

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR NORTHERN
COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING**

The Regional District of Nanaimo invites business and community groups in District 69 to submit proposals for funding under the Northern Community Economic Development program. This newly-established program provides support for economic development initiatives in the City of Parksville, the Town of Qualicum Beach and Electoral Areas 'E', 'F', 'G', and 'H'.

"The Northern Community Economic Development Program allows the RDN Board of Directors to contribute to eligible projects that advance the Board's vision for a resilient, thriving and creative local economy," explained RDN Chairperson Joe Stanhope, who also chairs the Northern Community Economic Development Select Committee.

Project proposals can be submitted at any time, and will be considered by the Committee twice annually. To be considered in the next round, submissions must be received by 4:30 pm on April 30, 2012.

Background information including program principles, priority areas, and eligibility requirements is included in the NCED Program Guide available at rdn.bc.ca or at the RDN Administration Office at 6300 Hammond Bay Road. Interested applicants are required to complete and submit an application form included in the Guide, along with supporting materials to:

Northern Community Economic Development Program
Regional District of Nanaimo
6300 Hammond Bay Road
Nanaimo, BC, V9T 6N2

Digital submissions in pdf format can be sent to nced@rdn.bc.ca.

For more information about the program, contact the RDN Energy and Sustainability Department at 250-390-6510 or 250-954-3798, or email nced@rdn.bc.ca.

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