

History: The Energy Transition Community Trust was created by the Ontario and Quebec provincial governments in 2017. The **Department of Economic and Economic Development (DEED)** is in charge of the grant application file. In 2020, the **Institution of Funding Opportunity (IFO)** file was released.

Application: Grants fund the construction of a building, the renovation and modernization of the building, or repair of part or more substantial renovation. Examples of eligible uses are included in the IFO ([see 2](#)) and range from pure infrastructure to culture or development to feature projects.

Two-phase application process: In Phase 1, eligible organizations will provide an application to the department that provides basic information about the project and the eligible entity. Eligible entities submit each Phase 1 application independent of one another, and the amount of funds from each entity is eligible for funding is a funding formula ([see 3](#)) of the IFO. In Phase 2, eligible Phase 1 applicants that meet the conditional approval funding amount requirements submit detailed application with a project narrative and budget to their ministries or respective sector.

Eligible Entity: Local, other, or government, including municipalities, counties, cities, towns, and other entities within 10 miles of a border or sharing jurisdiction. Communities must be in areas that contain a **border that goes along a surface across that area and where that line, based on treaty or treaty of treaty, is used to separate cities 5 years before the application** or will be used to have operations significantly not and within 5 years following the application. Eligible applicants may also be companies or their operations including local, other, or government, economic development agencies, local educational institutions, and community-based groups.

If the eligible applicant is not the local city or village for the eligible area or institution, **the applicant must receive a letter of support from the local city or village**. If the local city or village is an incorporated area, the letter becomes the "local" and shows the letter of support.

Deadlines and Timeline

- 1. The deadline for the Phase 1 application is Dec. 31, 2020. Applicants who do not have a plan or other evidence that is required in the next phase ([Phase 2](#)) must submit by Jan. 31, 2021.
- 2. The deadline for Phase 2 applications is Feb. 15, 2021.
- 3. Anticipated start date for awards is July 1, 2021. The period of performance is extended to be one to three years, but may extend the 3 months for a proposed single use of grant funds.

More Details

- 1. Grants will be issued **annually** to eligible institutions.
- 2. An entity that is registered in the Open Access Registry and Transparency Act of 2016 (Access Point), (<https://openaccessregistry.ca/en/>), in the form of grant applications. The IFO ([see 2](#)) identifies some of requirements that will be required to be met.
- 3. Grant has identified a list of eligible uses or features in the IFO ([see 2](#)) that are within the 10-year window. Other features may be eligible and considered as a non-eligible activity in Phase 1.
- 4. Phase 2 submitting will use 1 application. Applicants will be required to submit a narrative up to 1000 characters with a list of all contributions.