



Communities, Culture, Tourism, and Heritage Funding Programs and Resources



WHO WE ARE

The Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage (CCTH) supports our communities to thrive by promoting active living, tourism, and Nova Scotia’s diverse culture, heritage and languages. We pride ourselves in helping to grow communities and organizations by providing programs and services that support these areas.

We are committed to ensuring that our programs and services are free of discrimination and barriers, and value equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility. By applying this lens and ensuring it is a core value in our programs and decision-making processes, we are taking steps to address the long-standing systemic barriers that impact many communities in our province. CCTH is committed to advancing equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility across Nova Scotia, and we support partners who share in this commitment.

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CULTURE AND HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT

Culture and Heritage Development supports the development of Nova Scotia's arts, culture, heritage, festivals and major events through investment programs to enhance cultural, economic and social growth.

EVENTS

To discuss any of the Events programs, please contact eventsns@novascotia.ca.

Festival and Community Events - Helps sustain and grow unique community events in Nova Scotia.

The department may contribute up to a maximum \$10,000.

Deadline: February 28, 2024

Major Hosted Events - Supports major sporting and cultural events being hosted in Nova Scotia that align with the Nova Scotia Events Strategy like Devour! The Food Film Festival.

Deadline: Applications open all year

Community Mawio'mi Fund - Supports Mi'kmaw cultural traditions and language preservation initiatives, including Mawio'mi/Powwows.

Opening date: January 1, 2024 **Deadline:** May 1, 2024

CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

Creative Industries Fund - Invests in Nova Scotia businesses, not-for-profit organizations and social enterprises/community interest companies focused on the growth of the creative sector. The department may contribute up to 50% of eligible costs for a maximum of \$30,000.

Opening date: April 1, 2023

Deadline: December 1, 2024, or until fully allocated

Contact: creativeindustries@novascotia.ca

Publishers Assistance Fund - Supports Nova Scotian publishing companies to increase their operational capacity and export provincially published work. The department may contribute a maximum of \$150,000 dependent on revenue of the applicant.

Deadline: May 1, 2024

Contact: publishersassistance@novascotia.ca

Screenwriters Development Fund - Supports Nova Scotian production companies to develop scripts by Nova Scotian writers for film and television. The department may contribute up to 50% of eligible costs for a maximum of \$20,000.

Deadlines: June 21 and October 18, 2024

Contact: creativeindustries@novascotia.ca



Nova Scotia Film and Television Production Incentive Fund - Provides funding for screen-based content creation to organizations that have a permanent establishment in the province and are engaged primarily in the creation of film or video productions for public viewing.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated

Contact: filmapplication@novascotia.ca

CULTURE AND HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT

Heritage Property Program - Assists Nova Scotians to conserve our valuable heritage. Program staff help coordinate provincial heritage registrations and deregistrations, advise on the conservation of registered heritage properties, administer grants offered to owners of registered heritage properties and support municipal heritage property programs.

Deadline: Applications open all year

Contact: kevin.barrett@novascotia.ca

Heritage Development Fund (Built Heritage) - Supports conservation work and advice projects for properties registered under the Heritage Property Act to ensure their exterior appearance maintains the property's unique heritage values.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** December 31, 2024, or until fully allocated

Contact: heritageproperty@novascotia.ca

Community Museum Assistance Program - Develops and sustains Nova Scotia's community museums by improving the quality of community museum collections and programs and encouraging a balanced and relevant interpretation of Nova Scotia's cultural heritage, reflective of Nova Scotia's diversity.

Deadline: Spring 2024

Contact: communitymuseums@novascotia.ca

Strategic Development Initiative - Encourages archives, community museums, municipal governments, and not-for-profit groups to develop projects that build on a community's assets and strengths to further sector development. Eligible activities include expanding retail operations, developing new revenue sources, improving leadership and programming skills, and developing new audiences.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** December 31, 2024, or until fully allocated

Contact: communitymuseums@novascotia.ca

Operating Assistance to Cultural Organizations - Enhances stability within organizations that develop and sustain Nova Scotia's arts and culture community. Support is provided to organizations that produce cultural products, own and/or manage cultural facilities, provide services to the cultural sector, and produce or present cultural festivals or events.

