



FARM MANAGEMENT CANADA
GESTION AGRICOLE DU CANADA

Provincial/Territorial Ministry/Department of Agriculture Cost-Share Funding

BUSINESS SKILLS DEVELOPMENT THROUGH TRAINING OR ADVISORY SERVICES

The following list of opportunities has been prepared by Farm Management Canada as a courtesy to producers and producer groups to find and access cost-sharing funding opportunities related to farm business skills development and advisory support programming through the Provincial/Territorial Ministries and Departments of Agriculture. Updated June 1, 2024.

Please Note: In the event a link becomes broken or you need further information, please contact your provincial agricultural Ministry or Department office. Be aware of eligibility criteria and timelines for processing applications before applying to and/or starting any skills development or advisory service programming. It is not uncommon for skills development opportunities to begin prior to funding approval. In such situations, skills development program administrators may be able to adapt programming and invoicing to meet cost-share funding rules.

Province/Territory	Business Skills Training /Advisory Services Cost-Share Programs	Employee Training/ Wage Subsidy Programs
British Columbia	<p>Business and Market Development Cost-Share: Various Maximum Funding: Various (case by case basis) More info: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/programs</p> <p>Knowledge and Technology Transfer Program Cost-Share: 75% Maximum Funding: Up to \$7500 More info: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/programs/knowledge-transfer-events</p> <p>New Entrant Farm Business Accelerator Program</p>	<p>British Columbia Employer Training Grant Cost-Share: 80% Maximum Annual Funding: \$10,000 per participant, up to \$300,000 per employer More info: www.workbc.ca/find-loans-and-grants/industry-and-employers/bc-employer-training-grant</p>

	<p>Cost-Share: Up to 75% for <\$10,000 projects, up to 50% for >\$10,000 projects</p> <p>Maximum Funding: Up to \$7500 (or \$15,000) based on total project estimated costs</p> <p>More info: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/programs/new-entrant-farm-business-accelerator-program</p>	
Alberta	No programming	<p>Canada-Alberta Job Grant</p> <p>Cost-Share: 66%</p> <p>Maximum Funding: \$10,000 per trainee per fiscal year (\$15,000 at 100% funding per trainee for an unemployed Albertan)</p> <p>More info: https://www.alberta.ca/canada-alberta-job-grant.aspx</p> <p>Small Community Opportunity Program</p> <p>Skills training grants for Indigenous and small communities, as well as non-profit groups to build capacity in the agriculture industry and small business sectors</p> <p>Cost Share: 90%</p> <p>Maximum Funding: \$20,000-\$100,000 per project</p> <p>More info: www.alberta.ca/small-community-opportunity-program</p>
Saskatchewan	<p>Future Farmer Program</p> <p>Cost-Share: Unknown</p> <p>Maximum Funding: Covers mentee travel, training, expenses and related costs associated with the mentorship program.</p> <p>More info: https://agribition.com/get-involved/next-gen-program/</p>	<p>Canada-Saskatchewan Job Grant</p> <p>Cost-Share: 66%</p> <p>Maximum Funding: \$10,000 per trainee per fiscal year, maximum of up to \$100,000 per employer</p> <p>More info: https://www.saskatchewan.ca/business/hire-train-and-manage-employees/apply-for-the-canada-saskatchewan-job-grant</p>
Manitoba	No programming	<p>Canada-Manitoba Job Grant</p> <p>Cost-Share: up to 75% for employers with <100 employees, up to 50% for employees with >100 employees</p> <p>Maximum Funding: \$10,000 per training participant, maximum of up to \$100,00 per employer</p>

