



## Congress of Aboriginal Peoples

### Call For Project Proposals

#### Skills Training Projects

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The Congress of Aboriginal Peoples is seeking proposals from organizations for Aboriginal skills and employment training projects for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. Projects can start as of April 1, 2018. **Application deadline is January 26th, 2018.**

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#### Overview

Through the Employment Social Development Canada (ESDC) - *Aboriginal Skills and Employment Training Strategy*, the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples (Congress) provides assistance and funding for training and skills development to Aboriginal Peoples living off-reserve. The program is designed to help Aboriginal Peoples prepare for and find jobs that will help address Canada's labour market challenges.

#### Project Proposals

The Congress is seeking project proposals that provide the opportunity for Aboriginal Peoples to gain the skills required to find employment, and to fill job gaps in sectors experiencing skills and labour shortages. The ASETS program is targeted to Aboriginal Peoples living in urban, rural and remote areas throughout Canada (off-reserve).

#### Priorities

Priority will be given to projects that:

- 1) Leads to employment for participants
- 2) Targets priority vulnerable groups (i.e. single parents, youth at risk, clients with multiple barriers or essential skills projects)
- 3) Fills identified or forecasted labour market shortages
- 4) Includes partnerships and/or in-kind contributions

Organizations intending to submit a project proposal are encouraged to contact the Congress to discuss project goals and proposal requirements. Please contact Sarah Mitchell at 1-888-997-9927 or [s.mitchell@abo-peoples.org](mailto:s.mitchell@abo-peoples.org)

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## Assessment

Proposals will be assessed on the following criteria:

1. Application is complete	10%
2. Organizational capacity	10%
3. Project goals, activities and timelines	20%
4. Meets demand driven skills development	20%
5. Partnership Development	20%
6. Priority Targets	10%
7. Accountability and Results	<u>10%</u>
Total	<u>100%</u>

Proposals should be complete and include all required elements. Organizational capacity refers to management systems, financial systems and financial accountability policies and procedures. Budget costs should be explained and appropriate; and reflect fair market value. Project goals, activities and timelines must be stated and achievable, and include: a) detailed client recruitment process and promotional activities; b) systems to support and retain clients, and; c) client training plan. List any Aboriginal content or components. Project activities should support client entry to labour market, and the project should address identified or forecasted labour market shortages (provide information and/or data on labour market needs). The project should include partnerships, agreements, MOU's and/or in-kind contributions. Projects should address priority targets and be cost-effective (i.e. cost per client).

Proposals will be assessed by the Congress's Internal Review Committee. Results will be announced mid-March 2018.

## Application Process

Proposals can be submitted on-line or by mail. The **deadline for receipt of proposals (or postmarked) is midnight January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018**. The application is available on the CAP web site under 'ASETS' program. One application per organization up to a maximum of \$150,000 will be accepted. Proposals can be emailed to CAP at: [info@abo-peoples.org](mailto:info@abo-peoples.org), or mailed to:

ASETS Department  
Congress of Aboriginal Peoples  
867 St. Laurent Blvd.  
Ottawa, ON  
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The Congress will provide funding to skills training projects based on an annual maximum limit, and confirmation of available funds from the department of Employment Social Development Canada.

If you have questions or require further information, please contact Sarah Mitchell at 1-888-997-9927, ext. 201; or [s.mitchell@abo-peoples.org](mailto:s.mitchell@abo-peoples.org).