

Community Futures Development Corporation of Nicola Valley

Performance Results for 2025-26

Community Futures (CF) is a national program that fosters entrepreneurship and community economic development in rural Canada. There are 34 CF offices in British Columbia, mandated to deliver a variety of services ranging from strategic economic planning, technical and advisory services to businesses, loans to small and medium-sized businesses, self-employment assistance programs, and services targeted to youth and entrepreneurs with disabilities. CF offices are non-profit corporations run by salaried staff and guided by volunteer boards of directors.

Community Futures Performance Results	2025-26
<i>Strong rural community strategic planning and implementation</i>	
1. Number of community-based projects	12
2. Number of local and regionally based community strategic plans developed and/or updated	0
<i>Rural access to business development services</i>	
3. Number of business training session participants	211
4. Number of business advisory services	89
<i>Rural access to capital and leveraged capital</i>	
5. Value of loans	\$780,451
6. Number of loans	12
7. Number of jobs created/maintained/expanded through lending ¹	13
Provide additional information (e.g. success stories, links to priorities, leveraging work, communication events, etc.)	
<p>During the 2025/2026 fiscal year, Community Futures Nicola Valley continued to strengthen our role as a key economic development and business support organization within the Nicola Valley region. We successfully provided over \$780,000 in financing support to local businesses and entrepreneurs, helping businesses expand operations, maintain employment, and support rural economic growth. Throughout the year, we remained focused on client-centered service delivery, community partnerships, and supporting long-term economic sustainability in the region.</p> <p>We focused heavily on strengthening the rural economy and supporting industries that are foundational to the Nicola Valley and surrounding communities. Lending and advisory support was provided to many sectors including construction, trades, manufacturing, tourism, agriculture, food services, arts, and retail. The organization also remained actively involved in regional collaboration and rural economic development initiatives. During the fiscal year,</p>	

¹ Estimated at the time of lending