



September 26th, 2018

New Relationship Trust (NRT) announced that Stó:lō Community Futures (SCF) was the Recipient of \$176,500, in accordance with SCF's Submission to complete an energy-sector development strategy project for S'ólh Téméxw, the Stó:lō Traditional Territory.

The Submission includes a comprehensive range of projects, including:

- Organizing and hosting energy-sector education and training schedules for local Indigenous businesses;
- Increasing the capacity of local Indigenous Communities, Indigenous businesses and Members, to engage in the energy-sector infrastructure developments in S'ólh Téméxw;
- Increase capacity to address environmental priorities and the clean energy sector;
- Developing new sources of funding to fully support Indigenous participation in the energy-sector; and,
- Supporting the growth of the energy-sector economy in S'ólh Téméxw.

SCF will be assisted in completing its obligations under the generous NRT Funding Agreement, with its related entity, One Drum Indigenous Impact Investment Corporation, which will seek to identify new sources of capital for Indigenous firms participating in the broad energy-sector. In addition, SCF's Education and Training Committee will be mandated to work in developing specific training programs for the energy sectors in S'ólh Téméxw.

The Stó:lō Business Association (SBA), an Indigenous Member-driven organization that is the voice for Indigenous business in S'ólh Téméxw, will be a participant in organizing energy opportunities and presentations for the local Indigenous business Community in S'ólh Téméxw, in the energy sector.

The Project will be fully completed by March 31st, 2019.

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