



ABORIGINAL BUSINESS SERVICE PROVIDERS IN ALBERTA

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Foreword

The Business Link is Alberta's primary business service centre, providing information and services that are fundamental to starting and growing your business anywhere in the province. As a member of the Canada Business Network, **The Business Link** is a not-for-profit organization supported by the Governments of Canada and Alberta, as well as other organizations committed to serving Alberta's small business community.

Aboriginal Business Development Services (ABDS) is a specialized service of **The Business Link** designed to assist Alberta Aboriginal entrepreneurs by providing:

- Personal "one-on-one" service
- Informative guides
- Small business training
- Business library resources
- Guest Advisor Program
- Networking events
- Connections to a network of service providers

This publication is part of a series of informative guides designed for Aboriginal Albertans in business. To find out more about ABDS services and to request copies of our guides, contact us at:

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Tel: 403 221-7800 **Fax:** 403 221-7817

Email: abds@canadabusiness.ab.ca **Website:** www.canadabusiness.ab.ca/abds

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Government
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Introduction

Aboriginal entrepreneurs are growing in numbers due to the rapid growth of the Aboriginal population, urbanization trend, and growing interest in business. Aboriginal businesses in Alberta vary according to industry sector, gender, age, geography, culture, language, and ethnic affiliation. For this reason, there are certain challenges between Aboriginal entrepreneurs and potential sources of services. Both service providers and Aboriginal businesses see a need for accessible business service information.

This publication lists Aboriginal business service providers in an easy-to-use guide. The table of contents provides an alphabetical listing of each service provider. You will easily find contact information, description, and services offered for each organization. At the end of this guide, you can search the index to identify service providers that meet your specific needs. The index is separated according to the resources, services, clients served, and location.

The guides available through The Business Link's Aboriginal Business Development Services are designed to improve awareness of financial service, business planning, business advisory service and business training services for Aboriginal businesses. Aboriginal business service providers can use this guide for referrals and networking opportunities.

All of the information in this guide is available online at www.canadabusiness.ab.ca/abds.

Aboriginal Apprenticeship Initiative

Edmonton

Contact: John Carpenter

Phone: 780 427-5901

Email: john.carpenter@gov.ab.ca

Fort McMurray

Contact: Lilly Upton

Phone: 780 747-6500

Email: lilly.upton@gov.ab.ca

Website: www.tradesecrets.gov.ab.ca

Description: The Aboriginal Apprenticeship Initiative helps First Nations, Métis and Inuit people to complete apprenticeship programs in Edmonton and Fort McMurray. Apprentices are supported on the job and during technical training.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Apprentice Information	Education Professional Development	Aboriginal	Alberta

Aboriginal Business Canada

Contact: Michael Cardozo, Manager

725 Canada Place

9700 Jasper Avenue

Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4C3

Phone: 780 495-8687

Fax: 780 495-4172

Email: cardozom@inac.gc.ca

Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ps/abc/index-eng.asp

Description: Aboriginal Business Canada provides financial and developmental assistance to Aboriginal entrepreneurs. Areas of focus include: Innovation, Tourism Businesses, Trade and Market Expansion, Youth Entrepreneurship, and Aboriginal Business on the Internet.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions Business Advice	Professional Development	Aboriginal Aboriginal Youth	Alberta

Aboriginal Human Resources Department of Alberta (AHRDA)

First Nation's Employment Centres

Athabasca Tribal Council

9206 McCormick Drive

Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 1C7

Phone: 780 791-6538

Website: www.atc97.org

Bigstone Cree Nation

P.O. Box 549

Wabasca, Alberta T0G 2K0

Phone: 780 891-3836

Website: www.bigstone.ca

Confederacy of Treaty 6

Suite 204, 10310 176 Street NW

Edmonton, Alberta T5S 1L3

Phone: 780 944-0334

Website: www.treaty6.ca

Kee Tas Kee Now Tribal Council

P.O. Box 120

Atikameg, Alberta T0G 0C0

Phone: 780 767-2116

Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council

P.O. Box 269

Slave Lake, Alberta T0G 2A0

Phone: 780 849-4943

Website: www.lslirc.com

North Peace Tribal Council

P.O. Box 1889

High Level, Alberta T0H 1Z0

Phone: 780 926-3446

Website: www.nptc.ab.ca

Oteenow Employment & Training Society

Suite 202, 10470 176 Street

Edmonton, Alberta T5S 1L3

Phone: 780 444-0911

Website: www.oteenow.com

Six Independent Alberta First Nations Society of Hobbema

P.O. Box 159

Hobbema, Alberta T0C 1N0

Phone: 780 585-3793

Tribal Chiefs Employment and Training Services Association

P.O. Box 39

Goodfish Lake, Alberta T0A 1R0

Phone: 780 481-8585

Western Cree Tribal Council

P.O. Box 2129

Valleyview, Alberta T0H 3N0

Phone: 780 524-5978

Yellowhead Tribal Development Foundation
P.O. Box 150 RPO
Enoch, Alberta T7X 3Y3
Phone: 780 470-3454

Métis Employment Centres

Contact: Roxanne Hall, Assistant Manager
300, 12308 111 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5M 2N4
Phone: 780 423-2237
Fax: 780 482-2834
Toll Free: 1 888 486-3847 (All Areas)
Email: rhall@metis.org
Website: www.metisemployment.ca

Zone 1:

Lac La Biche
P.O. Box 1350
Suite 101, 10107 102 Avenue
Lac La Biche, Alberta T0A 2C0
Phone: 780 623-2524
Fax: 780 623-8343

Conklin
P.O. Box 60
Conklin, Alberta T0P 1H0
Phone: 780 559-8995
Fax: 780 559-8997

Zone 2:

Bonnyville
P.O. Box 6497
5102-51 Street
Bonnyville, Alberta T9N 2H9
Phone: 780 826-7368
Fax: 780 826-7970

Zone 3:

Calgary
#5, 2611-37 Avenue NE
Calgary, Alberta T1Y 5V7
Phone: 403 250-8902
Fax: 403 250-2838

Medicine Hat
8, 3307 Dunmore Rd SE
Medicine Hat, Alberta T1B 3R2
Phone: 403 504-4056
Fax: 403 504-4224

Red Deer Aboriginal Employment Services
105, 4711-51 Avenue
Red Deer, Alberta T4N 6H8

Phone: 403 358-7734
Fax: 403 358-7735

Zone 4:

Edmonton
300, 12308-111 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5M 2N4
Phone: 780 423-2237
Fax: 780 482-2834

Zone 5:

Slave Lake
P.O. Box 1259
353 Main Street NE
Slave Lake, Alberta T0G 2A0
Phone: 780 849-4660
Fax: 780 849-4642

Wabasca
P.O. Box 148
Wabasca, Alberta T0G 2K0
Phone: 780 891-2363
Fax: 780 891-2362

High Prairie
P.O. Box 96
4910 51 Avenue
High Prairie, Alberta T0G 1E0
Phone: 780 523-2004
Fax: 780 523-2047

Zone 6:

Peace River
9615-100 Street
Peace River, Alberta T8S 1J7
Phone: 780 624-0703
Fax: 780 624-0693

Grande Prairie
105, 9840 97 Avenue
Grande Prairie, Alberta T8V 7K2
Phone: 780 539-5477
Fax: 780 539-5261

Description: Métis Employment Centres offer career counselling, job search resources and training programs to Aboriginal people. Many of their services are status blind.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
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Apprentice Information Grants Financial Contribution	Training Employment Referrals Education	Aboriginal Métis	Central AB
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AboriginalMall

Contact: Dan Martel, President
P.O. Box 63014
8770 170 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5T 5X1
Phone: 780 982-1912
Fax: 780 962-3493
Email: dan@fwinds.net
Website: www.aboriginalmall.com

Description: Aboriginal Mall is offering solutions for Aboriginal businesses throughout Canada to showcase their companies and make their presence known. Listing and Linking information on this portal is free. Check out the business locator and list your company – you don't need a website to list.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Referrals	Aboriginal General Public	Canada

Aboriginal Multi-Media Society of Alberta

Contact: Bert Crowfoot, Publisher
13245 146 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5L 4S8
Phone: 780 455-2700
Fax: 780 455-7639
Email: bcrowfoot@ammsa.com
Website: www.ammsa.com

Description: The AMMSA provides services in the form of advertising for existing Aboriginal entrepreneurs.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
		Aboriginal General Public	Alberta

AFSC

Contact: Joe Dermo, Lending Manager
5718 56 Avenue
Lacombe, Alberta T4L 1B1
Phone: 403 782-8200

Fax: 403 782-5650
Email: joe.dermo@AFSC.ca
Website: www.AFSC.ca

Description: AFSC understands business. We provide financing solutions that make sense for Alberta's small business and agri-industry owners. Through our network of offices across the province, AFSC offers term and export financing, capital sourcing and business consulting services.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Financial Contributions Business Advice		Aboriginal General Public	Alberta

Alberta Craft Council

Contact: Nancy St. Hilaire, Administration Manager
10186 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 1H4
Phone: 780 488-6611
Fax: 780 488-8855
Toll Free: 1 800 362-7238
Email: acc@albertacraft.ab.ca
Website: www.albertacraft.ab.ca

Description: Alberta Craft Council has a craft shop, gallery, exhibits, e-news system, magazine profiling artists and providing other related information, and a business training program. A manual is available, and a craft show directory is online.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Professional Development Referrals Education	Aboriginal General Public	Alberta

Alberta Employment and Immigration

Aboriginal Economic Development
Contact: Clay Buchanan, Director, Aboriginal Economic Development
5th Floor, Commerce Place, 10155 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4L6
Phone: 780 427-5922
Fax: 780 422-5804
Email: clay.buchanan@gov.ab.ca

Description: Alberta's Employment and Immigration's Aboriginal Economic Development

Initiative is committed to increasing participation of Aboriginal communities and businesses in Alberta's regional economic development.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Economic Development	Aboriginal	Alberta

Alberta Indian Investment Corporation

Contact: Rocky Sinclair, General Manager
P.O. Box 180
Enoch, Alberta T7X 3Y3
Phone: 780 470-3600
Fax: 780 470-3605
Toll Free: 1 888 308-6789
Email: rsinclair@aiicbusiness.org
Website: www.aiicbusiness.org

