

2018 Niagara Prosperity Initiative Projects



Regional

Agency	Project Name	Project Description	Funding Stream	Contract
Brain Injury Association of Niagara	Community Mental Health for Acquired Brain Injury	This project will provide life skills development, social opportunities, and advocacy for individuals with Acquired Brain Injury to reduce marginalization and improve mental health.	Health – Mental Health	\$54,034
Community Care St. Catharines & Thorold	Brushed Aside	The Brushed Aside dental care access program provides access to dental care for adults in need of treatment. Community Care St. Catharines & Thorold will work with five identified program partners across the region.	Health - Dental	\$152,468
Community Care St. Catharines & Thorold	ID Replacement Costs	Funding for ID clinics across Niagara to assist individuals with acquisition of Canadian identification. This project has a certified Commissioner of Oath, a provincial fee waiver and SIN replacements are offered monthly on site. Individuals are offered safe storage of their ID.	Housing – Self-Reliance and Improved Stability	\$73,524
Employment Help Centre	Niagara Community Garden Network – Garden Resource Program	The Garden Network is a collective of non-profits offering garden programs that supply community access to affordable, healthy food, and the resources to grow skills and engage community. The Community Garden Resource Program as a hub expands outreach to the community, expanding the collective impact.	Neighbourhood – Community Hubs	\$89,920
Gateway Residential & Community Support Services of Niagara Inc.	Gateway Outreach Worker II	The Outreach Worker will provide mobile services and supports to individuals at urgent risk of becoming homeless and those who are chronically or persistently homeless. The needs of the consumer are assessed and they will assist in acquiring housing and/or in addressing secondary concerns.	Housing – Outreach	\$71,101
Heartland Forest Nature Experience	Employ-Ability Skills for Adults with Disabilities	Funding for a goal oriented work experience program for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This program will provide employability skills along with the exploration of social procurement strategies.	Employment – Social Enterprise	\$69,982
Links for Greener Learning	Eco Chic – 3Rs Boutique	The Eco-Chic Project, 3R's Boutique will reduce waste by creating new products from up-cycled and re-purposed materials. These products are made by skilled newcomers and low-income women. This project provides resources, marketing and a platform to sell their products and provides them with a substantial income.	Employment – Social Enterprise	\$45,738
Niagara Furniture Bank	Heat Treatment – Bed Bugs	The "Heat Treatment" system will be introduced as a newer way to combat bed bug infestations for agencies that operate housing/hostels. We will develop an educational component for families in partnership with Public Health and agencies will be able to apply for this treatment.	Housing – Self-Reliance and Improved Stability	\$51,357

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Fort Erie

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Advancing Crystal Beach	Crystal Beach Community Market	The Crystal Beach Community Market will provide opportunities for local food, arts and crafts and clothing vendors to generate income. Business development training for vendors in finance, sales and marketing will also be available.	Employment – Social Enterprise	\$50,688
Links for Greener Learning	The Good Food Box Program	The Good Food Box Program will promote and support healthy eating as part of a healthy lifestyle for people in need in Niagara and support local growers by purchasing the food locally.	Health – Sustainable Access to Healthy Food	\$11,254

Grimsby

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The FORT	The FORT – Connecting Youth	The FORT's Connecting Youth project will provide the youth of Smithville and Caistor, and their families, with the only physical location where they will be able to receive free professional mental health counseling, participate in social programs, and get involved in their community.	Neighbourhood – Community Hubs	\$26,346
Grimsby Benevolent Fund	Rental Assistance Service	The Rental Assistance Service provides low-income households with assistance for monthly rent payments in the private market. The program reimburses part of the difference between 30% of the total income and the rent. The other aspect of the program is providing one time rent assistance for those who might otherwise be evicted.	Housing – Prevention	\$75,000

