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Westoba Announces Second Round of Major Grant Winners Through Inspire Community Giving Program

BRANDON, MB – Westoba Credit Union Ltd. announced today the second round of major grant winners through its newly created community giving program called Inspire. In total, Westoba is providing \$18,000 in funding to deserving non-profit, charitable or community organizations across the province who are helping build stronger community infrastructure through facilities or programming.

To follow is a list of the winners, their awarded amounts and their projects:

1. Municipality of Killarney – Turtle Mountain was awarded \$4,000 to sponsor a Performing Arts Series.
2. Municipality of Glenboro – South Cypress received \$2,000 to help improve accessibility in the Gaiety Theatre.
3. Souris Hillcrest Community Corporation was awarded \$4,000 to help with the Hillcrest Museum updates and renovations.
4. Brandon Seniors for Seniors received \$10,000 (to be dispersed over 2 years) towards the development of an outdoor patio to host summer programs and events.
5. Onanole and District Recreation Corporation has been awarded \$1,000 to support updates to the Onanole Centennial Grounds.
6. Municipality of Louise received \$2,000 to support renovations to their Tivoli Theatre in Pilot Mound.

Westoba did a call for applications this past November and received over 30 applications! All applications were carefully reviewed by Westoba's Community Investment Committee that includes staff, Westoba members and Board Representation. Successful applications were chosen based on their ability to align with Westoba's goal to support community infrastructure.

Westoba will announce another call for applications in 2019. Westoba does two calls annually for major applications – one in the spring and one in the fall. Information on Westoba's community investment initiatives is available at westobainspire.com.

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ABOUT WESTOBA CREDIT UNION: Westoba Credit Union (WCU) is the eighth largest credit union in Manitoba with 16 locations. WCU is committed to enriching lives and communities by helping financial dreams come true.

ABOUT INSPIRE COMMUNITY GIVING PROGRAM: Created in 2017, Inspire is Westoba's community giving program in partnership with the Brandon Area Community Foundation. To be eligible for funding, requests need to support community infrastructure projects that: are initiated locally or have a clear local impact; are inclusive and bring people together; are long-term or multi-functional; and promote staying, participating and engaging in an enriched community.

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