



dÄNA NÄYE VENTURES

Your first step toward successful business

dÄna NÄye Ventures is a Yukon based, Aboriginal controlled institution that provides developmental financial services to the people and communities of Yukon and Northern British Columbia.

Dana Naye Ventures will continue to be a dynamic, self-sufficient institution that assists Yukon people and communities in becoming self-reliant. We will achieve this in a manner which values the preservation of the environment, emphasizes respect for cultural and social values while developing people as the key resource for building successful businesses.

dÄna NÄye Ventures can help your business in many ways!

Business Loans

Through independently owned and managed loan funds, commercial financing is available to both aboriginal and non-aboriginal small business clients. The Yukon Venture Loan Guarantee Program provides a government guarantee of up to \$100,000 for tourism and export business. Businesses in the northern British Columbia communities of Atlin, Good Hope Lake, and Lower Post are also eligible for financing through dÄna NÄye Ventures.

Youth Loans

dÄna NÄye Ventures is the only financial institution in Yukon that offers loans to all Youth between the ages of 18 to 35. If you like the idea and challenge of going into business for yourself, you could be eligible for loans up to the amount of \$15,000 with a fixed interest rate. Loans are available for starting, buying, or expanding an existing business.

Yukon Micro Loan Program.....A small loan can make a big difference!

If you are an individual who wants to start, maintain or expand a small business in Yukon, this program can help you! This highly successful program is unique in that it involves peer-lending circles and is based on character, trustworthiness and personal commitment.

This program offers ACCESS to business loans at competitive rates, OPPORTUNITIES to network with other entrepreneurs and TRAINING in managing your business.

Loans can be used for any business purpose such as:

- To buy or lease equipment, tools, computers or lease hold improvements;
- To purchase advertising, arts & craft materials supplies or inventory;
- To pay for first and last month's business rent.

We want to work with you to ensure that your business ventures are successful! We have both short and long term loans with flexible repayment schedules.

In order to qualify for a loan with us, the entrepreneur applying for support must be able to demonstrate the following in their business plan:

- The financial viability of the proposed business.
- The amount of equity contributed by the owner.
- Personal credit history.
- Value of property, equipment or other assets for security.
- The environmental impact of the venture.
- Employment generation and competitive advantage.

The Yukon Venture Group can assist small and medium sized, growth oriented, Yukon and Northern BC businesses. We operate a small developmental capital fund, which can make equity, or near equity investments, in qualified Aboriginal small businesses. The fund is designed to provide these firms with sufficient leverage to allow them to access more traditional sources of capital.

dāna Nāye Ventures is a founding member of **First Ventures**, a national organization of similar funds which provides national exposure and the potential for additional sources of capital.

dāna Nāye Ventures delivers the **Aboriginal Business Canada Program** on behalf of Industry Canada.

dāna Nāye Ventures delivers the **Self-Employment Program** on behalf of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

If you are currently unemployed and are interested in starting a new business, this program can help you!

Successful Applicants must be:

- Currently unemployed
- Eligible to work in Canada
- A Yukon resident
- On an active Employee Insurance (EI) claim, OR
- Must have received EI benefits within the past three years; OR
- Received maternity or parental benefits within the past five years during and after which, they remained out of the labour market to provide care for their child.
- They must also commit to living in Yukon and working a minimum of 35 hours per week in their new business for the duration of the program.

This program can financially support you for up to 52 weeks on Employment Insurance benefits while you start a new business!

Business Training Programs

So you're not sure where to start? We offer pre-business workshops designed to help you with self-assessment and tools to assist you with the planning of possible business ideas and skill development.

Our highly qualified instructors offer a range of business training programs in:

- Computer Software
- Proposal Writing
- Taxes
- Finance
- Time and Stress Management
- Bookkeeping

For the most current course schedule, please visit our website!

dāna Nāye Ventures programs and services are designed to help local businesses and entrepreneurs that will play an important role in the Yukon economy, with a goal to improving the business climate for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal companies and expanding the private sector overall.

We are proud to work in partnership with other finance and business organizations as well as a range of other agencies, boards and departments on initiatives that are helping to strengthen business skills and promote greater awareness of business achievement. dāna Nāye Ventures continues to be one of the top ranked Aboriginal financial institutions in Canada.

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We look forward to working with you!