

CATEGORY: Employment Programs
Subject: Employment Ontario Network Development Fund
Detail: 2010-11 Funding

Q: What is the goal of EONDF?

A: The EONDF supports the objectives of Employment Ontario Employment Service to help Ontarians find suitable employment. It bridges the gap between employers seeking workplace skills to meet their business needs and individuals seeking employment.

Q: What types of activities can be proposed for funding?

A: Training and development that will improve management strength and organizational capacity of the service delivery network to achieve Employment Ontario goals as well as improving communication and engagement within sectors and between sectors and government to support continuous improvement.

Q: What organizations are eligible to apply for EONDF projects?

A: The EONDF is available to umbrella groups representing Employment Ontario third party delivery organizations under contract with MTCU for such programs as Literacy and Basic Skills, Employment Assistance Services, Targeted Wage Subsidies, Job Connect, the Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program, ONESTEP, First Work and College Sector Employment Services.

To be eligible for funding, an organization must have been in operation for at least 12 months.

Q: Are local boards eligible for the EONDF?

A: No, local boards are not eligible. Local boards do not meet the criteria for an umbrella organization under the EONDF; their broad membership goes beyond the scope of what is intended for this fund.

Q: Are literacy organizations eligible for the EONDF?

A: Yes, literacy organizations are eligible to apply. Please refer to the goals and types of activities that EONDF will take into consideration during the evaluation of submitted projects. Given that there are other sources for literacy funding, projects applications that deal exclusively with literacy issues will be given a lower priority.

Q: Are projects that may extend beyond March 31, 2011 eligible for funding?

A: Yes, in special circumstances projects can be considered that extend beyond March 31, 2011.

Q: Are there any special considerations for projects that would extend beyond March 31, 2011?

A: Ensure that project goals are realistic and practical by considering a project design with options for stages, each with identifiable deliverables and costs. Identify any deliverables that could be achieved before March 31, 2011 and others that could be continued as part of a future project. It is necessary that the activities link together as part of one large project with strong rationale.