		<p>More info: https://www.gov.mb.ca/jec/busdev/financial/cmjg/index.html</p>
Ontario	<p>No programming</p>	<p>Canada-Ontario Job Grant Cost-Share: up to 84% for employers with <100 employees, up to 50% for employers with >100 employees, Maximum Funding: \$10,000 per trainee http://www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/eopg/cojg/</p>
Quebec	<p>Programme services-conseils 2023-2028 (les réseaux Agriconseils) Cost-Share: 50% - 75% Maximum Funding: \$20,000 over the life of the program</p> <p>Hiring a consultant to assist with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Financial analysis and management ▪ Marketing ▪ Data organization ▪ Human resource management ▪ Local marketing ▪ Farm Transfer and start-up plans <p>More info: https://agriconseils.qc.ca/</p>	<p>Information not available</p>
New Brunswick	<p>Business Planning, Skills Development and Agriculture Education</p> <p>Skills Development Cost-Share: 70% Maximum Funding: \$3,000/project (\$6,000 per year)</p> <p>Business Planning Cost-Share: 60% towards professional services Maximum Funding: \$10,000 per applicant per year</p> <p>Associations and organizations are also eligible for assistance to champion training activities for their members.</p> <p>More info: https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/10/p</p>	<p>Canada-New Brunswick Job Grant Cost-Share: Unknown (The contribution amount is based on the Department level of funding) Maximum Funding: \$20,000 per employer per fiscal year More info: https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/services/services_renderer_201466.Labour_Force_Training.html</p>

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Nova Scotia	<p>Planning New Opportunities Program Business Advisory Services Support Cost-Share: 75% Maximum Funding: \$15,000 per program year. Farms with income <\$30,000 are eligible for 75% to a maximum of \$2,000 per program year. More info: https://novascotia.ca/programs/planning-new-opportunities/</p> <p>Agriculture Skills Student Bursary Program Maximum Funding: - \$500 in year 1 for students who work 250 hours and \$750 in year 2 and 3 for students who work 250 hours each additional year - \$1,000 in year 1 for students who work 500 hours and \$1,500 in year 2 and 3 for students who work 500 hours each additional year More info: https://novascotia.ca/programs/agriculture-skills-student-bursary/</p> <p>Workplace Education Initiative Maximum Funding: Provides 40 hours of training over approximately 10 weeks, customized to individual and organizational needs Training on: Business Skills, Computerized Accounting, Financial Management, Google Workspace & Microsoft 365, Microsoft Office, Leadership & Communications, Sales & Marketing, Customer Service, Human Resources & Performance Management, Presentation Skills, Project Management, Social Media & Web Development More info: https://novascotia.ca/lae/workplace-education/</p>	<p>Canada-Nova Scotia Job Grant Cost-Share: 100% for year 1, 50% thereafter Maximum Funding: \$10,000 per fiscal year More info: https://novascotia.ca/programs/workplace-innovation-productivity-skills-incentive/</p> <p>Workplace Innovation and Productivity Skills Incentive Businesses with 50 or fewer employees: Minimum \$5,000 in direct training costs, up to \$100,000/fiscal. First \$10,000 can be funded up to 100%/fiscal. Eligible costs over \$10,000 can be funded up to 50%.</p> <p>Businesses with 50 or more employees: Minimum \$10,000 in direct training costs, up to \$100,000/fiscal. Funds up to 50% of eligible direct training costs.</p> <p>Organizations, business associations and private sector unions: Minimum \$10,000 in direct training costs. Funding may be available for administration costs as determined on a case-by-case basis. More info: https://novascotia.ca/programs/workplace-innovation-productivity-skills-incentive/</p> <p>START Program Maximum: \$25,000 per hire Wage incentive and some of training and equipment costs for hiring unemployed Nova Scotians More info: https://novascotia.ca/programs/start/</p>
Prince Edward Island	<p>Business Development Program Agri-Skills Cost-Share: 50%</p>	<p>Skills PEI Cost-Share: 50%</p>

Maximum Funding: \$2,000/participant/fiscal year, \$10,000 per farm entity for Agri-Skills training over the life of the Sustainable CAP Framework Agreement (2023-2028)

Young Farmers

Cost-Share: 75%

Maximum Funding: \$3,000/farm operation, up to \$3,000 per recipient for skill development and training expenses over the life of the Sustainable CAP Framework Agreement (2023-2028)

