

ROF APPROVED APPLICANTS				
Community Futures	PROJECT NAME	Province	ROF AMOUNT	PROJECT SUMMARY
CF Alberni-Clayoquot	The Great BC Business Sale	British Columbia	\$300,000.00	This project is a two-year long initiative and collaboration of government and nongovernmental partners working together to promote and support entrepreneurship in rural and nonmetropolitan regions of BC. It intends to address challenges in business retention and succession through showcasing the great business opportunities available in these communities throughout the province. The initiative includes considerable pre planning and preparation for the tradeshow event and concludes with post event support to buyers and sellers.
CF Entre Corp	BREWD- Business Retention Expansion and Workforce Development	Alberta	\$300,000.00	Funding will be used to complete and implement the BREWD action plan that addresses businesses retention, succession planning and support workforce development to meet evolving business requirements. The outreach will involve communities that are underrepresented in the local economy with the largest focus on New Canadians and Youth.
CF North Okanogan	NOIM - North Okanagan Innovation Center and Maker Space	British Columbia	\$151,500.00	Using the hub and spoke model, the North Okanagan Innovation Center and Space maker will connect existing community assets and provide programming for Youth innovation events, succession planning sessions, women in tech events, lectures and networking events.
CF East Interlake	Manitoba Small Business Certification	Manitoba	\$193,523.00	Funds will be used to implement provincial training to address limited availability for training entrepreneurs in rural Manitoba. Courses will model the Business Start Program and be developed around small business planning, growth, retention and succession.
CF West Yellowhead	Economic Diversification and Transition in Coal Affected Communities	Alberta	\$103,909.00	Funds will be used to implement a plan to assist in recovery and transition coal affected communities. The coaching and training will be expanded around entrepreneurship opportunities, business retention/succession and regional diversification focusing on tourism, renewable energy and advancing new opportunities with the new Canadian population.
CF Parkland Inc	Community-based Business Transition in the Parkland.	Manitoba	\$244,179.60	Will utilize a two-pronged approach to address challenges related to business transition and retention in rural communities in the parkland. First by strengthening business transition opportunities for established entrepreneurs. Second develop entrepreneurial mindsets through work with community partners within the wider community and providing workshops and programming to achieve the goals of the project.
CF Manitoba	Business Succession, Expansion, and Re-purpose Project	Manitoba	\$292,000.00	This project together with partners is offering a multistage program to assist business owners with succession plans and encouraging youth entrepreneurship, international investment attraction and enhancing the economic competitiveness of Manitoba and Saskatchewan.
CF Chinook	CREST- Community Resiliency and Economic Support for Taber	Alberta	\$139,000.00	Funds will be used to enhance local business training, workforce attraction, employee skill development, tourism development, retention and succession planning, digital marketing and Youth engagement.
CF Wildrose	Agri-Tourism Innovation Cluster Challenge	Alberta	\$72,100.00	The Agri-Tourism innovation Challenge is designed to catalyze and scale up Agri-Tourism by incentivizing operators to engage their neighbours in building product clusters and integrated supply chains. It will provide an environment to foster diversification, business innovation, retention and collaboration while expanding existing operations and assisting in the sustainability of rural Alberta communities within the Community Futures Wild Rose region.

<p>CF Winnipeg River Corporation</p>	<p>Positioning and Enhancing Tourism Sector in Eastern Manitoba</p>	<p>Manitoba</p>	<p>\$50,000.00</p>	<p>Through a three-pronged approach for business and industry development this project will significantly impact business development, expansion, and transition within an industry that has great growth potential in this part of Manitoba. First is Pre- Conference Partnership Formation Second is Conference Implementation: Third is Tourism Sector Development Input: An Eastman Tourism Sector Development Strategy will be developed for continued focus on business development, retention and succession in tourism.</p>
<p>CF Central Kootenay</p>	<p>West Kootenay Rural & Northern Immigration Pilot</p>	<p>British Columbia</p>	<p>\$296,788.00</p>	<p>The Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot (RNIP) is a community-driven program designed to spread the benefits of economic immigration to rural communities by creating a path to permanent residence for skilled foreign workers who want to work and live in the regions. The Pilot will support immigration into rural and Indigenous communities and match new immigrants with permanent full-time job vacancies while promoting a welcoming community, connecting newcomers to members of the community and settlement services.</p>
<p>CF Highwood</p>	<p>Succession Matching and Planning (SMP)</p>	<p>Alberta</p>	<p>\$300,000.00</p>	<p>The focus of this Project is the need for succession planning education and resources. It aims to raise awareness of the issue and educate business owners and their 'circle of influence'. (Different professions that need to be engaged throughout the succession planning process including CF staff, bankers, accountants, business valuers, lawyers, economic development, etc.) and to provide access to additional resources through succession planning vendors with workshops and training supports to understand the transferable value of their business and have resources and training for buyers of business as well.</p>