

COMMUNITY FUTURES CENTRE WEST (CFCWest)

Funded by Western Economic Diversification, Community Futures corporations are non-profit organizations governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. Board members have diverse skills and backgrounds and are made up of community champions and professionals from within the communities they live. Board members are responsible for the strategic direction of our organization and are used as a resource for our team.

Community Futures organizations are designed to assist rural communities to expand their local economies by using innovative approaches to business and community development. CFCWest provides access to resources and financial assistance. We provide core services such as: Fostering Strategic Community Planning and Socio Economic Development, Building Community Networks by partnering and developing Community Economic Development projects with business, economic, social and environmental organizations. We assist with the growth and development of community infrastructure resulting in increased community capacity. CFCWest also provide business services by way of counseling, training and financial assistance to small and medium sized entrepreneurs including entrepreneurs with disabilities.

<p>Business Counseling & Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business plan assistance & assessment • Strategic planning • Market research • Financial projections • Program & resources information 	<p>Business Development Programs & Financing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start-up & expansion loans • Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program • Summer Student Loan Program • Self-Employment Program • Partner co-loans and programs • Youth Entrepreneur Program • Alberta Youth Entrepreneurship Camp
<p>Community Economic Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community group strategic planning • Project planning & management • Partnership development • Rural diversification initiatives & development 	<p>Areas Served</p> <p>Most of our services are made possible at little or no charge through our funder, Western Economic Diversification. We serve the following Alberta areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Airdrie • Banff • Canmore • Carstairs • Cochrane • Crossfield • MD Bighorn • MD Rockview (West of Q.E 2) • Redwood Meadows

For further information please call our toll free line at 1-877-603-2329 or visit our website at www.cfcwest.com