

## **in motion Community Pledge Challenge Proposal Leader, Saskatchewan**

### All About Leader

Leader, Saskatchewan is located 60 miles north of Maple Creek and 100 miles west of Swift Current and is a community of approximately 950 people. It's an oasis of individuality and a gateway to the unexpected. Leader is the centre of the retail area for this district and is known for its good weather and plenty of sunshine. In fact, it's been said that Leader is one of the sunniest places in North America with over 2000 hours of sunshine throughout the year.

Leader is a community of contrasts – the prairie landscape is broken by the rolling hills to the south and the South Saskatchewan River valley to the north. Only 20 miles away to the southeast of Leader, you will find the dry desert landscapes of the Great Sandhills. These sandhills encompass approximately 1900 square kilometers and are one of the largest sand areas in the country. Just to the west of Leader you'll find beautiful prairie landscapes of farm and ranch land – all of which supports a better part of Leader's livelihood.

Several years ago, our local tourism committee began a project to build sculptures throughout the community as a tourist attraction. To date, they have purchased nine sculptures which are situated throughout our community. These sculptures were created to represent animals/species that are at risk or are native to our region. The sculptures are unique and only found in this community. As part of the sculpture project, a walking trail was created to link the sculptures. The trail creates a great way to view the sculptures and also observe the community while you walk/drive.

Leader is an active community where the community members enjoy recreation, culture and the beautiful parks and green space we have in our community. We support an arena, a curling rink, a community hall, a ball park, and most recently, a beautiful new swimming pool.

In the fall of 2009, our community realized the need for a new swimming pool. The old pool had reached the end of its life (built in the early 1960's) and needed to be replaced. The residents of Leader and area are committed to this community so public meetings were held in the community to discuss the idea of building a new pool. The first meeting was held in November 2009 and by September 2010, we were tearing out the old pool and beginning the construction of the new Leader Swimming Pool.

The pool is a junior Olympic-sized pool and was completed in August, 2011 (not even two years after we started talking about a new pool). That is an amazing accomplishment! The cost of the pool, which included a racer slide and spray umbrella, is \$766,000 (including the landscaping, etc). To date, we have collected approximately \$644,000 and only have approximately \$122,000 to raise. I believe this displays just how committed our residents are to this community and its needs.

We are a community that appreciates recreational facilities and spaces and we do our best to get what is needed in/for our community. What is amazing is that the whole swimming pool project was implemented through a volunteer committee that reported to Town Council. This volunteer committee prepared and executed a fund raising plan, monitored the whole project and took the lead in fulfilling a dream facility for our community. We are so blessed to have residents that work so hard to make recreation an active and vital part of our community!

Leader is a “Communities in Bloom” champion and the community pays tribute to community pride with attractive, well kept parks and green spaces. We value that parks and green space are very important to attracting visitors and tourists to our community but that they are beneficial in implementing recreational activities and special event planning in/for our community.

This past summer, much of the park area, which is located on the north side of the swimming pool, was destroyed through construction of the new swimming pool. This is a space that, for many years, was available to the community to accommodate youth football games, frisbee games, community barbecues, special event activities, and much, much more. We need our park back again.

### Our Proposal

Our proposal for the “in motion” Challenge is to resurrect the park space that once was and make it a green space that: supports physical activity for all ages (like Ultimate Frisbee, football, volleyball, etc), advocates the community’s goal to sustain our parks and green space and one that promotes and supports community usage (special events like Wild West Daze and Canada Day, community barbecues, “Movies in the Park”, summer parks program, etc).

### The Plan

Our plan to accomplish these goals will begin by:

- 1) providing an irrigation system that maintains constant water pressure and coverage as well as eliminating water waste. We plan to install a system that is regulated with a timer so the park is watered at a time when it is not in use (between midnight & 3:00 am);
- 2) installing sod in the areas where the grass has been destroyed by the construction of the new swimming pool;

- 3) constructing a beach volleyball court 60 ft long by 30 ft wide;
- 4) installing two (2) poles that accommodate tether balls;
- 5) installing three (3) Rockin’ Riders, a Teeter-Totter and one (1) Bouncing Teeter in the playground area.

Since we have a community that supports volunteerism, we hope to complete the above jobs with some use of local volunteers and volunteer organizations from this community.