Description: Alberta Indian Investment Corporation has a Youth Business Program. Services include business support, financial assistance is available and fixed and variable rate loans are offered. Equity financing is offered as well.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans	Business Plan	First Nations	Alberta

Alberta-Pacific Forest Industries Inc. - Aboriginal Business Development

Contact: Sandra Cardinal, Director of Aboriginal Affairs
P.O. Box 8000
Boyle, Alberta T0A 0M0
Phone: 780 525-8000
Fax: 780 525-8423
Toll Free: 1 800 661-5210
Email: cardinsa@alpac.ca
Website: www.alpac.ca

Description: Alberta-Pacific produces pulp from the resource on its Forest Management Agreement area (FMA) in northeastern Alberta. Alberta-Pacific has formed numerous partnerships with 40,000 Aboriginal people within and adjacent to its FMA area to increase the economic and human resource capacity of this community. The company will continue this proactive innovative approach.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions	Education Employment Training	Aboriginal General Public	North AB
Business Advice	Referrals/ Pathfinding		
Apprentice Info	Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring		

Alberta Women Entrepreneurs (AWE)

Edmonton
Contact: Marcela Mandeville, New Programs Manager
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Edmonton, Alberta T5J 1B1
Phone: 780 422-1410
Fax: 780 422-0756
Toll Free: 1 800 713-3558
Email: marcela.mandeville@awebusiness.com
Website: www.awebusiness.com

Calgary
610, 736 8th Avenue SW
Calgary, Alberta T2P 1H4
Phone: 403 777-4250
Fax: 403 777-4258
Toll Free: 1 800 713-3558

Description: Alberta Women Entrepreneurs (AWE) is dedicated to helping women entrepreneurs start, grow or expand their businesses. AWE offers integrated financing, business advising, business development skills (workshops and training), and networking events. Since 1995, AWE has loaned millions to Alberta women for business start-up, purchases and expansions. Over 23,000 women have accessed AWE's services throughout Alberta.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Business Advice	Business Training	Women	Alberta

Alexander First Nation

Contact: Edward Arcand, Economic Development Officer
P.O. Box 3510
Morinville, Alberta T8R 1S3
Phone: 780 939-4757

Fax: 780 939-4795

Description: Alexander First Nation clients are First Nations Band members. Referrals are available for the services they do not provide.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Referrals	First Nations	Central AB

Alexis First Nation

Contact: Darwin Alexis, Economic Development Portfolio Holder
P.O. Box 7
Glenvis, Alberta T0E 0X0
Phone: 780 967-2225
Fax: 780 967-5484

Description: Alexis First Nation offers support services with business planning and training through the Youth Business Foundation. They offer referrals and networking opportunities for band members.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Business Plan Education Employment Training Referrals/Pathfinding	First Nations	Central AB

Amisk Housing Association

Contact: Cec Jones, General Manager
16678 - 114 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5M 3R8
Phone: 780 452-6651
Fax: 780 452-1040

Description: Provides subsidized housing in Edmonton for Aboriginal people.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Housing	Aboriginal	Edmonton

Apeetogosan (Métis) Development Inc.

Contact: Sally Atkinson, Sr. Account Manager
302, 12308-111 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5M 2N4
Phone: 780 452-7951

Fax: 780 454-5997

Toll Free: 1 800 252-7963

Email: office@apeetogosan.ab.ca

Website: <http://apeetogosan.com/>

Description: Apeetogosan was incorporated in 1984 as an initiative of the MNAA to create an economic developmental tool to provide small business loans and advisory services to Métis entrepreneurs. We are committed to providing profitable, sustainable financial services and support to clients who seek the means to attain economic self-sufficiency. The role of the Business Development Officers is to provide our Métis community with support and encouragement in preparation of the loan application process and business plan workbook. They provide community leaders and educators with information on business financial services available through Apeetogosan. Also, they develop workshops on starting businesses and information sessions on accessing the Aboriginal Business Canada program.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Business Advice Grants	Business Plan Referrals	Métis Aboriginal Non-Status	North AB

Aseniwuche Development Corporation

Contact: David MacPhee, President
P.O. Box 1409
Grande Cache, Alberta T0E 0Y0
Phone: 780-827-9670
Fax: 780-827-3078

Description: Aseniwuche Development Corporation is involved in emerging development opportunities by addressing barriers to economic growth, and increasing the skill levels of the community.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Employment Professional Development Training Business Plan	Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth Women Persons w/ Disabilities	Central AB

Asokan Project

Contact: Tracy Friedel, Coordinator
P.O. Box 2091
Stony Plain, Alberta T7Z 1X6
Email: tracyf@nait.ca

Description: For Métis and other Indigenous women, the Business Administration/Accounting Certificate Program is an approved project-based training program of HRSDC delivered in partnership with NAIT. Funding for Métis women is available from the Métis Nation of Alberta Zone IV Labour Market Development Unit.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Education Professional Development Training Employment	Métis Aboriginal	Alberta

Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

P.O. Box 366
Ft. Chipewyan, Alberta T0P 1B0
Phone: 403 697-3730
Fax: 403 697-3500
Email: chipband@telusplanet.net

Description: Offer support services with business planning, referrals and networking opportunities for band members.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Business Plan Referrals/Pathfinding Professional Development Training Employment Housing Education	First Nations	North AB

Athabasca Tribal Council

Contact: Margaret Whiteknife, Regional Partnership Advisor
9206 McCormick Drive
Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 1C7
Phone: 780 791-6538
Fax: 780 791-0946
Email: Margaret.whiteknife@atc97.org
Website: www.atc97.org

Description: The Athabasca Tribal Council provides advisory and program administration services in Education, Technician Services, Finances, Health, Child & Family, Employment & Training, Social Economic resource, and Economic Development to the five First Nations in this region, namely: Mikisew Cree First Nation, Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation, Chipewyan Prairie First Nation, Fort McKay First Nation, and Fort McMurray Indian Band No. 468. The five First Nations have an estimated population of 5000+ members who reside in the communities, on reserve, in Fort McMurray, and in other rural and urban areas. The economic development program areas include business advisory and assistance in economic/business development, training, capacity building workshops, preparing business plans, resource in communities, and program administration of the Regional Partnership Development Program with the Province of Alberta.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Apprentice Information	Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring Training Education Employment Housing Referrals	First Nations	North AB

Athabasca University - The Centre for World Indigenous Knowledge and Research

Contact: Priscilla Campeau, Interim Director
1200, 10011-109 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3S8
Phone: 780 428-2064
Fax: 780 497-3416
Toll Free: 1 800 788-9041 ext. 2064
Email: indigenous@athabascau.ca
Website: www.athabascau.ca/indigenous/

Description: The Centre that exists within Athabasca University that strives to meet the academic needs of Indigenous scholars, nations, communities, institutions and organizations, while acknowledging the role of traditional knowledge in an academic setting. Courses may be delivered on-site pending demand. Staff is culturally sensitive to Aboriginal needs.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions	Education Professional Development	Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth Women Persons with Disabilities	Alberta

Beaver First Nation

Contact: Lorne Bulldog, Chief
P.O. Box 2700
High Level, Alberta T0H 0Z0
Phone: 780 927-3544
Fax: 780 927-4064

Description: Beaver First Nation offers support services with business planning, negotiating for business ventures, referrals and networking opportunities for band members.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Business Plan Professional Development Referrals/ Pathfinding	First Nations	North AB

Beaver Lake First Nation

Contact: Robert Gillis, Economic Development Officer
P.O. Box 960
Lac La Biche, Alberta T0A 2C0
Phone: 780 623-4549
Fax: 780 623-4523
Toll Free: 1 877 610-3110
Email: rgillis@blcn.ca
Website: <http://beaverlakecreenation.ca>

Description: Beaver Lake Cree Nation offers social services, economic development, human resource assistance, employment and training to its band members. Beaver Lake First Nation band office employs 80 full time staff. The population of Beaver Lake Cree Nation is approximately 1300, where 55% of the population is under 25 years old. The first industry on the reserve is civil service. The second major industry on the Beaver Lake Cree Nation Reserve is tourism; the band has a facility that has 350 camping stalls (full services). This reserve is one

of the few First Nation reserves to have ventured into the tourism industry in this way (which provides summer employment for youth). Future plans are to develop the facility into a year-round retreat.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Apprentice Info	Employment Training Mentoring Housing Referrals Education	First Nations	North AB

Blood Tribe

Contact: Rob Crow, Director of Economic Development
P.O. Box 350
Standoff, Alberta T0L 1Y0
Phone: 403 737-8124
Fax: 403 737-2116

Description: Blood Tribe offers services and small business grants to band members only. Promoting and supporting small businesses for band members only (both on and off reserve). There are three main areas and they are Business Development, Corporate Development and Moccasin Flats Plaza.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Grants Business Advice Financial Contribution	Professional Development Training	First Nations	South AB

Blue Quills First Nations College

Contact: Lena Lapatack, Registrar
P.O. Box 279
St. Paul, Alberta T0A 3A0
Phone: 780 645-4455
Fax: 780 645-5215
Toll Free: 1 888 645-4455
Website: www.bluequills.ca

Description: The objective of the Trades and Technology Program is to provide mature students an opportunity to obtain pre-requisite courses essential for admission to an Alberta Apprenticeship and Trades Industry Training Program. In addition, our Trades and Technology students will also have the opportunity to gain valuable technical skills in

carpentry, welding, plumbing and electrical training through our CTS (Career & Technology Studies) courses. This program enables students to work towards becoming a registered apprentice in a trade of their choice.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Education Business Plan	General Public	Alberta
Apprentice Info	Professional Development Mentor Training Employment Referrals		

Buffalo Lake Métis Settlement

Contact: Margaret Daniels, Economic Development Officer
 P.O. Box 16
 Caslan, Alberta T0A 0R0
 Phone: 780 689-2170
 Fax: 780 689-2024
 Email: blcindy@telusplanet.net

Description: The Programs and Services Dept. formerly known as Community Services Dept. provides the Buffalo Lake Métis Settlement with the following programs and services: Elders Night Out Society program support such as; seniors/terminally ill, seniors wood/fuel services, Home maker services, Student School supplies/fees. Community programming such as Security, Victims of Disaster services, Buffalo Lake Métis Settlement Landfill Operation in conjunction with the Public Works Dept. that is recognized and supported by Alberta Environment. Programs for families to provide healthy communities such as: Early Intervention Program, Family Friend, Early Childhood Development and Parent Link Resource.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans	Business Plan Education Employment Professional Development Mentoring Training	Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth Persons with Disabilities Women Métis	North AB

