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3rd NIKANWIN AWARDS TO ENGAGE FUTURE FIRST NATIONS ENTREPRENEURS

Wendake, January 16th, 2023 – The First Nations of Quebec and Labrador Economic Development Commission (FNQLEDC) is proud to announce that the application period for the third edition of the Nikanewin Bursaries begins today. These bursaries aim to stimulate entrepreneurship among First Nations members by helping them move from the entrepreneurial idea stage to the action stage.

The Nikanewin bursaries will be awarded to individuals with a business project, 18 years of age or older, living in Quebec (on or off community). Thanks to partnerships with Hydro-Quebec and Bell, one \$5,000 and 11 \$2,500 bursaries will be awarded to the winning projects, for a total of \$32,500. All bursary recipients will also be able to benefit from the support of FNQLEDC entrepreneurship advisors during the various stages of development of their projects (e.g. business plan, financial forecast, search for financing, etc.).

The application period will end on **February 28, 2023 at 11:59 pm**. To find out the eligibility criteria and the information that must be included in the application file, we invite you to consult our website: <https://bit.ly/3w81ca6>

About the FNQLEDC:

The FNQLEDC's mission is to advise, accompany and support the First Nations in the achievement of their socio-economic objectives.

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