



Share
the
warmth



A SaskEnergy Initiative

MORE WARMTH TO SHARE

SaskEnergy is expanding our Share the Warmth Grant Program. You are invited to apply for one of the 2016 - 2017 provincial Share the Warmth grants, intended to help take the bite out of winter's cold.

Since the program's inception, thirty-seven organizations/projects from across the province have been selected to participate, each receiving a \$1,000 grant to facilitate their proposed project. SaskEnergy's grant allowed each organization to "Share the Warmth" on our behalf. They each assisted clientele in coping with the challenges winter brings through special initiatives they would not have been able to undertake otherwise.

Share the Warmth days across the province varied but always featured winter necessities such as warm bedding, warm clothing, warm shelter and/or a hot meal. There were many creative minds at work in our province to ensure that this worthwhile provincial community investment initiative assisted as many people as possible.

For the 2016-17 program, we are looking for 30 enthusiastic organizations from across the province that provide daily care and services for vulnerable citizens in our communities.

Submit your application through our online Community Investment process at saskenergy.com/community/Sponsorships.asp for review (select questionnaire for "cash sponsorship.")

The deadline for applications is June 17, 2016. Successful applications will be announced no later than June 30, 2016.

If you have any questions, or simply require further information, please contact us at communityrelations@saskenergy.com or 306-777-9404.

HOW TO APPLY

To get started, simply do the following:

1 Be creative and design a great Share the Warmth project plan showing how you will use the grant. Please tailor your plan to the needs of your own community and organization. A page or two is just fine.

2 Please visit our website at saskenergy.com/community/Sponsorships.asp and complete the application for a *cash donation*. Please use the following title for your project name: SHARE THE WARMTH GRANT – [your project name] so it will stand out when your application arrives. Share details about your project with us including a date, and attach any supporting documents you have prepared to help us understand your plan.

THE TIMEFRAME FOR THIS YEAR'S INITIATIVE IS:

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Jun 17, 2016

SASKENERGY COMMITMENT: Jun 30, 2016

PROJECT TIMEFRAME: Nov 1, 2016 - Jan 31, 2017

To give your organization a better chance of being chosen, consider including the following information to help us better understand the community impact of your proposal:

ASSISTANCE

How many people will you be able to assist with your project, and what will be the lasting impact of your efforts?

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Will you partner with other organizations? Will you be including volunteers from outside your organization to assist in your project day?

AWARENESS

Will there be any public awareness of your project? If so, tell us how you will make that happen.

LEVERAGE

Will you leverage other resources to assist with your project? If so, please tell us about your plan to obtain additional financial or in-kind resources.

ACTIVATION ASSISTANCE

Please let us know if you would like us to be involved in your project and we will do our best to be there if our resources allow.

SHARED WARMTH

Here are a few examples of how some previously selected organizations Shared the Warmth in their communities:



ANGELS 4 WARMTH

Regina

Angels 4 Warmth is a dedicated group of knitters who produce hundreds of scarves, mittens and toques every year and distribute them to over 20 charitable organizations to keep many hands and hearts warm. With a SaskEnergy Share the Warmth Grant, these angels purchased the necessary yarns for knitting articles to stock the emergency cupboards at shelters so that families fleeing domestic violence have immediate access to winter clothing. All of these hand knitted mittens, toques and scarves are lovingly created by volunteers who give their time to ensure that people in the community stay warm during winter's coldest months.



WARM CLOTHING DONATION PROJECT

Lloydminster Interval Home Society
The Men's Shelter, Lloydminster
The Lloydminster Community Youth Centre
The Olive Tree, Lloydminster

These four organizations collaborated to expand an existing local event (Here Comes Santa Claus Day) by adding a warm clothing collection campaign for vulnerable families in the community. This event is always very well attended by community members, so it was a perfect place to collect warm clothing on a large scale. It also offered an excellent public awareness opportunity to promote the charitable

and environmental benefits of this clothing "reuse" drive. People in the community rallied behind the drive, and nearly 150 individuals received a supply of warm winter clothing as a result of distribution through each of the partner organizations.



CROCK POT CONNECTION

Fort Qu'Appelle Community Outreach
Management Centre, Fort Qu'Appelle

Community Outreach was able to impact an entirely new group of vulnerable citizens in the Fort Qu'Appelle vicinity, who were interested in learning how to prepare low-cost but highly nutritious family meals. The result of careful recruitment allowed for a good cross section of minimum wage earners living below the poverty line to learn how to feed their families good food they could afford. Each participant prepared a variety of slow-cooker meals and shared with one another to make the most of the experience. Armed with a new crockpot of their own, and knowledge of how to take advantage of bulk buying, participants were well equipped for delicious, affordable meal preparation for their families.



FIVE STAR DINING EXPERIENCE

Salvation Army, Haven of Hope, Regina

The Salvation Army feeds vulnerable clientele daily on a shoestring budget. The normal fare is soup and sandwiches. With a SaskEnergy Share the Warmth Grant, the organization turned their soup kitchen space into a Five Star dining experience, complete with linen tablecloths and napkins, real floral arrangements and live music. An elegant meal of roast beef and Yorkshire pudding was served, complete with cheesecake for dessert – to the delight of those arriving for what might have been their only meal of the day. Attendees had no prior knowledge of the special "pop-up" dining event so were very pleasantly surprised at the meal being served and the white glove treatment when they arrived that day. It was a wonderful way for the Salvation Army to do something to help attendees feel valued and cared for by their community.

Thank you for your
interest in the Share the
Warmth Grant Program.

We look forward
to your application.



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