Business Development Bank of Canada - Aboriginal Banking Unit

Contact: Wendy Macnair, Manager Aboriginal Business Services
 220, 155 Carlton Street
 Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 3H8
 Phone: 204 983-3594
 Fax: 204 983-8522
 Email: wendy.macnair@bdc.ca
 Website: www.AboriginalLink.com/BDC

Description: The Business Development Bank of Canada (BDC) is a financial institution wholly owned by the Government of Canada. BDC plays a leadership role in delivering financial, investment and consulting services to Canadian small businesses, with particular focus on the technology and export sectors of the economy. BDC's Consulting Group delivers strategic planning, strategies for growth and ISO certification to Aboriginal businesses and organizations. We have also introduced an Aboriginal Business Development Fund that combines financing with management training and ongoing mentorship. BDC has an annual employment program for Aboriginal youth providing them with summer employment and internship experience. BDC sponsors "E-Spirit" an annual Internet based Aboriginal Youth Business Plan Competition. A quarterly newsletter containing articles about Aboriginal customers, Aboriginal economic development, Aboriginal art and spirituality is produced with a distribution of 4,000. In addition, SOAR, an Aboriginal youth magazine was launched with a focus on youth and business.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Business Advice	Business Plan Professional Development Employment Training	Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth Women Persons with Disabilities First Nations	Canada

Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee

Contact: Carrie Neilson, Aboriginal Issues Strategist
 The City Of Calgary
 P.O. Box 2100, Stn 'M' (8116)
 Calgary, Alberta T2P 2M5
 Phone: 403 268-5149
 Fax: 403 268-5149

Email: cauac@calgary.ca
 Website: www.calgary.ca

Description: This advisory sub-committee of City Council acts as a liaison, advisory and support body between the City of Calgary (and its representatives), and Aboriginal people living within the City of Calgary.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Professional Development	Aboriginal	Calgary

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

Contact: Peggy Roberts, Senior Advisor
 210, 10405 Jasper Avenue
 Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3N4
 Phone: 780 423-8758
 Fax: 780 423-8702
 Email: proberts@cmhc-schl.gc.ca
 Website: <http://www.cmhc.ca/>

Description: CMHC partners with First Nations and others on assistance programs and innovative financing techniques to meet housing needs on the reserve.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Grants Financial Contribution	Housing	Aboriginal General Public	Canada

Canadian Youth Business Foundation

Contact: Rachel Rouhana, Business Manager Alberta
 Suite 68A
 100 Mount Royal Circle SW
 Calgary, Alberta T3E 7P7
 Phone: 403 265-2923
 Fax: 403 265-2343
 Email: rrouhana@cybf.ca
 Website: www.cybf.ca

Description: The CYFB is a private sector funded, non-profit charitable organization providing start-up financing, mentoring and educational resources that empower young Canadians, 18-34, to start and grow business which contribute to sustainable economic development in communities across Canada.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Business Advice	Mentoring	Aboriginal General Public Persons with Disabilities Aboriginal Youth Women	Canada

CESO Aboriginal Services

Contact: Debbie Duguay, Regional Manager, Alberta & Western Arctic
 610, 10339 – 124 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T5N 3W1
 Phone: 780 421-4740
 Fax: 780 429-3186
 Toll Free: 1 800 763-6372
 Email: alberta@ceso-saco.com
 Website: www.ceso-saco.com

Description: CESO Aboriginal Services is a not-for-profit agency dedicated to working with First Nations, Inuit and Métis businesses, communities and individuals across the country. Some of the areas that we provide assistance in are: providing help with the start-up and running of retail businesses, establishing or improving businesses and community governments, advising on housing projects, studying the economics of on-reserve shopping plazas, set up financial accounting systems, and much more.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Business Plan Education Employment Professional Development Housing Mentoring Training	First Nations Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth Women Persons with Disabilities	Alberta

Chipewyan Prairie First Nation

General Delivery
 Chard, Alberta T0P 1G0
 Phone: 780 559-2259
 Fax: 780 559-2213
 Website: www.chipewyan.com

Description: Clients are First Nations band members only. We offer entrepreneurship, training, mentoring, coaching, and loans to small businesses.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Education	First Nations	Calgary

Cold Lake First Nation

Contact: Wendy Blackman, Economic Development Officer
 P.O. Box 1769
 Cold Lake, Alberta T9M 1P4
 Phone: 780 594-0183
 Fax: 780 594-0205
 Email: wblackman@clfns.com

Description: Cold Lake First Nations offers support services with business planning, negotiating for business ventures, referrals and networking opportunities for band members.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Grants Financial Contribution Apprentice Info	Business Plan Professional Development Referrals/ Pathfinding Training	First Nations	North AB

Community Futures Network of Alberta

#4, 205 First Street East
 Cochrane, Alberta T4C 1A5
 Phone: 403 851-9995
 Fax: 403 851-9905
 Toll Free: 1 877 482-3672
 Email: jon@cfna.ca
 Website: www.cfna.ca

Description: Community Futures Network of Alberta is a Community Futures provincial association. In Alberta there are 27 community-based, volunteer-led community economic development organizations designed to assist community growth and diversification through a variety of services including loans (up to \$150,000) for qualified businesses seeking to start or expand in rural Alberta (communities outside Calgary and Edmonton). The 27 Alberta Community Futures

organizations also provide support to businesses including business counselling, assistance with Business Planning, small business training and information services. Many Alberta Community Futures organizations also deliver the Self-Employment Benefits Program.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Loans	Business Plan Mentoring Training	Aboriginal General Public	Alberta

**Community Futures Organizations
Northeast Region**

Community Futures East Central

5104 -53 Avenue
 P.O. Box 5000
 Viking, Alberta T0B 4N0
 Phone: 780 336-3497
 Fax: 780 336-2266
 Email: ecfdc@telus.net
 Website: www.cfeastcentral.ca/

Community Futures Wood Buffalo

#100B-9816 Hardin Street
 Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 4K3
 Phone: 780 791-0330
 Fax: 780 791-0086
 Email: rupal@cfwb.ca
 Website: www.cfwb.ca

Community Futures Lac La Biche

P.O. Box 2188
 Lac La Biche, Alberta T0A 2C0
 Phone: 780 623-2662
 Fax: 780 623-2671
 Website: www.cfllb.com

Community Futures Lakeland

201, 5016-50th Avenue
 P.O. Box 8114
 Bonnyville, Alberta T9N 2J4
 Phone: 780 826-3858
 Fax: 780 826-7330
 Email: info@communityfutureslakeland.ca
 Website: www.communityfutureslakeland.ca

Community Futures Elk Island Region

P.O. Box 547, 5019-51 Street
 Two Hills, Alberta T0B 4K0
 Phone: 780 657-3512

Fax: 780 657-2359
Email: cfeir@telus.net
Website: www.cfelkisland.com

Community Futures Lloydminster and Region

5, 4010-50 Avenue
Lloydminster, Alberta T9V 1B2
Phone: 780 875-5458
Fax: 780 875-8026
Email: comfutur@telusplanet.net
Website: www.lloydcfdc.ca

Community Futures St. Paul - Smoky Lake Region

P.O. Box 1484, 4802-50 Avenue
St Paul, Alberta T0A 3A0
Phone: 780 645-5782
Fax: 780 645-1811
Email: admin@cfspsl.ca
Website: www.cfspsl.ca

Northwest Region

Community Futures Lesser Slave Lake Region

P.O. Box 2100
Slave Lake, Alberta T0G 2A0
Phone: 780 849-3232
Fax: 780 849-3360
Email: info@cflsl.com
Website: www.cflsl.com

Community Futures Northwest Alberta

9810-99 Street
P.O. Box 210
High Level, Alberta T0H 1Z0
Phone: 780 926-4233
Fax: 780 926-2162
Email: info@cfnwa.ab.ca
Website: www.cfnwa.ab.ca

Community Futures Peace Country

9816-98 Avenue
Peace River, Alberta T8S 1J5
Phone: 780 624-1161
Fax: 780 624-1308
Email: admin@peacecountry-cfdc.com
Website: www.peacecountry-cfdc.com

Community Futures Grande Prairie and Region

#104, 9817-101 Avenue
Grande Prairie, Alberta T8V 0X6
Phone: 780 814-5340
Fax: 780 532-5129
Email: office@cfogfp.com
Website: www.cfogfp.com

Community Futures Tawatinaw Region

10611-100 Avenue
Westlock, Alberta T7P 2J4
Phone: 780 349-2992
Fax: 780 349-6542
Email: info@cftr.ab.ca
Website: www.cftr.ab.ca

Community Futures Capital Region

5006-50 Street
P.O. Box 3175
Stony Plain, Alberta T7Z 1Y4
Phone: 780 968-7013 or 1 888 848-2285
Fax: 780 968-7048
Email: admin@cfcapitalregion.ca
Website: www.cfcapitalregion.ca

Community Futures West Yellowhead

221 Pembina Avenue
Hinton, Alberta T7V 2B3
Phone: 780 865-1224
Fax: 780 865-1227
Email: info@cfwestyellowhead.com
Website: www.cfwestyellowhead.com

Community Futures Yellowhead East

5028-50 Avenue
P.O. Box 249
Sangudo, Alberta T0E 2A0
Phone: 780 785-2900 or 1 800 556-0328
Fax: 780 785-3337
Email: yebdc@yebdc.ab.ca
Website: www.yebdc.ab.ca

South Region

Community Futures Centre West

6, 205 First Street East
Cochrane, Alberta T4C 1X6
Phone: 403 932-5220
Fax: 403 932-6824
Email: dgraham@cfwest.com
Website: www.cfcwest.com

Community Futures Chinook

5324-48 Avenue
Taber, Alberta T1G 1S2
Phone: 403 223-2984
Fax: 403 223-2096
Email: manager@biz-help.ca
Website: www.biz-help.ca

Community Futures Crowsnest Pass

12501-20 Avenue
P.O. Box 818
Blairmore, Alberta T0K 0E0

Phone: 403 562-8858
 Fax: 403 562-7252
 Email: shar@crownsnestbdc.com
 Website: www.telusplanet.net/public/cnpbdc