Deadline: April 1, 2024

Contact: CHDapplication@novascotia.ca



One-time Emerging Culture and Heritage Initiatives Program - Designed for organizations that primarily focus on cultural and heritage development in their efforts to: enhance stakeholder capacity and sustainability; generate growth opportunities by using innovative approaches that are not supported with existing Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism & Heritage programming; and increase support to diverse communities.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** December 31, 2024, or until fully allocated

Contact: CHDapplication@novascotia.ca

Culture Innovation Fund - Supports initiatives using creativity and our diverse culture to address social issues and opportunities within communities. Applicants can apply for a specific project or group of related activities that will provide the most significant impact to their organization and enhance access to arts and culture activities in their community.

Tier 1: Applicants can apply for a maximum of \$15,000 of eligible costs.

Tier 2: Applicants can apply for up to \$50,000. Applicants must provide a minimum 25% cash contribution.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** January 5, 2025

Contact: cultureinnovation@novascotia.ca

ARTS NOVA SCOTIA

Arts Nova Scotia is the arms-length provincial funding agency that provides support to professional artists and arts organizations.

Grants to Individuals - Supports Nova Scotia's professional, practicing artists in the creation and dissemination of their own work. The program also supports professional artists by helping them to develop their practice and skills in all disciplines including fine crafts, literary, visual, media, and performing arts.

Deadlines: May 15 and November 15, 2024

Contact: david.goudie@novascotia.ca/enrique.ferreol@novascotia.ca

Grants to Organizations and Small Groups - Supports professional arts organizations to create and present artistic works. Three funding streams: creation/presentation grants to a maximum of \$20,000; commission grants to a maximum for \$7500; professional development grants to a maximum of \$7500.

Deadlines: March 15 and October 15, 2024

Contact: enrique.ferreol@novascotia.ca



Creative Nova Scotia Awards - Celebrates excellence in artistic achievement in Nova Scotia through a variety of awards.

Deadline: June 15, 2024

Contact: lauren.williams@novascotia.ca

The Operate Programs - Supports organizations that produce or present artistic performances and events involving professional artists. Such organizations are fundamental to the vitality and long-term health of the arts and cultural life in Nova Scotia.

- **Operate - Activate** is designed for artist-driven organizations who may be emerging, working on a shorter-term, or with smaller administrative capacity. The program requires less reporting with a simplified application process. Funding is provided for two years, up to \$25K each year. Funding resets every two years.
- **Operate - Sustain** is designed for organizations with proven history where strategic planning processes ensure the organization's ability to navigate change, adapt to new circumstances and tolerate risk. Funding levels are evaluated every four years.

Deadline: March 15, 2024

Contact: lauren.williams@novascotia.ca

Artists in Communities - Supports organizations, groups and individuals to develop and carry out community-based arts projects. Communities can be geographically based (people who live in the same neighbourhood or region), based on shared interests or a shared workplace, or based on a shared culture or a shared aspect of identity.

Deadlines: March 1 and October 1, 2024

Contact: lauren.williams@novascotia.ca

Arts Equity Funding Initiative - Helps emerging and established professional artists from designated communities who have historically faced barriers to accessing funding support. Funding supports these artists in the creation and dissemination of their own work and supports professional development activities. Three funding streams: creation grants to a maximum of \$15,000; presentation grants to a maximum for \$5000; professional development grants to a maximum of \$12,000.

Deadlines: March 15 and August 15, 2024

Contact: david.goudie@novascotia.ca



Mi'kmaq Arts Program - Supports the development and continuation of Mi'kmaq art forms in the territory of Mi'kma'ki (Nova Scotia). Funding supports these artists in the creation and dissemination of their own work and also supports professional development activities. Three funding streams: creation grants to a maximum of \$15,000; presentation grants to a maximum for \$12,000; professional development grants to a maximum of \$12,000.

