture Partners Calgary Ltd.</b>
Areas Served:	Calgary & Area
Types of Funding Provided:	Capacity Building Grant
Name of Fund(s):	Social Venture Partners Calgary Capacity Building Grant
Description of Fund:	
URL:	<a href="http://www.svpcalgary.org">www.svpcalgary.org</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	capacity building organizational development advocacy and promotion networking
Legal form of funded organizations:	Charitable Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	General requirements for funding eligibility: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Serve Calgary and area communities</li> <li>• Serve children and youth between 0-18 years</li> <li>• Have some education focus</li> <li>• Be a registered Canadian charity</li> </ul>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.svpcalgary.org/who-we-help/how-to-be-supported/">http://www.svpcalgary.org/who-we-help/how-to-be-supported/</a>
Process Time:	5 months

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Calgary Arts Development</b>
Areas Served:	Calgary and Area
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Operating Grant
Description of Funds:	The Operating Grant Program invests annually in non-profit organizations with year-round operations driven by an arts mandate, with priority given to organizations that demonstrate high artistic and public impact while maintaining sound operations. Organizations may allocate these funds to any area of their overall budget. The goal of the Operating Grant Program is to ensure that Calgary arts organizations have the opportunity to flourish in an environment with a stable base of resources. This program invests in the regular operations of non-profit arts organizations in Calgary.
URL:	<a href="http://calgaryartsdevelopment.com/">http://calgaryartsdevelopment.com/</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	capacity building networking
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://calgaryartsdevelopment.com/node/1526">http://calgaryartsdevelopment.com/node/1526</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://calgaryartsdevelopment.com/node/1526">http://calgaryartsdevelopment.com/node/1526</a>
Process Time:	

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## EDMONTON & AREA

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Social Enterprise Fund</b>
Areas Served:	Edmonton & Area
Types of Funding Provided:	Loans Technical Assistance Grants Operational Grants Equity & Equity-like Capital Capital Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Term loans - SE Interim Term loans - affordable housing Patient capital Path to loan grants

Description of Fund:	SEF provides flexible, interest bearing, repayable and secured term and patient capital loans to SEs and affordable housing projects.
URL:	<a href="http://www.socialenterprisefund.ca">www.socialenterprisefund.ca</a>
Expected Return:	1-5%
Other Support Services:	technical seminars and intensive hands - on access to business expertise for selected organizations - portfolio members
Legal form of funded organizations:	The SEF is a program of the Edmonton Community Foundation which manages two separate pools of loan capital
Eligibility Criteria:	Non-profit or charity Operating in and benefiting the citizens of Edmonton Social mission
Application Process:	on website
Process Time:	estimated 40 working days

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>City of Edmonton</b>
Areas Served:	Edmonton & Area
Types of Funding Provided:	Operational Grants Project Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Family & Community Support Services Grant Emerging Immigrant and Refugee Communities Grant Program Community Investment Operating Grant Community Investment Hosting Grant Sports Travel Grant
Description of Fund:	The City of Edmonton provides various grants to non-profit organizations through several funding streams. Please visit our website <a href="http://www.edmonton.ca/grants">www.edmonton.ca/grants</a> for more information.
URL:	<a href="http://www.edmonton.ca/grants">www.edmonton.ca/grants</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	training capacity building organizational development networking
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.edmonton.ca/grants">www.edmonton.ca/grants</a>

Application Process:	<a href="http://www.edmonton.ca/grants">www.edmonton.ca/grants</a>
Process Time:	6 weeks