Community Futures Big Country

P.O. Box 610
 181 North Railway Avenue
 Drumheller, Alberta T0J 0Y0
 Phone: 403 823-7703
 Fax: 403 823-7753
 Email: w.hove@cfbigcountry.ca
 Website: www.cfbigcountry.ca

Community Futures East Parkland

5020-50 Avenue
 P.O. Box 250
 Mirror, Alberta T0B 3C0
 Phone: 403 788-2212
 Fax: 403 788-2199
 Email: info@eastparkland.com
 Website: www.eastparkland.com

Community Futures Entre-Corp Business Development

202, 556-4 Street South East
 Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 0K8
 Phone: 403 528-2824
 Fax: 403 527-3596
 Email: bizinfo@entre-corp.com
 Website: www.entre-corp.com

Community Futures Highwood

14 McRae Street
 P.O. Box 1599
 Okotoks, Alberta T1S 1B5
 Phone: 403 995-4151
 Fax: 403 995-3760
 Email: info@cfhighwood.net
 Website: www.cfhighwood.net

Community Futures Lethbridge Region

2626 South Parkside Drive
 Lethbridge, Alberta T1K 0C4
 Phone: 403 320-6044
 Fax: 403 327-8476
 Email: info@cflethbridge.com
 Website: www.cflethbridge.com

Community Futures Central Alberta

5013-49th Avenue
 Red Deer, Alberta T4N 3X1
 Phone: 403 342-2055
 Fax: 403 347-6980

Email: murray@cfcab.com
 Website: www.rdcabd.com

Community Futures Alberta Southwest

659 Main Street
 P.O. Box 1568
 Pincher Creek, Alberta T0K 1W0
 Phone: 403 627-3020
 Fax: 403 627-3035
 Email: info@cfabsw.com
 Website: www.cfabsw.com

Community Futures Treaty Seven

300, 6011-1A Street S.W.
 Calgary, Alberta T2H 0G5
 Phone: 403 251-9242 or 1-800-691-6078
 Fax: 403 251-9750
 Email: treaty7@t7edc.com
 Website: www.t7edc.com

Community Futures Wild Rose

101, 331-3 Avenue
 P.O. Box 2159
 Strathmore, Alberta T1P 1K2
 Phone: 403 934-6488 or 1 888 881-9675
 Fax: 403 934-6492
 Email: wildrose@cfwildrose.ca
 Website: www.cfwildrose.ca

Council for the Advancement of Native Development Officers - CANDO

9635-45 Avenue
 Edmonton, Alberta T6E 5Z8
 Phone: 780 990-0303 or 1 800 463-9300
 Fax: 780 429-7487
 Email: cando@edo.ca
 Website: www.edo.ca

Description: CANDO is a national organization providing economic development officers who work in Aboriginal communities and organizations with professional development, education, and networking opportunities.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Education Professional Development Training	Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth Women	Alberta

Coyes & Associates Business Development Services

Contact: Terry Coyes, Principal
 9911 - 83 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T6A 3N3
 Phone: 780 461-5033
 Fax: 780 401-5260
 Email: tcoyes@shaw.ca

Description: Coyes & Associates is a management consulting company that applies sound knowledge of business concept, strategic planning & economic development practices gained over fifteen years of combined business, international trade and Aboriginal economic development training and experience to respond to its client’s business development needs. Services provided include; strategic economic development planning and training; business planning; economic development program/project coordination (proposal writing, negotiation, planning, development, management & evaluation); and feasibility/viability assessments. Clients/partners include various sizes of private businesses from numerous industry sectors; community, tribal & regional councils; business associations; and banking & government institutions.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring Training	Aboriginal General Public	Canada

Dene Tha' First Nations

Contact: Gabriel Didzena, Economic Development Officer
 P.O. Box 120
 Chateh, Alberta T0H 0S0
 Phone: 780 321-3775
 Fax: 780 321-3886
 Email: Gabriel.Didzena@denetha.ca

Description: Dene Tha' First Nations offers entrepreneurship training, mentoring, coaching, and loans to small businesses.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans	Professional Development Mentoring	First Nations	North AB

Distinctive Employment Counselling Services of Alberta

Contact: Beverly Glover, Coordinator
 11515-71 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T5B 1W1
 Phone: 780 474-2500
 Fax: 780 474-7765
 Email: info@decsa.com
 Website: www.decsa.com

Description: Distinctive Employment Counselling Services of Alberta offers referrals to clients for services not provided by this organization, a Ventures Program, an entrepreneurial program for persons with disabilities. DECSA serves Edmonton and surrounding areas.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Business Plan Education Employment Professional Development Mentoring Training	Aboriginal General Public Persons with Disabilities	Edmonton

Driftpile First Nation

P.O. Box 30
 Driftpile, Alberta T0G 0V0
 Phone: 780 355-3868
 Fax: 780 355-3650
 Email: dfnadmin@telusplanet.net

Description: Driftpile First Nation is 50km east of High Prairie, 80 km west of Slave Lake. Driftpile First Nation has a community school for training and Northern Lake College. Also, Driftpile First Nation has a band-owned company which contracts both on & off reserve oil & gas construction & forestry sectors.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions Business Advice Grants Apprentice Info	Business Plan Education Professional Dev. Training Mentor Employment Referrals	First Nations	North AB

Duncan's First Nation

Contact: Randy Orr, Band Manager
P.O. Box 148
Brownvale, Alberta T0H 0L0
Phone: 780 597-3777
Fax: 780 597-3920

Description: Duncan's First Nation provides non-monetary support for economic development and networking opportunities to band members.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Loans Grants Apprentice Info	Professional Development Mentoring Training Referrals/Pathfinding Business Plan Education	First Nations	North AB

Dynamic Dimensions - A Specialist in the Aboriginal Community

Contact: Muriel Stanley-Venne, Principal
11304 - 86 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5B 3J1
Phone: 780 479-3634
Fax: 780 479-3311
Email: murielv@telusplanet.net

Description: A specialist in the Aboriginal Community- consulting in project development and convening of conferences, emphasis on Aboriginal women.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Mentoring	Aboriginal General Public	Alberta

East Prairie Métis Settlement

Contact: Harry Supernault, Administration
P.O. Box 1289
High Prairie, Alberta T0G 1E0
Phone: 780 523-2594
Fax: 780 523-2777
Toll Free: 1-800-656-8461
Email: hsupernault@eastprairiemetis.ca

Description: East Prairie Métis Settlement offers: services for resident settlement members only, employment services database, self employment and

small business training available, and industry training available for clients.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions Business Advice Grants Apprentice Info	Professional Development Training Mentoring Employment Housing Referrals Education	Métis	North AB

Edmonton Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee

Contact: Derek Chewka, Chair
Suite 901 Tower 2 Scotia Place
10060 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2R7
Phone: 780 944-7602
Fax: 780 944-8504
Website: www.aboriginal-edmonton.com

Description: The Edmonton Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee (EAUAC) acts as a catalyst of developments for Aboriginal people in the city of Edmonton. EAUAC serves as an advisory board to city council on urban aboriginal issues.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice		Aboriginal General Public	Edmonton

Edmonton Financial Literacy Society

Contact: Nigel Kidd, Executive Director
10237 - 104 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 1B1
Phone: 780 944-1558
Fax: 780 425-3876
Email: nigelkidd@efls.ca

Description: A non-profit organization dedicated to providing financial literacy education to adults and youth and assisting them in becoming more effective with the financial resources they have at their disposal. EFLS offers a specially designed Aboriginal financial literacy program that includes integration of Aboriginal culture and values component into its curriculum to ensure that course materials learned have long term positive impact and are conducive as well as relevant to members of the Aboriginal

community. All teachings are geared to reinforcing the positive aspects of Aboriginal culture and also bridging the issues of money that were never relevant in the traditional way of life.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Education	Aboriginal General Public Youth Women Persons with Disabilities	Edmonton

Elizabeth Métis Settlement

Contact: Archie Collins, Chairperson
P.O. Box 420
Station Main
Cold Lake, Alberta T9M 1P1
Phone: 780 594-5026 or 780 594-5028
Fax: 780 594-5452
Toll Free: 1 877 594-5026

Description: Serves the members of the Elizabeth Métis Settlement in offering career building services, support services and economic development information.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Financial Contributions Apprentice Information	Business Plan Education Employment Referrals Mentoring Housing	Métis	North East Central AB

EmployAbilities

Contact: John Ough, President
402, 10909 Jasper Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3L9
Phone: 780 423-4106
Fax: 780 426-0029
Toll Free: 1 800 785-6539
Email: employ@employabilities.ab.ca
Website: www.employabilities.ab.ca

Description:

Resource centre for the employment of persons with disabilities.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Apprentice Information Business Advice	Employment Referrals Business Plan Training Referrals Education	Persons with Disabilities	Edmonton

Enoch Cree Nation #440

Contact: Don Morin, Sr. Manager Economic
Development
P.O. Box 539
Enoch, Alberta T7X 3Y3
Phone: 780 470-5079
Fax: 780-470-5098
Email: admin@enocheccdev.ca
Website: www.enocheccdev.ca

Description: Enoch Cree Nation #440 offers career building services to members, support services and economic development information.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring Training Referrals	First Nations	Central AB

Ermineskin Tribe

Contact: Collin Wildcat, Director of Economic
Development
P.O. Box 219
Hobbema, Alberta T0C 1N0
Phone: 780 585-3779
Fax: 780 585-2980
Email: collin@ermineskin.ca
Website: www.creegallery.com

Description: Ermineskin Tribe offers: small business development plan -small grants program, care of the tribe's commercial industry and training programs are available.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Grants	Professional Development	First Nations	North AB

Training			
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Esquao Incorporated

Contact: Muriel Stanley-Venne, Principal
 201, 10812 178 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T5S 1J3
 Phone: 780 479-8195
 Fax: 780 471-2169
 Toll Free: 1 877 471-2171

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Business Plan Development Corporation	Aboriginal Women General Public Women	Alberta

Export Development Canada

Contact: Stacey Gordon, Senior Account Manager
 Suite 1000, 10180 - 101 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3S4
 Phone: 780 701-2242
 Fax: 780-702-5235
 Toll Free: 1-888-332-3777 or 1-866-278-2300
 Email: sgordon@edc.ca
 Website: www.edc.ca

Description: Export Development Canada (EDC) is a Federal Crown Corporation for export development for small and medium-sized businesses, and offers insurance and financing (not venture financing).

