

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.

Estevan Civic Arena/Events Centre

The existing Estevan Civic Auditorium was built in 1957. A new Civic Arena and Events Centre will be constructed to better serve the recreational needs of Estevan and the surrounding area. The new facility will include an NHL regulation ice surface, eight dressing rooms, a concession, corporate boxes and a capacity of 2,664 spectators for ice surface events and 4,064 for other events.

The facility will be integrated into the existing Souris Valley Leisure and Aquatic Centre. The ice plant will service both the new facility and the existing Civic Arena, until such time that the aging Civic arena is no longer feasible to operate.

The Estevan Civic Arena will serve the City of Estevan and the RMs of Estevan, Cymri and Cabria. The Building Communities Program investment in the project is \$2,810,075. Total estimated project cost is \$15.9 million.