

Performance Results for 2016-17 Community Futures North Central Development

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 2016-17
<i>Strong rural community strategic planning and implementation</i>	
1. Total number of community-based projects (new & on-going)	35
2. Total number of local and regionally-based community strategic plans developed and/or updated	4
<i>Rural access to business development services</i>	
3. Total number of business training session participants	99
4. Total number of business advisory services	200
<i>Rural access to capital and leveraged capital</i>	
5. Dollar value of loans	496,397
6. Total number of loans	12
7. Number of jobs created/maintained/expanded through lending ¹	34
Provide additional information (e.g. Success stories, Links to priorities, leveraging work, communication events, etc...)	
<p>CLOSURE IMPACT MITIGATION TASK FORCE</p> <p>CFNCD was approached by Vale to assist with the transition process relating to the Vale Thompson Operations closure of the smelter and refinery in 2018. A task force has been assembled and met weekly to develop a transition plan.</p> <p>NORTHERN VALUES</p> <p>The contract between Community Futures North Central Development (CFNCD) and Ducks Unlimited continued. In the 2015/2016 year CFNCD entered into a fee-for-service contract with Ducks Unlimited Canada (with funding from the PEW Charitable Trust Fund) to coordinate a northern economic development accord, engaging Aboriginal communities, government, industry, conservation and environment groups. A project management team (PMT) was assembled and meet numerous times throughout the year to bring the initiative forward.</p>	

¹ Estimated at the time of lending

An outcome of the work has been a document prepared called *A Declaration of Common Values for the Sustainable Development of the Boreal in Northern Manitoba* which identifies the need for a plan for sustainable development, the benefits of prosperity and a balance between the two. It also speaks to community benefits, rights & respect, cooperation, financial attractiveness, knowledge and clarity. A number of signatories and supporters have come on board to-date and information continues to be circulated to communities and at events to promote other Communities and organizations to sign on. www.northernvalues.ca

ARTIST, CRAFTERS & SMALL BUSINESS EXPO

In November 2016 CFNCD hosted the 8th Annual event which was a huge success. This event included 55 exhibitors who were able to showcase and sell their products and services to the public during this one day event. The event saw approx. 1100 people come through.