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## SOUTHERN ALBERTA

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Lethbridge Community Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Lethbridge & South-western Alberta
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Community Impact Grant
Description of Funds:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Grants may be made to organizations with activities and programs in the five streams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Arts, Culture and Heritage</b></li> <li>○ <b>Human and Social Services</b></li> <li>○ <b>Health and Wellness</b></li> <li>○ <b>Recreation and Leisure</b></li> <li>○ <b>Environment and Conservation</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>○ The Foundation's territory stretches north from the Nanton to the U.S. border and west from Grassy Lake to the BC border.</li> <li>○ The Foundation seeks not merely to react to current problems, but to strengthen the capacity of southwestern Alberta communities to ensure their own well being now and in the future.</li> </ul>
URL:	<a href="http://www.lethbridgecommunityfoundation.org/index.html">http://www.lethbridgecommunityfoundation.org/index.html</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.lethbridgecommunityfoundation.org/G.grants_apply.html">http://www.lethbridgecommunityfoundation.org/G.grants_apply.html</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.lethbridgecommunityfoundation.org/G.grants+services_for_charities.html">http://www.lethbridgecommunityfoundation.org/G.grants+services_for_charities.html</a>
Process Time:	3 to 6 months.

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Medicine Hat Community Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Medicine Hat & South-eastern Alberta
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants



Name of Fund(s):	Grants
Description of Funds:	The Community Foundation awards grants for charitable activities in the arts, education, social services, the environment, health, culture and recreation, or any project that will maintain or improve the quality of life for the people of southeastern Alberta. Of particular interest are initiatives which will strengthen an organization's management capability and promote collaboration and sharing among agencies.
URL:	<a href="http://www.mhcf.ca/index.asp">http://www.mhcf.ca/index.asp</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.mhcf.ca/GrantSeekers.asp">http://www.mhcf.ca/GrantSeekers.asp</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.mhcf.ca/GrantSeekers.asp">http://www.mhcf.ca/GrantSeekers.asp</a>
Process Time:	2 to 3 months

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Alberta Lottery Fund/ Wildrose Foundation (WRF)</b>
Areas Served:	Alberta
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Grants
Description of Funds:	<p>The mission of the WRF is to increase the capacity of volunteer non-profit organizations to develop and achieve self-reliance. The WRF supports the volunteer sector by providing skill development and training opportunities, preserving, promoting and recognizing the value of volunteerism and by providing financial assistance to non-profit organizations for projects that are social and community service oriented.</p> <p>The Alberta Lottery Fund is made up of the government's share of net revenues from video lottery terminals (VLTs), slot machines and ticket lotteries. These revenues total more than \$1.5 billion each year, and are used to support thousands of volunteer, public and community-based initiatives annually.</p>
URL:	<a href="http://albertalotteryfund.ca/default.asp">http://albertalotteryfund.ca/default.asp</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)

Other Support Services:	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Charitable Organization Not-for-Profit Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	
Application Process:	<a href="http://albertalotteryfund.ca/ApplyingForAGrant/ApplicationProcess.asp">http://albertalotteryfund.ca/ApplyingForAGrant/ApplicationProcess.asp</a>
Process Time:	

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Alberta Ecotrust Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Alberta
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Community Grants Major Grants Multi-Year Grants Young Environmental Stewards Grants
Description of Funds:	<p>Community Grants program is designed to support community-based projects that typically focus on local opportunities for change through stewardship and action. These projects must be completed in one year.</p> <p>Major Grants program is designed to support more comprehensive projects that have the potential to result in substantial environmental benefit. The application process is more comprehensive and will be undertaken in two parts. These projects must be completed within a year. Maximum grant is \$30,000.</p> <p>Multi-Year grant stream supports more comprehensive projects that are conducted over a longer period of time. This initiative will help groups improve their organizational effectiveness and be more strategic in planning and implementing work that leads to sustained environmental benefits. Application and reporting will be undertaken in consultation with foundation staff. Maximum grant is \$60,000, to be distributed over a maximum term of 3 years.</p> <p>The Young Environmental Stewards (YES) Grant Program was created to help Alberta's young environmental leaders turn their dreams for a cleaner, healthier future into a reality. YES grants provide up to \$5,000 to a single project undertaken by an individual or group of young people who are passionate about making Alberta a better place.</p>
URL:	<a href="http://www.albertaecotrust.com/">http://www.albertaecotrust.com/</a>

Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	CAPACITY BUILDING
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.albertaecotrust.com/grant/eligibility">http://www.albertaecotrust.com/grant/eligibility</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.albertaecotrust.com/grant/apply">http://www.albertaecotrust.com/grant/apply</a>
Process Time:	Approx 1 month. <a href="http://www.albertaecotrust.com/grant/calendar">http://www.albertaecotrust.com/grant/calendar</a>

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Alberta Real Estate Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Northern Alberta Rockies Central Alberta Edmonton & Area Calgary & Area Southern Alberta
Types of Funding Provided:	Project specific grants
Name of Fund(s):	Education and Research Land Stewardship and Environment Housing Affordability Industry Leadership
Description of Fund:	The Alberta Real Estate Foundation supports initiatives that enhance the real estate industry and benefit the communities of Alberta.
URL:	<a href="http://www.aref.ab.ca">www.aref.ab.ca</a>
Expected Return:	0% (return of capital only)
Other Support Services:	advocacy and promotion networking
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.aref.ab.ca/grantProgram-guidelines.html">http://www.aref.ab.ca/grantProgram-guidelines.html</a>
Application Process:	Grant applications must be obtained from the Community Investment Coordinator. Applications go through two stages of review before Board approval.
Process Time:	2 months.

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Alberta Foundation for the Arts</b>
Areas Served:	Alberta
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Individual Artists Project Grant Arts Organization Project Grant Arts Organization Operational Grant Cultural Industries Grant
Description of Fund:	<p>The purpose of the AFA's Individual Artists Project Grant program is to support the development of individual Alberta artists, arts administrators or an ensemble of Alberta artists by providing a grant for a specific arts-related project.</p> <p>Organization grants are divided into project grants and operational grants.</p> <p>The purpose of the Arts Organization Project Grant program is to support registered Alberta arts organizations, companies and/or schools by providing a grant for a specific arts-related project or event.</p> <p>The Arts Organization Operational Grant program supports the annual operating expenses of some of Alberta's arts and cultural organizations and companies, including theatre and performing arts organizations, book and magazine publishers, sound recording labels, public art galleries and community arts organizations.</p> <p>The Cultural Industries Grant program supports Alberta-based book publishing, magazine publishing and sound recording companies through grant funding. This support is for projects creating and producing new cultural work or for assistance with operating expenses.</p>
URL:	<a href="http://www.affta.ab.ca/grants.aspx">http://www.affta.ab.ca/grants.aspx</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	ARTS PROMOTION CAPACITY BUILDING ART COLLECTION
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization For-Profit Co-Operative Not-for-Profit Co-Operative For-Profit Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="#">Individual Artists Project Grant</a> <a href="#">Arts Organization Project Grant</a>

	<a href="#">Arts Organization Operational Grant</a> <a href="#">Cultural Industries Grant</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.affta.ab.ca/grants-applications.aspx">http://www.affta.ab.ca/grants-applications.aspx</a>
Process Time:	Response time may vary depending on the type of grant; however, applicants generally receive the outcome of their applications within approximately four months of the grant deadline.

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks &amp; Wildlife Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Alberta
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Development Initiative Program
Description of Funds:	The purpose of the Development Initiatives Program is to provide support to Albertans working in the areas of sport, recreation, parks and wildlife for project and program related endeavors.
URL:	<a href="http://www.tpr.alberta.ca/asrpf/programs/funding/dip/index.asp">http://www.tpr.alberta.ca/asrpf/programs/funding/dip/index.asp</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.tpr.alberta.ca/asrpf/programs/funding/dip/index.asp">http://www.tpr.alberta.ca/asrpf/programs/funding/dip/index.asp</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.tpr.alberta.ca/asrpf/programs/funding/dip/index.asp">http://www.tpr.alberta.ca/asrpf/programs/funding/dip/index.asp</a>
Process Time:	90 days from respective deadlines.

