

## CIRCULAR

**To:** Municipalities, Local Service Districts, Inuit Community Governments, Consultants

**Re:** INFC's Rural Transit Solutions Fund: Planning and Design Projects Stream

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This circular is to inform Municipalities, Local Service Districts, Inuit Community Governments, and their consultants, that Infrastructure Canada (INFC) has announced a new **Rural Transit Solutions Fund: Planning and Design Projects Stream** funding program.

The Rural Transit Solutions Fund is the first federal fund to target the development of transit solutions in rural and remote communities. It supports the development of locally-driven transit solutions that will help people living in these communities get to work, school and appointments, and visit loved ones. A minimum of 10% of the total fund amount is allocated to projects that benefit Indigenous populations and communities.

Through this stream, eligible applicants can seek grants of up to \$50,000 in support of communities' projects to plan and design new or expanded transit solutions for their communities.

Applications for the Planning and Design Projects stream will now be accepted by Canada on a rolling intake basis. Please see the Applicant Portal for more details on the program.

More details can be found at <https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/rural-trans-rural/index-eng.html>

This is a **federal program**, and does not involve provincial funding. Application intake is per the program details provided on Infrastructure Canada's website. Communities are responsible for applying to the Rural Transit Solutions Fund program, and if successful administering the project.

Sincerely,



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