

Overview

First Nations have shown real leadership in renewable energy generation and energy efficiency projects in Manitoba, but getting projects off the ground can be difficult. It's often hard to know even where to start.

To simplify the process, we've teamed up with key partners to create the Manitoba Indigenous Clean Energy Initiative (MICEI). MICEI helps First Nations and Métis communities get the most out of their investments in renewable energy projects.

Sector: Energy

Location: Manitoba

Lead Departments: Indigenous Services Canada, Prairies Economic Development Canada

Partners:

- Natural Resources Canada
- Environment and Climate Change Canada
- Efficiency Manitoba

We're open to discussions at any stage. Depending on where your project is at, we can help you:

- identify your community's priorities;
- explore potential opportunities and partnerships;
- develop your capacity to lead clean energy and energy efficiency projects;
- see your projects through to completion;
- improve a project's ability to be shovel ready by filling in funding gaps;
- identify other funding sources that are a better fit.



The MICEI is funded through the Strategic Partnerships Initiative (SPI). SPI funding for this initiative is \$4.1 million over 3 years.

Example project types

The MICEI can support renewable energy generation or energy efficiency projects that are led by, or for the benefit of, First Nation and Métis communities in Manitoba. These include:

Renewable energy generation	Energy efficiency improvement	Capacity building	Project development supports
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solar • Wind • Hydropower • Energy storage • Geothermal • Biomass • Hydrogen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building upgrades and retrofits • Efficiency measures such as lighting and appliances • Energy audits 	<p>The initiative helps communities build capacity and develop projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshops, events and networking • Clean energy champion development • Skill development and training • Pathfinding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community energy planning • Feasibility and diagnostic studies • Environmental evaluations and permitting • Market assessments • Business and financial project planning • Project design

Who can apply

- First Nation and Métis communities, tribal councils, development corporations and other Indigenous organizations;
- Indigenous for-profit or not-for profit corporations, partnerships, associations, cooperatives and institutions which are majority owned and controlled by Indigenous communities.

Get in touch

Interested in discussing your ideas? We always start things off with a conversation so there's no need to fill out any forms. Simply contact us by email to share more about your community's vision, idea or project. Our program team is looking forward to hearing from you.

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