

Working in Partnership



The Canada / Newfoundland and Labrador
Labour Market Development Agreement
(LMDA)

Federal Offer of 1996

- **Government of Canada offered Provinces/Territories option to:**
 - Assume full responsibility for delivering training and employment programs; or
 - Joint federal/provincial responsibility
- **Newfoundland Labrador chose Co-Management**



LMDAs - CANADA

Co-managed:

Newfoundland and Labrador

Prince Edward Island

British Columbia

Yukon

Nova Scotia (*Strategic Partnership*)

Devolved:

New Brunswick

Manitoba

Saskatchewan

Alberta

Northwest Territories
(and Nunavut)

Ontario (2005)



NL's Co-management Model

Joint federal-provincial:

- Planning
- Design
- Management
- Decision-making
- Monitoring and evaluation

Federal delivery (Service Canada)



LMDA PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

DESIGNED TO:

- a) Further federal and provincial labour market objectives and priorities
- b) Facilitate joint fed/prov identification of labour market policy issues, themes, initiatives etc.
- c) Increase overall labour market participation
 - particularly those reliant on public income support
- d) Remove barriers to labour market participation by eligible persons not fully represented
 - (i.e. persons with disabilities, youth, women, Aboriginals)



HOW HAS NL BENEFITED

The LMDA :

- Helps to position the province to effectively respond to labour market challenges and opportunities for individual, communities and the private sector
- Increased collaboration between all stakeholders to address labour market issues.
- Provides employment related supports and services to improve labour market outcomes; and



HOW HAS NL BENEFITED

- In 2005-2006 approximately 20,000 individuals were assisted (including 9,000 in skills training).
- Approximately 2500 Social Assistance Recipients (SAR) assisted annually
- Community groups:
 - Deliver employment services,
 - Assist with planning and development of labour market strategies.
- Total investment to-date in NL exceeds \$1B

