

## Small loans Big ideas

### MicroLoans up to \$5,000 for Small Business or Professional Development

*To cover costs for small business start-up and expansion or take a skills upgrading and certification course or training leading to direct employment or increased employability.*

- **Small Business:** Marketing and advertising, inventory (products or supplies), equipment rental or purchases e.g. flyers, vendor/booth fees etc.
- **Professional Development:** A training program or course leading to increased employability or direct employment. Funds can be used to cover tuition costs and related expenses. The program or course cannot be more than 12 months in duration, e.g. trades, apprenticeships, professional certification exams etc.

#### Eligibility Criteria:

- Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident or Convention Refugee
- 18 years or older
- Living in the GTHA

#### To apply, the following will be required:

- Completed ACCESS loan application form
- Credit report and score (can be obtained from [Equifax](#) or [TransUnion](#))
- Notice of Assessment from Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)
- Business plan and cash flow projections (minimum of 12 months)
- Enrolment letter, cost and duration of course/training program for professional development

#### Terms and conditions:

- Low interest rate (4.20%)
- One-time 5% admin fee of loan amount
- Repayable monthly (30 days after loan is disbursed)
- Term between 1 to 3 years to pay back (depending on loan amount)
- Disbursed and administered by a bank (Alterna Savings or CIBC)
- Reports to credit bureau for individuals and businesses operating as sole proprietors

Review and processing of applications may take up to 4-6 weeks. An interview with the applicant is required before a decision is made.

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