

**Fort Erie**

Agency	Project Name	Project Description	Neighbourhood
Business Success & Loan Centre Fort Erie	Self-Employment Program	Self-employment program to start a part-time or full-time business. This 12 month program will assist clients with developing and implementing a business plan. One-on-one mentoring will be provided along with regular seminars that are all business relevant. We will provide bookkeeping services and our resource centre will be available and this includes access to a computer, office space and some clerical services. All is provided at no cost to the individual.	Crystal Beach, Fort Erie North, Crescent Park, Fort Erie Lakeshore
Advancing Crystal Beach Community Development Organization	Crystal Beach Local Food Project	We will work with the Crystal Ridge Community Church, Sexsmith Farm, Bridges and For the Least of Them, to enhance their existing service offerings to better engage low income residents in learning new ways to stretch limited budgets and improve health through a weekly farm to table program. This incorporates a community garden, local market, and training in food preparation and processing to teach new skills and help shift residents out of poverty.	Crystal Beach

**Grimsby**

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Employment Help Centre	Dress for Success Niagara West	Job seekers can have the best resume and interview skills but without a good quality interview outfit, they often lack the confidence that they need to present themselves well to employers. Dress for Success Niagara West will partner with local thrift stores to create a voucher system that will enable job seekers to select a free interview outfit and/or a free outfit for their first day of work. In addition, potential clothing donors will be found & Dress for Success workshops will be created.	Casablanca & Area, Grimsby Lakeside, Grimsby Beach

**Lincoln**

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**Port Colborne**

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Community Living Port Colborne~Wainfleet	Art Therapy	According to the article in Pediatric Health Vol 12 October 2007, canadian children in low income families are more likely to have emotional and behavioural problems. Children in the lowest income families are more likely to exhibit high levels of emotional anxiety as well as aggression. Poverty also impacts childrens mental health. 12% versus 7% of children experience mental health concerns. We would like to offer these families art therapy for their children.	Three Bridges

**Regional**

Agency	Project Name	Project Description	Neighbourhood
Bridges Community Health Centre	Get There with Ride Share	For many Fort Erie residents transportation is an access barrier, particularly for people living in poverty. A web-based ride share service addresses this need by facilitating connections among people who may be going to the same place. It applies to work, school as well as social & recreational outings. Beyond its environmental benefits, ride share fills a need for transportation that cannot be logistically or reasonably accommodated by existing conventional & inter-municipal transit services.	

**St. Catharines**

Agency	Project Name	Project Description	Neighbourhood
Greening Niagara	In Support of Local - St Catharines	Providing support and expansion for community gardens in Queenston, St Catharines. With community volunteers, Greening Niagara will rebuild the Centennial garden (feeding 52 families & orgs, provide a new garden build with 12 plots, & strengthen community support for all 3 locations. The program also provides a community training program and food bank donations.	Queenston
Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara Region	Reading Rocks Junior	RRJ - a literacy intervention program for children 4-6, who are at-risk for reading difficulties. Responding to the need to provide support to children during this curcial time period to prevent more challenging reading difficulties later on. This project expansion includes two caregiver workshops on early literacy by SSN and effective use of technology in learning as well as exploring children's engagement in learning through the use of an ipad during 1-1 instruction.	Downtown, Queenston
Start Me Up Niagara	SMUN Bridge to Employment	The objective of this project is to provide food handling and processing skills training for SMUN clients in a commercial setting. Start Me Up Niagara is partnering with two businesses in Niagara to accomplish this goal - Wrap It Up Raw (WIUR woman-owned small business that produces raw and vegan foods) and WP Warehousing (WPW agri-food logistics, packaging and shipping company). This will allow SMUN gardens to convert produce into a variety of processed products for year-round sale and use.	Queenston
United Way of St. Catharines & District	Grantham Teen Active Living (GTAL)	GTAL will provide youth from the Old Pine Trail subsidized housing complex and the surrounding Grantham neighbourhood the opportunity to participate in field trips promoting active living such as beach volleyball, snowshoeing, and high ropes. Such excursions are often unattainable to low-income families due to cost and transportation. Field trips will be planned, implemented, and evaluated by neighbourhood youth. Participants will gain the common experience of their more affluent peers.	Fairview

**Welland**

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Faith Welland Outreach	McLaughlin Community House & Denistoun Outreach	Programming includes cooking, sewing, arts, crafts, woodworking, girl-boy talk, afterschool homework help, summer program, reading, and community gardens at McLaughlin Community House. In 2016, it is planned to commence programming for low income youth in the Densitoun residential development by transporting these youth to service locations at McLaughlin Community House or FWO.	West Main, Welland South, Ontario Road / Dain City

**West Lincoln**

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