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## Register for Rural Economic Development Microgrant Webinar

*Learn more about applying for the RMA's Municipal Economic Development Capacity building Microgrant*

The RMA has received funding from the Government of Alberta's [Economic Development in Rural Alberta Plan](#) (EDRAP) to create a rural municipality economic development microgrant program. [Applications for the program](#) are now being accepted from RMA full member municipalities.

The program will provide a grant of up to **\$10,000** to support projects related to innovative economic development ideas or plans. Project examples include:

- ♦ Innovation in rural investment attraction
- ♦ Rural economic development best practices
- ♦ Business case development
- ♦ Feasibility or pre-feasibility assessment for new opportunities
- ♦ Enhancing municipal capacity to support economic development
- ♦ Opportunity identification
- ♦ Market research

A [webinar](#) will be held on June 30, 2023, from 10:00 to 11:30 am to walk through the program's purpose, project eligibility, the application process, and to answer any other member questions. [Registration for the webinar](#) is now open! The webinar is only available to RMA member municipalities. The webinar will be recorded and can be shared with members upon request.

Microgrant applications can be [submitted online](#) in Microsoft Word or PDF format until **August 15, 2023**. All approved projects must be completed in full by March 15, 2024, including a final report of key outcomes. The full application guidelines can be found [here](#).

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