Deadline: September 15, 2024

Contact: david.goudie@novascotia.ca

Art Bank Purchase Program - Every year the Art Bank adds to its collection through the Art Bank Purchase Program. Artists are invited to submit their works for consideration. Pieces that are acquired become part of a working collection.

Deadline: April 15, 2024.

Contact: lauren.williams@novascotia.ca

TOURISM NOVA SCOTIA

Tourism Nova Scotia works with industry and communities to attract visitors to the province and increase tourism revenues through research, experience and sector development, business coaching, marketing, and visitor servicing. Tourism Nova Scotia offers a broad range of services, resources, and programs to help tourism businesses grow. To learn more, visit www.tourismns.ca.

TOURISM MARKETING

Compelling Tourism Communities Content and Digital Marketing Programs - Tourism Nova Scotia works with communities or product clusters to promote top products and experiences through content development, digital advertising and travel media.

Deadline: January 2024

Contact: meaghan.griffin@novascotia.ca

Business, Package and Experience Listings - Eligible tourism businesses can request a listing on Nova Scotia's official trip planning website, NovaScotia.com, at no cost. Listings can include a business or attraction, packages, experiences, and events.

Deadline: Applications open all year

Contact: stephanie.wadden@novascotia.ca

Digital Content Marketing Program - Tourism businesses and organizations can co-invest with Tourism Nova Scotia to develop engaging photos and videos to use in their marketing or execute custom digital marketing campaigns to raise awareness of their products/services or community.

Opening date: November 7, 2023 **Deadline:** December 15, 2023

Contact: sarah.hennebury@novascotia.ca



Travel Media Editorial Program - Tourism Nova Scotia hosts journalists and social media influencers on press trips throughout the province to develop content and authentic stories that help inspire people to travel in Nova Scotia

Deadline: Applications open all year

Contact: natalie.shaw@novascotia.ca

Visitor Information Centres - Eligible tourism businesses and organizations can distribute brochures and travel guides through the five provincial Visitor Information Centres to help raise awareness of their products or community among travelers while they are in the decision stage of their planning.

Deadline: Applications open all year

Contact: carrie.grant@novascotia.ca

Photo and Video Library - Tourism partners can access Tourism Nova Scotia's online library of photos and videos to support their marketing.

Deadline: Applications open all year

Contact: emily.hiltz@novascotia.ca

Social Media - Tourism partners can tag @VisitNovaScotia or use #VisitNovaScotia for the opportunity to be featured in Tourism Nova Scotia's social media channels, including image galleries on NovaScotia.com.

Deadline: Applications open all year

Contact: cynthia.bragg@novascotia.ca

Tour Operator Partnership Program (Travel Trade) - Tour operators can co-invest with Tourism Nova Scotia to develop and promote travel packages to national and international travellers to highlight unique and authentic experiences.

Deadline: Applications open all year

Contact: natalie.shaw@novascotia.ca

Export Travel Trade Program - Offers businesses one-on-one coaching to develop partnerships with tour operators and travel agents so you can attract more national and international customers. Businesses work with an expert coach to build a sales strategy, implement best practices for working with the travel trade and create partnerships with travel agents and tour operators.

Opening date: September 2024 **Deadline:** Applications open until intake is full

Contact: natalie.shaw@novascotia.ca



Travel Trade Familiarization Tour - Tourism Nova Scotia hosts groups of travel professionals (such as tour operators, travel agents, and reservation agents) on four to seven day trips throughout Nova Scotia to provide training and first-hand experience of the many incredible places to go and things to do in the province. The objective is to encourage the development of more Nova Scotia itineraries for travellers in our target markets, and to equip our partners with the information they need to effectively sell Nova Scotia vacations.

Deadline: Applications open all year

Contact: natalie.shaw@novascotia.ca

TOURISM RESEARCH

Voice of the Visitor Survey Program - Helps businesses, organizations and communities formulate questions and conduct surveys of past visitors to help gain a better understanding of visitors' perspectives and interests to support their individual tourism goals. Participants receive custom reports with data and analysis that will inform and strengthen their decision making.

