

Performance Results for 2016-17 CFLSLR

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*.

| <b>Community Futures Performance Results</b>  | <b>Results as of 2016-17</b> |
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| <b><i>Strong rural community strategic planning and implementation</i></b>  |                              |
| 1. Total number of community-based projects (new & on-going)  | <b>8</b>                     |
| 2. Total number of local and regionally-based community strategic plans developed and/or updated  | <b>3</b>                     |
| <b><i>Rural access to business development services</i></b>   |                              |
| 3. Total number of business training session participants   | <b>181</b>                   |
| 4. Total number of business advisory services   | <b>286</b>                   |
| <b><i>Rural access to capital and leveraged capital</i></b>   |                              |
| 5. Dollar value of loans  | <b>188,250</b>               |
| 6. Total number of loans  | <b>9</b>                     |
| 7. Number of jobs created/maintained/expanded through lending <sup>1</sup>  | <b>11.50</b>                 |
| Provide additional information (e.g. Success stories, Links to priorities, leveraging work, communication events, etc...)   |                              |
| <p>A couple of the things that are different about our region compared to others is the high proportion of indigenous we services. We have been making an extra effort over the last year to get involved on settlement and reserve. We have begun planning an Indigenous Entrepreneurship in the North fair. We are just re-starting the planning phase, but it is looking quite promising. Another unique aspect for our organization is the sustainability workshop for the north. As far as the partners are concerned this is the first time they can recall something like this happening up here, so this is positive. We have also started the first community driven Business Support Network. Normally, these are led by the Government of Alberta, but CFLSL saw an opportunity to make this our own. The support, feedback and spin off projects have been fantastic! CFLSL also signed multiple public contacts this year with a number of municipalities. Most of these revolve around the professional services relm. Many CFs have a EcDev position, but are unable to sustain this and their operational costs. However, with our contract revenue we are able to maintain an EcDev position with CFLSL. This allows our organization to be involved in more community based projects, help build local capacity and focus on some of the soft benefits we can provide to a region. Our GM has also facilitated a number of strategic planning sessions in the region and has spoken at the University of Alberta (both campuses) and at the CFNA AGM.</p> |                              |

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

