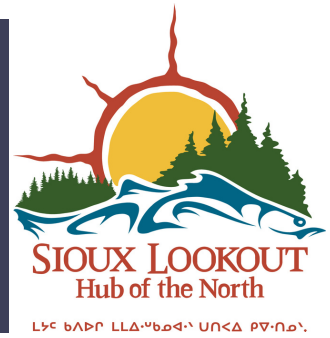


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## COVID-19 NOTES

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### NEW! Northern Ontario Recovery Program (NORP)

NORP was launched to help businesses adapt to new COVID-19 public health guidelines in order to protect employees and customers. Application intake is from October 1 to December 31, 2020. NOHFC will cover 100% of eligible costs up to \$25,000. Funding is provided on a reimbursement basis and based on actual eligible costs incurred and paid.

**For more information visit <https://nohfc.ca/en/pages/faqs/northern-ontario-recovery-program-q-as> or <https://www.siouxlookout.ca/en/living-here/covid-19-pandemic-information-and-resources.asp>**

### Northwestern Ontario Innovation Centre

#### COVID-19 Technology Adoption Fund

The CTAF program offers small businesses support for implementing innovative technology. This fund supports projects in Web Development and Social Media Strategies, Software and Hardware Procurement, and Training in the previously listed areas. CTAF will cover up to 75% of eligible project costs to a maximum of \$10,000.

#### Business Technology Improvement Fund

The BTIF supports businesses with web development, software procurement and hardware procurement projects. This grant program supports up to 50% of the projects eligible expenses to a maximum of \$25,000.

**For more information** visit <https://www.nwoinnovation.ca> or

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### Project Milestones

- The first tower of the Wataynikaneyap Power Project was successfully erected on July 10th
- A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed on the Hillcrest development with investors and developers
- The Friendship Accord Chiefs were appointed as the steering committee for an Emergency Shelter/Detox Centre/Transitional Housing Facility

### Keep an eye out for...

Watch the **Sioux Bulletin** for details on the **release of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout-Economic Development strategic review background documents** and how you can participate in the planning of the 2020-2025 Economic Development Strategic Plan!