### What Will Be Accomplished by Rebuilding our Park?

In the 60’s, people weren’t overweight like they are now. Why? Because in the 60’s, we were more active. There were more “family” events and activities initiated where “family” activities are few now. Both parents are working and when they get home at night, they just want to stay home and rest. We need to find ways to get parents and their children off the couch and into the parks and recreation facilities and spaces. We want to make our park a space where not only children/youth become more active, but the whole family becomes active. The work begins with the parents. If we can help them become more active, their children will be active too.

We remember the days when a community football game would take place in the park. Kids and adults of all ages would come together to play a friendly game of football. Or, we remember when families would come to the park for a picnic and play a friendly game of scrub or catch. Anyone who came to park was encouraged to get involved in the game no matter what their age was.

The ideas are endless for getting people/families involved. For example, our old park used to have a sand pit where volleyball was

played nightly by the children/youth/adults in the community. As part of our proposal, we want to make a beach volleyball court where again, members from the community (young & old) will come nightly to the park to play volleyball. Volleyball is such an avid sport in our community right now through the school system. We want to bring volleyball out of the school and into the park so it's a year round sport rather than something that is only played during September – November. With the volleyball court we can hold competitions during special events like Wild West Daze or on Canada Day. Ultimate Frisbee is a new game for children/youth that has taken off in our community. This is a game that could also be played in the park in a family environment.

If we want to encourage families to use the park, we need to have playground equipment/toys for all ages. Currently our playground has some swings, a few pieces of climbing equipment and a slide. These playground equipment/toys are not appropriate for smaller children ages 1-3 years of age and we are missing old fashioned equipment like a teeter-totter. If we win the \$10,000, this money will go towards the resurrection of the new beach volleyball court, it will help pay for new playground equipment/toys for children ages 1-3 (rockin' riders), two new teeter-totters, two tetherball units as well as the money will help pay for the replacement of some of the swings that have broken on the current equipment. We will also use the money to pay for some new sod and the new water irrigation system required to water the new rejuvenated park.

By giving our park a facelift, we know we will get people back in the park. As a municipality, we are committed to programming children/youth/family activities and the park will be a tool that helps us accomplish these programming goals.

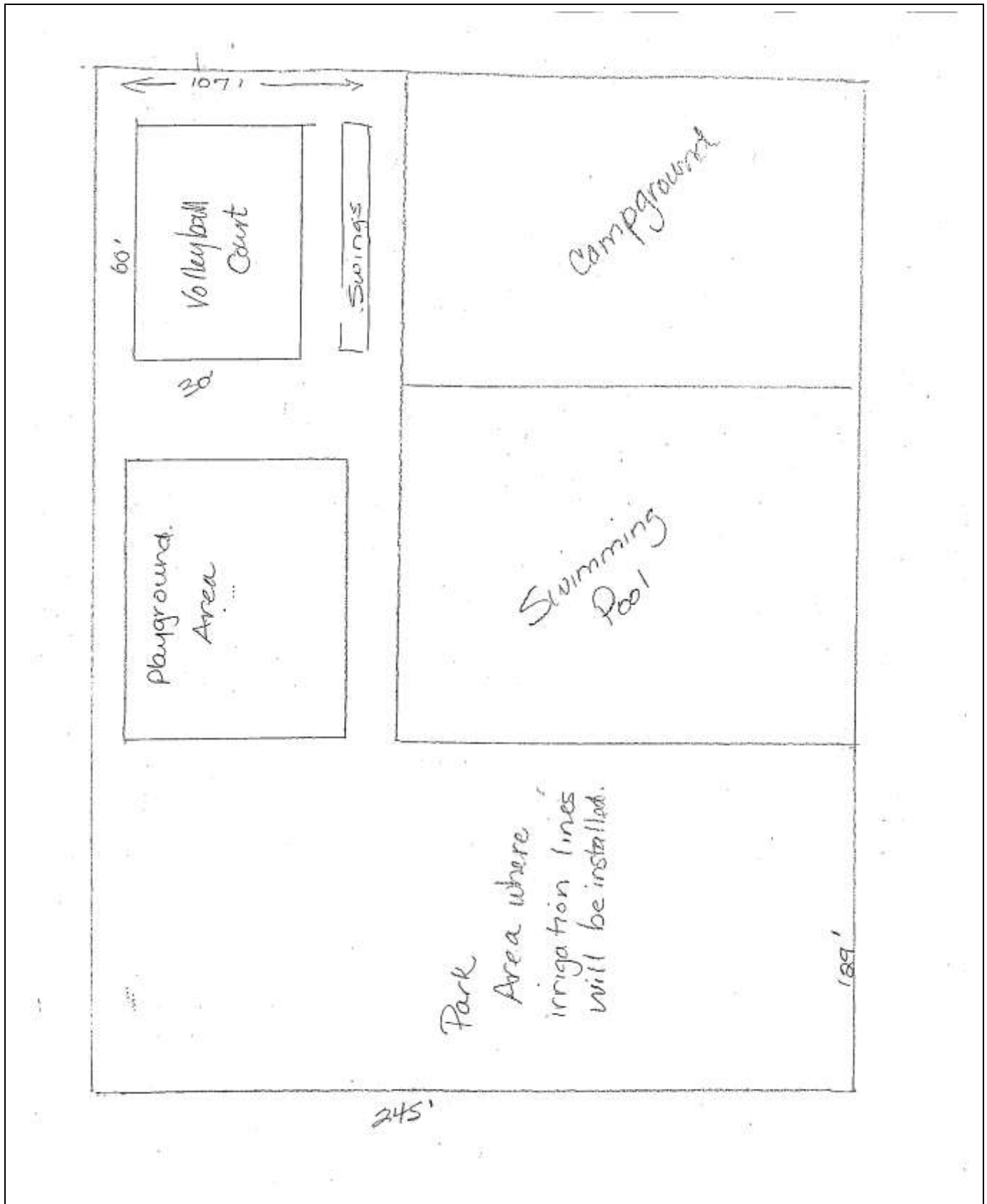
We think our community should be awarded the \$10,000 because we are dedicated to helping children/youth/families get fit. We have a community who has already displayed their dedication to recreation and recreational facilities and we will continue to make physical fitness a priority in our community. We will do this with our continued support of recreational facilities and spaces as well as the recreational programs that are offered year round through our recreation department.

