

# Community Futures Nadina provides business loans up to \$150,000 to assist entrepreneurs to develop, diversify and expand economic activity in our region.

Loans are available to assist new business start-ups; to assist businesses expand or stabilize; or to assist individuals buying a business. As a developmental lender, Community Futures approves financing locally, considering each venture on its own merits, and may provide additional consideration for businesses that diversify and benefit the local or regional economy.

#### What is Community Futures?

Community Futures Nadina is proud to be an independent and locally run not-for-profit assisting entrepreneurs with self-employment and business development for 25 years. Community Futures approach to business development and financing promotes a diligent business planning process, enabling individuals to develop their business proposal to demonstrate its viability, as well as better position the venture for success.

#### **Elements for Community Futures Business Loans**

- Business and owners reside within the Nadina Regina
- Business must be suitable for public funding
- Market potential and economic viability of the business
- Owners/principals experience, qualifications and commitment
- Competent management
- Local job creation or preservation
- Credit worthiness of applicants
- Reasonable personal financial investment
- Suitable security for loan amount
- Demonstrated capacity to service debt commitments

#### **Community Futures Loan Features**

- Term loans up to \$150,000.
- Loan repayment timelines up to 5 years
- Competitive business loan interest rates
- Flexible repayment schedules
- Reduced payments at loan / business start up

#### **Community Futures Assistance**

Community Futures can assist you with various business resources and tools, and our staff can guide and coach you about researching, planning and operating your business.

- Business Start-up information
- Loan Application Package
- Business Planning Workbook
- Market Research Workbook

- Financial Forecasting Worksheets
- Business Workshops, Training
- Business Library and Resource materials
- One-on-one Business Guidance, Coaching

#### For inquiries or assistance about Community Futures' business financing, call us at 250-845-2522.



LOAN APPLICATION & SUPPORTING INFORMATION REQUIRED	Start-up	Purchase	Expansion	Sustainability
BUSINESS LOAN APPLICATION	✓	✓	✓	✓
1. Business Summary				
2. Financing: Loan Request				
<b>3a.</b> Personal Information Summary (for each of the principals of the business)				
<b>3b.</b> Personal Assets & Liabilities Summary (for each of the principals)				
4. Disclosure Agreement & Authorization (to be signed by each principal)				
Appendix 1: <u>Personal Skills Resume</u> (required for each of the principals)				
Appendix 2: <u>Financial Forecasts</u> : Sales, Cash Flow, Opening Balance Sheet (Min 12 months)				
Appendix 3: Existing Business Financial Summary				
Appendix 4: <u>Personal / Local / Regional Benefits</u>				
EXISTING BUSINESSES / BUSINESS PURCHASE		✓	$\checkmark$	✓
Year-end Financial Statements for prior 3 years, or Personal Tax Returns if Sole Proprietorship				
<ul> <li>Year-to-date interim financial reports, current within 3 months</li> </ul>				
Taxes: Copy of latest GST, PST, Payroll Deductions remittances				
Up to date lists of aged Accounts Receivable & Accounts Payable				
Business Tax Returns for the previous 3 years				
Business Purchase: List & Cost of Assets being purchased. Independent Appraisal of Assets.				
Business Valuation / Purchase Agreement / Price if determined				
BUSINESS PLAN	1	✓	✓	✓
Business Plan				
• Project / Expansion Plan demonstrating the project, and the benefits and affordability to the business				
Sustainability Plan demonstrating how business operations and profitability will be improved				
USUAL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION	✓	✓	✓	✓
Evidence of Owner-Principals capital investment and equity into the business				
Price quotes, invoices, re proposed expenditures, equipment purchases, insurances, etc.				
Business purchase: Independent appraisal of assets; Independent business valuation / opinion				
Market / demand information to support financial forecasts				
Letters of intent, purchase offers / contracts / rights to use, etc				
Personal Tax returns for prior 3 years				
• Environmental Risk Assessment (business use of / or purchasing real property )				
Keep a copy of all your application information, as we retain all materials submitted	d to us.			

**Business lending takes time**, depending first on our receiving a completed Business Loan Application, with Financial Forecasts and sufficient Business Plan information for us to fully consider your proposal.

