

**Up to \$125,000 in funding for digital transformation and automation projects.**



# Opportunity Accelerator Program

## Productivity Support

This program helps Laval businesses to deliver their digital transformation and automation projects in order to become more competitive both in Quebec and abroad, thus ensuring their sustainability.

## Accelerator path

The Accelerator path consists of personalized support for businesses in partnership with various public and private economic players in Laval. It is made up of three phases:

### Phase I — Diagnostics

### Phase II — Development of an implementation plan

### Phase III — Project delivery

In Phase III, businesses can file an application for financial assistance by submitting the required documents to the Economic Development Department.

- A duly completed application form.
- Financial statements for the past two fiscal years.
- Diagnostics.
- An implementation plan.

## Opportunity Accelerator Committee

Once all the required paperwork has been received and the information has been validated, the application will be evaluated by the Opportunity Accelerator Committee. This committee selects the financial assistance beneficiaries based on the program's terms and conditions.

**To file an application or obtain additional information, please contact:**

## Eligibility criteria

- 1 The company must be a for-profit organization legally incorporated in Quebec or Canada.
- 2 It must be established on the territory of Laval.
- 3 It must operate in either the manufacturing or production sector.
- 4 It must be operational for at least 2 years.
- 5 It must demonstrate the financial ability to ensure continuity of the company's operations.
- 6 The investment project must be rolled out in a facility in Laval.

## Nature of the financial assistance

Financial assistance is offered in the form of a non-refundable contribution according to the following parameters:


- Up to 25% of the equipment acquisition cost up to a maximum of \$100,000 per business.
- Acquisition-related expenses (maximum of 15% of the equipment acquisition cost)
- Special consideration for projects with a significant component aimed at fully benefiting from the Internet of Things (IoT). Up to 25% of the equipment acquisition cost up to a maximum of \$125,000 per business.

## Eligible expenses

Equipment acquisition costs and ancillary components costs (excluding materials, inventory and other supplies).

Related expenses:

- Direct expenses linked to equipment implementation (transportation and leasehold improvements).
- Software acquisition and implementation costs.
- Professional fees related to the project.
- Direct project labour costs, hourly rates only.

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