Leader is a community that works together. Leader is a community that is dedicated to fitness and well-being. Leader is a community that supports recreation and is committed to maintaining our recreational facilities and spaces. We can accomplish these objectives if you provide us with the \$10,000 that will help to fund this project!

Thank you Saskatchewan "in motion" !!!

The Town of Leader

### PARK DESIGN



### IRRIGATION SYSTEM COSTS

CONSOLIDATED TURF EQUIPMENT		QUOTE						
214050								
SOLD: CONTRACTOR CASH SALE(SASK.)		SHIP: CONTRACTOR CASH SALE(SASK.)						
jfo@gg@cte.ca								
VIA: PICKUP		TERMS: ** CASH/COD **		11/18/11				
P.O.:		INVOICE COPY MUST ACCOMPANY RETURNS						
		QTY	UNIT	QTY	UNIT	PRICE	TOTAL	
1	RB VR-870	STANDARD 12" VALVE BOX W/LID	10	2	0	53.43	53.43	
2	RB VB JMS	JUMBO 12" VALVE BOX W/LID	10	1	0	80.78	80.78	
3	DU 220-010	1" SwivelX1" MiptX1"SwivelX1"	10	4	0	12.79	127.90	
4	DU 301-010	1" Swivel X 1" Hipt X 1"Swivl	10	1	0	9.62	96.20	
5	DU 306-009	1" Mipt X 1"Swivel EL	10	2	0	8.22	82.20	
6	DU 306-010	1" SWIVEL X 1" SWIVEL EL	10	1	0	9.05	90.50	
7	DU 8103	1" X 1" for Plastic Threads -y	10	14	0	1.24	12.40	
8	RR 1900V	1" ELECTRIC VALVE DV F X F	10	12	0	12.99	129.90	
9	LA 1436-121	1 x 3/4 Mxl ADAPTER	10	1	0	2.09	20.90	
10	VA 87-75	3/4" SEDIMENT PACKET	10	1	0	12.11	121.10	
11	PT 010-PRME/100	1" X 100' PRIME 75PSI POLYPIPE	10	12	0	41.00	410.00	
12	PT 015-PRME/100	1 1/2" X 100' PRIME 75PSI POLY	10	4	0	96.00	960.00	
13	RB 5004FC	4" 5000 PART CIRCLE	10	22	0	17.51	175.10	
14	RD 5004FC	4" 5000 FULL CIRCLE ONLY	10	11	0	17.51	175.10	
15	RD 1804	4" POP-UP SPRAYHEAD BODY	10	34	0	3.64	36.40	
16	TR PRM-A	Female, Adjustable 45-270	10	34	0	16.14	161.40	
17	LA 1402-111	1 x 1 x 3/4 INXFP COMBO TEE	10	18	0	2.75	27.50	
18	LA 1401-010	1 INSERT TEE	10	15	0	2.19	21.90	
19	LA 1406-010	1 INSERT 90°	10	6	0	1.92	19.20	
20	LA 1402-130	1 x 1 x 1/2 INXFP COMBO TEE	10	10	0	2.78	27.80	
21	LA 1407-131	1 x 3/4 INX COMBO 90°	10	13	0	2.01	20.10	
22	LA 1407-130	1 x 1/2 INX COMBO 90°	10	8	0	1.74	17.40	
23	RB SA127575	3/4" X 1/4" X 12" SWING ASSY	10	11	33	0	3.60	36.00
24	RB SA6050	1/2" X 1/2" X 6" SWING ASSY	10	34	34	0	1.98	19.80
25	OT 146R	1" OTR CLMP 1 EAR CSA 75	10	200	0	0.34	3.40	
26	NR 3161R	3M 3161R CONNECTORS (BULK)	10	24	0	1.30	12.60	
27	RB ESP4M	45IN OUTDOOR MODULAR CONTROL	10	1	0	120.00	120.00	
28	RB ESP SM-3	ESP SM-3 MODULAR 3 STATION	10	3	0	63.44	63.44	
29	WR 18/6 LVT FT	18G 6 STRAND PER FOOT	10	150	0	0.9042	13.56	
30	RB DIGTAIL	6" APPLIANCE DIGTAIL	10	1	0	11.85	11.85	
31	LA 1436-010	1 INX ADAPTER	10	12	0	0.91	9.10	
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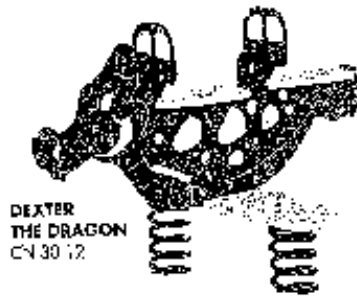
## PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT



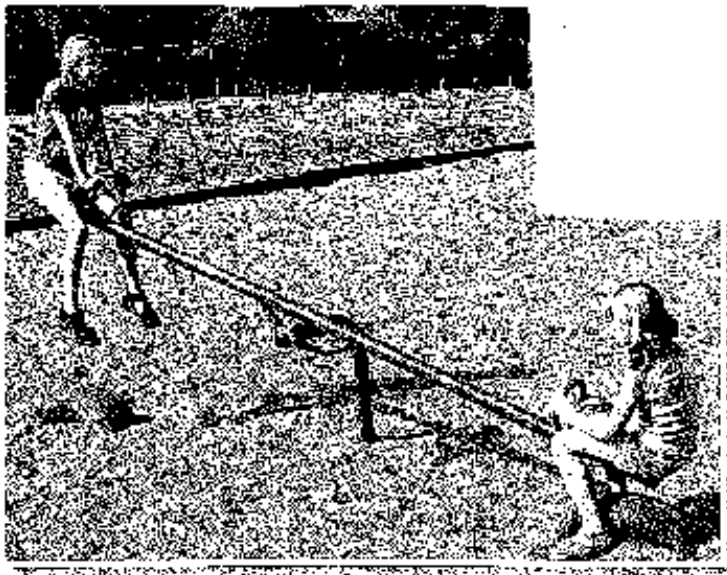
TURTLE  
CN-30-26



BOUNCING TEETER CN-50



DEXTER  
THE DRAGON  
CN-30-12



TEETER-TOTTER CN-49



FAWN  
CN-30-183

BUDGET

EXPENSES	
Irrigation material costs	\$2,635.00
New playground equipment	5,500.00
Freight costs	300.00
Sand – 80 yds @\$4	320.00
Hauling costs	100.00
Lumber	500.00
Volleyball net and equipment	500.00
Irrigation instalation	500.00*
Sod (14,700 sq <a href="#">ft@\$.37</a> delivered)	5,439.00
Topsoil (40 yds @\$10/yd delivered)	400.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$16,194.00</b>

\*Irrigation instalation – this is a cost association with hiring a person to assist with the instalation of the irrigation lines. Most of the work will be completed with volunteers but the irrigation instalation requires that we have someone who knows what needs to be done so this person would be paid.