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans		Aboriginal General Public	Alberta

Fast Labour Solutions

Contact: Janice Larocque, President
 619B-36 Avenue NE
 Calgary, Alberta T2E 2L8
 Phone: 403 244-3012
 Fax: 403 244-6033
 Toll Free: 1 866 244-9696
 Email: janice@spiritstaffing.com
 Website: www.spiritstaffing.com

Description: An industrial company, Fast Labour Solutions was opened in June 2000 to supply certified journeyman, and skilled trades' people, warehouse and general labourers, and is considered a

leader in industrial services. Offers customized training packages in safety tickets, etc. to meet the needs of companies and individuals.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Employment Training	All	Canada

First Nations Bank Micro Loan Program

P.O. Box 2025 / Room 601, S.J. Cohen Building
 224- 4th Avenue South
 Saskatoon, Sask. S7K 5M5
 Toll Free: 1 888 454-3622
 Fax: 306 955-6811
 Website: www.firstnationsbank.com

Description: The First Nations Bank Micro Loan Program from Western Economic Diversification Canada (WD) and the First Nations Bank of Canada offer micro loans to help start or expand a business. It enhances self-employment opportunities for Aboriginal peoples by supporting the ideas and skills of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal entrepreneurs who lack the assets and capital required by traditional lenders.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans		Aboriginal General Public	Western Canada

First Nations Employment and Training

Contact: Lois Smith, Human Resources Manager
 c/o Indian Resource Council of Canada
 235, 9911 Chula Boulevard
 Tsuu T'ina (Sarcee), Alberta T2W 6H6
 Phone: 403 281-4455
 Fax: 403 251-6061
 Email: hrd@tsuutina.com

Description: First Nations Employment and Training provides training related to the petroleum industry.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Training	Aboriginal	Alberta

First Nations Forestry Program

Contact: Lorne West, Forestry Liaison Manager
 Canadian Forest Service / Northern Forestry Centre
 Suite 2006, 5320 - 122 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T6H 3S5
 Phone: 780 435-7279
 Fax: 780 435-7356
 Email: lwest@NRCan.gc.ca
 Website: www.cfs.nrcan.gc.ca/subsite/fnfp

Description: The First Nation Forestry Program, administered regionally and designed to assist First Nations to build capacity and assume control of the management of their forest resources, to establish partnerships with provinces and industry, and to actively participate in off-reserve forestry and other economic development opportunities. A call for proposal is issued annually. Contact the above for more information.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions	Professional Development	First Nations	Alberta

Fishing Lake Métis Settlement

General Delivery
 Sputinow, Alberta T0A 3G0
 Phone: 780 943-2202
 Fax: 780 943-2575

Description: Fishing Lake Métis Settlement services settlement members in the Fishing Lake community, and acts as the municipal body for the Fishing Lake Settlement including housing, public works, oil & gas and lands & membership.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Financial Contributions Business Advice	Employment Housing Training Referrals/ Pathfinding	Métis	North AB

Forest Industry Suppliers and Logging Association

Contact: Ken Glover, Executive Director
 18008 - 107 Avenue
 Edmonton, Alberta T5S 2J5
 Phone: 780 489-5900
 Fax: 780 489-6262

Toll Free: 1-877-523-4722
 Email: kglover@wood-works.ca

Description: Forest Industry Suppliers and Logging Association offer training for suppliers, manufacturers & loggers.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Training Employment Referrals Education	General Public	Canada

Fort McKay First Nation

Contact: Bonnie Courtoreille, Administrative Assistant
 P.O. Box 5360
 Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 3G4
 Phone: 780 828-2430
 Fax: 780-828-4680
 Email: bcourtoreille@fortmckay.com
 Website: www.fortmckay.com

Description: Suncor and Syncrude employ some residents. Seasonal work in the forest industry, such as fire fighting and slashing provides another source of employment. Hunting and trapping are used by some to supplement income.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Employment Professional Development	First Nations	North AB

Fort McMurray # 468 First Nation

P.O. Box 6130
 Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 4W1
 Phone: 780 334-2293
 Fax: 780 334-2457
 Website: www.atc97.org/ftmcmurrayfn.html

Description: The Band does some contract pallet manufacturing for some of the oil companies. Other sources of employment have been the Syncrude, Suncor, Petro-Canada and Amoco sites. Other sources of seasonal employment can be found in the forest industry with fire fighting, reforestation, and slashing activities. Hunting and trapping are used mainly as a supplementary income.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Employment Professional Development	First Nations	North AB

Four Winds & Associates

Contact: Dan Martel, President
P.O. Box 63014, 8770-170 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5T 5X1
Phone: 780 982-1912
Fax: 780 962-3493
Email: dan@fwinds.net
Website: www.fwinds.net

Description: Four Winds & Associates is an Aboriginal owned and operated company, working extensively with First Nations, Métis, Non-status and other Aboriginal communities, organizations, governments and industry in the areas of Aboriginal Awareness, organizational, community, social and economic development and relationship building.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Business Plan Professional Development Employment Training Housing	Aboriginal	Alberta

Frog Lake First Nation

Contact: Esther Moyah, Economic Development Officer
General Delivery
Frog Lake, Alberta T0A 1M0
Phone: 780 943-3737
Fax: 780 943-3966

Description: Frog Lake First Nation offers career building services to members, and support services and economic development information.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Grants Apprentice Info	Referrals/ Pathfinding Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring Training Employment Housing Education	First Nations	North AB

Gift Lake Métis Settlement

Contact: Donna Lakey, Settlement Administrator
P.O. Box 60
Gift Lake, Alberta T0G 1B0
Phone: 780 767-2200
Fax: 780 767-3888

Description: Gift Lake Métis Settlement provides services that benefit its community members. Such services that are in place in the community are oil & gas construction, logging contracts for Tolko industries, a hotel in High Prairie, recreational facility and vast resources in the hunting & fishing industry.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Loans Apprentice Info	Professional Development Mentoring Training Employment Referrals Education	Métis	North AB

Grande Prairie Regional College

Contact: Kelly Benning, Aboriginal Program Coordinator
10726 - 106 Avenue
Grande Prairie, Alberta T8V 4C4
Phone: 780 539-2020
Fax: 780-539-2832
Toll Free: 1-888-539-4772
Email: kbenning@gprc.ab.ca
Website: www.gprc.net

Description: The Aboriginal Program Coordinator provides training to the Aboriginal communities in Grande Prairie and area, as well as plans and coordinates custom courses and programs.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Professional Development Training Referral Education	Aboriginal General Public Métis	Western Canada

Grant MacEwan University - Aboriginal Education Centre

Contact: Lynda Ferguson, Manager Aboriginal Education Centre
 Grant MacEwan College
 7-158, 10700 - 104 Avenue
 Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4S2
 Phone: 780 497-5382
 Fax: 780 497-5383

Description: The Centre offers support services and links to the community for Aboriginal students attending Grant MacEwan College. Information on programs, bursaries, scholarships and awards are provided.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Education Professional Development	Aboriginal	Edmonton

Heart Lake First Nation

Contact: Ken Staples, Manager Economic Development
 P.O. Box 447
 Lac La Biche, Alberta T0A 2C0
 Phone: 780 623-2130 or 780 404-3183
 Fax: 780 623-3505
 Email: admin_hl@telusplanet.net

Description: Heart Lake First Nation offers support services with business planning, negotiating for business ventures, referrals and networking opportunities for band members.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Apprentice Info	Mentoring Education	First Nations	North AB

Horse Lake First Nation

P.O. Box 303
 Hythe, Alberta T0H 2C0

Phone: 780 356-2248
 Fax: 780 356-3666
 Toll Free: 1-866-356-2248
 Email: hlchief@look.ca

Description: Horse Lake First Nation offers business support services and economic development services, including referrals and networking opportunities to band members.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Apprentice Info	Business Plan Employment Professional Development Training Referrals Mentoring Housing Education	First Nations	North AB

Human Resources Development Canada - Aboriginal Relations Office

Contact: Ralph Bellstedt, Regional Manager Strategic Partnerships
 1440 Canada Place
 9700 Jasper Avenue
 Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4C1
 Phone: 780 495-5653
 Fax: 780 495-4001

Description: Strategic Partnership is committed to working in partnership with Aboriginal peoples and their communities to increase their members' employability and to create job opportunities.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
		Aboriginal	Alberta

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada

Contact: Gerald Crick, Manager, Community Economic Development
 630 Canada Place
 9700 Jasper Avenue
 Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4G2
 Phone: 780 495-2058
 Fax: 780 495-4565
 Website: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca

Description: The Community Economic Development Program (CEDP) provides core

financial support for First Nations and Inuit communities through public services in economic development. This support is through Community Economic Development Organizations. The financial support is intended for community economic development planning and capacity development initiatives, development of proposals, leveraging financial resources and carrying out economic development activities. The CEDP is expected to lead to community economic benefits including more community employment, greater use of land and resources under community control, enhanced community infrastructure, more and larger community businesses, more business opportunities, and a better climate and environment for community economic development.

The Community Economic Program (CEOP) provides project-based support to those First Nation and Inuit communities that have the best opportunities for public services in economic development. In these communities, CEOP is expected to lead to community economic benefits including more community employment, greater use of land and resources under community control, enhanced community economic infrastructure, more and larger community businesses, more business opportunities, and a better climate and environment for community economic development.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contribution		First Nations	Canada

Indian Business Corporation

Contact: Rob Rollingson, General Manager
 Unit 56, 2333 18 Avenue NE
 Calgary, Alberta T2E 8T6
 Phone: 403 291-5151
 Fax: 403 291-0953
 Toll Free: 1 800 387-4813
 Email: rob@indianbc.ca
 Website: www.indianbc.ca

Description: Providing financing options for First Nations people. Also assist in business development.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Loans	Business Plan	First Nations	Alberta

Industry Canada – Aboriginal Business Directory

Phone: 613 954-5031
 Fax: 613 954-1894
 Toll Free: 1 800 328-6198
 Website:
www.ic.gc.ca/app/ccc/sld/cmpny.do?tag=248&profileId=381&lang=eng

Description: The Aboriginal Business Directory includes all firms that have registered as an Aboriginal firm. The directory includes firms that may not meet the eligibility policies of the Procurement Strategies for Aboriginal Business (PSAB).

