

# NWT ON THE LAND COLLABORATIVE FUND

## What is the NWT On-The-Land Collaborative Fund?

The Fund was created to promote and support on-the-land initiatives in the NWT by providing easier access to funding and other resources. There is a lot of interest in on-the-land programs, but finding the money to run these programs can be a lot of work for communities and organizations that have to apply to many different places to get the funding and support they need.

The NWT On-The-Land Collaborative Fund brings together government, charitable, and other partners so we can combine our efforts and make it easier for you to access money and other resources (such as tools and equipment) for on-the-land projects. When you apply to the fund, your application goes to a group of funders who will work together to support your project – making it easy for you to apply, quick to access the money and resources you need, and simple to work with us throughout your project.

## Who is part of the NWT On-The-Land Collaborative Fund?

The Fund is a collaborative effort among charitable partners, community advisors, and government departments. Current members of the collaborative include:

- Tides Canada
- The Government of the Northwest Territories
- PEW Indigenous Leadership Initiative
- TNC Canada
- J.W. McConnell Family Foundation
- Dominion Diamond Ekati Corporation
- And community advisors from across the NWT

## How can I apply to the fund?

You can apply for funding and resources to help your community or organization get out on the land! Here are some important things to know:

- Applications are due January 31, 2016.
- Funding requests must be at least \$1,000. There is no maximum amount.
- You can submit multiple applications for different projects.

We are open to applications from many different types of organizations and communities. However, we will not consider applications from:

- For-Profit initiatives
- Organizations from outside the NWT
- Political or partisan initiatives
- Federal or territorial governments

We want the application process to be simple and easy for you. You can apply using the attached form. Community advisors and partners are available to answer any questions, talk about your project ideas, and help you with the application. You can contact us here:

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## WORKING TOGETHER

We want to work in partnership with the projects we fund. We're committed to providing a friendly, accessible, and simple process so that you can spend less time on administration, and more time out on the land!

We believe in building mutually respectful, trusting relationships. If your funding application is approved, we want you to know what you can expect of us, and what we will expect of you.

**Your responsibilities:** If you receive a grant, we will ask the following things of you and your community:

1. **Financial Responsibility.** You are responsible to spend the money as planned and provide documentation. We can give you a simple template and ask you to keep receipts.
2. **Story Sharing, Pictures & Evaluation.** Tell us what happened! We want to know what was important to your community about this project, what worked well, and what could have been improved. Together we will learn how to become stronger.
3. **Sharing with others.** You will be asked to share the benefits received (knowledge, skills, and resources) with other communities as you see fit. We would like to learn how you do this.
4. **Hosting Visitors.** You may be asked to help host us in your community. We would cover the costs. We want to come together to share our stories and hear yours.

**Our Responsibilities:** These are the things you can expect from us:

1. **Respectful.** We will be respectful and clear with you and your community.
2. **Information Sharing.** We will try to support your work financially and also by sharing information about other grant opportunities or resources that could benefit your work. With your permission, we will share the stories of your work to the public and other potential supporters.
3. **Listening.** We will listen to your ideas and to your questions, comments, concerns and challenges.
4. **Accessibility.** We're always available if you need to talk about a project.

## APPLY TO THE FUND

Application deadline is January 31, 2016.

Using the attached application form, please fill in your project information and send by e-mail or fax to:

Email: [support@nwtontheland.ca](mailto:support@nwtontheland.ca)  
Fax: Attention: Sarah True, (867) 873-6230

We will contact you to confirm that we have received your application.

Please call Sarah True @ 867-920-6111 if you have not received confirmation within a few days of sending your application.

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Organization/ Community Name	
Project Title	
Mailing Address & Website Address	
Phone Number	
Project Contact Person <i>(Include name, title, phone and email)</i>	
Secondary Contact Person <i>(Include name, title, phone and email)</i>	
Grant Amount Requested	
Project Start & End Dates	

# PROJECT NARRATIVE

(3 pages maximum, please insert your answer directly below each question)

Please help us understand your project by answering the following questions:

**1. Tell us about your community or organization (1-2 paragraphs).**

**2. Tell us about your project and what you are trying to achieve (1-2 paragraphs).**

**3. Is this a new or existing project?**

**4. Who is involved?**

**Please describe the participants (e.g. youth, elders, women, men, etc.)**

**How did/will you choose participants?**

**Are there others supporting this project? In what ways will they help out?**

**5. How will your community or organization know if this project is going well?**

**6. After this project is done, what would your community or organization like to do next? How will you make that happen?**



Please list other funding and amounts:

<b>Funder</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Total	

In-kind contributions:

<b>Contributor</b>	<b>Describe the in-kind contribution</b>
Total	

## INFORMATION ABOUT REPORTING

We're interested in learning from the projects we support! We want to make sure it's easy for you to access funding, resources, and advice, and that we are always improving how we provide them. We also want to make sure that other communities and projects can learn from your experience, and that you can learn from their projects too.

If your application is successful, we'll work with you throughout the year to provide support and encouragement. When the project is over, we'll ask you to share with us:

- At least 5 photos of your project – you can send video too if you like!
- How the money and resources we provided were used.
- The story of your project, including what went well and what was challenging.

We'll work with you to get this reporting done and answer any questions along the way.

## ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:

Help us learn and improve! Please tell us:

- How did you hear about the fund/ this opportunity?
- What are your preferred timelines for funding?
- Was this application easy to use? Please provide feedback on the application itself.
- Do you have suggestions about the reporting process?
- Did you talk to a community advisor or anyone else from the fund before submitting your application?