

Performance Results for 2019-20 Community Futures East Interlake Inc.

Community Futures (CF) is a program that supports community economic development and builds the capacity of communities to realize their full sustainable potential. The purpose of the CF Program is to help communities develop and implement *local solutions to local problems*.

Community Futures Performance Results	Results as of 2019-20
<b><i>Strong rural community strategic planning and implementation</i></b>	
1. Total number of community-based projects (new & on-going)	<b>45</b>
2. Total number of local and regionally-based community strategic plans developed and/or updated	<b>6</b>
<b><i>Rural access to business development services</i></b>	
3. Total number of business training session participants	<b>50</b>
4. Total number of business advisory services	<b>405</b>
<b><i>Rural access to capital and leveraged capital</i></b>	
5. Dollar value of loans	<b>\$323,614.48</b>
6. Total number of loans	<b>8</b>
7. Number of jobs created/maintained/expanded through lending <sup>1</sup>	<b>22</b>
Provide additional information (e.g. Success stories, Links to priorities, leveraging work, communication events, etc...)	
<p><b>Build Interlake Growth Program (BIG)</b>            Build Interlake Growth program is administered by Community Futures East Interlake. The program's focus is on projects that create employment or the attraction of new residents to the East Interlake region. Total grant funds available this past year was \$20,000. In the program's twelfth year, the fund was able to support 3 organizations leveraging \$122,245 The following projects were approved for funding in 2019-2020:</p> <p>Bifrost Riverton Centennial Park Revitalization - \$5,000            Armstrong/Fraserwood Interpretive signage- \$4,872            Gimli Wave Youth drop-in project \$5,000</p> <p>These projects all provided great opportunities in attracting and marketing our region to others. A community park was made wheel chair accessible, tourism attraction signage has gone up, and a donation of a community building was relocated to start a drop-in center with increased</p>	

<sup>1</sup> Estimated at the time of lending

employment opportunities. The projects could not have been completed without the countless efforts of community volunteers who make these projects a reality.

Next grant project intake date will be December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Community Future East loans of \$323,614 leveraged \$312,898 in additional other fund (owner's investment, financial institutions, other loan programs).

Our organization has been working very closely with our municipalities has hosted 2 municipal regional roundtables in the region on Indigenous Community Development/Opportunities and High Speed Internet for Rural. Further, we are hosting quarterly CAO meetings, to discuss regional issues and opportunities for CAOs – topics have included Asset Mapping, Municipal Contact Software and HR.

Our board members have committed over 304 hours into our organization.

We assisted 142 clients, of which 16 were persons with a disability, 14 indigenous, 51 women and 14 youth.

Our organization also attended Peguis Career Fair with Indigenous Business Development Services to promote entrepreneurship to youth and the community. We saw over 300 youth and community members at the event and got to connect with numerous service providers in the region.

Our organization hosted the 2019 Provincial Community Futures Conference in Gimli, Manitoba. The conference had 74 delegates from across Manitoba and 17 presenters on topics in areas such as Legal Responsibilities of Board, Cyber Security, Proposal Writing, Is Technology Leaving Rural Manitoba Behind?, Non Traditional Business Panel and the Dunnottar Sustainable Development Project Presentation.