

BUSINESS PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Is your business property in need of maintenance or modernization? This loan program enables Thompson-based businesses to access funds for beautification or revitalization. Eligible projects could include:

- Purchase decorative outdoor banners, planters, garbage containers
- Install brick/paved walkways or driveways
- Store front signage
- New exteriors such as siding, brick, wood, fencing
- Eavestroughing/downspout repair/replacement
- Landscaping: sod, shrubs, trees, bedding plants
- Energy efficient windows and doors (repair or replacement)
- Exterior steps and handrails, roof repair or replacement

Such business property improvements in Thompson are often not eligible for conventional bank financing.

Necessary building permits and licenses must be obtained. Applicable local building codes and bylaws must be adhered to.

Come talk to us today.



Thompson's Economic Development Corporation

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Thompson Unlimited is working hard to grow and diversify Thompson's economy. We'd like to help you start or expand your business. Start today. Just call us at 677-1900.

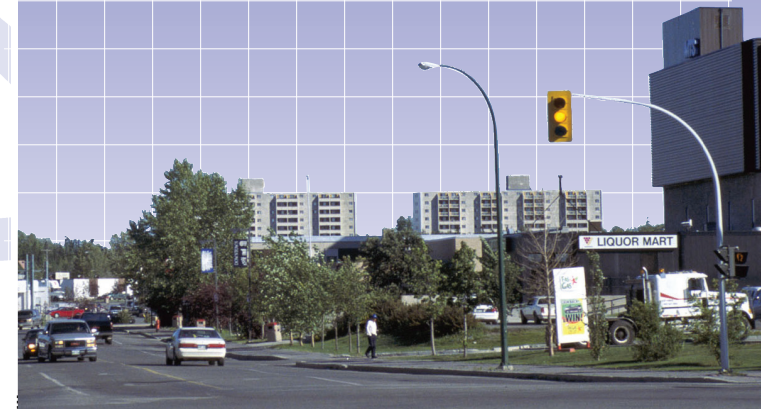
For further information about the loan program including downloading the loan application, please visit our website at:
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OUR BUSINESS

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COMMUNITY WORKS LOAN PROGRAM 2009-10



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WHAT IS THOMPSON UNLIMITED?

Thompson Unlimited is Thompson's Economic Development Corporation.

THOMPSON UNLIMITED'S MISSION:

Our mission is to create a dynamic business climate by providing support and resources to grow Thompson as a northern center of diverse economic opportunities and as a community with a well-developed quality of life.

OUR SERVICE TO ENTREPRENEURS:

- The Community Works Loan Program
- Current community research and information.
- Connections to other development programs and agencies.
- Assistance in preparing business plans

FOR LOAN APPROVAL:

Through the Community Works Loan Program (CWLP), we provide loans of up to \$10,000 to qualified entrepreneurs for new or existing businesses to expand and create job opportunities.

Storefront improvements are also eligible for loans.

The program targets entrepreneurs and existing businesses that may not qualify for a loan from traditional lending institutions.

The Community Works Loan Program is a Provincial Government Initiative sponsored by the Department of Intergovernmental Affairs & Trade and Thompson Unlimited.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO BE APPROVED FOR ANY LOAN?

- Business owners must reside in Thompson
- Business must be located in Thompson
- Business must expect to generate less than \$250,000 in annual revenue
- Business must be active, on-going, and for profit operation
- Funds are to be used to purchase capital assets, or for development of the business such as marketing or research
- Application must include a business plan to start or expand an existing business
- Loan plus interest must be repaid within five years

LOAN INELIGIBILITY:

- Loans cannot be used for:
- Exploration, extraction or production of oil,

- minerals or gas
- Residential real estate services
- Repayment of existing debt, or equity, or refinancing a business
- Wages or operating expenses
- Buying real estate

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

A CWLP Application Form will need to be completed, and must be accompanied by a Business Plan. Required loan documentation normally includes:

- Loan agreement
- Personal guarantees
- Promissory note

All applications are kept in the strictest of confidence.

WHAT IS MY NEXT STEP?

For a CWLP Application Form, and more information, please contact

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"The Opportunities for Business are Unlimited!"

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