

**WORKING**

**TOGETHER**

**FOR SAFER**

**AND ENGAGED**

**COMMUNITIES**

**2015 Justice Funds Brochure**



You have ideas on how to improve justice-related issues?

You want to make a real difference in your community?

# We want to hear from you!

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# Introduction

If you have a project that could help make your community a better place, you may be eligible to receive funding for it from the Cree Nation Government Department of Justice and Correctional Services (DOJCS).

As crime prevention, offender rehabilitation and youth engagement are essential to the long-term safety and welfare of our communities, the DOJCS is pleased to launch **four new funds** to help community members implement initiatives that facilitate and improve the administration of justice for the Crees across Eeyou Istchee:



**Crime Prevention Fund**



**Youth Engagement Fund**





**Corrections Fund**





**Land Based Camps Fund**

# Four New Funds

Below is a summary description of each fund.

	 <b>CRIME PREVENTION FUND</b>	 <b>YOUTH ENGAGEMENT FUND</b>
<b>Objective</b>	<b>Prevent and combat crime and support the creation of safer communities</b>	<b>Empower the Cree youth while promoting their general welfare</b>
<b>Areas of Priority and Targets</b>	<p>Projects should prioritize:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• violence, including family violence.</li> <li>• alcohol and drug abuse, and addiction.</li> <li>• addressing trauma and mental health.</li> <li>• building parental skills and encouraging safe family and community environments.</li> <li>• promoting alternatives to school suspensions and prevention of school-based bullying.</li> <li>• promoting alternatives to criminal justice.</li> </ul> <p>Project should target one or more of the following types of crime prevention:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>First-level crime prevention</b> focusing on strengthening community and social structures (focus on people and on improving the physical environment).</li> <li>• <b>Second level crime prevention</b> focusing on changing behaviours of those already engaging in criminal activity or presenting behavioural problems.</li> <li>• <b>Third-level crime prevention</b> focusing on gaining stability for those attempting to rehabilitate or reinsert into a community.</li> </ul>	<p>Youth-based projects should address issues such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• prevention of crime.</li> <li>• abuse of alcohol and drugs.</li> <li>• bullying.</li> <li>• prevention of suicide.</li> <li>• promotion of Cree culture and traditions.</li> </ul> <p>Projects should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• target youth ≤ 35 years old who are experiencing difficulties at school or in their communities.</li> <li>• enable Cree youth to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• foster skills to keep from offending/re-offending.</li> <li>• remain accountable for their actions.</li> <li>• develop a sense of responsibility in their communities.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Eligible Applicants</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cree controlled organizations</li> <li>• Cree beneficiaries</li> <li>• Partnerships between Cree controlled organizations and other organizations (Cree partners must have &gt; 50% control of project)</li> <li>• Community Justice Committees</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cree bands and related entities</li> <li>• Cree Nation Youth Council</li> <li>• Local Youth Councils</li> </ul>
<b>Partnerships</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnerships with local and regional stakeholders are encouraged.</li> <li>• Representation from all Cree communities is encouraged, taking into account the size and needs of each.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnerships with local and regional stakeholders are encouraged.</li> <li>• Representation from all Cree communities is encouraged, taking into account the size and needs of each.</li> </ul>
<b>Program Administrator</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Email: <a href="mailto:crimeprevention@creejusticefunds.ca">crimeprevention@creejusticefunds.ca</a></li> </ul>	<p><b>Sheena Costain</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Email: <a href="mailto:youthengagement@creejusticefunds.ca">youthengagement@creejusticefunds.ca</a></li> <li>• Phone: (418) 923-2661 ext. 1171</li> </ul>

 <b>CORRECTIONS FUND</b>	 <b>LAND BASED CAMPS FUND</b>
<p align="center"><b>Support rehabilitation and reintegration of Cree offenders</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Build land based camps for us to support justice-related activities and rehabilitation of Cree offenders</b></p>
<p>Projects should help Cree offenders (both during detention and after release):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• learn and apply the skills and strategies they need to keep them from a cycle of reoffending.</li> <li>• overcome barriers to successful reintegration.</li> <li>• develop awareness of the consequences of their behaviour.</li> <li>• develop a sense of responsibility.</li> </ul> <p>Projects should target Crees who are subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• social reinsertion.</li> <li>• a conditional sentence order.</li> <li>• a suspended sentence or parole.</li> </ul>	<p>Land based camps should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be used for the delivery of programs and activities that support the prevention of crime and the community reintegration and rehabilitation of Cree offenders.</li> <li>• create an environment of trust where the needs of Cree offenders are addressed while providing them with an opportunity to re-connect with the Cree traditions and with the land.</li> </ul> <p>Camps may also provide crime prevention programs specifically for youth.</p> <p>Funding in the amount of \$300,000 (maximum) is awarded for one land based camp per community.</p>
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All projects must be supported by the community(ies), as evidenced by relevant Band Council Resolution(s), while promoting and preserving the Cree culture, values and traditions.

