

Performance Results for 2017-18 CF Alberta Southwest

Community Futures (CF) is a program that supports community economic development and builds the capacity of communities to realize their full sustainable potential. The purpose of the CF Program is to help communities develop and implement *local solutions to local problems*.

Community Futures Performance Results	Results as of 2017-18
<b><i>Strong rural community strategic planning and implementation</i></b>	
1. Total number of community-based projects (new & on-going)	<b>16</b>
2. Total number of local and regionally-based community strategic plans developed and/or updated	<b>3</b>
<b><i>Rural access to business development services</i></b>	
3. Total number of business training session participants	<b>123</b>
4. Total number of business advisory services	<b>162</b>
<b><i>Rural access to capital and leveraged capital</i></b>	
5. Dollar value of loans	<b>\$669,608.</b>
6. Total number of loans	<b>10</b>
7. Number of jobs created/maintained/expanded through lending <sup>1</sup>	<b>19</b>
Provide additional Information (e.g. Success stories, Links to priorities, leveraging work, communication events, etc...)	
<p>The FYE March 31, 2018 was a very good year for CF Alberta Southwest. We successfully moved the office from Pincher Creek to Fort Macleod. We are no longer renting an old building with stairs in the outskirts of a downtown. We are now in a renovated, wheel-chair accessible building located in downtown Fort Macleod. We are more central in our region and we have seen an increase in foot traffic. We are very accessible.</p> <p>CFABSW loaned out \$670,000 with 10 loans. These monies went to the creation of 4 new businesses, 5 existing clients for expansion and two business successions.</p> <p>We also now have a full complement of staff. Tammy Morrison has joined the team as our CED Co-Ordinator. She is hard at work trying to identify projects and businesses that we can involve ourselves in. We will be conducting a Business Visitation Project in 2018 in Fort Macleod.</p> <p>Board members attended a Board Training module at our Strategic Planning session earlier this year. Judy McMillan-Evans came to deliver Module 1 – Community Economic Development. The session was well received by the board. During the year we had the board member from Pincher Creek resign, due to his job. We have recently filled the board position for the MD of Willow Creek, and we have two new board members joining in June 2018 to replace two retiring board members. Both Bill Hart and Bev Garbutt will have been on the board for nine years. The only board vacancy we currently have is for the Town of Pincher Creek.</p>	

<sup>1</sup> Estimated at the time of lending

