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Alberta Culture and Tourism Community Grants 212, 17205-106A Avenue Edmonton, AB T5W 1M7

## Re: Community Initiatives Program Application for Strathcona County Heritage Foundation

Strathcona County is pleased to provide a letter of support for the Strathcona County Heritage Foundation's Community Initiatives application for funding assistance for their information technology upgrades. The Board of Directors, staff and volunteers are excellent partners in service delivery to close to 100,000 residents.

The Strathcona County Heritage Foundation has played a very important part in maintaining a record of the history of Strathcona County for over 20 years that delivers excellent museum and archival programs and services as well as housing significant historical artifacts in the community. In order to continue to operate and offer tours, events, programs and services, there is a pressing need for the staff and volunteers to perform their duties using current and compatible technology as their efforts are hindered due to computers and software nearing the end of their functional life span. These upgrades will ensure all historical records and information is secure and available to community stakeholders.

We look forward to continuing our work with the Strathcona County Heritage Foundation as they are passionate about preserving and sharing this municipality's heritage and history.

Sincerely,

Rod Frank MAYOR

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Starr Hanson, Manager/Curator, Strathcona County Heritage Foundation Museum
Chris Munn, Cultural Development Liaison, Strathcona County