Community Futures conducts an initial review of your venture, credit and loan request, to determine the likelihood of successful financing. Changes to a proposal may be suggested / required, and/or further information requested.

Assuming a loan is approved, time is needed for our lawyer to prepare legal documents, and for representatives of your firm to meet various loan conditions, arrange security and sign loan documents.

1. BUSINESS BASICS SUM	IMARY				
Business Name:					
New Business Start-Up	New Business Start-Up Anticipated start date:				
Existing Business: Years opera	ting under current ov	wners	Purcl	hase 🗌 Expansion	Maintain Franchise
Legal Form: Sole Proprietors	ship 🗌 Partnersh	nip 🗌 Incorpora	ted 🗌 C	)ther:	
Industry you are operating in:					
Employment: # Jobs Created	Full-time:	Part-time:		Seasonal:	Contract:
# Jobs Retained	Full-time:	Part-time:		Seasonal:	Contract:
Operating: Is the business year-ro	ound 🗌 Full-tim	ne 🗌 Part-time	🗌 Se	easonal	
Owners, Principals			% Owner	Title/Position	
Each of the business Owners/Prin	cipals must complete	e: Personal Summ	ary / Asset	s & Liabilities, Disclos	ure. Personal Resume
	· ·		,	,	,
Business Address & Contact					
Home Based Store, Off	ice 🗌 Commercia	al, Industrial	Mobile		
Address:					ase 🔲 Term
Mail Address:				Postal Code:	
Phone:	Cell:			Home:	
E-mail:	Web: ww	VW.		Fax:	
Business Description Descr	ibe the business and	d products and ser	vices.		
Type: 🗌 Services 🗌 Retail	Wholesale	Producer 🗌 Tech	n 🗌 Tou	rism, Hospitality 🛛 🛛	Forestry Transportation
Area: 🗌 Neighborhood 🗌 C	ity, Local 🛛 🗌 Reg	gional 🗌 Provinc	cial 🗌 N	ational 🗌 Other:	
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Have you determined your product		ll ha?			Yr \$
Sales: What do you estimate your			262		Yr \$
Cost of Goods: Have you determin Gross Margin: What are typical ma	-		59 (		Yr \$
Have you determined sales levels		-	(nenses?		Mo \$
	your yearly profit / ov		-		Yr \$

Market & Customers: Describe the market for your business. Who is the target customer?

Rationale: What is the need for this business? Why does it matter? How have you established demand for your venture?

**Competition:** Who else is already solving this problem / products / services? Describe your competitors or substitutes.

**Your Business / Competitive Advantage:** How is your business different and / or better than your competition? Advantages that your customers value. ex. products, services, price, expertise, location, promotion, etc.

Facilities & Technical: What is needed and how do you get your product to your customer.

Market / Trends: What are conditions and trends in your market? Ex. growing, flat, declining?

**Key Persons** Who will oversee the business and handle critical tasks?

Other, Mentors

Legal, Licences, Rights to Use Is the business name registered? Business Registration #: Yes No If a Corporation, where incorporated : Incorporation #: GST/PST/Business #: Have you registered for GST/PST? Yes No Do products or processes meet all legal requirements / safety / liability standards for sale in Canada? Are licenses, agreements, fees needed? (Ex. franchise, trade name, patent, facilities?) What government licenses, permits and approvals are required? What industry standards, certification or approvals are required? **Owned Affiliate or Subsidiary Businesses** Name Industry Location Services & Support Contact Phone Company Banking Lawyer Accountant Bookkeeper

2. LOAN REQ	JEST	\$	Term / Months	Needed	
Loan Purpose:	New Start-up	Existing Business:	Expansion F	Purchase, transition	Stabilize
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List costs / expenditures for your project, and all sources of funds including your personal investment and other lenders.					
USES OF FUNDS		SOURCES OF FUNDS			
Purchase Business / Franchise	\$	Capital: Owners, Principals (A)	\$		
Land, Building	\$	Shareholders, Investors (A)	\$		
Plant, Equipment	\$	Loans: Community Futures	\$		
Vehicles, rolling stock	\$	Bank, Credit Union	\$		
Furnishings, Fixtures	\$	BDC	\$		
Leaseholds, Renovations	\$	Other:	\$		
Inventory, Materials	\$	Other: Sale of Assets	\$		
Working Capital	\$	Gov"t Programs (SR&ED, etc)	\$		
Refinance debt, payables	\$	Working Capital, Earnings	\$		
Other:	\$	Other:	\$		
Total Project Expenditures	\$	= Total Funds Sources	\$		

