

Building Communities Program Backgrounder

- Saskatchewan's quality of life is supported by the vibrancy and diversity of the province's cultural, social and recreational activities.
- The Building Communities Program is investing \$100 million over three years to help communities increase cultural and recreational capacity.
- Submissions for support are eligible for up to 25 per cent of total allowable costs which will be based on a combination of eligible per capita contributions and total projected costs.
- The Program has two streams: Stream A – submissions where the total project is more than \$10 million; Stream B – submissions where the total project cost is between \$1 million and \$10 million.
- Submissions over \$10 million are eligible for \$50 per capita plus 15 per cent of total project costs.
- Submissions of between \$1 million and \$10 million will be eligible for \$75 per capita.
- Further information is available at www.cyr.gov.sk.ca.

Art Hauser Centre

The Art Hauser Centre is a large sport, entertainment and banquet facility located in Prince Albert. The Centre is home to the Western Hockey League's Prince Albert Raiders. Along with ice sports, the Centre hosts a number of entertainment and performing arts events every year, including concerts, horse shows, trade shows and conventions.

Renovations to the Art Hauser Centre started in 2004, with phases one and two completed in 2006. Upon completion in 2008, the Centre will feature a fire protection sprinkler system and air conditioning in the rink area, upgrades to heating, ventilation and ice plant systems. There will also be re-roofing, extension of parking lots and general parking lot upgrades. The Building Communities Program investment in the project is \$1,740,689. Total estimated project costs come to \$7,022,309.