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EDP Covid-19 Support Services for Yorkton Businesses

To support businesses through these difficult times, Community Futures has launched COVID-19 Support Services through Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program. Funding is available for Entrepreneurs to access professional services to maintain their business or reopen their business. To clarify, any health conditions qualify. Examples include anxiety or other mental health issues; any physical health condition. You do not need to declare what the health condition is specifically.

Eligible services can include:

- A) Costs to move their business online such as
 Graphic Designers, Web Designers, IT
 - supports, E-commerce

B) Marketing assistance or one to one training to promote their business

 Brochure/flyer design, Logo design, Social media set up & social media content creation, Video creation, Photography

Invoices from the service providers (up to \$750) will be paid directly by Community Futures Saskatchewan.

For additional information and application info, please call Community Futures Ventures (306) 782-0255 or email at info@cfventures.net or Priya.t@cfventures.net



Grab Your Slice

Did you know that Saskatchewan small businesses have claimed only 1.7% of the federal support funding that's available? Millions of dollars are being left on the table so it's time for Saskatchewan businesses to get their fair share of the pie.

The Sask Chamber has teamed up with experts at MNP to deliver a free step-by-step tutorial that will walk you through the available Federal support programs and how to apply. Webinars are scheduled for Nov. 16, 19, 26 & 27. Register with the Sask Chamber.

Business Management Essentials Program

The Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce has partnered with the Saskatchewan Colleges to deliver dynamic and informational management/leadership workshops that will help employees to build on their core business, supervisory and leadership skills. And the best part is that eligible employers can receive 100% of employee training costs through the Re-Open Saskatchewan Training Subsidy.

Virtual Classes run from 9:00 till 11:00 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. To register call 1-866-999-7372 Application deadline is December 31, 2020. To learn more, visit www.soueastcollege.org Pandemic Tip Sheets . . . New! Free!

The Canadian Centre for Occupational Health & Safety (CCOHS) has produced a series of Tip Sheets for a variety of industries. Billed as "pandemic guidance for higher-risk and essential occupations and industries", the tip sheets are free and downloadable in pdf format. Check out www.ccohs.ca





After months of sitting on a dark shelf in the Chamber's storeroom, the Celebrate Success Business Awards receive a dusting from Sherry MacDonald, Director of Marketing & Administration. Cast your vote for the People's Choice Award. Only the finalists in all the categories are eligible for the award. The list of finalists is on the Chamber facebook page and website. www.yorktonchamber.com

Yorkton Brick Mill **Ribbon Cutting**



The Yorkton Brick Mill Heritage Society has worked tirelessly this summer to enhance the grounds around the Mill in preparation for the installation of the storyboards on the south side of the Mill.

> The storyboards tell the story of the region beginning with First Nations to present day.

Also new to the city are the Veterans' Banners hanging along the streets - a project initiated by the Royal Canadian Legion General Alexander Ross Branch #77.

New Velcome **Members** to the Yorkton Chamber

Western Trade Training Institute Box 790 Melville, SK Private Vocational School

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Nick Crighton

Indigenous Awareness Training Available To Businesses

The Saskatchewan Chamber has developed Indigenous Awareness sessions designed to inform members of the business community about the culture and history of Indigenous and Métis peoples in Saskatchewan. The courses range from Level 1 to Level 5 with advanced courses offering an in-depth look at HR practices, forming business relationships with Indigenous organizations and cultural traditions.

The Indigenous Awareness Training webinars are led by SCC Director of Indigenous Engagement, Nick Crighton.

Webinars consist of a 1-hour presentation followed by 30 minutes Q&A. A Certificate of Participation is provided upon completion of each level.

Visit saskchamber.com to learn more or to register

Upcoming Dates

November 25th Celebrate Success **Business Awards**

November 28 Santa Claus Parade at the **Exhibition Grounds**

Grant **Applications** Open

Initiated by RBC earlier this year, the Federal Government has just invested \$12 Million to the Canada United Small Business Relief Fund.

The fund provides grants of up to \$5,000 to small businesses so they can cover the costs of physical modifications to their businesses to meet local health and safety requirements. The grant can also be used to help firms enhance their e-commerce capabilities so they can do more business on-line.

The new application window opened October 26. You can learn more and apply for the grant online through www.gocanadaunited.ca/for-local-business

Interested In Serving The City?

The City of Yorkton has a variety of Committees, Boards and Commissions on which it invites its citizens to serve.

If you are interested in any of these, you can complete an application form available from City Hall or on the city's website www.yorkton.ca/committees.

The Mayor will announce the appointments to these committees, boards and commissions at the first meeting of Council in January.

> In early November, the City will put out the call for applications.



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Thank You Mayor Bob



As he presided over his final Council meeting, a number of people and organizations, including the Chamber, paid tribute to the leadership of Mayor Maloney and his commitment to the community through his years of service on Council.

Juanita Polegi, Executive Director had the opportunity to offer best wishes to Mayor Bob as he moves into retirement.

Provincial All Candidates' Forum



Randy Atkinson served as Moderator at the Chamber's All Candidates Forum prior to the Provincial Election. Carter Antione, of the NDP and Greg Ottenbreit of the Sask Party answered a series of questions posed by the Chamber followed by those posed by the public.

Municipal All Candidates' Forum



With 2 candidates for Mayor and 15 for Council, the Chamber designed a new format for the Municipal All Candidates' Forum with the candidates divided into groups and each group answering 3 questions. In total, 18 questions were posed to the candidates. Thanks to the Gallagher Centre for providing the facility for both Forums and for ensuring adequate physical distancing was possible.