Non-Cash Assets Contributed by Owner, Principals	Current Value	- Amount Owed	= Equity <b>(B)</b>
Land, Building, Plant	\$	\$	\$
Equipment, Tools	\$	\$	\$
Vehicles	\$	\$	\$
Other:	\$	\$	\$
Total Assets Contributed by Owners, Principals	\$	\$	\$

# Total Owner Equity Contributed: Capital + Assets

(A + B) \$

Loan Security Available		Current Value	- Amount Owed	= Equity		
		\$	\$	\$		
		\$	\$	\$		
		\$	\$	\$		
Have you applied for financing else	where? Yes No Resu	lts?				
Are you a prior client of Community	Are you a prior client of Community Futures; or How referred?					
Are you related to any Director or Employee of Community Futures Nadina?						
Enclosures with Application:	losures with Application:					

# 3a. PERSONAL SUMMARY

### (required for each owner / principal, spouse, guarantor)

Last Name:	First:		Middle:		
Birth Date: Y/M/D:		Birth Place:		Cdn Citizen?	
Other name(s) used:		SIN #:		DrLic. #:	
Home 🕾	Work 🕾		Cell 🕾		
Email:		Other:			
Address:				Postal:	
Own Free & Clear 🔲 Buying 🔲 Rent 🗌	Other:			Time:	
Prior Address:					Time:
Prior Address:					Time:
Employment History: (4 yrs) Name, Address		Occupation, Income	Dates		Reason Ended
1)					
2)					
3)					
4)					
Marital Status: Single 🗌 Married 🗌 Comm	on Law 🗌 🛛 🕄	Separated Divorced	] Widowed	d 🗌 🛛 # 🗆	Dependants:

Spousal or Partner Information (required)					
Last Name:	First:		Middle:		
Birth Date: Y/M/D:	Birth Place:	Birth Place: Cdn Citi:			
Other name(s) used:	SIN #:	SIN #: DrLi		ic. #:	
Employment History ( 4 yrs)	Occupation, Income	Dates		Reason Ended	
1)					
2)					
3)					

Personal & Business References			
Emergency Contact:			
Closest Family Member not Living with You:	Relationship:		
Address:	<b>^</b>		
Name:	Relationship:		
Address:	齏		
Name:	Relationship:		
Firm / Address:	<b></b>		
Name:	Relationship:		
Firm / Address:	齏:		

### 3b. PERSONAL ASSETS & LIABILITIES SUMMARY.

#### Include all personal assets and liabilities for yourself and for spouse / partner if married or common-law

Real Estate	e Owned	Address, Description	Current Value	Mortgage(s)	Monthly Pymt
Residence			\$	\$	\$
			\$	\$	\$
			\$	\$	\$

Assets (description)	Present Value	Liabilities, Finance	Owed	Monthly Pymt
Cash: (chequing / savings)	\$	Term Loan(s)	\$	\$
Stocks, Bonds, Mutual Funds	\$	Line(s) of Credit	\$	\$
RRSP's, Pension	\$	Bank Credit Cards	\$	\$
Real Estate (current value from above)	\$	Mortgages (above)	\$	\$
Vehicle 1:	\$	Loan, Lease	\$	\$
Vehicle 2:	\$	Loan, Lease	\$	\$
Other:	\$	Retailer Credit Cards	\$	\$
Other:	\$	Guarantor / Guarantee	\$	\$
Other:	\$	Family Maintenance	\$	\$
Business Equity, Retained Earnings	\$	Taxes Payable	\$	\$
TOTAL A	\$	TOTAL B	\$	\$
NET WORTH		( Total A – B )	\$	