Deadline: September 2024 (open 4 weeks)

Contact: anna.moran@novascotia.ca

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

Business and Experience Development Coaching - One-on-one coaching and workshops to help businesses, attractions, events and communities understand what motivates travellers, enhance their competitiveness, develop products and services to attract customers, and build capacity to attract travellers.

Deadline: Applications open all year

Contact: nick.fry@novascotia.ca/heather.yule@novascotia.ca

Tourism Digital Assistance Program Business - Delivered in partnership between Tourism Nova Scotia and Digital Nova Scotia, the program provides up to \$5,000 in services from a qualified digital consultant to help tourism businesses improve their online presence through things like web design, SEO, social media marketing, e-commerce and online booking

Deadline: April 2024 (open for approximately 4 weeks)

Contact: jennifer.mckeane@novascotia.ca

Tourism Digital Assistance Program Communities - Helps effectively promote local communities as a travel destination and encourage tourism spending. The program, in partnership with Digital Nova Scotia, will cover up to \$15,000 in services and online tools to bridge the digital gap to better attract and serve visitors.

Deadline: April 2024 (open for approximately 4 weeks)

Contact: jennifer.mckeane@novascotia.ca



Emerging Destinations Program - Supports municipalities, chambers of commerce or business associations to identify their most compelling attractions and identify short-term actions to increase awareness of the destinations and attract travellers to their community during their preferred season.

Deadline: January 2024 (open approximately 3 weeks)

Contact: erin.hume@novascotia.ca

RADIATE Tourism Program - Tourism businesses and attractions can receive research, coaching and marketing support to position and approach up to two travel packages for fall and winter. Packages will be featured on a landing page on NovaScotia.com and promoted through seasonal digital advertising campaigns.

Deadline: March 2024 (open approximately 3 weeks)

Contact: erin.hume@novascotia.ca

COMMUNITIES, SPORT AND RECREATION

Communities Nova Scotia works with communities across the province to promote and celebrate Nova Scotia's diversity, supports welcoming and inclusive communities and encourages all communities to express their vibrant culture and heritage, including that of traditionally marginalized groups.

Sport and Recreation leads government efforts and collaborates with communities to improve the quality of life of Nova Scotians through sport and recreation. It supports the sector to develop an effective and integrated system of high-quality opportunities and supports for Nova Scotians to live actively.

COMMUNITIES NOVA SCOTIA

To discuss any of the Communities Nova Scotia programs, please contact CommunitiesNS@novascotia.ca.

Mi'kmaw Cultural Activities Program - Supports the promotion, preservation and celebration of Mi'kmaw culture and heritage. This program is only open to Mi'kmaw communities and organizations.

The department may contribute up to 75% of eligible project costs (with the applicant contributing at least 25% of the project costs, 10% of that in cash) for a maximum of \$10,000.

Opening date: March 1, 2024 **Deadlines:** May 15 and September 15, 2024



Diversity and Community Capacity Fund - Invests in the capacity building efforts of organizations that represent traditionally marginalized communities and promote diversity and social equity. The department may contribute up to 75% of eligible project costs (with the applicant contributing at least 25% of the project costs, 10% of that in cash) for a maximum of \$10,000.

Opening date: February 23, 2024 **Deadlines:** April 15, June 15 and September 15, 2024

Food Security Initiatives Fund - Supports community-led projects that address food security, including meal delivery, community meals, and projects that address systems change. Applicants are required to contact communities@novascotia.ca prior to submission.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadlines:** Applications open until fully allocated

Community Food Access and Literacy Program - Supports programs that improve access to affordable, healthy food and build food literacy. Eligible programs encompass food access solutions for vulnerable Nova Scotians, education on meal planning, nutrition and budgeting, and building and maintaining community gardens.

Two funding tiers: requests for <\$2500 do not require cash contribution, requests \$2,501-\$5,000 require that applicants contribute a minimum of 25% of eligible costs.

