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"Saskatchewan Communities Receive **\$3.6 Million** Boost Through CIF Grants"

Saskatchewan communities are set to benefit from a significant investment as the Community Initiatives Fund awards **\$3,632,755** across **52** communities. These grants support innovative local initiatives that strengthen communities, foster collaboration, and improve the quality of life for residents across the province. By prioritizing responsiveness, creativity, and local leadership, this funding enables projects that meet unique community needs and spark positive change throughout Saskatchewan.

Through its October 1 Community Grant Program, CIF has approved **184 grants** designed to enhance the wellbeing of children, youth, families, and communities. Funded programs provide essential knowledge, skills, and resources that promote positive mental health, self-esteem, and healthy lifestyle choices for children and youth, while helping families create supportive environments. The grants also support nonprofit organizations in areas such as program delivery, governance, and volunteer engagement, strengthening the broader community sector.

"Our government is proud to support the Community Initiatives Fund and ensure that residents across Saskatchewan are benefitting from investments in community-based programs and projects," Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport Alana Ross said. "We look forward to continuing this important relationship which enhances the quality of life throughout the province by connecting individuals, families and communities with vital programming."

"Every year, we're reminded of the incredible strength of Saskatchewan communities," said Tracey Mann, Executive Director of the Community Initiatives Fund. "These programs reflect the creativity, compassion, and commitment of local organizations working hard to make life better for children, youth, families, and neighbours across the province. We're grateful to support their efforts and proud to help bring these community-driven ideas to life."

The CIF is a Special Purpose Fund created through *The Lotteries and Gaming Saskatchewan Corporation Act* and managed by a government appointed Board of community volunteers.

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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