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## Economic Development Trust Announces \$780,000 in Additional Funding for 2023 Applicants

**For Immediate Release: February 14, 2023 – SIX NATIONS –** The Six Nations of the Grand River Economic Development Trust (EDT) is pleased to announce an additional \$780,000 in funding available for community investment in 2023. This is surplus funding that was not previously allocated as part of the first 2023 call for EDT applications.

Applications will be released on <a href="www.sixnationsedt.ca">www.sixnationsedt.ca</a> on February 15, 2023. The final application deadline is March 16, 2023, at 4:00pm.

"The EDT is pleased to be in a position to offer a second call for 2023 applications and hopes to see eligible community organizations and groups take advantage of this additional round," said Alaina VanEvery, Chair of the Economic Development Trust. "Post-pandemic, it is imperative we strengthen our community in many ways; if your organization or group can fulfill community needs, please apply and allow these community dollars to help you facilitate growth within Six Nations."

Those who were successful in obtaining funding in the first call for 2023 applications are not eligible to re-apply. Applicants are encouraged to take advantage of the pre-screening process, which allows applications to be reviewed prior to the final deadline to ensure that all sections are completed, and all proper documentation is included to give applicants the greatest chance of success. The pre-screening is available until March 10, 2023, at 4:00pm. For any questions regarding application pre-screening, please reach out to trust@sndevcorp.ca.

Applicant presentations will take place via Zoom on March 27, 2023. All successful applicants will be notified on March 30, 2023.

Since 2016, the EDT has invested over \$16 million into the Six Nations community. The EDT funding is made possible through annual distributions of surplus profits from the Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation. For more information on the EDT, including application guidelines and past recipients, please visit <a href="www.sixnationsedt.ca">www.sixnationsedt.ca</a>.

### **About the Economic Development Trust**

The Economic Development Trust (EDT) is the mechanism in which surplus profits generated by Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation (SNGRDC) are invested into the Six Nations Community for the collective benefit of its members. This model of distribution was a direct result of the 2011 community engagement study "We Gather Our Voices". The EDT will continue to invest in the Six Nations Community in future years through yearly distributions made possible by SNGRDC. Economic Development Trustees include Alaina VanEvery (Chair), Hilary Visheau, Reva Bomberry, Myka Burning and Andrew Joseph. For more information visit <a href="https://www.sixnationsedt.ca">www.sixnationsedt.ca</a>.

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#### **About Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation:**

Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation (SNGRDC) manages the Six Nations' economic interests in 20 renewable energy projects and numerous economic development opportunities in and around the Six Nations territory. SNGRDC's current green energy portfolio is capable of producing over 1300 MW of renewable energy through its direct or indirect involvement in seven solar and 13 wind project(s). SNGRDC is located on the Six Nations Reserve and employs an average of 140 employees through Nation Enterprise or the administration of Economic Interests projects. For more information, please visit www.sndevcorp.ca

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