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
On-line directory		Aboriginal General Public	Canada

Industry Canada - International Trade Centre - Calgary

Suite 400
 639 - 5th Avenue SW
 Calgary, Alberta T2P 0M9
 Phone: 403 292-4575
 Fax: 403 292-4578
 Website: <http://strategis.ic.gc.ca>

Description: For upcoming trade events, visit: www.infoexport.gc.ca/outreach/trade_outreach-e.asp International Trade Centres organize seminars and workshops on the specifics of exporting, federal trade programs and initiatives, and export-market opportunities. They provide advice on international markets, recommendations on trade shows and conferences, and assistance in developing export marketing strategies and plans.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Professional Development	Aboriginal General Public	Calgary

Industry Canada - International Trade Centre - Edmonton

Contact : Reid Henry, Director of International Business
 Suite 725, Canada Place, 9700 Jasper Avenue
 Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4C3
 Phone: 780 495-4415

Fax: 780 495-4507
 Toll Free: 1-800-461-2646
 Website: www.infoexport.gc.ca

Description: In partnership with the Regional Trade Networks, the ITCan Regional Offices can help direct you to the existing products and services that relate to your particular exporting needs. Their mandate is to work within the Team Canada Inc (TCI) partnership to substantially increase the number of Canadian exporters, to expand and diversify exports and to support the investment initiatives of Canadian small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Located in every province, ITCan RO's provide a full range of trade development services and assistance to Canadian SMEs, including: One-on-one Export Help, Market and Industry Information, Assistance in Export Financing, Trade Fairs, Missions and Events.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice		General Public Aboriginal Youth Women Persons with Disabilities	North AB

Institute for the Advancement of Aboriginal Women

Contact: Muriel Stanley-Venne, President and Founder
 300, 10256 - 112 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T5K 1M4
 Phone: 780 479-8195
 Fax: 780 471-2169
 Toll Free: 1 877 471-2171
 Website: <http://iaawcanada.com/>

Description: Institute for the Advancement of Aboriginal Women honours Aboriginal women, and offers advocacy and support for Aboriginal women, and leadership workshops. There are fifteen chapters in Alberta.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Professional Development Advocacy & Support	Aboriginal Women Women	Alberta-all

Kapawe'no First Nation

Contact: Lydia Halcrow, Program Coordinator
 P.O. Box 10
 Grouard, Alberta T0G 1C0
 Phone: 780-751-3800
 Fax: 780-751-3864

Description: The Band Council has been diligent in its desire to become economically self-sufficient. We have also encouraged and provided grants to members who are attempting to start businesses. The Council has involved itself in the development of a Land Use Plan. Lands set aside for different uses including Residential, Commercial, Agriculture, Forestry, Recreational, and Industrial purposes. The members of the Band are given the opportunity for employment through the "Kapown Treatment Centre" and based on the individual skills are provided jobs through the Band office. The Band has just recently established two other businesses that provide a number of services for the community and they are the Narrow's Cultural Resort and the Atoskiyew Centre. The Narrow's Cultural Resort is situated on the north shore of Lesser Slave Lake.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions Business Advice Apprentice Info	Business Plan Professional Development Training Employment Housing Referrals Education	First Nations	North AB

Kehewin Cree Nation

Contact: Phaedra John, Employment and Training
 P.O. Box 220
 Kehewin, Alberta T0A 1C0
 Phone: 780 826-3333
 Fax: 780 826-2355

Description: Kehewin Cree Nation supports the following ventures on reserve: Creations is the name of a company that produces hand woven rugs. There is an acquisition of fire fighting contracts with Alberta Forestry. Kehewin Employment & Training provides training to band members to meet the emerging needs of the labour market.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
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Grants Financial Contributions Business Advice Apprentice Info	Employment Professional Development Training Business Plan Housing Referrals Education	First Nations	North AB Central AB
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Keyano College

Contact: Leo Jacobs, Associate VP, External Relations
8115 Franklin Avenue
Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 2H9
Phone: 780 791-8967
Fax: 780 791-4868
Toll Free: 1 800 251-1408
Email: leo.jacobs@keyano.ca
Website: www.keyano.ca

Description: A community college providing upgrading career and workforce education within the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo. Keyano College offers an Aboriginal Entrepreneurship Certificate Program.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Apprentice Info	Mentoring Training Employment Education	First Nations	North AB

Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council

Contact: Allen Willier, Chief Executive Advisor
P.O. Box 269
Slave Lake, Alberta T0G 2A0
Phone: 780 849-4943
Fax: 780 849-4975
Email: allenw@lslirc.ab.ca

Description: Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council provide services to Driftpile First Nation, Kapawe'no First Nation, Sawridge Band, Sucker Creek First Nation, and Swan River First Nation.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Apprentice Info	Professional Development Mentoring Training Employment	First Nations	North AB

Housing Education Referrals			
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Little Red River Cree Nation

Contact: Larry Hutchinson, Interim Director,
Economic Development
12210-95 Street
High Level, Alberta T0H 1Z0
Phone: 780 926-5725
Fax: 780 926-2780
Email: economicdevelopment@lrrcn.ab.ca
Website: <http://lrrcn.ab.ca/>

Description: Little Red River Cree Nation Mandate: Develop an economy that benefits the three communities of the Little Red River Cree Nation and provides opportunities for participation by Nation members. Programs: Little Red Air Service, Little Red River Forestry Ltd. Woodlands Division, Macleods True Value Hardware Store Fifth Meridian Markets Ltd, Little Red River Wildland Firefighters, Caribou Mountain Wilderness Ltd, Kewetin Business Development Corporation and Askee Development Corporation. See website for contact information under Departments then Economic Development links.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice			

Louis Bull Band

Contact: Lorraine White, Economic Development
P.O. Box 130
Hobbema, Alberta T0C 1N0
Phone: 780 585-3978
Fax: 780 585-3799
Toll Free: 1 888 281-7907
Email: aiic10@telusplanet.net

Description: Services and programs to band members only. On the reserve, the Louis Bull Band has a gas bar, a cultural hall, a social hall, daycare, housing & public works building, recreation facility, business youth development programming, and CMHC/band housing partnership in progress.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Employment	First	North

	Professional Development Housing Training	Nations Aboriginal Youth	AB
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Lubicon Lake Band

Contact: Margaret Whitehead, Economic Development Officer
P.O. Box 6731
Peace River, Alberta T8S 1S5
Phone: 780 629-3945
Fax: 780 629-3939

Description: Lubicon Lake Band has training programs, (in oil development for youth and adults), as well as youth summer employment initiatives, housing development projects are on-going.

Manasc Isaac Architects

Contact: Vivian Manasc, Principal
10225 - 100 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 0A1
Phone: 780 429-3977
Fax: 780 426-3970
Email: vivian@mirarch.com
Website: www.miarch.com

Description: Manasc Isaac Architects design First Nations health care facilities, educational facilities, municipal facilities, and specializes in sustainable building design, feasibility studies, functional programming, interior design, planning and urban design.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring Employment	Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth	Alberta

Maskwachees Cultural College

Contact: Patricia Littlechild, Executive Director
P.O. Box 960
Hobbema, Alberta T0C 1N0
Phone: 780 585-3925
Fax: 780 585-2080
Email: patricia@maskwachees.ca
Website: www.maskwachees.ca

Description: Maskwachees Cultural College offers

cross cultural training, business training, and referrals for possible education funding sources.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Grants Financial Contribution Business Advice Apprentice Info	Education Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring Training Referrals	Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth Persons with Disabilities	Alberta

Métis Nation of Alberta Association Zone I Regional Council

P.O. Box 1350

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Apprentice Information	Education Professional Development Housing Training Referrals/ Pathfinding	First Nations	North AB

Lac La Biche, Alberta T0A 2C0

Phone: 780 623-3039

Fax: 780 623-2733

Toll Free: 1 800 638-5704

Email: metisnationzone1@telusplanet.net

Description: Métis Nation of Alberta Zone I work with a labour market development unit in assisting Métis clients. A small business training program is also available for clients.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Loans Grants Financial Contribution Apprentice Info	Professional Development Training Business Plan Mentoring Training Employment Housing Referrals Education	Métis Non- Métis	North AB East AB

Métis Nation of Alberta Association Zone II Regional Council

Contact: Karen Collins, President
 P.O. Box 6497
 Bonnyville, Alberta T9N 2H1
 Phone: 780 826-7483
 Fax: 780 826-7603

Description: Offers referrals for services not provided, as well, liaise with major contractors.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Professional Development	Métis	North AB

Métis Nation of Alberta Association Zone III Regional Council

Contact: Ephram Bouvier, President
 1A, 4001-19 Street NE
 Calgary, Alberta T2E 6X8
 Phone: 403 569-8800
 Fax: 403 569-8959
 Toll Free: 1 800 267-5844
 Website: www.albertametis.com

Description: One of the three elements of the mandate of the Métis Nation of Alberta is to promote and facilitate the advancement of Métis people through the pursuit of self-reliance, self-determination and self-management.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Referrals/Pathfinding	Métis	Alberta-all

Métis Nation of Alberta Association Zone IV Regional Council

Contact: Cecil Bellrose, President
 11724 95 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T5G 1L9
 Phone: 780 944-9288
 Fax: 780 455-5546
 Toll Free: 1 888 588-4088
 Email: zoneiv@telusplanet.net
 Website: www.metiszoneiv.com

Description: The Métis Regional Council provides access to informative resources for Métis people in the region. Promotes the development of Métis business and people to prospective investors, lenders, industry and developers.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
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Business Advice	Referrals	Métis Aboriginal Youth Women	Central AB Edmonton
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Métis Nation of Alberta Association Zone V Regional Council

Contact: Bev New, President
 P.O. Box 1787
 353 Main Street North
 Slave Lake, Alberta T0G 2A3
 Phone: 780 849-4654
 Fax: 780 849-2890
 Toll Free: 1 866 849-4660
 Email: bevnew@telusplanet.net

Description: The Métis Nation of Alberta Zone V offer referrals and pathfinding services, work with a labour market development unit for training and provide financial support to Métis clients who are unemployed or under-employed and seeking further education.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Grants	Training Employment Housing Referrals Education	Métis General Public Aboriginal Youth Women Persons with Disabilities	North AB

Métis Nation of Alberta Association Zone VI Regional Council

Contact: Brandy Mitchell, President
 9621 - 90 Avenue
 Peace River, Alberta T8S 1G8
 Phone: 780 624-4219
 Fax: 780 624-3477

