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***Economic Development Trust Announces
Second Round of Recipients for 2023
Funding***

For Immediate Release: April 6, 2023 – The Six Nations of the Grand River Economic Development Trust (EDT) are excited to announce the recipients for the second round of funding for 2023. In February, it was announced that an additional \$780,000 would be made available for community investment. This is surplus funding generated by the Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation (SNGRDC) that was not previously allocated as part of the first 2023 call for EDT applications.

Of the 12 applications that were received for this round of funding, eight were deemed complete and moved into the next phase. Following individual and group scoring, as well as shortlist presentations, the EDT approved four grassroots and four general applications for community investment. These eight organizations will receive a total of \$703,160.08 in funding. Any funds not used in this round of funding will be available for future EDT calls for applications.

The following projects have been approved for community investment in 2023:

General Recipients

- **Six Nations Housing** will receive \$432,934.00 for the Onondaga 2 Townhouse
- **Woodland Cultural Centre** will receive \$68,284.00 for “Our Journey Continues – Transportation Solutions for our Elders”
- **Six Nations Polytechnic** will receive \$96,525.00 for improvements to the gymnasium, security system, and cafeteria at their Brantford campus
- **Mohawk Village Memorial Park** will receive \$59,500.00 for a ten-space parking lot in the park

Grassroots Recipients

- **Indigenous Agricultural Knowledge Holder, of Mohawk Seedkeeper Gardens** will receive \$10,917.08 for their Haudenosaunee Homesteading Collectives project.
- **Niizh Manidook Hide Camp** will receive \$10,000.00 for their Six Nations 2023 Niizh

Manidook Hide Camp.

- **Haudenosaunee Grassroots Women** will receive \$15,000.00 for their “Kononkwehon:we Tsi Nilotiriho:tens – Haudenosaunee Women’s Matter” project
- The **Six Nations Skate Park** will receive \$10,000.00 for skate park upgrades.

Since 2016, the EDT has invested over \$17.3 million back into the Six Nations community. This funding is made possible through annual distributions of surplus profits by the SNGRDC. For more information on the EDT, including application guidelines and past recipients, please visit www.sixnationsedt.ca.

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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”. Following the launch of SNGRDC’s newly remodeled governance structure in March 2023, the mandate of the EDT has become a function of the new SNGRDC Board of Directors, which will continue to provide funding for community investment. For more information visit www.sixnationsedt.ca.

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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 projects. SNGRDC is located on the Six Nations Reserve and employs an average of 110 employees through Nation Enterprise or the administration of Economic Interests projects. For more information, please visit www.sndevcorp.ca.

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