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\$47,000 in Grassroots Funding Approved by Six Nations of the Grand River Economic Development Trust

Funding generated by Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation to support five community-based initiatives

Ohsweken, ON, October 20, 2025 – The Six Nations of the Grand River Economic Development Trust (EDT) has approved \$47,058.00 in community investment to support the work of five local volunteer organizations and initiatives on Six Nations throughout 2025. The following applicants were approved for funding at a meeting of the Six Nations of the Grand River Development Corporation (SNGRDC)'s Economic Development Trust Committee on October 1, 2025.

- **Project Skate** will receive \$3,098 to upgrade the lighting at the Six Nations Skate Park.
- **Tewateweyenhstha** will receive \$5,800 for their 'Revitalizing Mohawk Language' program.
- The **Haudenosaunee Sports Development Group** will receive \$10,650 to host their '*Dedwaye:na* Let's Work Together, Help Each Other' gathering for the Six Nations cultural sports community.
- The **Six Nations Agricultural Society** will receive \$12,510 for Kid's Day at the 2025 Six Nations Fall Fair.
- **Kawenní:io/Gawení:yo School** will receive \$15,000 to purchase a heat press and embroidery machine to support apparel sales for fundraising.

"We're proud to support these organizations in their important work to strengthen the Six Nations community," said Rachel Martin, Chair of the SNGRDC Board of Directors. "Giving back has always been central to SNGRDC's mission, and it's rewarding to mark our tenth year in business by bringing our total EDT contributions to more than \$25 million."

The EDT is funded by the surplus profits of SNGRDC's business operations, including

investments in renewable energy infrastructure. Applicants must demonstrate a financial need and showcase how their project aligns with the <u>Six Nations Community</u> Plan.

This will be the final round of funding for the EDT for 2025. To stay updated on future calls for applications in 2026, please follow the EDT's <u>Facebook page</u>. To learn more about the EDT and to view past funding recipients, please visit <u>www.sixnationsedt.ca</u>.

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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 remodeled governance structure in March 2023, the mandate of the EDT has become a function of the SNGRDC Board of Directors, which will continue to provide funding for community investment. For more information, please 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 28 energy projects and numerous economic development opportunities in and around the Six Nations territory. SNGRDC's current energy portfolio boasts 2.5 GW of capacity through its direct or indirect involvement in five battery storage, seven solar, and 14 wind project(s). SNGRDC is located on the Six Nations Reserve and employs an average of 100 employees through Nation Enterprise or the administration of Economic Interests projects. For more information, please visit www.sndevcorp.ca.

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