

NextBridge Infrastructure, developers of the East-West Tie Line Transmission Project, is pleased to invite you to submit a funding request for our Community Investment Program.

Community Investment Funding:

- NextBridge will allocate funds to assist community projects, events and initiatives.
- Community organizations along the proposed right of way of the East-West Tie Line will be considered, which includes the Townships of Dorion, Nipigon, Red Rock, Schreiber, Terrace Bay and White River, the Town of Marathon, the Municipalities of Shuniah and Wawa, and the City of Thunder Bay.

Projects considered for support:

- Community safety
- Arts, education & cultural initiatives and events
- Environmental initiatives
- Health & social services
- Community services and development

Projects not considered for support:

- Organizations without a Revenue Canada Taxation number
- Organizations discriminating on the basis of race, religion, gender or sexual orientation
- Individuals
- Religious, political organizations or special interest groups
- Advocacy or lobby initiatives
- Recreation - sports organizations and events
- Trips and tours
- Foundations or third-party fundraisers

The funding may cover:

- Community & cultural events
- Book/resource material purchases
- Equipment purchases
- Training expenses
- Program development
- Technology upgrades
- Program expenses

Application Process:

- Candidates will submit a completed Community Investment funding application available at www.nextbridge.ca.
- Please Note: It can take several months to make a decision on funding requests. Please submit your application well in advance of when the funds will be needed.

Evaluation Criteria:

Funds will generally be distributed equally among right of way communities, with consideration given to the following:

- Level of impact the East-West Tie Line Transmission Project may have on the community
- Variety and scope of funding applications received from each community and along the right of way
- Background of the applicant (how long it has been in operation and prior experience)
- Community priorities
- Quality of life & community enhancement
- Demographics served
- Community support for the project