Other Liabilities: ex. taxes, family support, alimony, co-signed debts, guarantees ,leases	Balance owing	Monthly Pymt
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

Monthly Family Income (including spouse)		Monthly Family Expenditures (including spouse)	
Income Drawn from the Business	\$	Rent / Mortgage Payments	\$
Employment Income	\$	Finance Payments (from above)	\$
Spouse"s Employment Income	\$	Food and Clothing	\$
Rental Income	\$	Utilities, Phone, Internet, Cable	\$
Pensions/Annuities	\$	Transportation	\$
Investments Income	\$	Medical & Insurances	\$
Family / Support Payments	\$	Education / Child Care	\$
Other:	\$	Other:	\$
Total Income	\$	Total Expenditures	\$

Credit History (provide details)				
Have you had assets repossessed or foreclosed?				
Have you made a debt proposal through a credit counselor, trustee, or government; or applied for bankruptcy?				
Are you or any closely related individual or firm involved in ANY legal action or litigation, personal or business?				

Do you have a current Business Plan or Expansion / Project plan as appropriate?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No	
Do you have a Monthly Sales Forecast & Cash Flow Forecast for at least 1 year?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No	
Existing Business / Purchase: Do you have the prior 3 Year-end Financial Statements, and year to date results?	🗌 Yes 🗌 No	
Describe any health issues that may affect your time or ability to operate a business		

Describe any family issues that may affect your time or ability operate a business

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#### **DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT & AUTHORIZATION**

The information and statements herein are for the purpose of obtaining and/or maintaining financing from Community Futures Development Corporation of Nadina ("CF Nadina"), and are true, full, and correct as of the date below. I/we understand that additional information if required by CF Nadina in support of this application, must be supplied to the (before full consideration may be given to this financing application.

**Consent to Obtain / Release Information:** I/we hereby consent to the CF Nadina making any inquiries including credit agency and exchanging financial or other information with other financial institutions, or financial partners agencies or credit grantors; and personal, business and corporate information from/to such persons, firms, corporations, government authorities, institutions or agencies as it deems necessary in order to reach a decision on any business proposal and financing application under consideration, or any future applications for financing, and to administer an eventual loan, if such is the case.

I/we agree providing our social insurance number ("SIN") to CF Nadina as confirmation of identity and authorize CF Nadina to use and reveal the SIN to others as a means of identity and obtaining credit reports. These consents shall remain in force until CF Nadina are repaid.

**Costs Incurred:** The Applicant agrees to reimburse CF Nadina to for any costs incurred in processing and/or registration of documents for loan security. Should the applicant withdraw from a loan request, or the proposed financing not complete for any reason, the applicant shall be responsible for paying all costs incurred, including credit and registry searches and appraisals conducted to assess the application. Whether or not financing is approved, all application documents, agency reports and other in connection with this application are the property of CF Nadina.

Acknowledgement & Release: I/we acknowledge that CF Nadina has advised me/us to conduct my/our own investigations into all matters pertaining to my/our business proposal; and that any information and advice provided to me by CF Nadina, its employees, volunteers, directors, and representatives is given without warranty or representation; and I/we release CF Nadina, its employees, volunteers, directors, and representatives from any and all liability or responsibility should I/we choose to rely on information provided to me/us by or on behalf of CF Nadina; and I/we waive any and all claims against CF Nadina for any loss, damage, expense cost that I may suffer or incur in my proposed business venture, due to any cause whatsoever.

I/we warrant that we have read and understand this agreement, and I/we sign on behalf of my/ourselves and any proprietorship, firm, partnership, or corporation I/we represent.

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Corporatio	n:	x	by its Autho	rized signatory
	Community Futures Development Corporation of Nadina	a 2430 Butler Avenue, Unit A, Hou	ston, BC, V0J1Z0	4.7.11

Appendix 1: PERSONAL SKILLS RESUME
Applicant Education         High School         College         Technical         University         Other:
Diploma <sup>s</sup> , degrees, or certifications attained:
Industry Experience, Qualifications, and Currency Describe your experience as related to your business plan.
Business Qualifications & Experience Describe your previous business, management, and supervisory experience. Include references to key business functions such as: marketing / sales; finance / accounting; management / supervisory, and operations / administration.
Training & Development:         Describe your plans for further skills development related to your business

#### Appendix 2: FINANCIAL FORECASTS: Worksheets / Guide provided separately to Loan Application

#### Appendix 3: EXISTING BUSINESS AND / OR BUSINESS PURCHASE

Trend: Are Sales growing, level, or shrinking? Why?