Lincoln

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Niagara Falls

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Links for Greener Learning	The Good Food Box Program	The Good Food Box Program will promote and support healthy eating as a part of a healthy lifestyle for people in need in Niagara and support local growers by purchasing the food locally.	Health – Sustainable Access to Healthy Food	\$11,254
Project SHARE of Niagara Falls Inc.	Outreach / Trustee Support	The Outreach/Trustee Support Worker will meet new and existing landlords to increase the number of available rental units. The Worker will also partner with Community Care's trustee program, offering support to increase housing and financial stability to clients.	Housing – Self-Reliance and Improved Stability	\$86,845
Project SHARE of Niagara Falls Inc.	Financial Literacy Program	This project will further the goals of Niagara Region's Housing and Homelessness Action Plan (HHAP) by building on the success of the Housing Stability program. Individuals will be introduced to budgeting and financial management programs.	Housing – Self-Reliance and Improved Stability	\$38,055
The RAFT	RAFT Niagara Regional Housing Summer Camp	A daily summer camp program will be provided in NRH priority neighbourhoods. The programs will offer active games, art, educational activities, a community garden, field trips, special events and cultural learning opportunities. The camp will reduce isolation, provide constructive activities and child minding support for working parents.	Neighbourhood – Community Hubs	\$29,964

Niagara on the Lake

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Community Care St. Catharines & Thorold	Housing Worker	The Housing Worker will support low income, vulnerable individuals to find secure, safe, affordable housing within St. Catharines, Thorold, and NOTL. This will be done by working with landlords and community partners and will include advocacy and appropriate referrals to services.	Housing – Prevention	\$27,916

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St. Catharines

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Links for Greener Learning	The Good Food Box Program	The Good Food Box Program will promote and support healthy eating as a part of a healthy lifestyle for people in need in Niagara and support local growers by purchasing the food locally.	Health – Sustainable Access to Healthy Food	\$11,254
Quest Community Health Centre	Restoring Healthy Smiles	Funding will be used to hire a volunteer dental coordinator to assist with recruiting, orientating and training dental assistants, hygienists and dentists. The goal is to reduce barriers for low-income individuals to access affordable dental care.	Health – Dental	\$78,835
Southridge Shelter	Southridge Jam Company	The Southridge Jam Company (SJC) is a social enterprise that produces and sells artisan small-batch jams and jellies. SJC's primary jam makers are individuals who are transitioning from homelessness and who gain purpose, stability and positive momentum from participation in the program's job and life skills training.	Employment – Social Enterprise	\$54,680
Start Me Up Niagara	Queenston Bike Collaborative	Queenston Bike Collaborative is a bicycle refurbishment and retail operation, designed to train and employ people living with mental illness and other disabilities, as well as other persons who have been excluded from the traditional workforce.	Employment – Social Enterprise	\$23,496
Start Me Up Niagara	Art Me Uprising – SMUN Community Arts Hub	Art Me Uprising - SMUN Community Arts Hub provides opportunities by and for marginalized people in visual arts, drama, poetry, music, film production, and storytelling. Based in the Queenston neighborhood, participants are provided with artistic tools and resources and an outlet to use their creativity to tell stories about their lived reality.	Neighbourhood – Community Hubs	\$33,650
Start Me Up Niagara	Income Matters Community Collaborative	Income Matters helps participants gain / re-gain the confidence and skills needed to successfully manage their finances through income tax filings, access to benefits and tax credits, help with appointments, budgeting, and improved relationships with credible banks and lenders.	Housing – Self-Reliance and Improved Stability	\$24,046
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Westview Christian Fellowship	Queenston Connections	The Queenston Connections program includes the update of a guidebook for people who are homeless with information on where to go to eat, sleep, and get help, medical, legal, etc. Individuals who are homeless will be provided with the book and a survival bag that includes a water bottle, blanket, first aids kits, socks, soap, facecloth, snacks etc.	Neighbourhood – Community Hubs	\$10,604
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Thorold

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Welland

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The Hope Centre	Community Hub Coordinator	Hiring of a Community Hub Coordinator who will engage with identified services / service providers to encourage them to become part of the Hope Centre Hub and provide their services to our clients under one roof. The Coordinator will also schedule hub rentals, catering, and promote / market the programming and services on site.	Neighbourhood – Community Hubs	\$69,660

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West Lincoln

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