

# Touchpoint

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## Community Project Grant Opportunity - Phase One Deadline Approaching!

As part of its continued commitment to build capacity, the Nova Scotia Gaming Foundation (NSGF) offers two levels of community project funding to reduce gambling harm in communities throughout Nova Scotia.

If you are considering developing a project to help address problem gambling in your community, the NSGF may be able to help.

The NSGF celebrates the accomplishments of its past and present grant recipients, and invites you to consider learning from, and/ or expanding on their work. The Foundation encourages collaboration and innovation, and invites creative thinking in project proposals.

*To inform and inspire, here is a sampling of NSGF funded community projects from the past year:*



*On February 12 - 14, 2010, the Tatamagouche Centre will offer the retreat "Path and a Promise" for women in recovery from addiction.*

- In partnership with Addiction Prevention and Treatment Services, the Nova Scotia Sea School developed a three-month visual arts based pilot program to encourage alternative leisure opportunities in at-risk and problem gamblers.
- To address an increase in female problem gamblers involved with the criminal justice system as a consequence of their gambling, the Elizabeth Fry Society of Mainland Nova Scotia provided support, life-skills training and problem gambling education to women who access their services.
- Recognizing that individual and family counseling is not always an effective method of intervention, Addiction Services, Colchester East Hants Health Authority, developed "High Stakes", an activity-based therapy program aimed at young people who are involved with, or at risk for problem gambling.

## Mark Your Calenders - Phase One Deadline is February 26, 2010.

To be considered for a Community Project Grant, applicants must submit a "Statement of Intent" to the Foundation by Friday, February 26, 2010. Formal applications are due May 14, 2010.

*For more information about eligibility and the application process, please visit:*

<http://nsgamingfoundation.org/pages/Community-Projects.aspx>

Until next time,  
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