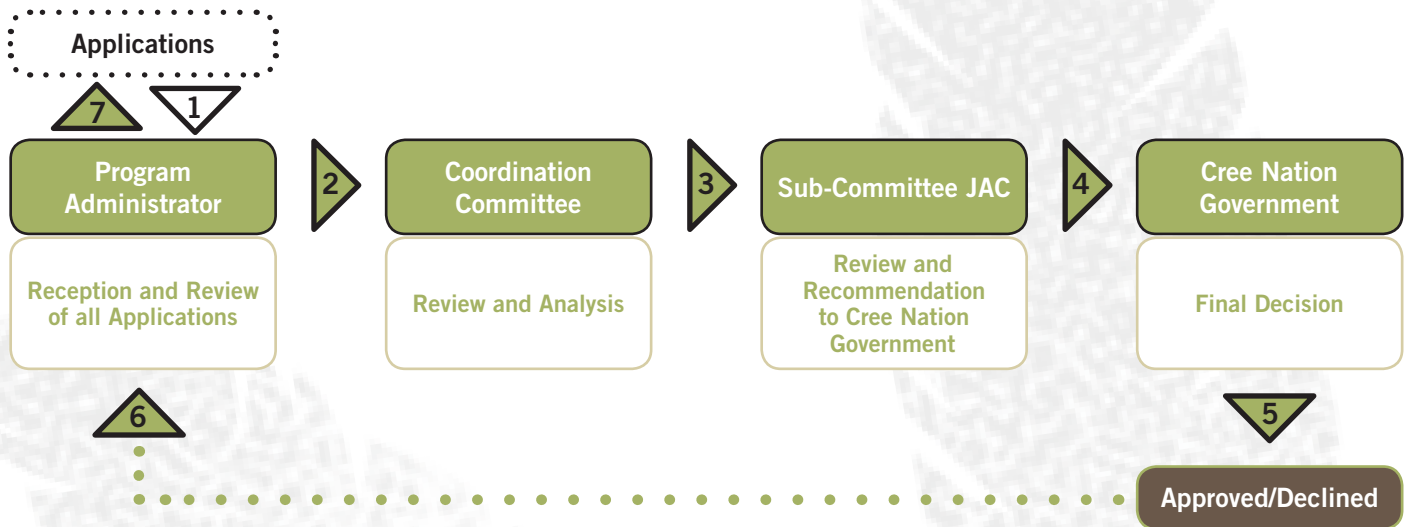
Projects must have a fixed duration and be non-recurrent (exceptionally, some may be multi-year). They must not duplicate existing projects, programs or services available for the same clientele.

These funds complement existing services and programs, funded by governments or other sources.

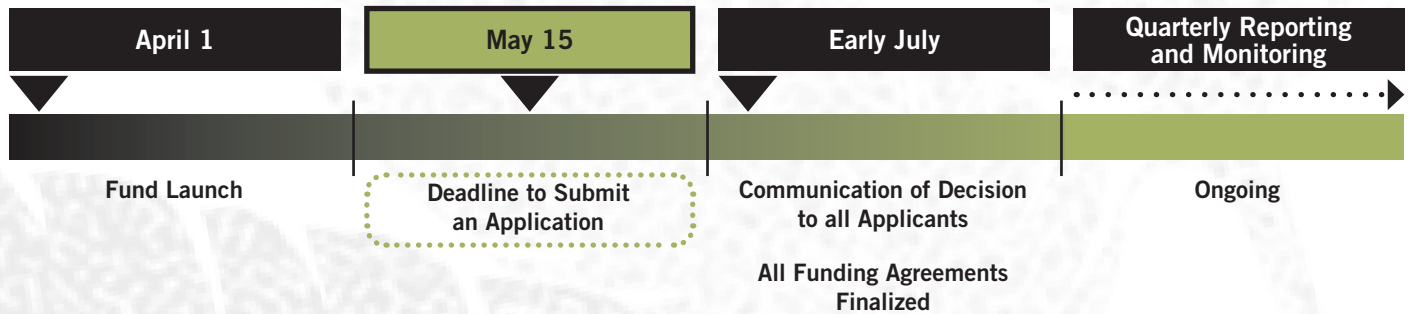
# Application Process and Timeline

The application review and approval process is very thorough and meant to be fair and equitable among communities. The Program Administrator will ensure applicant eligibility and completeness of the funding applications received, based on a set of criteria listed in his/her respective Fund Policy. All complete applications will then be forwarded in turn to the various committees involved in the review process and ultimately the Cree Nation Government will make a final decision on selected projects.

Below is a chart summarizing the application review and approval process:



For the 2015 program year, the key dates to watch out for are as follows:



## Ongoing Monitoring

The Program Administrator is the applicant's main point of contact during the application process, as it is for funding recipients throughout the year. The Program Administrator monitors all projects regularly, and funding recipients are expected to provide quarterly reporting on the progress of their activities as well as financial reports.

The DOJCS reserves the right to audit and evaluate all projects during their implementation and after their completion.

## The DOJCS Website: Your One-Stop Shop for Fund Information

Please be sure to visit the Department of Justice and Correctional Services' website at <http://creejusticefunds.ca> for information on each of the four funds including:

- A list of Frequently Asked Questions
- Key dates to watch out for
- Timely status updates on the overall initiative (i.e., list of awarded projects – early July 2015)
- For each fund:
  - Fund policy
  - Project Funding Application Form
  - Summary presentation
  - Program Administrator contact information

### I am interested in making a difference in my community. What do I need to do?

- 1** Review the fund descriptions to choose the one most appropriate for your project.
- 2** For inclusion in the *Project Funding Application Form*, draft a general description of your project taking into account:
  - how the project supports the objectives of the fund;
  - the involvement of the community and/or a community justice committee;
  - the educational and awareness components of the project, as well as training and mentoring;
  - the anticipated results;
  - your criteria to measure what would constitute successful outcomes.
- 3** Visit the Department of Justice and Correctional Services' website at <http://creejusticefunds.ca> for all reference materials.
- 4** Download and complete the *Project Funding Application Form* for the fund you are interested in, prepare all required supporting documents and send your completed application by email to the Fund's Program Administrator by the deadline.
- 5** Contact the Fund's Program Administrator if you have any questions or require clarification.





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