

Quarterly Newsletter

South Saskatchewan Community Foundation



Fall Edition

We hope you enjoy SSCF's Fall e-Newsletter. We have an exciting Fall season ahead, with SSCF celebrating some significant milestones for our Community Foundation. First, we hope you will join us on October 15th for lunch as SSCF celebrates 45 years of giving and impactful granting.

On October 7, SSCF releases its first Regina Vital Signs report. The report will be available on our website, and as an insert in the Leader Post. The Vital Signs report is a community check up with national and local statistical data compiled and on a number of key issue areas that contribute to the health and vitality of communities. Vital Signs is a national initiative led by Community Foundations of Canada each year, with over 30 community foundations across Canada producing regional or city Vital Signs reports this year.

For our charitable organizations please note the upcoming September 30 grant application deadlines for The Lorne and Evelyn Johnson Foundation, and SSCF's Smart and Caring Community grant program.

Please tell us, how are we doing?

We want to hear from you, and this month we kindly ask you to please take some time to fill out our Communications and Giving Survey (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9292MR2>) and tell us how we are doing and what we can do better as your community Foundation. All responses to this survey are anonymous. Your input is very important and always welcomed, as it helps us ensure we are meeting your needs. Please feel free to call us about any item in this survey, at 306-751-4756.

Your community makes you. And you make your community.

Sincerely,

Susanne Hamilton, Executive Director

Regina Vital Signs

Vital Signs is a Canada-wide project which aims to raise public awareness, initiate community discussions, and support pre-existing developments in community life. Vital Signs achieves this by providing statistical assessments and presentations of key issue areas that affect quality of life for Canadians. In doing so, the project assists local organizations and community members in their search to understand what comes next for Canadian cities and regions.

Community foundations are well-suited for this kind of work because of the broad role we play in our communities. We work with a wide range of community groups – not just one charity or sector. This gives us a comprehensive view of local issues and the ability to make connections between various needs and issues.

The Regina Vital Signs report will provide information that measures the health of our city, identifies trends and brings forth interesting information in a number of key areas that are critical to Regina's vitality. The report consists of twelve issue areas including: Gap Between Rich and Poor, Safety and Security, Health, Learning, Housing, Getting Started, Arts and Culture, Environment, Work, Belonging and Leadership, Getting Around and the Economy. For more information on Vital Signs, [click here](#).

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Community foundations taking the pulse of
Canadian communities.



NEWS & EVENTS

Upcoming Grant Deadlines:

South Saskatchewan Community Foundation:

SSCF Smart and Caring Community Fund Grant Program - September 30, 2014

We grant to charitable activities that promote and enhance vibrant, healthy and caring communities in southern Saskatchewan.

Currently, grants in the range of \$500 to \$2,000 may be awarded to successful applicants.

For more information or to apply, [click here](#).

Lorne & Evelyn Johnson Foundation Grant Program - September 30, 2014

To promote charitable, cultural, religious and other activities deemed beneficial to the city of Regina, and to other communities in the Province of Saskatchewan.

For more information or to apply, [click here](#).

In the Community:

Community Initiative Fund's Community Grant - October 1, 2014

The Community Grant Program supports projects and initiatives that enhance quality of life for children, youth, families, and older adults through active living, positive life choices and ensuring access to programs and services. In addition, initiatives that encourage volunteerism and that serve to strengthen Saskatchewan's nonprofit sector are eligible. Also under this program, events such as cultural festivals or community centenary celebrations may also be supported.

MAXIMUM Grants: Community Grant Program

Annual—Local Grant: \$25,000

Annual—Provincial Grant: \$50,000

For more information or to apply, [click here](#).

Community Initiative Fund's Community Places and Spaces - October 1, 2014

The two-year Community Places and Spaces Program provides grants for small capital projects such as energy efficiencies or community facility upgrades. A community facility may be a rink, hall, arena, outdoor playground or ball diamond, or other community meeting place.

The CIF's funding priorities continue to benefit urban and rural Aboriginal peoples, newcomers, and individuals challenged by financial constraints, accessibility issues, or other barriers.

MAXIMUM GRANT: Community Places and Spaces Program

\$25,000 on a matching basis.

Fore more information or to apply, [click here](#).



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Upcoming 'Just in Case' Seminars

What is the 'Just in Case' Seminar?

The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation has partnered with Harold Empey to bring "Just In Case" seminars to communities in south Saskatchewan. Harold has spent the past several years making presentations using a special binder that helped him and his family when his wife, Betty passed away.

The binder, which contains 12 sections, is a comprehensive combination of information with a list of what should be done, in advance, to facilitate a smooth and less painful period for the family following a death. The material included has been reviewed by a specialist in this field who recommends that everyone should have a package and complete it.

Just In Case binders are for sale at the SSCF for \$30. Proceeds go towards SSCF's Smart and Caring Community Fund Grant Program.

The following presentations are scheduled:

September 23 at 7:00pm - Parkview Funeral Chapel, Moose Jaw, SK

October 27 at 7:00pm - Speers Funeral Chapel, Regina, SK

October 28 at 7:00pm - St. Paul's Cathedral, Regina, SK (Hosted by Eloise Arlint and Corinne Kadin of Freedom 55 Financial)

Spotlight on SSCF's 45th Anniversary Luncheon Speaker Ian Bird

Ian Bird is the President of Community Foundations of Canada (CFC), the national network that connects the country's 191 community foundations.

From the moment Ian joined CFC in 2011 he embraced its 'all for community' vision and immediately began exploring opportunities to mobilize its diverse network to achieve greater collective impact in communities across the country.

A two-time Olympian in field hockey, Ian was well known in the sport community for his ability to bring groups together to affect change. He quickly began doing the same at CFC. From expanding CFC's circle of champions to include new voices and expertise, to building new partnerships based on common interests and outcomes, Ian has worked hard to find new ways for the movement to address complex community issues.

Under his leadership, CFC established its landmark effort to help build a smart and caring nation leading up to Canada's 150th birthday in 2017. Smart & Caring Communities will see the movement expand its reach and establish special Smart & Caring Community Funds to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday.

The early success of the initiative has led to many opportunities including the network's first national advertising campaign, a 2017-focused partnership with CBC Radio-Canada and Via Rail Canada, and a unique invitation to play a key role in establishing the Rideau Hall Foundation – a new foundation for Canada.

As the incubator of this foundation, community foundations will share their leadership experience and expertise and Ian will serve at the foundation's first Executive Director while continuing to serve as President of CFC.

Please Join Us For The South Saskatchewan Community Foundation's 45th Anniversary Luncheon

An event celebrating 45 years of helping our community where we need it most, connecting people, families and companies with the causes that inspire them.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15TH, 2014
12:00 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.

RCMP HERITAGE CENTRE, HERITAGE ROOM
5907 DEWDNEY AVENUE, REGINA, SK

EMCEE: CBC-TV NEWS SASKATCHEWAN
HOST JILL MORGAN

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER: IAN BIRD
PRESIDENT, COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS OF CANADA

HER HONOUR, THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF SASKATCHEWAN

PERFORMANCE BY THE
SASKATCHEWAN YOUTH BALLET

TICKETS: \$45.00

*A portion of this will go to the Smart & Caring
Communities Fund to aid local charities.
We thank you for your generous donation.*

For tickets, please contact Michelle Grunerud
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