ARCTIC INSPIRATION PRIZE

The Arctic Inspiration Prize
By the North, For the North

What is the AIP?

The Arctic Inspiration Prize (AIP) is Canada's largest annual prize dedicated to the North. Each year, nearly $4 million is awarded to northern teams with bold ideas that create real and lasting benefits for our communities. The AIP celebrates and supports Northerners who are turning ideas into action for the well-being of northern communities.

Why Apply?

- AIP Laureates have transformed their communities through initiatives in language revitalization, mental health, education, food security, cultural resurgence, and youth empowerment.
- Category Prizes:
  - **$1 million** for one exceptional team project
  - Up to **$500,000** for four large-scale initiatives
  - Up to **$100,000** for up to seven Youth teams

Key Dates

- **September 2, 2025** – Nominations open
- **October 20, 2025** –Letters of Intent/Inspiration Proposals due
- **January 19, 2026** – Nominations due
- **May 2026** – Winners celebrated at the AIP Ceremony in Whitehorse

Who Can Apply?

Teams led by Northerners, for the benefit of Northern communities

How to Start

1. **Have an idea!** Your idea does not need to be big to make a big impact.
2. **Build a team.** Bring together people with different skills, experiences, and perspectives.
3. **Get support.** Connect with your Region Manager for guidance throughout the application process.
4. **Find an AIP Ambassador/Nominator.** They'll support your nomination.
5. **Submit a Letter of Intent.** This optional short letter lets the AIP team know you plan to apply.
6. **Submit your nomination.** Share your full vision, and you could become the next AIP winner!

Learn More & Apply: ArcticInspirationPrize.ca