

Who We Are

The Cape Breton Growth Fund (CBGF) is responsible for the delivery of the economic adjustment fund established by the Government of Canada in the wake of the federal government's decision to downsize and privatize the Cape Breton Development Corporation (Devco). The CBGF is comprised of a \$86 million contribution from the Government of Canada and a \$12 million contribution from the Province of Nova Scotia.

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This program is only available for businesses operating in Cape Breton and Mulgrave.

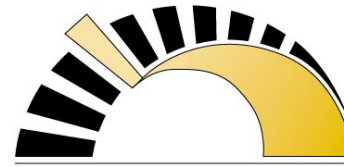
The CBGF is a partnership between the Government of Canada and the Province of Nova Scotia and has a mandate to assist in the transition of the Cape Breton economy.

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Arts and Culture Development Fund Strategic Initiatives Program

Cape Breton Growth Fund Corporation

Purpose

The Strategic Initiatives Program is designed to support projects that fall under a broad scope of eligibility and may include:

- Strategic infrastructure investment
- Major conferences or workshops
- Other strategic investments that enrich the arts and culture sector in Cape Breton

This program is not meant to replace existing funding programs, but is aimed specifically at enhancing sustainability and demonstrated economic benefits for the future of arts and culture in Cape Breton.

Eligible Project Criteria

Eligible projects may include clearly defined strategic initiatives that are considered under the sole discretion of the CBGF. These are initiatives that may be determined in consultation with industry, or in collaboration with municipal/provincial initiatives.

Funding Levels

Minimum individual funding award to be assessed dependent upon nature of proposed strategic initiative under review by the CBGF (as will terms related to repayable and/or non-repayable terms of funds leveraged.)

A copy of the application form can be obtained by contacting the CBGF office or by visiting www.cbGF.ca, and should include the following information:

- Detailed description of proposal/project initiative.
- Details of economic benefits as a result of successful funding.
- Documentation outlining demonstrated need.
- Documentation outlining demonstrated sustainability.

Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation criteria are determined at the discretion of the CBGF and under consideration of the CBGF's corporate objectives. Evaluation will also engage consultation with the proponents of a defined strategic initiative.