

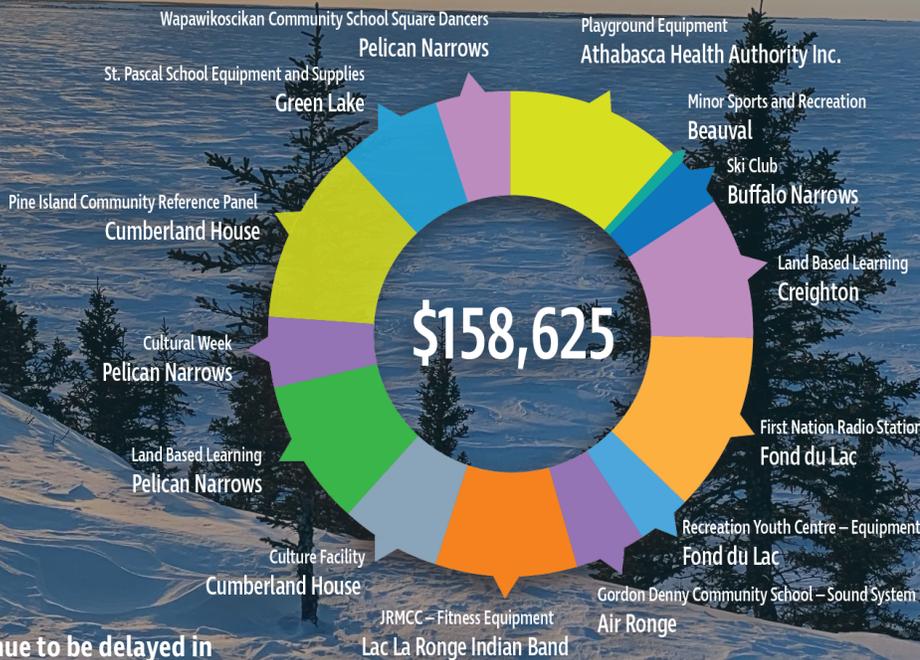
Vision

The Six Rivers Fund will make a positive difference for northerners by sharing the benefits of uranium mining today, and for generations to come.

for the North

by the North

2021 Project Funding Highlights



Many proposals continue to be delayed in 2021 due to health and safety considerations associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. For those proposals awarded funding for 2021, work continues to move ahead in 2022.

2021 Financial Statements

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There has been much to celebrate and support in terms of the good work happening in our communities, but we can not look back on the year without acknowledging the continued impacts of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and its impacts on mental health. While we continue to fund projects that focus on youth, education, sports and recreation and health and wellness, we feel it's important to contribute, where we can, to initiatives directed at mental health, suicide prevention, and family supports.

We have highlighted one northern project in this report that is doing this so well. Please visit

our website to learn more about the programs we are so proud to contribute to in northern Saskatchewan. Our guiding principle when we first began was "for the north, by the north" and we still firmly believe the best answers to our needs are found here at home. On behalf of my fellow trust board members, Isidore Campbell, William Dumais and Val Deschambeault, we encourage you to apply and look forward to working with you to make the north an even more resilient and special place to live. Thank you to Cameco and Orano for their continue support for this important legacy fund.

The Six Rivers Fund is entirely devoted to projects and initiatives to benefit the Northern Administrative District (NAD). The Six Rivers Fund is an independent non-profit corporation governed by a board of directors. Funding decisions are made by the board of directors.

Do you have a project or initiative you would like Six Rivers Fund to support? If it aligns with our priorities and you have a minimum 25% of the funding secured from at least on other source, you are ready to begin the application process. Check out the website for more information and to apply online.

We accept applications on an ongoing basis at sixriversfund.ca and adjudicate twice a year:

- **Summer/Fall proposals, apply before May 15th**
- **Winter/Spring proposals, apply before October 15th**

Welcome **Val Deschambeault** to the Six Rivers Fund board of directors. Val is from Cumberland House and will represent the eastern region. Val joins the board of directors with a passion for northern Saskatchewan. Val brings many years of experience in community development. Asked why she applied to the board of directors, Val says, "we have the opportunity to sit at the table to represent our regions, to make decisions to help support the north." In recent years, Val has honed her community leadership and advocacy through roles as an elected official and community development coordinator. While she is on the board, Val would like to see more support for local land-based activities with a focus on culture - "it's becoming more important that the youth are engaged and feel connected to their traditions – I would like to see this happen more in the eastern region."

2021 Highlighted Project The Wapaw Square Dancers



Square dancing is a traditional practice for entertainment, but it also connects Indigenous peoples to culture and identity. During a square dance, four couples face each other and dance in a square formation. The couples work together to follow the dance caller's direction, and for the youth of Pelican Narrows, the opportunity to square dance in style thanks to the support from the Six Rivers Fund. The Wapaw Square Dancers received monies to purchase full dance apparel for the boys and partial outfits for the girls for the 3 division groups from grades 5 to 12. These youth felt "proud to wear their square dancing outfits and show off their dancing steps in style" said Clorise Merasty, Holistic Guidance Councillor at the Wapawikoscikan Community School. She also said that "it also helps builds confidence and character" for these young people. For the youth in Pelican Narrows, a lot of creativity, humor and musical knowledge goes into square dancing, the opportunity to explore their culture through music and dance, and in the process, have a lot of fun.