

Regional Leadership and Partnership Award:

Saskatchewan communities are trend leaders in projects using innovation and enterprise. On May 13, the annual Saskatchewan Municipal Awards ceremony celebrated some of the best and brightest of these, including environmentally friendly improvements for recreational facilities; engaging youth; taking pride in preserving the past; employing municipal cooperation to create a joint sanitation system; and finding common interests in improving healthcare services through providing a residence for doctors and students.

Congratulations to the Towns of Rosthern, Hague, Duck Lake and Waldheim, the RMs of Duck Lake No. 463, Rosthern No. 403, and Laird No. 404, and the Villages of Hepburn and Laird who were awarded the Regional Leadership and Partnership Award.

The Regional Leadership and Partnership Award recognizes municipal practice that exemplifies efforts to consult and cooperate with other municipalities, non-governmental organizations, community groups, First Nations, other governments, and citizens for the purpose of delivering benefits to citizens.



These nine municipalities came together in response to a request from local physicians that the community invest in a living quarters for nursing, medical and lab technicians as well as students. They formed a partnership to renovate the historic Rosthern Post Office into a residence for medical professionals.

It was our pleasure to financially support this project through our Spirit Fund Program. Our program provided funding for community development projects within our region and focused on initiating community projects that built upon existing community assets in order to promote local advantage and focus on strategies that result in greater economic diversification throughout the Sagehill region.

Again, congratulations to each of the good folks who worked so hard to turn their dreams into reality. We all benefit.