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CIF will Support 409 Projects through Over \$7.5 Million in Funding

From Abbey to Zenon Park, Saskatchewan communities will share a total of \$7,665,369 in funding, with the Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) announcing the approval of 409 grants from its February 1st and April 1st deadlines. With CIF support, Saskatchewan communities benefit from having access to local projects that matter. Our grant programs are targeted to support initiatives that enhance individual and community wellbeing, and improved quality of life for Saskatchewanians.

“The Community Initiatives Fund encourages active, healthy lifestyles in communities across Saskatchewan,” Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport Mark Docherty said. “These funds contribute to the quality of life enjoyed by the citizens of our growing province.”

Through its Community Grant Program, the CIF approved 201 grants totalling \$6,673,974, supporting projects that contribute to the wellbeing of children and youth, families and communities within Saskatchewan. Additionally, 208 projects were approved through the Community Grant Program Summer Grants, totalling \$991,395 in grants, which support summer programs and activities for children and youth.

The Community Places and Spaces Program has one final application deadline: October 1, 2016. This program supports small capital renovations that improve the sustainability, accessibility, and long-term use of multi-purpose community facilities such as halls, recreation facilities, and playgrounds.

“We are proud to support and provide leadership to a diverse range of initiatives designed to benefit Saskatchewan’s communities” shared Tracey Mann, Executive Director of the Community Initiatives Fund. “It is exciting to see the impact that the CIF has in Saskatchewan, especially in rural and remote communities.”

The CIF is a Special Purpose Fund created through *The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation Act* and governed by a volunteer board appointed through the Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport.

A complete list of the grant recipients and their projects, as well as information about the Community Initiatives Fund can be found at www.cifsask.org.

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