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To: NS/NU Command Branches NS/NU Zone Commanders NS/NU Executive Council NS/NU Past Presidents NS/NU Command Staff

From: Valerie Mitchell-Veinotte Executive Director NS/NU Command, RCL

Subject: Call for Proposals for the 2018-2019 New Horizons Seniors Program

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Important Message for Distribution Across Your Networks

The Call for Proposals for the 2018-2019 New Horizons for Seniors Program – Community-based Projects Component and Small grants Initiative Pilot has been launched and will be open from May 7 to June 15, 2018

The New Horizons for Seniors Program (NHSP) supports projects that are designed by and for seniors. It is designed to help seniors improve the quality of life in their communities by participating in social activities and leading active lives. Eligible applicants may receive up to \$25,000 in the form of a grant under the Community-based Projects Component and up to \$5,000 in the form of a grant under the Small grants Initiative Pilot. Projects must address one or more of the program's five objectives.

NEW – National Level Priorities

The Department also has introduced the following three national-level priorities inspired by the desire to solicit applications designed by seniors, for seniors:

- 1. Projects that would benefit vulnerable seniors populations;
- 2. Projects focusing on the diversity of Canada's seniors; and,
- 3. Projects that would use volunteerism to increase an organization's capacity.

NEW PILOT – Small grants Initiative

This year, NHSP is testing new ways to expand support to seniors organizations that have projects for their vulnerable population including those that have not received funding in the last five years (since 2012-2013 Call for proposals). These organizations can apply for the small grants up to \$5,000 per project or for the Community-based funding of up to \$25,000 (but not for both). In the context of Small grants Initiative, priority will be given to projects for seniors and meet at least one of the three national priorities.

Under the Small grants Initiative, three sub-stream proposed:

- 1. IT equipment upgrade: to purchase computers or tablets;
- 2. Capital assets for current or new activities; and,
- 3. Projects that increase volunteerism, mentoring, and social inclusion.

Notice to organizations in Quebec: This call for proposals was discussed with Quebec's Secrétariat aux aînés, consistent with the Protocol of Agreement which establishes the terms and conditions of cooperation between the Government of Canada and the Government of Quebec for implementation of the NHSP.

How to fill out your funding application?

To complete your application:

- Use the <u>Standard Grant Application for Funding form (EMP5585)</u>
- Refer to the New Horizons for Seniors Program website for instructions on how to fill out the form and the information to be provided:
 - Apply for funding for community-based projects (up to \$25,000)
 - Apply for funding for community-based projects (up to \$5,000)

Make sure that you have filled all required sections of the form and provided all the documents required for the assessment of your application. **Incomplete applications will not be processed**.

Different information and reference tools are available to assist you with the call for proposals process and may be consulted at the following links:

- o Tip Sheets for Community-based Projects funding
- Presentation on community engagement on the Call for Proposals in general

Where and when to submit your funding application

You must send your form and all required documents by June 15, 2018, at 11:59 p.m.

By mail

In person

New Brunswick

Click here to find a Service Canada office

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Should you have questions or require assistance with the application process, contact us by email or telephone.

Sincerely,

The Programs Team

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