
News Release

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA INVESTMENTS STRENGTHEN GREATER SUDBURY REGION

SIOUX LOOKOUT, Ontario, December 16, 2009— The Honourable Tony Clement, Minister of Industry and Minister responsible for FedNor, today announced a \$9.5 million Government of Canada investment, through FedNor's Northern Ontario Development and Community Futures Programs, in communities throughout Northern Ontario. This announcement includes \$1.5 million in support of community economic development, youth initiatives and small business growth in the Greater Sudbury region (see attached information sheet).

"Today's announcement clearly demonstrates our government's commitment to the people, businesses and communities of the Greater Sudbury region," stated Minister Clement. "These FedNor investments will create jobs and provide greater opportunities for local youth, small business owners and entrepreneurs."

These FedNor-funded projects complement measures in Canada's Economic Action Plan to help communities overcome the challenges brought on by the global economic downturn. Initiatives, such as the Community Adjustment Fund and Infrastructure Stimulus Fund, are important tools in the Government of Canada's strategy to revitalize the economy of Northern Ontario.

"We are grateful for the confidence the Government of Canada is showing in our economy, our youth and our future," said Greater Sudbury Mayor John Rodriguez. "I look forward to the positive impact this funding will have on our long-term development activities, youth retention efforts and the overall economic well-being of our region."

By supporting people, communities and business through its programs and services, FedNor is opening doors and building futures for a prosperous Northern Ontario.

For a full list of FedNor-funded projects in Northern Ontario, visit us at: <http://ic.gc.ca/fednor>

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