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Community Futures Network of Alberta</b>		
Areas Served:	Northeast Region: <a href="#">Wood Buffalo</a> <a href="#">Lac La Biche</a> <a href="#">St Paul - Smoky Lake</a> <a href="#">Lakeland</a> <a href="#">Elk Island Region</a> <a href="#">Lloydminster &amp; Region</a> <a href="#">East Central Alberta</a>	Northwest Region: <a href="#">Northwest Alberta</a> <a href="#">Peace Country</a> <a href="#">Grand Prairie &amp; Region</a> <a href="#">Lesser Slave Lake Region</a> <a href="#">Yellowhead East</a> <a href="#">Tawatinaw Region</a> <a href="#">West Yellowhead</a> <a href="#">Capital Region</a>	South Region: <a href="#">East Parkland</a> <a href="#">Central Alberta</a> <a href="#">Centre West</a> <a href="#">Wild Rose</a> <a href="#">Big Country</a> <a href="#">Highwood</a> <a href="#">Entre-Corp</a> <a href="#">Crownsnest Pass</a> <a href="#">Alberta Southwest</a>

		<a href="#">Lethbridge Region</a> <a href="#">Chinook</a>
Types of Funding Provided:	Business Loans	
Name of Fund(s):	There are 27 different Community Futures offices spread across rural Alberta. Each location offers a wealth of resources for small businesses. Contact the office for specific details.	
Description of Fund:	Community Futures (CF) is a program, funded in western Canada by Western Economic Diversification Canada. Community Futures are non-profit organizations, guided by volunteer boards of directors and staffed with business professionals. Together community volunteers and staff are actively engaged in helping to develop and implement community-based economic development and diversification strategies. These strategies result in the growth within our rural communities; one idea at a time.	
URL:	<a href="http://www.cfna.ca">www.cfna.ca</a>	
Expected Return:	6-15%	
Other Support Services:	technical training capacity building organizational development enterprise development	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization For-Profit Co-Operative Not-for-Profit Co-Operative For-Profit Organization	
Eligibility Criteria:	See Website	
Application Process:	See Website	
Process Time:	3 months (2 month application process)	

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## CANADA-WIDE

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Canadian Alternative Investment Cooperative</b>
Areas Served:	Canada
Types of Funding Provided:	Loans
Name of Fund(s):	Social Enterprise Financing Mortgages for Community-Based Projects

	Social & Affordable Housing Initiatives
Description of Fund:	CAIC invests in groups working for positive social change and community economic development in Canada that lack access to traditional financing. We are particularly interested in projects that promote alternative economic structures and acts as a catalyst to structural change. When making an investment, CAIC takes into consideration both the social benefit of a project and its business soundness. A project will not be considered unless it meets our criteria for both attributes. CAIC provides loans & equity investments to groups, organizations & cooperatives assisting in the economic development of disadvantaged people or communities and whose objectives are considered to be of social benefit by CAIC's board of Directors. The organization may be a corporation or a co-operative. The investment may be debt or equity, secured or unsecured. CAIC is supportive of community loan funds and is interested in partnering with organizations that provide the necessary business skills and technical support to ensure successful social enterprises.
URL:	<a href="http://www.caic.ca">www.caic.ca</a>
Expected Return:	1-5%
Other Support Services:	none
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization For-Profit Co-Operative Not-for-Profit Co-Operative
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.caic.ca/applications.html">www.caic.ca/applications.html</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.caic.ca/applications.html">www.caic.ca/applications.html</a>
Process Time:	3 months (2 month application process)

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Canadian Worker Co-operative Federation</b>
Areas Served:	Canada
Types of Funding Provided:	Loans Technical Assistance Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Tenacity Works CDI Advisory Services Grant Fund
Description of Fund:	Tenacity Works gives loans from \$15,000 to \$50,000 to create new or to provide additional financing for worker and multi-stakeholder co-operatives. CDI Advisory Services Grants - provides assistance to groups who want to start new co-ops, or who need help to manage existing ones. This component is

