

DIVERT NS BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

DIVERTS NS BUSINESS INNOVATORS SUMMIT
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Mission and Mandate

To work with Nova Scotians to improve our environment, economy and quality of life by reducing, reusing, recycling and recovering resources.

- Operate a deposit-refund beverage container system
- Fund municipal/regional diversion programs across NS
- Develop & implement industry stewardship programs
- Promote the development of value-added manufacturing
- Develop education and awareness programs

WE ARE CHAMPIONING RECYCLING IN NOVA SCOTIA



INNOVATION

Nova Scotia is leading the way globally in terms of waste diversion solutions, but we are always looking for new opportunities and approaches. We are champions of new ways of thinking about waste diversion and work with industry & academic institutions to enact them.

STEWARDSHIP

We have all worked hard to build a culture of recycling in Nova Scotia over the last 20 years, and we're proud of the standard Nova Scotians have set. We are committed to enhancing and growing this culture.

CATALYST FOR CHANGE

We are passionate believers in the power of change and believe in leading by example. We create relationships built on trust, and foster thinking about sustainability both provincially and nationally.

Environmental Impact



Economic Impact

\$432 MILLION
IN WAGES/SALARIES

EQUIVALENT TO
12,450 FULL-TIME
JOBS CREATED



\$555 MILLION
CONTRIBUTED TO
NOVA SCOTIA'S
ECONOMY



\$137 MILLION+

SUPPORT TO MUNICIPAL RECYCLING
AND COMPOSTING PROGRAMS



RECYCLING +
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\$32 MILLION + **\$81 MILLION**
LANDFILL-RELATED COSTS SAVED + COLLECTION COSTS AVOIDED

Business Development Programs

Student Research Grants Program
Research & Development Program
Value-Added Manufacturing Program

Emphasis:

- Problematic Solid Waste
- Increasing Diversion
- Innovation & Commercial Opportunity
- NEW to Nova Scotia

Application Process

- Staff review (pre-application)
- Reviewed by Divert NS Committee
 - Under \$10,000 approved internally
- Over \$10,000 presented to Board of Directors

Guidelines and application forms online:

www.divertns.ca/funding

Student Research Grants (SRG) Program



- Up to \$17,000 Masters/Graduate Level
 - \$15,000 stipend + \$2,000 in expenses
- Up to \$10,000 Undergraduate Honours
 - \$8,000 stipend + \$2,000 in expenses
- Divert NS contributes 70% of eligible costs

Research & Development (R&D) Program



- Provides financial assistance to NS-based businesses to promote research and development initiatives that support waste diversion.
- Assistance up to 50% of approved eligible costs.
- Assistance is provided in the form of a non-repayable contribution or a conditionally repayable loan.

Value-Added Manufacturing (VAM) Program



Repayable, conditionally-repayable loans

- Up to 50% of costs
- Equity required: 20%
- Businesses & Associations
- Eligible Projects:
 - Prototype, pilot or demonstration of new technology (technical and commercial validation of a technology)
 - Commercialization of new technology

Biochemical and Biomaterial Testing

AgSeed Technologies



Creating an Agricultural Market for Nova Scotia Compost

LP Consulting

Thank You...



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