Description: The Métis Nation of Alberta Zone VI offers assistance with proposal writing and other business related assistance. EDO's work with entrepreneurs continually by providing industry contacts. Referrals are provided for the services not provided.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Business Plan Professional Development	Métis	North AB

	Mentoring Training		
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Métis Urban Housing Corporation

Contact: Darlene Lennie, Executive Director
11922 - 121A Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5L 0A2
Phone: 780 452-6440
Fax: 780 452-1076
Email: dlennie@muhcab.ca
Website: www.muhcab.ca

Description: Métis Urban Housing Corporation provides rental shelter accommodation with rent geared to household income to Métis people of low to modest income.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Housing	Métis Aboriginal	Alberta

Meyers Norris Penny (MNP)

Contact: Randy Swanson, Team Leader, Aboriginal Services
300, 622-5 Avenue SW
Calgary, Alberta T2P 0M6
Phone: 403 444-0150
Fax: 403 444-0199
Toll Free: 1 877 500-0795
Email: randy.swanson@mnp.ca
Website: www.mnp.ca

Description: At Meyers Norris Penny, it all starts with a relationship. The kind of relationship that helps better understand your organization – and offers the best advice. The MNP team provides world-class expertise in auditing and a wide range of business advisory services. MNP lives in Western Canada and believes in its potential. Founded in 1945, the firm has grown from a single office in Manitoba to more than 75 full and part-time locations across the West. The fastest growing CA firm in Canada, they have more than 2000 team members, including a number of which who are of Aboriginal descent. They are the only top 10 chartered accountancy and advisory firms based in Western Canada. MNP has had rewarding relationships with many First Nation and Aboriginal communities, organizations and members over the years. Following are some of the services they have provided or are in the process of providing: entrepreneur training, governance and corporate structuring, settlement of

fuel and tobacco tax claims, casino and resort business plans, strategic planning and review of band administration, litigation support, GST rulings and compliance, long-term business plans, government grant audits, executive search, corporate reorganization, and debt restructuring.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring Training Employment Referrals Education	Aboriginal General Public Persons with Disabilities	Western Canada

Mikisew Group of Companies

Contact: April-Eve Wiberg, Marketing Coordinator
8335 Roper Road
Edmonton, Alberta T6E 6W2
Phone: 780 490-0255 Ext. 227
Fax: 780 490-0775
Email: april@mikisewgroup.com

Description: The Mikisew Group of Companies and Miskisew Commercial Trust continue to march along, growing within the marketplaces they are doing business, continually refining operations to align with the corporate vision established by the Mikisew Cree First Nation Business and Corporate Portfolio holders. Companies include: Fort Petroleum, Air Mikisew (www.arimikisew.com), Mikisew Sport Fishing (www.mikisewsportfishing.com), Mikisew Energy Services Group (www.mesg.ca), Mikisew Fleet Maintenance, and Mikisew Industrial Supply.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Grants Financial Contribution Apprentice Information	Professional Development Mentoring Training Employment Referrals	Aboriginal Persons with Disabilities	Canada

Montana Band

Contact: Carol Wildcat, Regional Economic Partnership Coordinator

P.O. Box 70
Hobbema, Alberta T0C 1N0
Phone: 780 585-3744
Fax: 780 585-3264

Description: Referrals for grants, financial institutions, lending agencies, and other business resource centres are provided for entrepreneurs. Diamond 5 Rodeo Ranch facility is available for leasing. Feed lot and feed mill is also available for leasing for storage purposes. Contact Economic Development Officer for more information.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Referrals/Pathfinding	First Nations	Central AB

Mount Royal College - Aboriginal Education Project – Iniskim Centre

Contact: Karri-Lynn Paul, Program Administrator
Mount Royal College, Room C-201
4825 Mount Royal Gate SW
Calgary, Alberta T3E 6K6
Phone: 403 440-5596
Fax: 403 440-7207
Website:
www.mtroyal.ca/ProgramsCourses/FacultiesSchools/Centres/IniskimCentre/index.htm

Description: Offers University or College entrance programs. Contact for further information.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Grants	Education Professional Development Housing Referrals	Aboriginal General Public	Alberta

**National Research Council Canada
IRAP**

250 Karl Clark Rd
Edmonton, Alberta T6N 1E2
Phone: 780 495-6509
Fax: 780 495-6510

Description: Advisory service for science and technology applications.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Referrals/Pathfinding	General Public	Edmonton

Native Investment and Trade Association

Contact: Calvin Helin, President and CEO
6520 Salish Drive
Vancouver, British Columbia V6N 2C7
Phone: 604 275-6670
Fax: 604 275-0307
Toll Free: 1 800 337-7743
Email: calvinh@native-invest-trade.com
Website: www.native-invest-trade.com

Description: Native Investment and Trade Association (NITA) produce a directory on Aboriginal conferences, trade shows and business events across the nation. They also offer conference planning expertise to Aboriginal organizations, to provincial and federal authorities, and corporations who wish to communicate through business symposiums with Aboriginal peoples. NITA also produces a series of Aboriginal Business Directories and has the most complete information on Aboriginal Business issues.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Info-Aboriginal Business Issues	Conference Planning Business Directory Development	Aboriginal General Public	Canada

Nechi Training, Research & Health Promotions Institute

Contact: Josie Auger, Chief Executive Officer
P.O. Box 2039, Station Main
St. Alberta, Alberta T8N 2G3
Phone: 780 459-1884
Fax: 780 458-1883
Toll Free: 1 800 459-1884
Email: nechi@nechi.com
Website: www.nechi.com

Description: Provide training for addictions counsellors, community wellness workers, managers, as well as, research Aboriginal population health issues, health promotions, etc.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Grants	Education	Aboriginal	Canada

Training Housing Professional Development	General Public Youth Women Persons with Disabilities		
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Northeastern Alberta Aboriginal Business Association

Contact: Cheryl Alexander, General Manager
P.O. Box 5993
100, 425 Gregoire Drive (Fort McMurray Business Centre)
Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 4V9
Phone: 780 791-0478
Fax: 780 714-6485
Email: naaba@telus.net
Website: www.naaba.ca

Description: Not-for-profit Association. Membership is based on Aboriginal ownership and Aboriginal work relationship policy. Two membership categories (1) Full member: 51% Aboriginal ownership, (2) Associate member: Corporate Aboriginal policy.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Professional Development Mentoring Referrals	Aboriginal	North AB

Northern Alberta Business Incubator (NABI)

Contact: Dar Schwanbeck, Managing Director
13 Mission Avenue
St. Albert, Alberta T8N 1H6
Phone: 780 460-1000
Fax: 780 460-7205
Email: info@nabi.ca
Website: www.nabi.ca

Description: They assist with business start-ups, and offer business counselling, workshops and seminars, mentorship, shared resources and a resource library. Offer facilities, boardrooms, and office space rentals and provide referrals for services not already provided.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice	Business Plan Professional	General Public	North AB

Development Mentoring Training Housing Referrals Education			
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Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT)

Contact: Stephen Crocker, Manager, Aboriginal Initiatives
11762 - 106 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5G 2R1
Phone: 780 471-8984
Fax: 780-491-1305
Email: scrocker@nait.ca
Website: www.nait.ca

Description: Bursaries, scholarships, and grants may be available on a case-by-case basis. This program is mainly set up to deliver educational programs in Aboriginal communities.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions	Education	Aboriginal	Alberta

Old Sun Community College

Contact: Amelia Clark, President
P.O. Box 1250
Siksika, Alberta T0J 3W0
Phone: 403 734-3862
Fax: 403 734-5363
Email: Amelia@oldsuncollege.net

Description: Old Sun Community College is an on-reserve high school that provides upgrading and diploma programs for First Nation students.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Education	First Nations General Public Aboriginal	Alberta

Oteenow Employment Centre

Contact: Pauline Gladue, Director
14021 Victoria Trail
Edmonton, Alberta T5Y 2B6
Phone: 780 423-2340
Fax: 780 421-4760

Email : pgladue@oteenow.com
 Website: www.oteenow.com

Description: The training centre, a division of Oteenow Employment & Training Society, provides Human Resource Development Programs to First Nations people in the Edmonton metropolitan area to enable them to become self-reliant and subsequently lead productive lives.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Employment Training Referrals	Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth	Edmonton

Paddle Prairie Métis Settlement

Contact: Darla Wanuch, Administrator
 P.O. Box 58
 Paddle Prairie, Alberta T0H 2W0
 Phone: 780 981-2227
 Fax: 780 981-3737
 Email: PaddlePrairie@Canada.com

Description: Reforestation-regeneration survey course has been offered in the past, partnership with trades industry i.e. pipefitting, welding, heavy duty mechanic, two week youth exposure program-timber crews, regeneration industry, tree planting, offer safety training. Paddle Prairie Settlement encompasses 400,000 acres of land and 19 townships. Oil and gas are the major industry sectors.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Apprentice Info	Training	Métis	North AB

Peavine Métis Settlement

Contact: Tim Le Clair, Economic Development Officer
 P.O. Box 238
 High Prairie, Alberta T0G 1E0
 Phone: 780 523-2557
 Fax: 780 523-2626
 Toll Free: 1 877 523-1410
 Email: finance2@telusplanet.net

Description: Services are for settlement members, and Peavine Métis Settlement offers a small business loan program as well as help with business plan development.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Business Advice	Business Plan Professional Development	Métis	North AB

Pinnacle Business Services Ltd.

