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Synergy supports Lloydminster Interval Home

Lloydminster, Sask. - The Lloydminster Interval Home Society's plans to increase affordable housing and shelter for women and children impacted by family violence and homelessness will help fill a major need in our community.

In past years, the LIHS has increasingly turned people away from its facilities due to inadequate space. The \$9 million project includes a new shelter complex to replace the existing facility, which is aging and inadequately sized. The second stage shelter will also be collocated within the projected three-story building. The current second stage facility will repurposed for affordable housing needs within the community.



In total the project will increase emergency shelter bed space to 34 beds, from 21 and second stage units would increase from five to 12. It's a much-needed increase considering in the 2015-2016 fiscal year, LIHS provided services to 159 women and 242 children, as well as answered 1,332 calls for crisis support and requests for admissions.

The goal is to have the project completed in three years.

At LIHS's recent annual general meeting, Synergy and Concentra partnered to donate a combined \$20,000. Concentra's contribution is part of their 2017 Empowering Your Community program which awarded funding to 17 groups across the country. Synergy then matched the funds to assist with this much-needed organization's expansion efforts.

"Projects like these are so vital to the people who live in our communities," said Synergy CEO Glenn Stang. "We couldn't be more proud to get behind an initiative that helps so many who are truly in need."

About Synergy Credit Union

Synergy Credit Union is a member-owned financial institution serving more than 27,000 members from 10 communities within west-central Saskatchewan. Synergy Credit Union is the fourth largest credit union in the province of Saskatchewan and is one of the leading credit unions in Canada, with more than \$1 billion in assets. Synergy Credit Union provides core banking services through the traditional branch network, the Canada-wide AccuLink ATM network, online banking, automated telephone banking, mobile web banking, as well as through the Member Contact Centre and by SMS texting. More complex and advanced services, such as financial advice and analysis, are delivered by specialists who may be located in select branches or available to meet in a location of the member's choice, by request.