



# Strategic Objectives

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CIF will be a strategic and innovative funder

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CIF will play a key leadership role in support of community organizations

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CIF will have the internal capacity to achieve its mission and strategic directions

COVID-19 presented unexpected challenges for Saskatchewan organizations that received CIF grants to support programming. Over the past year CIF has worked with grant recipients, offering as much flexibility as possible, as they navigate through implications of the pandemic on their programming. This has included supporting program adaptations (e.g., alternative program delivery methods such as online instruction, smaller in-person sessions), program extensions, and program cancellation processes.

A number of CIF resources for grant applicants and recipients were updated to provide greater clarity and guidance through CIF's grant-related processes including the website, application and reporting resources, and separating the Community Grant Program and Summer Grant Program into distinct guidelines.

Nonprofit organizations and community groups are integral to the wellbeing and quality of life of residents throughout Saskatchewan. CIF is committed to supporting the nonprofit sector in our province and supporting initiatives that build the capacity of staff, Board members, and volunteers to better serve those accessing programs offered by their organizations. CIF continues to serve as the host for the Saskatchewan Nonprofit Partnership. While many planned activities have been paused, the Partnership did undertake a sector survey in early April with plans to conduct a second survey in Fall 2021 to understand the impacts of the pandemic on nonprofit organizations throughout the province.

In partnership with Heritage Saskatchewan, CIF continues to promote SaskWellbeing to all levels of government and other community partners. The concept of wellbeing broadly has taken on added significance and is important to address within recovery efforts. In early 2021, SaskWellbeing's website, logo, and priorities evolved to reflect its current direction and goal to build upon its initial work with the Saskatchewan Index of Wellbeing and to continue to promote adoption of a wellbeing lens by all sectors, as well as to encourage the multisectoral partnerships that will be required to address the complex and interdependent challenges and opportunities before us.