Contact: Ken Balcom, Senior Business Consultant
 302, 12308 - 111 Ave
 Edmonton, Alberta T5M 2N4
 Phone: 780 453-1992
 Fax: 780 454-5997
 Toll Free: 1 800 252-7963
 Email: ken@pinnaclebusiness.ab.ca

Description: Pinnacle Business Services Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Apeetogosan (Métis) Development Inc., is committed to providing professional, efficient and effective business advisory assistance to the Alberta Aboriginal business community. There is no charge for initial consultation. Services provided include: business plans, feasibility studies, business valuations, marketing plans, accounting set-up, bookkeeping services, management support services, business workshops and seminars.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Grants Financial Contribution	Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring Training Referrals Education	Aboriginal General Public Métis	Alberta

Pivotal Research Inc

Contact: Phong Van, Manager
 510, 10010-106 Street
 Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3L8
 Phone: 780 421-1199
 Fax: 780 425-2707
 Email: info@pivotalresearch.ca
 Website: www.pivotalresearch.ca

Description: Pivotal Research Inc. gathers and analyses information. We provide client evaluation services, market research, outcome measurement programs, and satisfactory surveys including customer and client feedback services.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Professional Development	Aboriginal General Public	Alberta

Pommen Group

Contact: Dennis Pommen, President
 19 Clearwater Lane
 Sherwood Park, Alberta T8H 2X1
 Phone: 780 497-8877
 Fax: 780 416-9091
 Toll Free: 1 800 497-6145
 Email: dpommen@pommen.com
 Website: www.pommen.com

Description: Pommen Group responds to a wide range of business, government, First Nations, Métis and associations' management consulting requirements. Our clients like our innovative and creative management and evaluation approaches.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Apprentice Info	Business Plan Professional Development Training Mentoring Employment Referrals	Aboriginal General Public	Western Canada

Portage College

Contact: Stuart Leitch, Acting Dean, Community and Industry Training
 Box 417
 9531 - 94 Avenue
 Lac La Biche, Alberta T0A 2C0
 Phone: 780 623-5551
 Fax: 780 623-5616
 Toll Free: 1-866-623-5551
 Email: stuart.leitch@portage.ca
 Website: www.portagecollege.ca

Description: Community and Industry Training offers full and short term training through customized training, program development, and program delivery to communities. Following are some of the courses offered: Truck Transport, Safety Tickets, etc. Visit website for more details.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
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Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions	Education Training	Aboriginal General Public	Alberta

Ripple Effects Ltd.

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 Calgary, Alberta T2K 5M5
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 Fax: 403 217-3095
 Email: robert@ripplefx.ca
 Website: www.ripplefx.ca

Description: Twenty-four years of delivering Aboriginal Awareness Training workshops, serving clients all across Canada and the USA. Also offer on-line training programs, outreach, recruitment and retention for Aboriginal employment workshops. Visit website for full details.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Professional Development Employment Training	Aboriginal General Public Women Persons w/Disabilities	N. America

Saddle Lake Tribal Administration

Contact: Winston Lapatak, Economic Development Officer
 P.O. Box 100
 Saddle Lake, Alberta T0A 3T0
 Phone: 780 726-3829
 Fax: 780 726-3788
 Toll Free: 1 800 396-2167

Description: Saddle Lake Tribal Administration has services for band members which has training available through HRD safety ticket training, youth boys' & girls' club, housing apprenticeship program, and training allowance available (certain conditions apply).

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contributions Apprentice Information Business Advice Loans Grants	Business Plan Training Professional Development Mentoring Employment	First Nations	North AB

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Samson Cree Nation

Contact: Paul Johnson, Manager, Economic Development
 P.O. Box 159
 Hobbema, Alberta T0C 1N0
 Phone: 780 585-3793
 Fax: 780 585-3170
 Toll Free: 1 800 661-2579

Description: Offers three different programs: home based business program start-up grant, start-up grant, and an expansion grant. Applicant must demonstrate goodwill. In-house training available: mentorship programming. Available to band members only.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Grants Apprentice Information Business Advice Financial Contribution	Business Plan Education Mentoring Professional Development Training Employment	First Nations	Central AB

Set-Aside Program for Aboriginal Business - Office of Small and Medium Enterprises

5th Floor, Telus Plaza North
 10025 Jasper Avenue
 Edmonton, AB T5J 1S6
 Phone: 780 497-3693
 Fax: 780 497-3506
 Email: osme-wst@pwgsc.gc.ca

Description: In accordance with the Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business and the Set-Aside Program for Aboriginal Business, contract requirements designated by client departments as set aside will be restricted to qualified Aboriginal businesses. Workshops given on how to do business with the Federal Government and other related information.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice		Aboriginal	Alberta

Settlement Investment Corporation

Contact: Wayne Gray, General Manager
 104, 10335-172 Street

Edmonton, Alberta T5S 1K9
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 Toll Free: 1-800-661-9902
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Description: The Settlement Investment Corporation provides business loans and advisory services to residents of the eight Métis settlements in Northern Alberta.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans	Business Planning Training	Métis	North AB

Siksika Resource Developments Ltd.

Contact: Laverna McMaster, CEO
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 Siksika, Alberta T0J 3W0
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 Fax: 403 734-5342
 Toll Free: 1 866 687-8007
 Email: srl@siksikaresource.com

Description: They are Siksika Nation's business arm, invested in oil and gas, agriculture (irrigation), commercial, and industrial.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Employment	General Public	South AB

Siksika Small Business Centre

Contact: Jackie Weaselfat, Manager
 P.O. Box 1309
 Siksika, Alberta T0J 3W0
 Phone: 403 734-3470
 Fax: 403 734-3378

Description: Helpful steps and ways to gather information are provided for entrepreneurs. Support services are provided in the areas of bookkeeping services, business planning, and computer access. Staff will direct clients to lending agencies, government's grants, and training opportunities that may be available. Equity grants are available for members only.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Grants Financial Contributions Business Advice	Business Plan Professional Development Mentoring Referrals	First Nations	South AB

Southern Alberta Institute of Technology - Aboriginal Training Program

Contact: Lynn Calf Robe, Manager, Chinook Lodge
1301 - 16 Avenue NW
Calgary, Alberta T2M 0L4
Phone: 403 210-4028
Fax: 403 210-4524
Website: www.sait.ca

Description: Aboriginal Training Program works with Aboriginal governments, communities and organizations to deliver customized training solutions. They offer training in Business and Tourism, Construction, Energy, Health and Public Safety, Information and Communications Technologies, Manufacturing and Transportation.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Employment Training	Aboriginal General Public	Canada

Spirit Staffing & Consulting Inc.

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Email: info@spiritstaffing.com
Website: www.spiritstaffing.com

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Edmonton, Alberta T6H 5H6
Phone: 780 430-8262
Fax: 780 430-8285
Email: Edmonton@spiritstaffing.com
Website: www.spiritstaffing.com

Description: Spirit Staffing & Consulting Inc. is an established leader in human resource services. We specialize in temporary, contract, permanent and executive search services. Spirit Staffing & Consulting Inc. aims to be the "Leader in Workforce

Diversity Solutions" as we help create a culturally diverse workforce within organizations and alleviate costly recruiting practices. (Also see Fast Labour Solutions - An industrial company opened by the operators of Spirit Staffing & Consulting in June 2000 to supply certified journeyman, and skilled trades' people, warehouse and general labourers, and is considered a leader in industrial services.)

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Employment Training	Aboriginal General Public Aboriginal Youth Women Persons with Disabilities	Canada

Strategic Training Initiative Society - Métis Settlement

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Edmonton, Alberta T5S 1K9
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Fax: 780 489-9558
Toll Free: 1 888 213-4400
Email: d-desjarlais@msgc.ca
Website: www.msgc.ca

Description: HRDC agreement-administer their own education and training, for Métis who are physically residing on settlements or settlement members on an authorised leave of absence. Funding through Aboriginal Human Resources Development Agreement is given to eligible Métis people to take post secondary education. Assists and provides people with the skills to go out in the workforce. Career Development for business start-up.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Employment Training Referrals/Pathfinding	Métis	Alberta

Sucker Creek Band

Contact: Alvin Cardinal, Economic Development Officer
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Enilda, Alberta T0G 0W0
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Fax: 780 523-3111
Toll Free: 1 800 567-5552

Email: scecon@telus.net

Description: The reserve has a variety of services for its community members such as fourteen transportation services, four escavading landscaping services, seven construction services, recreational facility, children services, employment outreach services, a campground and a number of different retail business stores.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Grants Financial Contributions	Business Plan Education Employment Housing Training Referrals /Pathfinding	First Nations	North AB

Tallcree First Nation

P.O. Box 100
Fort Vermillion, Alberta T0H 1N0
Phone: 780 927-3727
Fax: 780 927-4375

Description: Tallcree First Nation offer services for First Nation band members. Tallcree also offers referrals for services not provided. Computer and internet access is available at Nation's office. As well, there is some sponsored training available.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Business Advice Apprentice Info	Professional Development Training Referrals/Pathfinding Business Plan Mentoring Training Housing Employment	First Nations	North AB

The Banff Centre for Management - Aboriginal Leadership and Self-Government Programs

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107 Tunnel Mountain Drive Box 1020
Station 45
Banff, Alberta T1L 1H5
Phone: 403 762-6124
Fax: 403 762-6422
Toll Free: 1 888 255-6327

Email: brian_calliou@banffcentre.ca

Website: www.banffleadership.com

Description: Thirty-five years of national Aboriginal Leadership and Management programs. Scholarships available to qualified participants.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Professional Development Training Education	Aboriginal General Public	Canada

Trade Up!

Contact: Ken Gibson, Project Manager
Phone: 780 455-1122
Fax: 780 451-2152
Email: info@abconst.org

Description: Trade Up!'s goal is education and information for youth. Major funding is from Alberta industry. Trade Up! is a non-profit organization.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
	Professional Development Training Education	Aboriginal General Public	Canada

Treaty Seven Economic Development Corporation

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Calgary, Alberta T2H 0G5
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Email: hank@t7edc.com
Website: <http://www.t7edc.com>

Description: Treaty Seven Economic Development Corporation provides labour market development, business development training and equity financing. See Community Futures Network of Alberta.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans Business Advice	Business Plan Professional Development Training	First Nations	South AB

Treaty 8 First Nations of Alberta

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c/o 18178-102 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5S 1S7
Phone: 780 444-9366
Fax: 780 484-1465
Email: jwalker@treaty8.org

Description: Treaty 8 First Nations of Alberta was incorporated in 1997 to represent the 23 First Nations of Treaty 8 on issues of common concern.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Financial Contribution		First Nations	North AB

University of Lethbridge-Career & Employment Services

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Lethbridge, Alberta T1K 3M4
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Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
Loans	Professional Development Training Education	Aboriginal General Public	Canada

Yellowhead Tribal Council Education

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Fax: 403 481-7275
Toll Free: 1 877 982-3382
Email: mmorin@ytced.ab.ca
Website: www.ytced.ab.ca

Description: YTC Education offers a Management Studies Diploma Program for YTC members. Funding may be available through various sources on a client-by-client basis. Offers a First Nations management program and business courses. General public welcome.

Details of Organization:

Resources	Services	Clients	Zones
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