Groups

Cost-Share: 90%

Maximum Funding: \$20,000 / project, \$60,000 for Group Training activities over the life of the Sustainable CAP Framework Agreement (2023-2028)

All Farmers:

<https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/agriculture-and-land/business-development-program-agriculture>

Young Farmers:

<https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/agriculture-and-land/future-farmer-program>

Business Planning

Eligible items: Individual business planning, such as: Financial Assessments; Financial Action Plans; Risk Management Plans; Business Plans (for new entrants who are part of a bonafide farm operation); Feasibility Assessments; Cost-of-Production Analysis; Succession Plans; Organizational Strategic Plans; and Human Resource Plans, Online business self-assessment and goal setting; and Professional fees.

Cost-Share: 50%

Maximum Funding: \$2,500-\$10,000/project

More info: [Business Development Program Guidelines](#)

Maximum Funding: \$5000/employee or up to \$25,000 per application

More info:

<https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/service/workplace-skills-training>

Employ PEI

Cost-Share: 50% wage subsidy for 20 weeks while training new employee

Maximum Funding: \$10,000

More info:

<https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/service/employ-pei-for-employers>

<p>Newfoundland and Labrador</p>	<p>Agriculture Business Program Cost-Share: Various Maximum Funding: Various More info: https://www.gov.nl.ca/ffa/sustainablecap/</p> <p>Industry Development and Knowledge Transfer Cost-Share: Up to 75% Maximum Funding: up to \$12,000/producer More info: Sustainable CAP Program Guide</p>	<p>Canada-Newfoundland Labrador Job Grant Cost-Share: 66% Maximum Funding: \$10,000 per year (\$15,000 to train an unemployed person) More info: https://www.gov.nl.ca/ipgs/files/foremployers-canada-nl-job-grant-fact-sheet.pdf</p>
<p>Yukon</p>	<p>Agriculture Training Program Cost-Share: 60% Maximum Funding: \$15,000 over the lifetime of the program (2023-2028) More info: https://yukon.ca/en/doing-business/support-agriculture/apply-agriculture-funding#eligible-activities</p> <p>Business Planning Eligible costs: Hiring consultant services and purchasing business software Cost-Share: up to 90% of eligible costs for the first \$5,000; up to 60% of eligible costs for expenses beyond \$5,000 Maximum funding: \$20,000 over the lifetime of the program More info: https://Yukon.ca/sustainablecap</p>	<p>Building Up Program Cost-Share: Unknown Maximum Funding: Unknown Target audience: Organizational funding to carry out activities that strengthen labour market skills More info: https://yukon.ca/en/building-up</p> <p>Staffing Up Program Cost-Share: wage subsidy or training costs 60% for an employee not paid while in training; 70% for an employee paid while in training; 80% for training a potential employee who is unemployed; or 90% for training a potential employee who is unemployed and/or a member of an under-represented group Maximum Funding: Not Available More info: https://yukon.ca/en/staffing-up</p> <p>Internship Grants Maximum Funding: \$7,500 of eligible costs per year and up to a maximum of \$22,500 over the lifetime of the program (2023-2028) More Info: https://Yukon.ca/sustainablecap</p>
<p>Northwest Territories</p>	<p>Canadian Agricultural Partnership Business planning (consultant services) and business software Cost-Share: 75-90% Maximum Funding: Up to \$5,000 (\$100 applicant contribution for every \$1,000 in funding), Above \$5,000 up to 75% of costs, \$20,000 program lifetime maximum</p>	<p>Canada-Northwest Territories Job Grant Cost Share: 66% Maximum Funding: \$10,000 per employee More info: https://www.ece.gov.nt.ca/sites/ece/files/resources/canada-northwest-territories-job-grant-brochure.pdf</p>

	<p>More info: https://www.iti.gov.nt.ca/en/services/agri-food-funding</p>	<p>Internship/Mentorship Grants Maximum Funding: Up to 75% of intern wages to maximum of \$7,500 per year and \$22,500 program lifetime maximum More info: https://www.iti.gov.nt.ca/en/services/agri-food-funding</p>
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