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Westoba Announces \$20,000 in funding to Major Grant Winners Through Inspire Community Giving Program

BRANDON, MB – Westoba Credit Union Ltd. announced today it is distributing \$20,000 to support well deserving organizations across Manitoba that are coordinating projects in line with Westoba's community investment focus area of *Community Infrastructure*. To follow is a list of the winners, their awarded amounts and their projects:

1. The Terry Fox Memorial Park (Ninette) received \$11,000 towards the building of a new playground.
2. The Manitoba Conservatory of Music and Arts (Winnipeg) received \$2,000 to support a program designed to connect at-risk youth and seniors through music programming.
3. The Riverdale Municipality Baseball Diamond (Rivers) received \$5,000 towards the purchase and installation of a removable in-field fence to make the field smaller to better accommodate all age group users.
4. The St. Gerard Ladies Association (Bruxelles) received \$2,000 towards a renovation project to update the dance floor in their local community hall.

Westoba holds calls for applications twice a year. The next call will take place in September and applications can be submitted via westobainspire.com. The Inspire Community Giving Program is overseen by a Community Investment Committee that includes staff, Westoba members and Board Director representation. Successful applications are chosen based on their ability to align with Westoba's goal to support community infrastructure. To date, Westoba has distributed \$773,500 in funding to projects that support Community Infrastructure.

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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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