



**For Immediate Release**

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**The Village of Stirling receives support through the Canada Community Revitalization Fund (CCRF)  
for improvements to the Stirling Pool**

In November of 2021, the Village of Stirling was advised its application for CCRF funding had been successful and a federal investment of up to \$319,943 would be available for upgrades to the community's outdoor pool.

"We are grateful for the federal government's contribution through the Canada Community Revitalization Fund for roughly half of the costs of the required upgrades," said Trevor Lewington, Mayor of the Village of Stirling. "The pool is one of the most popular amenities for residents of all ages during the summer, so investments to extend its longevity are a welcome boost to our community."

The Canada Community Revitalization Fund (CCRF) is a two-year \$500 million national infrastructure program to support communities across the country with projects that revitalize downtown cores and main streets, reinvent outdoor spaces, create green infrastructure and address accessibility of community space. PrairiesCan is administering the CCRF in Alberta.

The Village will contribute the remaining fifty per cent and has also received \$5,000 in funding from Fortis Alberta through a green energy grant, as well as a donation from the Stirling Lion's Club of \$5,000 to be applied to the project.

The total project of over \$600,000 will enable improvements in energy efficiency of the pool with a new boiler system, LED lighting, solar water pre-heating as well as much needed improvements to the pool basin, plumbing and operating equipment. Work at the pool will be ongoing throughout the summer, with the main basin projects to be completed in September.

"Through the Canada Community Revitalization Fund, our government is making investments that transform public infrastructure into modern and inviting gathering places for residents and visitors of all ages and abilities," said the Honourable Daniel Vandal, Minister for PrairiesCan. "Our investment to renovate and upgrade the Stirling pool will help create an inclusive and accessible community recreational space where everyone can get together and enjoy the updated, inclusive facilities."

"Public recreation spaces across Alberta communities bring people together, attract visitors and help support countless small businesses," said the Honourable Randy Boissonnault, Minister of Tourism and Associate Minister of Finance. "Today's investment in the Stirling pool will help support recovery in the community by creating jobs and provide opportunities for residents and visitors to benefit from local businesses and attractions that are at the heart of the community."

The Stirling Pool is now open to the public for the summer season. Admission rates, program schedules and other information can be found on the Village website or at this link:

<http://stirling.ca/visit/facilities/swimming-pool>.



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**About Stirling:**

The Village of Stirling is one of three communities in Canada designated as a National Historic Site and the largest village in Alberta by population with 1,269 residents as of the 2019 municipal census. While Stirling is proud of its past, the community is also preparing for the future with high speed fibre optic broadband internet service connected to more than 85% of households as well as solar arrays on public buildings to offset municipal power consumption needs resulting in Canada's first electrically "net zero" Village. Visit [www.stirling.ca](http://www.stirling.ca) for more information.