

2017/18 Community Development Programs – Application Intake

On behalf of the Department of Indigenous and Municipal Relations - Community Planning and Development Division, I would like to connect with you as one of our valued clients and key stakeholders to inform you of the recent announcement on August 14, 2017 for the 2017/18 Community Development Programs – Application Intake.

The Department will now undertake a single-window intake and assessment process for new projects that must be completed by March 31, 2018. The intake is being considered under the following existing community development programs: Neighbourhoods Alive!, Community Places, Hometown Manitoba and Partner 4 Growth programs. Applications that meet most but not all existing program or funding eligibility criteria but aim to support provincial priorities, leverage significant funding from other partners, and support a community's ability to improve its economic and social conditions will be considered.

While we may receive many worthwhile project proposals, not all will be approved due to limited funding. Priority will be given to projects that focus on: Accessibility (physical or social); Green Spaces and Active Transportation; and Newcomer support. Projects that involve partnerships with two or more community organizations, demonstrate broad local government and community support and are regional in nature will receive priority consideration.

The application deadline is September 11, 2017. It is anticipated that funding decisions will be made by the end of October 2017. We acknowledge that this is a compressed timeline. However, all staff are available to provide assistance in determining which program is right for your project; support for proposal development and aid in navigating the application and review processes. If assistance is required, feel free to contact me.

I should also note that the Department remains committed to the ongoing review and improvement of its community development programs and will continue to engage the community and municipalities. More information about the various programs and intake are available at <http://www.gov.mb.ca/imr/mr/bldgcomm/index.html>

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