

Performance Results for 2018-19 Northwest Community Futures Development Corporation

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 2018-19
<i>Strong rural community strategic planning and implementation</i>	
1. Total number of community-based projects (new & on-going)	27
2. Total number of local and regionally-based community strategic plans developed and/or updated	1
<i>Rural access to business development services</i>	
3. Total number of business training session participants	387
4. Total number of business advisory services	832
<i>Rural access to capital and leveraged capital</i>	
5. Dollar value of loans	\$966,156.74
6. Total number of loans	13
7. Number of jobs created/maintained/expanded through lending ¹	37
Provide additional Information (e.g. Success stories, Links to priorities, leveraging work, communication events, etc...)	
CFS INITIATIVE AWARD WINNER! Indigenous Business Development Workshop/AFI Lending Partners Presentation	
<p>In 2017 and 2018, Northwest Community Futures partnered with representatives from Aboriginal Financial Institutions including Clarence Campeau Development Fund (CCDF), SaskMétis Economic Development Corporation (SMEDCO), Saskatchewan Indian Equity Foundation (SIEF) and BDC to present an overview of funding and development opportunities available for Indigenous entrepreneurs. This innovative initiative promoted economic diversification and targeted Indigenous clients in our region in support of WD and Government of Canada priorities.</p> <p>To attract attendees to the events, we emailed invitations to our clients, advertised on Facebook and posters, and shared event details through our contacts at Battle River Treaty 6 Health Centre, Battlefords Agencies Tribal Chiefs (BATC), local Band offices, and the partnering AFIs.</p> <p>On December 5, 2017 and September 11, 2018, we welcomed guests to our facility for a pizza lunch and a brief overview of the services offered by Northwest Community Futures and how we work with AFIs to maximize the benefit to our Indigenous clients. Representatives from CCDF, SMEDCO, SIEF and BDC then talked about their organizations, services, unique funding opportunities and partnerships with Community Futures. We finished the day with evaluations, contact forms and door prizes.</p>	

¹ Estimated at the time of lending