Are **Profits** growing, level, or shrinking? Why?

Business Purchase: What is being bought? Shares or Assets?

What is the owner's reason for selling?

Has an independent appraisal value of the assets been obtained? (details, \$)

Has a professional valuation / opinion of the business been obtained? (details, \$)

If a price is already agreed to, how arrived at?

#### **Financial Results Summary**

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Year Ending	20	20	20	20
Sales	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gross Profit	\$	\$	\$	\$
Net Profit After Tax	\$	\$	\$	\$
Depreciation/Amortization	\$	\$	\$	\$
Interest Expense	\$	\$	\$	\$
Current Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$
Current Liabilities	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Liabilities	\$	\$	\$	\$
Business Net Worth	\$	\$	\$	\$

Insurance Coverages: Type	Amount	Insurer, Contact Phone
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	

Contingent Liabilities Provide detailed	I information if you answer <u>Yes</u> to any of the following questions:	
Is the business supporting obligations not listed	d on its balance sheet as a co-signer or guarantor? Yes	No 🗌
Is the business or principals involved in ANY legal action or litigation? Yes		No 🗌
Has the business or principals ever sought legal protection from its Creditors       Yes □         – i.e. bankruptcy; receivership; receiver/manager, debt counselor payment ?       Yes □		No 🗌
Does the business owe any taxes or government remittances for prior years         − i.e. sales, income, realty, municipal, WCB, GST / PST ?    Yes		No 🗌
Are payroll taxes current?	Yes 🗌	No 🗌

#### Appendix 4: PERSONAL / LOCAL / REGIONAL BENEFITS (optional)

#### Personal: (optional)

Community Futures may have awareness or access from time to time of other available services or resources to assist eligible individuals of certain demographics.

Are you considered to be "Youth", ages 18-29?

Do you consider yourself to be a person with a disability?

Are you aboriginal?

Do you consider yourself to be a member of a visible minority?

#### Local / Regional Benefits and Economic Development:

**Community Futures may provide additional consideration for businesses that diversify / benefit the local / regional economy**. Businesses that essentially merely compete with existing businesses that already offer similar products or services in the region, should demonstrate a need and how they are adding value to the local economy.

Nature?

Where applicable, describe how your business venture:

Develops a new or different sector that is not available in the region	
Adds value to an existing economic sector	
Meets a demand for ongoing market growth	
Fills a gap / niche re services / amenities; that improve quality of life	
Environmentally sustainable products, services, practices, etc	
Other Benefits:	

#### GUIDE: FINANCIAL FORECASTING WORKSHEETS: Sales, Cash Flow, Balance Sheet

**Funders expect financial forecasts presented as spreadsheets, prepared in generally accepted business format. Community Futures financial worksheets are available for hand-written copy, or formatted in Microsoft Excel.** Using Excel spreadsheets / templates enables making changes and comparisons to suit your needs, without re-writing all your data over. And, provides greater clarity for yourself, and for business plan reviewers.

#### Products & Services

• Use this worksheet to describe the major goods or services you will sell; your prices to your customers; and your direct costs - Costs of Goods & Services Sold - of purchases and materials.

#### Sales Forecast

- Use this worksheet to project sales for each of your major product and services lines by numbers of unit sales and/or billable rates, and the revenues generated. You can also calculate your Cost of Goods & Services Sold.
- Your Total Sales Revenues are transferred to the Cash In section of the Cash Flow Forecast

#### Projected Cash Flow

- Show all pre-opening start-up costs in the start-up column.
- Show cash being contributed by owners / principals, and proceeds from sales of any fixed assets.
- Transfer your monthly sales revenue from each month of your Sales Forecast worksheet. Take into account if
  your sales receipts are all paid cash at time of sale, or adjust for cash collected as Accounts Receivable at later date.
- You may wish to leave cash from loan proceeds blank until after you have calculated all revenues and costs; then use the lowest monthly ending cash balance as a guide for your financing needs.
- Record the monthly expenses that you will be paying out each month to run your business.
- Calculate the cash balance at the beginning and end of each month. Start with your beginning cash balance, add Cash In, subtract Cash Paid Out, and enter the ending cash balance. The ending cash balance for one month is the starting cash balance for the next month.

