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CIF Approves \$4.6 Million in Funding in Support of 390 Projects

The Community Initiatives Fund (CIF) is delighted to announce that Saskatchewan communities will benefit from **390** grants totaling **\$4,643,559** from CIF's February 1st and April 1st deadlines. CIF supports initiatives that enhance the quality of life and wellbeing of people living throughout Saskatchewan.

Through its **Community Grant Program**, CIF approved **\$3,527,668** in support of **168** grants, for projects that contribute to the wellbeing of children and youth, families, and communities. Additionally, **222 Summer Grant** projects were approved totalling **\$1,115,891**, to support camps and day programs offering positive recreation, arts, culture, and learning opportunities for children and youth during the summer months. More than 120 communities will benefit from these recently approved projects, with over 400 communities having received support from the CIF during the past 6 years.

"The Community Grant Program and Summer Grant projects improve access to physical activity, recreation, arts and cultural opportunities," Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Ken Cheveldayoff said. "The funds provided to communities across the province through the Community Initiatives Fund make a wonderful contribution to the quality of life enjoyed by Saskatchewan people."

"We acknowledge and appreciate the dedication and commitment of the many determined individuals providing essential programming in Saskatchewan," shared Tracey Mann, Executive Director of the Community Initiatives Fund. "The creativity and resilience of these communities strengthen our province and CIF is proud to provide its support."

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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