

# 9 Funded Recipients Receive \$304,560

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The government is investing a total of \$3.1 million in 85 projects by municipalities and non-profit organizations. The funding will help create

new facilities or upgrade existing ones. Locally 9 groups received \$304,560 from The Community Facilities Improvement Program and The Recreation Facility

Development Grant program.

The Community Facilities Improvement Program is funding repairs and upgrades at 41 community centres, meeting halls and other gathering spaces, helping ensure their long-term sustainability. Locally five grants totalling \$87,560 was awarded to: E.H. Horne School Preservation Society, Enfield \$15,490.00; Enfield, Elmsdale & District Lions Club \$11,700.00; Five Islands and District Fire Brigade \$24,270.00; Joggins Improvement Committee \$10,000.00 and Parrsborough Shore Historical Society \$26,100.00

The Recreation Facility Development Grant program is funding 26 projects to upgrade recreation centres, pools, parks, athletic fields and other spaces that encourage participation in sport and physical activity. Locally \$217,000 was received by: Truro Golf Club \$50,000.00; Middle Stewiacke Recreation Association \$22,000.00; Truro Centurions Swim Club \$45,000.00 and Town of Amherst \$100,000.00.

One of this year's projects is helping a community rebuild: the West Dalhousie Wildfire Resiliency Park is an inclusive playground the West Dalhousie Community

Hall Association is building in an area affected by last year's wildfires in Annapolis County.

"Great communities are built around places where people can gather, get active and get involved," said Dave Ritcey, Minister of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage. "With this investment, we're making sure more Nova Scotians have access to safe, welcoming spaces where the whole community can thrive."

The funding flows through three grant programs designed to address different community needs: The Community Facilities Improvement Program is funding repairs and upgrades at 41 community centres, meeting halls and other gathering spaces, helping ensure their long-term sustainability. The Rink Revitalization Fund is supporting infrastructure, accessibility and energy efficiency upgrades at 18 community rinks and arenas - keeping facilities safe, welcoming and affordable. The Recreation Facility Development Grant Program is funding 26 projects to upgrade recreation centres, pools, parks, athletic fields and other spaces that encourage participation in sport and physical activity.

More information on the programs and lists of the organizations receiving funding are available at:

Community Facilities Improvement Program: <https://cch.nova Scotia.ca/investing-in-our>



future/community-facilities-improvement-program

tia.ca/recreation-facility-development-grant

Rink Revitalization Fund and Recreation Facility Development Grant: <https://cch.nova Scotia.ca>

The next application period for the three programs will open in December.

## CEC 1985/86 School Reunion



Jackie Norrie, as seen on Facebook, in front of the host hotel Inn On Prince, inviting 1985 and 1986 graduates of CEC to the July 25th reunion. Registration is open by using the link to the Google form on their Facebook group (easily found via search on your Facebook). The organizing group has booked a huge space for the two graduating classes, and music will be provided by Truro's own Jeff Douglas, fronting his 80s party band Height Requirement. For more information, email George MacLean at [georgemaclean@icloud.com](mailto:georgemaclean@icloud.com)

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