

February 13, 2025

## Executive Director Academy Registration Deadline Feb 21

How do we create a thriving not-for-profit sector across PEI? One important way is to help Executive Directors hone their skills and leverage their experience. The [ED Academy](#) is a year-long training program that provides EDs with practical tools to create stronger, more effective organizations. **Applications are now open and close on February 21, 2025.** [Apply Now](#)

## AI for Businesses or Not-for-Profits Free virtual training session March 6

Join Lee Gallant of [Idea Consulting](#) for this one-hour virtual workshop via Zoom. Starting from defining what AI is and isn't Lee will explain how Artificial Intelligence (AI) can help businesses and non-profits improve their work. Using practical examples, Lee will demonstrate how AI can save time, make better decisions, and improve customer interactions. He will also sound a note of caution on some aspects of AI. Check our calendar [HERE](#) and register today.

## New Shared Services Program for Not-for-Profits

In spring 2025, [Community Sector Network of PEI](#) will launch the [Shared Services Program](#), designed to strengthen community organizations by pooling resources. The program will help cut down on administrative burdens and reduce costs.

Participating not-for-profit organizations will be able to access professional services in **Accounting, HR, Marketing, IT, Grant Writing, Fundraising, General Administration, and more** at reduced rates, with subsidies available.

Organizations can apply to participate in the program and business specialists can apply to become a vetted service provider. For more information and to apply, contact Shared Services Navigator Haley Ha at [hha@csnpei.com](mailto:hha@csnpei.com) or 902-388-4692.

## Training Sessions and Events

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| <b>Feb 19</b>             | <a href="#">Excel Advanced Level</a>                 | <b>Alberton</b>          |
| <b>Feb 20 – Mar 13</b>    | <a href="#">Successful Business Plan Workshops</a>   | <b>Montague *hybrid</b>  |
| <b>Feb 25</b>             | <a href="#">Asset Mapping Workshop</a>               | <b>Montague</b>          |
| <b>Feb 25 &amp; Mar 4</b> | <a href="#">Two-part Business Plan Workshop</a>      | <b>Alberton</b>          |
| <b>Feb 25 – Mar18</b>     | <a href="#">Nuts &amp; Bolts of Business Success</a> | <b>Alberton *MSTeams</b> |
| <b>March 6</b>            | <a href="#">AI for Business</a>                      | <b>Virtual</b>           |

### *Did You Know? Innovation PEI's [Small Business Investment Grant](#) provides a 15% rebate on eligible capital expenses*

Capital expenditures you have made to support your business between April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025 could be eligible. Contact your local Business Development Officer for more information.

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