Opening date: February 15, 2024 **Deadline:** March 25, 2024

Lieutenant Governor Community Spirit Award - Celebrates the power, strength, and diversity of vibrant communities across Nova Scotia.

Opening date: April 10, 2024 **Deadline:** May 15, 2024

Contact: communityspiritaward@novascotia.ca

Provincial Volunteer Awards - Honours individuals and organizations that go above and beyond for their communities.

Opening date: April 14, 2024 **Deadline:** May 23, 2024

Contact: volunteerawards@novascotia.ca



Legion Capital Assistance Fund - Assists Royal Canadian Legions across Nova Scotia with capital upgrades to existing buildings used to house legion events and community activities. The department may contribute up to 80% of eligible project costs for a maximum of \$10,000.

Opening date: December 14, 2023 **Deadline:** February 14, 2024

Community Facilities Improvement Program - Supports community-led projects which enhance the public use of existing facilities. This includes repairs and improvements to building exteriors, and interior features that are integral to the long-term sustainability of the facility.

Opening date: December 14, 2023 **Deadline:** February 14, 2024

Cultural Communities Identity Fund - Supports activities which recognize and celebrate the diversity of Nova Scotia's new, emerging, and established cultural communities. The department may contribute up to 75% of eligible project costs (with the applicant contributing at least 25% of the project costs, 10% of that in cash) for a maximum of \$10,000.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated

SPORT, RECREATION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

To discuss any of the Sport, Recreation and Physical Activity funding programs below, please contact the corresponding regional manager for your area.

Central Regional (Halifax Regional Municipality)

Andrea Redmond, Regional Manager, Andrea.Redmond@novascotia.ca

Cape Breton Regional Office (Cape Breton Island)

Larry Maxwell, Regional Manager, Larry.Maxwell@novascotia.ca

Fundy Regional Office (Municipality of East Hants, Cumberland County, Colchester County)

Courtney Nicholson-Patriquin, Regional Manager, Courtney.Nicholson-Patriquin@novascotia.ca

Highland Regional Office (Guysborough County, Antigonish County, Pictou County)

Rae Gunn, Regional Program Coordinator, Rae.Gunn@novascotia.ca

South Shore Regional Office (Counties of Yarmouth, Shelburne, Queens, and Lunenburg, District of Argyle)

Anna Haanstra, Regional Manager, Anna.Haanstra@novascotia.ca

Valley Regional Office (Municipalities of Hants West and Clare, Counties of Digby, Annapolis, and Kings)

Anna Sherwood, Regional Manager, Anna.Sherwood@novascotia.ca



Community Recreation Capital Grant - Assists in the development of indoor and outdoor capital recreation projects that respond to the recreation goals and priorities of communities, as well as the Shared Strategy for Advancing Recreation in Nova Scotia. This grant is for projects valued at \$30,000 or less. The department may contribute up to 1/3 of the total eligible project costs to a maximum of \$8,000.

Deadline: Applications open until fully allocated

Active Communities Fund - Supports community-wide initiatives to encourage less-structured physical activity and movement.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** December 1, 2024, or until fully allocated

Rink Revitalization Fund - Assists organizations that operate rinks to invest in needed repairs and upgrades to keep their facilities sustainable and to support public access to, and participation in, quality sport and recreation. An eligible organization may receive one grant per year, per project. Eligible projects may apply for up to two-thirds of the total project cost, to a maximum request of \$150,000.

Opening date: December 14, 2023 **Deadline:** February 14, 2024

Recreation Facility Development Grant - Assists not-for-profit groups, municipalities, Mi'kmaq Band Councils to develop, upgrade or renovate recreation facilities in order to increase public access to, and participation in, quality sport and recreation. This grant is for projects valued at \$30,000 or more. An eligible organization may receive one grant per year, per project. Eligible projects may apply for up to two-thirds of the total project cost, to a maximum request of \$150,000.

