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South Saskatchewan Ready Awards Fifth Round of Funding

Willow Bunch, SK — South Saskatchewan Ready (SSR) is pleased to announce recipients of the fifth round of funding under its Municipal Coal Transition Program, a strategic initiative designed to support long-term economic resilience and diversification across the region.

The Municipal Coal Transition Program was developed in partnership with the Government of Saskatchewan to support communities as they work to diversify and strengthen their local economies. The funding is intended to advance regional economic development, improve business conditions for long-term growth, support job creation and tax base expansion and enhance overall economic resilience across the region.

A total of \$466,466.63 was allocated through Intake 5 to support projects across the region. Three applicants received funding for projects, including:

- Prestige Leather - \$254,235.16
- Socoko Art Gallery - \$12,231.47
- Choquer Excavating Ltd - \$200,000.00

The sixth intake for funding applications is currently open and will close on September 20, 2026. Applicants are encouraged to contact South Saskatchewan Ready before submitting an application to confirm their project's eligibility and to ensure alignment with the program's funding guidelines.

South Saskatchewan Ready is comprised of nine municipalities in south central Saskatchewan including the Towns of Bengough, Coronach, Rockglen and Willow Bunch, and the Rural Municipalities of Bengough, Happy Valley, Hart Butte, Poplar Valley and Willow Bunch.

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