



Destination Experience Development Program

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What is Tourism Saskatchewan’s role in the Destination Experience Development funding program?

Tourism Saskatchewan developed the program with the aim of supporting communities and destination areas develop compelling immersive tourist experiences attractive to Saskatchewan’s target markets. Tourism Saskatchewan will adjudicate and work with the successful applicants through their development process.

2. What is the definition of a tourism cluster?

A tourism cluster is a geographical concentration of tourism attractions, businesses or experiences that are involved in the local tourism industry.

3. How does a business or destination know if it is market- or export-ready?

Please read Tourism Saskatchewan’s [Industry Categorization Criteria](#) to learn more about the different stages of classification. Refer to the contact details on this document should you require further clarification from Tourism Saskatchewan.

4. Will this funding program be available next year?

This is currently the second intake for this funding program and is evaluated for it’s effectiveness after each adjudication process. The budget available to administer this program through Tourism Saskatchewan is also always taken into account.

5. What is the timeframe for completion of proposed projects?

Each project will be different, but the maximum timeframe for project completion will be two years.

6. How do I determine if my organization/association is in “good standing” with Tourism Saskatchewan?

Upon receipt of the program applications, Tourism Saskatchewan will check internally to ensure that your organization and identified applicant partners are in good standing with all of our programming and reporting procedures, and have no outstanding debt with Tourism Saskatchewan.

7. What if I cannot incorporate all of the elements (under “Project Requirements”) outlined in the Program Guidelines?

If your application does not meet all of the required elements, as outlined, you will not be eligible for funding through this program. Contact the program manager, Denise Stroeder at 306-787-2825 or denise.stroeder@tourismsask.com for more information.

8. How do I demonstrate my organization's governance capacity and ability to deliver on project objectives?

All applicants will be required to describe their organization and additional partners within the application form. Outlining your current board governance structure, policies and procedures, and tourism related bylaws will help the Program Selection Committee determine your ability to deliver on your project objectives.

9. My community/destination area does not meet the eligible criteria, are there other programs or assistance that can be accessed through Tourism Saskatchewan?

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10. How will my application be scored?

Every section within the application is important, please make sure you answer each question to the best of your ability.