Opening date: December 14, 2023 **Deadline:** February 14, 2024

Recreation Community Development Grant - Supports program development, pilots, evaluation, or capacity building that respond to the recreation priorities and needs of the communities, as well as advance the Shared Strategy for Recreation in Nova Scotia. The department may contribute up to 50% to municipalities, 75% to not-for-profits or Mi'kmaq Bands, of the total eligible project costs to a maximum of \$10,000.

Opening date: April 1, 2023 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated

Planning Assistance - Assists not-for-profits, municipalities, and Mi'kmaq Bands to obtain professional expertise required to research, assess or design new recreation facilities or expand existing facilities that advance sport and recreation in the province. This program supports projects that respond to the recreation goals and priorities of communities, as well as the Shared Strategy for Advancing Recreation in Nova Scotia. The department may contribute up to 50% of the total eligible project costs to a maximum of \$10,000.

Opening date: April 1, 2023 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated



Community ACCESS-Ability Program - Offers cost-shared grants to community groups for accessibility related capital improvements. The department may contribute up to two-thirds of the eligible project costs to a maximum of \$50,000.

Opening date: December 11, 2023 **Deadline:** February 14, 2024

Contact: accessabilitygrants@novascotia.ca

Business ACCESS-Ability Program – Offers a cost-shared grant to make accessibility-related improvements. Improvements can be for clients and customers, for employees, or both.

Opening date: December 11, 2023 **Deadline:** February 14, 2024

Contact: sbaccess@novascotia.ca

Connect2 - Supports active transportation projects that improve connectivity within and between communities and have the potential to reduce emissions and increase physical activity.

Opening date: December 11, 2023 **Deadline:** January 22, 2024

Contact: connect2@novascotia.ca

TRAILS

To discuss any of the funding programs for trails, please contact CCHtrailgrants@novascotia.ca

Recreation Trail Expansion Program -

Assists municipalities and not-for-profit organizations in developing new recreational trails, expanding recreational trails, and making capital upgrades to existing trails in order to increase opportunities for Nova Scotians to recreate in the outdoors, connect with nature and to get moving.

Expression of Interests accepted between October 18 and December 1, 2023

Deadline: February 14, 2024

Engineering Assistance Grant Program - Provides funding to organizations and municipalities for hiring engineers when building, maintaining, and supporting multi-use and non-motorized single-use trails to help ensure Nova Scotia's trails are both safe for users and environmentally sound.

Opening date: April 1, 2023 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated

Community Trails Leadership Fund - Supports the trail development community in Nova Scotia through the provision of funds for leadership, organizational development, and capacity building. The fund helps organizations offer training and educational opportunities for volunteers and the trail professionals who support them. It also helps the organizations acquire the expertise needed for specific aspects of trail projects.

Opening date: April 1, 2023 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated

Trail Maintenance Program - Supports groups who are involved in regular maintenance, as well as emergency funding to groups who have experienced major maintenance issues due to fire, flooding, hurricanes.

Opening date: April 1, 2023 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated



AFRICAN NOVA SCOTIAN AFFAIRS

African Nova Scotian Affairs (ANSA) is a vital reciprocal link that connects government, communities, and partners to help provide services and programs for the African Nova Scotian community.

ANSA has three key areas of focus; increasing access, to ensure African Nova Scotian communities feel informed; building capacity, to help equip communities with the knowledge, tools and resources to grow and thrive; and lastly, taking action, by working with communities to address pressing issues and needs.

ANSA advocates for the interests of the African Nova Scotian community within government; creates and promotes an integrated approach within government on matters related to African Nova Scotian communities in the province; develops and co-operates on communicating strategies and public education increase awareness of African Nova Scotian culture, heritage and community issues; and represents the interest of the province in intergovernmental initiatives and negotiations on matters integral to the interest of African Nova Scotians.

ANSA Grants and Contributions Program – ANSA's grants and contributions program is a component in developing innovative solutions that lead to self-reliance and sustainable development for African Nova Scotians and their communities. Projects, programs, and activities that support ANSA's strategic goals will be considered for grants.