#### Guide & Notes to Cash Flow

- The Guide sheet can be helpful to clarify the typical information and sources.
- The Notes worksheet can be helpful to explain the assumptions you used for your Cash Flow Forecast.
   Wherever possible, you should research and confirm costs. Community Futures Staff will review these notes to determine the extent of your research in regard to revenues and costs.

#### Balance Sheet

 The Balance Sheet summarizes all of the assets and liabilities of the business at opening for a new business start-up, or at the most recent month end for an existing business.

#### CANADIAN INDUSTRY STATISTICS: SME Benchmarking Tool (Search online as: SME Benchmarking)

Provides industry specific income statement and balance sheet data for small and medium sized businesses, showing both and dollars and operating percentages. SME Benchmarking allows you to:

- Estimate the operating costs for your new business in line with other similar businesses
- View financial performance averages in your industry
- Enter your own financial data and or forecasts to see how your business measures up to comparable firms

**Community Futures Staff can guide you in locating suitable resources and in preparing your financial forecasts** and reviewing them to determine the extent to which:

• Your revenue projections are realistic and are based on a suitable understanding of markets and competition

• You have carefully considered all of the costs involved in starting / expanding and operating your business

#### GUIDE: BUSINESS PLAN SUMMARY

**If you have already completed a business plan, attach it with your application.** If you have not yet completed a business plan, this guide may be helpful for you. The following basic business information will enable funders and stakeholders to better understand and assess your business venture. This information becomes the basis of your business plan. Answer as best you can, with the information you have gathered and available to you.

**Community Futures staff can help guide you in planning your business.** We can provide Business Plan and Market Research Workbooks (or you may use alternate formats); and, we have various information resources and tools that may assist your plans.

#### **Business Description**

- Is this business a startup; expansion of an existing business, or buy-out of an existing business?
- What is the history of the business (if applicable)?
- What are your products and/or services?

#### **Business Location**

- What is your business location and why did you choose that location?
- Will the building be leased or owned? (if applicable)
- What are the terms and length of the lease contract? (if applicable)

#### Licenses and Permits

- Is your business name registered with the Registrar of Companies?
- How will your business be affected by local zoning regulations City and/or CRD?
- What licenses or permits will you be required to obtain?
- Do you require to be registered for GST/PST?
- Do you require a Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Taxation Number?

#### Insurance

- What are your insurable business risks?
- What insurance coverage will you purchase to protect your business from fire, theft, vehicle and liability claims?
- Do you require Worker's Compensation Board coverage?

#### Market

- Describe the market for your business: How large is the market? What is your expected market share? Is the market growing or contracting? What research have you done to demonstrate the market?
- Who is your target customer? Describe their characteristics: (ie: age, sex, families, occupation, lifestyle, income, location, etc. **Competition**
- Describe your competitors. What are their strengths and weaknesses in regard to products/services; pricing;
- distribution/location; and promotional strategies?
- How will your competitors react to your business?

#### Competitive Advantage

- Describe the Key Value Factors in your industry that customers decide who they will buy from. How do you rate?
- Describe your competitive advantage. How will you position your business to be different from and/or better than your competition? Consider competitive advantages in products/services; pricing; distribution/location; and promotional strategies.

How will your husiness attract your target market?

#### Business Risks

- What are your most significant business risks and what will you do to mitigate them?
- How will your business be affected by changes to the regional industries and the economy?

#### Other Supporting Information

- Letters of reference
- Letters of intent/contracts/purchase offers
- Price quotations on potential purchases of equipment, insurance, etc.
- Copies of all lease, contracts, or agreements, deeds, or other legal documents
- Any other information that might help clarify or strengthen your proposal and answer potential questions, concerns