



Community ADJUSTMENT Fund

The Community Adjustment Fund (CAF) is an initiative of *Canada's Economic Action Plan*. In effect from April 3, 2009 to March 31, 2011, this fund is intended to mitigate the impact of the economic downturn in the short term by contributing to the creation and maintenance of employment, while addressing transitional and adjustment challenges in communities.

Who is targeted by the CAF?

- small- and medium-sized enterprises, excluding retail enterprises
- non-profit organizations
- Aboriginal bands.

Which types of projects are sought?

Projects sought are those carried out in **targeted communities** hard hit by the current economic situation, with a population of less than 250,000.

Projects must meet the following criteria:

- They must contribute to creating and maintaining jobs in the immediate term.
- They must be started quickly.
- They must be completed by March 31, 2011.
- They must contribute to generating positive environmental or economic impacts.

Which projects are not targeted?

- Projects whose costs can be funded through other *Canada's Economic Action Plan* initiatives.
- Projects that run counter to Canada's obligations under the *Softwood Lumber Agreement* with the United States.

To find out about the financial assistance provided, for a list of **targeted communities** or for further information, please contact an advisor in the Business Office in your region, or consult the Agency's Web site.

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