

MORE ABOUT THE NORTH CENTRAL SHARED FACILITY

History:

The concept for the North Central integrated learning/community facility has been evolving since 2003 as various stakeholder groups in the North Central Community explore new and better ways to serve the community:

- 2003 – Community Vision & Action Plan
- Ongoing Regina Inner City Community Partnership conversations
- 2006: Phase 1: Co-location Concept
- 2007: Phase 2: Shared Services Concept
- 2008-10: Phase 3: Integration Concept

The planning and consultations for the project have been led by both a steering committee and management committee. Organizations involved in the two committees include:

City of Regina	Regina Public Library
Ministry of Education	Regina Public School Division
Ministry of Social Services	Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region
North Central Community Association	Regina Treaty/Status Indian Services
Office of the Federal Interlocutor for Métis and Non-Status Indians	Regina-Qu'Appelle Community Corrections
REACH	Scott Collegiate
Regina Catholic Schools	Scott Infant and Toddler Centre
Regina Police Service	

Current:

On April 18, 2011, \$38.8 million in capital funding for the project was confirmed from four partners: the Ministry of Education, the City of Regina, the Regina Public School Division and the Regina Public Library. The Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region is interested in developing a community health care centre within the facility at a later date and continues to be involved in the planning for the project. In the short term, the project design will be developed with an identified location on the site so that the community health component can be added as additional funding is confirmed.

Current Financial Commitments:

Saskatchewan Ministry of Education	\$16.20M
- Scott Collegiate	
- Scott Infant and Toddler Centre	
Regina Public School Division	\$8.72M
GST Rebate	\$0.83M
Subtotal Province	\$25.75M
City of Regina	\$8.80M
Regina Public Library	\$1.25M
Land Donation (from City of Regina and Regina Public Schools)	\$3.00M
Subtotal Other Partners	\$13.05M
TOTAL Estimated Project cost	\$38.80M

The facility is estimated to be approximately 11,000m² in size. As a reference, the existing Scott Collegiate is approximately 9,300m² in size. It will be built on the current location of Scott Collegiate and adjacent land on 7th Avenue. Once detailed design is complete and the project enters construction it is estimated it will take 15-18 months to complete.

The partnering agencies are pushing the delivery of services to a higher level. They are driven by the need for adequate physical space, a commitment to continue or expand their investment in the community, and a strong desire to work in a collaborative/integrated way. The partners share a vision for strengthening community leadership and services, creating new ways of learning for all ages, and helping people in the North Central community lead healthy lives. What makes the project unique is the level of integration in the programs and services of the partners. It is an enhanced approach to service delivery, and not simply a shared facility.

Learning Across the Community (LATC) is an educational model that engages students in real world learning experiences in the community. This is the model which Scott Collegiate in the North Central learning facility will be based on. LATC involves a true integration of students and community, with each supporting the other in their initiatives.

About the Partners:

The Government of Saskatchewan has committed more than \$422.5 million since November 2007 to move forward 38 major school capital projects and about 580 additional smaller school capital projects across the province. This represents a record high investment in school infrastructure over a four year period.

Regina Public Schools has been committed to this project since its inception in 2003. It is the result of many partners coming together, rolling up their sleeves and creating a bold new vision for community learning in Regina's North Central neighbourhood. The vision looks to integrate: innovative approaches and programs that work together; cooperation among community stakeholders; and all levels of government in a facility that is in the heart of the community and that meets that community's unique needs.

Integral to the Learning Across the Community Centre will be the evolution of Scott Collegiate learning philosophy. The facility will foster and enhance unique and successful learning practices that include project and service based learning teamed with authentic internships and apprenticeships.

The learning philosophy includes:

- Flexible teaching arrangements and instructional groupings
- Teacher collaboration
- Interdisciplinary and inquiry-based learning; and
- Inclusive practices.

Working closely with partners based in the facility and throughout the city of Regina, students will connect with adults in real-life environments. This will prepare the students to become the workforce and leaders of tomorrow.

The City of Regina has been supportive of the North Central Shared Facility since its inception in 2003 and has helped to create dialogue and build relationships through its representation on management, steering and working sub committees. Beyond its funding commitment, the City has worked to represent and engage the broader community including the North Central Community Association, residents and other stakeholders.

The City of Regina, as one of the primary funders of the project, is excited to be involved in the development of the North Central Shared Facility. The opportunity to bring together a variety of service providers with a commitment to true service integration will change the way services are delivered to residents in North Central, resulting in a stronger, more engaged, sustainable community that provides greater opportunity.

Regina Public Library (RPL) is a non-profit, Board-run organization dedicated to enriching quality of life in Regina. For over 100 years, RPL has provided open access to materials, programs and services that encourage cultural, economic, educational and recreational development. RPL currently operates Central Library in downtown Regina, as well as eight Branch locations throughout the city, all of which play a key role in supporting the diverse cultures in our community.

For more information visit the project website at: www.northcentralsharedfacility.ca