	managed jointly by the Canadian Co-operative Association and the Conseil Canadien de la Coopération. The CWCF is one of the delivery partners, as are the regional organizations associated with CCA and CCC. Grant up to \$1,500 are available.
URL:	<a href="http://www.canadianworker.coop">www.canadianworker.coop</a>
Expected Return:	0% (return of capital only)
Other Support Services:	technical training capacity building organizational development research and education advocacy and promotion networking enterprise development
Legal form of funded organizations:	For-Profit Co-Operative Not-for-Profit Co-Operative
Eligibility Criteria:	Tenacity Works <a href="http://www.canadianworker.coop/tenacity-works/eligibility">http://www.canadianworker.coop/tenacity-works/eligibility</a> CDI Advisory Services – 1) Pre-feasibility study The following 2 elements which together are called the "project plan": 2) Creation/enhancement of a plan for business development 3) Creation/enhancement of a plan for organizational development. (Where the regional office would not provide later-stage services, the services provided would include preparation of proposal(s) for later-stage funding, in lieu of b and c above. Later-stage services would include business planning and organizational development, leading up to the launch of the new co-op or expansion / enhancement of an existing co-op)
Application Process:	Tenacity Works – <a href="http://www.canadianworker.coop/tenacity-works/apply">http://www.canadianworker.coop/tenacity-works/apply</a> CDI Advisory Services Grant - <a href="http://www.canadianworker.coop/funding/cdi/application-forms">http://www.canadianworker.coop/funding/cdi/application-forms</a>
Process Time:	Tenacity Works Loans - 3 months. CDI Grants - 2-3 weeks

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Carthy Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Canada
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Environmental Granting Program
Description of Funds:	Funded initiatives will focus on market-based mechanisms, or



	<p>urban ecology and ecological design.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MARKET-BASED MECHANISMS</b> Initiatives that investigate, develop and promote innovative tools, strategies and policies with potential to harness market forces in achieving environmental goals.</li> <li>• <b>URBAN ECOLOGY &amp; ECOLOGICAL DESIGN</b> Initiatives that support optimal ecological function within urban settings. These will include projects that investigate and promote innovations in areas such as urban environmental policy, habitat and connectivity and sustainable urban design.</li> </ul>
URL:	<a href="http://www.carthyfoundation.org/index.htm">http://www.carthyfoundation.org/index.htm</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.carthyfoundation.org/whatwefund.htm">http://www.carthyfoundation.org/whatwefund.htm</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.carthyfoundation.org/howtoapply.htm">http://www.carthyfoundation.org/howtoapply.htm</a>
Process Time:	3 to 6 months.

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Suncor Energy Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Canada
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Grants
Description of Funds:	Suncor is committed to supporting the communities that have contributed to our success. Investments made by Suncor and the Suncor Energy Foundation are primarily focused on the communities in which we operate. Support is also provided to non-profit organizations at the regional, provincial/state and national level.
URL:	<a href="http://www.suncor.com/en/community/297.aspx">http://www.suncor.com/en/community/297.aspx</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Charitable Organization Non-Profit
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.suncor.com/en/community/724.aspx">http://www.suncor.com/en/community/724.aspx</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.suncor.com/en/community/679.aspx">http://www.suncor.com/en/community/679.aspx</a>

Process Time:	
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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Business Development Bank of Canada</b>
Areas Served:	Canada
Types of Funding Provided:	Loans Equity
Name of Fund(s):	<a href="http://www.bdc.ca/en/business_solutions/default.htm">http://www.bdc.ca/en/business_solutions/default.htm</a>
Description of Fund:	At BDC, we're ready to meet the needs of entrepreneurs at any stage of their business development. We work with enterprises in all industries, through all economic cycles and help them in their development projects, both local and global.
URL:	<a href="http://www.bdc.ca/en/home.htm">http://www.bdc.ca/en/home.htm</a>
Expected Return:	Dependent on Type of Funding
Other Support Services:	Capacity Building Technical Assistance Organizational development Research and education
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization For-Profit Co-Operative Not-for-Profit Co-Operative For-Profit Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.bdc.ca/en/business_solutions/default.htm">http://www.bdc.ca/en/business_solutions/default.htm</a>
Application Process:	<a href="https://www.bdc.ca/en/no_navigation/financing_request.htm?bPrintMode=1">https://www.bdc.ca/en/no_navigation/financing_request.htm?bPrintMode=1</a>
Process Time:	2 months to notification of success, 3.5 months to first installment of grant

