

Community Rallies to Help with Emergent Needs – Approximately \$1 Million Granted to 34 Organizations

South Saskatchewan Community Foundation (SSCF) has announced approximately \$1 million raised by the community has now been granted to 34 organizations as recipients of the Emergency Response Fund for Community Needs. This Fund addresses some of the urgent community requirements as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. More than 50 applications were received and reviewed by a team of community stakeholders to address areas of food security, shelter shortages, helping with children’s needs and those needs of the most vulnerable populations.

Donna Ziegler, Executive Director, SSCF, said this Fund is in response to a plea for urgent and coordinated community action and thanks generous donors who have already made contributions to help charities during this time of need.

“Since the Fund was announced about a month ago, generous donors and numerous organizations have stepped up to ensure front-line charities are able to assist those in most desperate need,” says Ziegler. “With it, approximately \$1 million will go directly back to the community. This included a matching \$500,000 which was made available from the estate of a generous founding member of the Foundation. We are indebted for all efforts to help to ensure essential needs in our community are met.”

Announced – Part Three - Final

Organization	Funds
Saskatchewan Association for Rehabilitation for the Brain Injured	\$30,000
Saskatchewan Voice of People with Disabilities	\$30,000
Total	\$60,000

Announced – Part Two

Organization	Funds
All Nations Hope Network*	\$30,000
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Regina and Area Inc.	\$50,000
Canadian Mental Health Association - Saskatchewan Division	\$50,000
Caring Hearts Counselling Inc. *	\$25,000
Eden Care Communities	\$50,000
Family Service Regina	\$25,000
Joe's Place Youth Centre - Generation Hope Youth Inc.	\$6,000
Mother Teresa Middle School Inc.	\$50,000
Nēwo Yōtina Friendship Centre	\$50,000
Oxbow Emergency Support Program	\$5,000
Oxford House Saskatchewan Incorporated	\$20,000
REALM Foundation Inc.	\$4,750
South West Crisis Services Inc.	\$5,000
Spinal Cord Injury Saskatchewan Inc.	\$25,000
Swift Current Community Youth Initiative	\$30,000
The Canadian National Institute for the Blind	\$9,317
The Caring Place Regina Inc.	\$43,900
Total	\$478,967

**additional amount from the initial grant to fulfil application request*

Announced – Part One

Organization	Funds
All Nations Hope Network	\$20,000
AIDS Program South Saskatchewan	\$23,500
Canadian Mental Health Association	\$16,000
Caring Hearts Counselling Inc.	\$25,000
Carmichael Outreach Inc.	\$50,000
Cowessess Community Educational Centre	\$19,858
Family Resource Centre, Swift Current	\$5,500
Moose Jaw Non-Profit Housing Corporation	\$50,000
Moose Jaw Transition House	\$50,000
North Central Family Centre Inc.	\$20,000
Phoenix Residential Society	\$10,000
SOFIA House	\$21,500
Souls Harbour Rescue Mission Inc.	\$40,000
Regina Transition House Inc.	\$20,000
The John Howard Society of Saskatchewan	\$35,000
United Way of Estevan	\$50,000
YWCA Regina	\$49,000
Total	\$505,358

With the community's generosity, SSCF worked with 222 charities in 2019 and 197 charities in 2018.

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