

**South Saskatchewan Community Foundation takes part in new
Government of Canada's \$350M Emergency Community Support Fund**

***\$720,590 in funding available in South Saskatchewan Area
for charities supporting COVID-19 response***

South Saskatchewan Community Foundation has announced it will provide \$720,590 to support local charities responding to COVID-19 as part of a new partnership with [Community Foundations of Canada](#), [United Way Centraide Canada](#) and the [Canadian Red Cross](#), funded through the Government of Canada's \$350M Emergency Community Support Fund (ECSF).

This vast national effort aims to support vulnerable populations disproportionately affected by COVID-19. South Saskatchewan Community Foundation is among some 150 local community foundations across Canada that are taking part.

"We continue to look for ways to help our communities in the fight against COVID-19," says Donna Ziegler, Executive Director, SSCF. "Local charities and non-profit organizations have been working tirelessly to support those who need it most right now. This additional funding is a much-needed boost to their efforts. We're looking forward to flowing funds quickly to ensure no one in our community is left behind."

The Emergency Community Support Fund was [initially announced](#) on April 21, 2020 by the Prime Minister of Canada. It is part of a broad series of emergency response measures by the Government of Canada.

South Saskatchewan Community Foundation is now accepting [applications for funding](#) from qualified donees. Grants can be used for a variety of purposes, including to cover staffing or resource needs, purchase assistance and more. Funding will be issued on an ongoing basis through July 2020. Charities and community organizations are invited to visit the foundation website for eligibility and application details.

"At Community Foundations of Canada, our purpose to 'relentlessly pursue a future where everyone belongs' has never felt more important than it does right now," said Andrea Dicks, Community Foundations of Canada President. "We're grateful for the leadership of local community foundations like South Saskatchewan Community Foundation, who have been at the forefront of local response efforts since the pandemic was declared. Thanks to the Government of Canada's contribution, our network will be able to unlock even more local impact for organizations serving vulnerable groups, helping us set the stage for more inclusive, resilient and sustainable communities."

The [South Saskatchewan Community Foundation](#) serves as a bridge between donors and charities in Regina and in southern Saskatchewan.

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