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Co-op Development Initiative</b>
Areas Served:	Canada
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Grants
Description of Funds:	The Co-operative Development Initiative (CDI) is a government of Canada program delivered in partnership with the co-operative

	sector. CDI is designed to help people develop co-ops and to research and test innovative ways of using the co-operative model. CDI will make the co-op option more readily available to Canadians, to respond to their present-day challenges.
URL:	<a href="http://cccm.coopscanada.coop/en">http://cccm.coopscanada.coop/en</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	Technical Assistance Organizational Development Knowledge Management & Infrastructure Partnership Development
Legal form of funded organizations:	For-Profit Co-Operative Not-for-Profit Co-Operative
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://cccm.coopscanada.coop/en/innovative-co-op-projects/guidelines-forms">http://cccm.coopscanada.coop/en/innovative-co-op-projects/guidelines-forms</a>
Application Process:	
Process Time:	

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Co-operators Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Canada
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Community Development Fund Co-operative Development Program
Description of Funds:	<a href="http://www.cooperators.ca/en/aboutus/sustainability/2_8_5.html">http://www.cooperators.ca/en/aboutus/sustainability/2_8_5.html</a>
URL:	<a href="http://www.cooperators.ca/en/aboutus/sustainability/2_8_5.html">http://www.cooperators.ca/en/aboutus/sustainability/2_8_5.html</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://cccm.coopscanada.coop/en/innovative-co-op-projects/guidelines-forms">http://cccm.coopscanada.coop/en/innovative-co-op-projects/guidelines-forms</a>
Application Process:	
Process Time:	

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>The J.W. McConnell Family Foundation</b>
Areas Served:	Canada
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Grants
Description of Funds:	<a href="http://www.mcconnellfoundation.ca/en/granting">http://www.mcconnellfoundation.ca/en/granting</a>
URL:	<a href="http://www.mcconnellfoundation.ca/en">http://www.mcconnellfoundation.ca/en</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://www.mcconnellfoundation.ca/en/granting/granting-faq">http://www.mcconnellfoundation.ca/en/granting/granting-faq</a>
Application Process:	<a href="http://www.mcconnellfoundation.ca/en/granting/applying-for-a-grant/application-process">http://www.mcconnellfoundation.ca/en/granting/applying-for-a-grant/application-process</a>
Process Time:	

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<b>Organization Name:</b>	<b>Tides Canada</b>
Areas Served:	Canada
Types of Funding Provided:	Grants
Name of Fund(s):	Grants
URL:	<a href="http://tidescanada.org/information-for-charities/information-for-grant-seekers/">http://tidescanada.org/information-for-charities/information-for-grant-seekers/</a> <a href="http://tidescanada.org/create-a-new-charitable-project/">http://tidescanada.org/create-a-new-charitable-project/</a>
Expected Return:	-100% (i.e. grant)
Other Support Services:	Capacity Building Leadership Development Financial Management
Legal form of funded organizations:	Not-for-Profit Organization Charitable Organization
Eligibility Criteria:	<a href="http://tidescanada.org/projects/how-we-work-faq/">http://tidescanada.org/projects/how-we-work-faq/</a>
Application Process:	
Process Time:	

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## **Other Possible Canada-wide Funders**

*These funders have been identified by our working group as possible Social Economy Funders. However, the working group was not able to gather and/or verify any detailed information on their programs.*

[Aboriginal Business Canada](#)

[Canadian Million Dollar Round Table Charitable Foundation](#)

[Canadian Trust Friends of the Environment Foundation](#)

[Canadian Women's Foundation](#)

[Catherine Donnelly Foundation](#)

[CEDTAP](#)

[Change Canada Foundation](#)

[Columbia Institute](#)

[Dreamcatcher Fund](#)

[Max Bell Foundation](#)

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