Deadline: Applications open all year

To discuss funding programs, please contact your Program Administration Officer.

Halifax Central Regional Office

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Southwest / Annapolis Valley Regional Office

Brenda Francis

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Northeastern Regional Office

Crystal States

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OFFICE OF ACADIAN AFFAIRS AND FRANCOPHONIE

Acadian Affairs and Francophonie works to support the delivery of French-language services throughout government, promote Acadian and francophone culture and heritage, and celebrate Acadian heritage and community projects.

Community Funding - Supports a wide variety of activities from various sectors from the Acadian and Francophone community of Nova Scotia.

Deadline: December 20, 2024, or until fully allocated

Contact: laura.le@novascotia.ca

Quebec/Nova Scotia Agreement - Offers matching funding to support French-language exchanges and cooperative projects between Canadian francophone community organizations in both provinces.

Deadline: November 30, 2024

Contact: laura.le@novascotia.ca

OFFICE OF GAELIC AFFAIRS

Office of Gaelic Affairs works with government, communities and partners by supporting the reclamation of Gaelic language and cultural arts and expression so that the heritage and identity of Nova Scotia Gaels are passed on to present and future generations. The Office assists in the building of capacity in Gaelic heritage and identity communities in an effort to enhance social and economic contributions in the Province. The Office creates and facilitates learning, awareness and educational programs that build greater appreciation and understanding of Gaelic language, culture and identity, and provides expertise, resources and support to strengthen partnerships with Gaelic community stakeholder groups and members, government departments and agencies, and international partners in other Gaelic regions.

A' Ghàidhlig is a Cultur anns a' Choimhearsnachd | Gaelic Language and Culture in Community - Supports Nova Scotia community organizations via the delivery of Gaelic language and culture programming (e.g. local language classes and workshops and awareness initiatives). The department may contribute up to 75% of eligible costs to a maximum of \$2,500 with the organization. Strategic project requests exceeding \$2,500 may be given consideration.

Deadlines: March 15, June 15, and November 15, 2024

Contact: iain.macleod3@novascotia.ca



Bun is Bàrr - A' Chiad Gheug: A' Daltachadh Thàilleabhaich | Bun is Bàrr - The First Branch: Fostering Apprentices (formerly Daltachas | Fosterage) - First step in Bun is Bàrr mentorship program open to individual Nova Scotia Gaelic learners. Apprentices meet weekly online with a mentor/instructor for Gaelic language and cultural instruction.

Deadline: Typically fall deadline

Contact: shannon.macmullin@novascotia.ca

Bun is Bàrr - An Dàrna Geug: A' Togail Sheanchaidhean | Bun is Bàrr - The Second Branch: Creating Tradition Bearers (formerly Bun is Bàrr | Root and Branch) - Second step in Bun is Bàrr mentorship program open to individual Nova Scotia Gaelic learners. Apprentices are paired with tradition-bearers for ongoing language and culture mentorship one-on-one and sometimes as a group.

Deadline: Typically fall deadline

Contact: shannon.macmullin@novascotia.ca

Dian-oideas na Gàidhlig | Gaelic Intensive Immersion - Supports community organizations in delivering Gaelic language immersion programs using the Gàidhlig aig Baile ((GaB) Gaelic in Community) teaching methodology.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated

Contact: iain.macleod3@novascotia.ca

Prógram-Cultuir dha na Gàidheil is dh'an Ògraidh | Gaelic Cultural and Youth Activities Program - Supports community organizations deliver strategic projects and initiatives that advance Gaelic language and cultural development in the Province.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated

Contact: iain.macleod3@novascotia.ca

Bursaraidh na Gàidhlig (Alba) | Gaelic Language Bursary (Scotland) - Funded by Scottish government and administered by the Office of Gaelic Affairs, this bursary program is open to Nova Scotia Gaelic learners to cover costs associated with Gaelic learning at a Scottish institution.

Opening date: April 1, 2024 **Deadline:** Applications open until fully allocated

Contact: iain.macleod3@novascotia.ca