

May 26 (10:00 AM - 3:00 PM)

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May 27 (10:00 AM-12:00 PM)

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**Indigenous Agri-Food
Funder's Forum**

Webinars



May 26, 2021		
Time	Program Summary	Funding Organization
10:00 AM	Introductions and territorial acknowledgement.	Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA)
10:10 AM	The Indigenous Economic Development Fund (IEDF) provides grants and financing to Indigenous entrepreneurs, businesses, communities and organizations. The fund helps promote economic development and improve opportunities for Indigenous people. https://www.ontario.ca/page/funding-indigenous-economic-development#!%2F	Ontario Ministry of Indigenous Affairs (OMIA)
10:30 AM	Aboriginal Business Start-up and Expansion Program (ABSEP) Farm and Agriculture Financing - Beginner Farmer Program http://indianag.on.ca/programs-and-services/	Indian Agricultural Program of Ontario (IAPO)
11:00AM	Aboriginal Business and Entrepreneurship Development. ISC administers numerous funding programs in the areas of health, education, emergency management, infrastructure, lands, economic development and social supports. Many of these programs may fund agri-food and food security programs.	Indigenous Services Canada (ISC)
11:30 AM	Indigenous Agriculture and Food Systems Initiative supports Indigenous communities and entrepreneurs who are ready to launch agriculture and food systems projects and others who want to build their capacity to participate in the Canadian agriculture and agri-food sector. https://www.agr.gc.ca/eng/agricultural-programs-and-services/indigenous-agriculture-and-food-systems-initiative/?id=1542835055742	Agriculture and Agri-food Canada (AAFC)
12:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 PM	Welcome back	
1:05 PM	FedNor Programs that support projects that lead to job creation and economic growth and can fund agri-food projects. http://fednor.gc.ca/eic/site/fednor-fednor.nsf/eng/home	FedNor Canada
1:30 PM	Sustainable New Agri-Food Products & Productivity program (SNAPP) http://rainalgoma.ca/snapp/	FedNor Canada / Rural Agri-Innovation Network (RAIN)
2:00 PM	The Resilient Community Fund builds healthy and vibrant communities by strengthening the capacity of the voluntary sector, through investment in	Ontario Trillium Fund (OTF)

	community-based initiatives. www.otf.ca	
2:30 PM	Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) These programs will target both existing and emerging markets, provide more work opportunities for Indigenous people and address the skilled labour shortage in the north. https://nohfc.ca/	Ontario Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines (MENDM)
End of Day One		
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10:00 AM	Introductions	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
10:15 AM	The Rural Economic Development Fund creates jobs and boosts growth in your rural community. For Municipalities, Indigenous Communities and Organizations, and Not-for-Profit entities. https://www.ontario.ca/page/rural-economic-development-program	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
10:30 AM	Selling Food to Ontario provides information on workshops catered to the learning needs of local farmers and food entrepreneurs. http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/busdev/facts/sellingfoodwkshop.htm	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
10:45 AM	The Canadian Agriculture Partnership (CAP) Places to Grow: Agri-food Innovation Initiative provides cost-sharing opportunities for agriculture operations. https://ontarioprogramguides.net/en/	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
11:00 AM	Poultry Session. Learn more about the chicken farming and the artisanal chicken program. http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/livestock/poultry/events.html	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
11:30 AM	The Ontario Agri-food Research Initiative is a grant available to help eligible organizations, including Indigenous communities and organizations, to fund agri-food research projects.	Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
11:55 AM	Closing discussion and farewell.	