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CITY RECEIVES FUNDING FOR R.J. GIDLUCK OUTDOOR ARENA RENEWAL PROJECT

(*Warman, Sask.*) – The City of Warman is pleased to announce it has received \$177,000 in funding from the Government of Canada for a project, which will revitalize an outdoor recreation facility.

This Federal investment, by Prairies Economic Development Canada (PrairiesCan) through the Canada Community Revitalization Fund (CCRF), is for the R.J. Gidluck Outdoor Arena Renewal Project. The funding accounts for over 40 percent of the project's anticipated total cost of approximately \$413,000. The remainder of the cost will come out of the 2022 Capital Budget.

The project's vision is to upgrade the current facility in R.J. Gidluck Park to include the same features and prominence as the City's facility in Prairie Oasis Park. The facility will be positioned for year-round use. The project will feature several new and upgraded items: concrete pad; boards system; LED lighting; warm-up shack, including ice re-surfacer storage; and, 6-foot chain-link puck containment system.

"The City is thankful that PrairiesCan recognized the importance of this project for our community; we are grateful for this partnership opportunity with them" said City of Warman Mayor, Gary Philipchuk. "This vibrant facility will further enhance the beautiful R.J. Gidluck Park and will meet the diverse recreational needs and interests of our growing community."

"Our government is pleased to invest in the R.J. Gidluck Outdoor Arena through the Canada Community Revitalization Fund. These upgrades and new park features will bring Warman's residents together and provide them with enhanced year-round recreational opportunities for years to come," said the Honourable Daniel Vandal, Minister for PrairiesCan.

Construction on the R.J. Gidluck Outdoor Arena Renewal Project is set to begin in May 2022. The project has an anticipated completion date of November 2022.

About the CCRF: The Canada Community Revitalization Fund helps communities rebound from the COVID-19 pandemic. The CCRF is a two-year, \$500 million national program to revitalize communities through smaller infrastructure projects across Canada. The fund assists non-profit organizations, municipalities, community groups and Indigenous communities to build and improve community infrastructure projects.

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