

Where COMMERCE anc COMMUNITY meet

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March 31, 2018

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Western Economic Diversification Canada de l'Ouest Canada

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OUR SHAREHOLDERS...

TOWN OF BLACK DIAMOND TOWN OF HIGH RIVER M.D. OF FOOTHILLS M.D. OF WILLOW CREEK TOWN OF NANTON TOWN OF OKOTOKS TOWN OF TURNER VALLEY TOWN OF TURNER VALLEY



To support and assist entrepreneurs with business solutions and invest in community economic growth.

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Growing communities one idea at a time.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

| Key Areas of Emphasis | GOAL | What CFH needs to do or achieve in the next 3 years (potential strategies) | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Financial / Business Services | Increase Community Futures Highwood's (CFH) Loan Portfolio to stimulate business diversity and entrepreneurship in our | Lend to capacity Provide advisory services and training to support a sustainable healthy business community | | |
| | CFH has successfully developed partnerships throughout all its member communities | Annually, increase the number of loan accounts outstanding - net Work with municipal jurisdictions to grow business capacity and diversity | | |
| | | Strong Risk Management practises to protect assets in this economic uncertainty | | |
| | | Work with CFNA Board to source additional loan dollars and loan fund models | | |
| | | Increase competitiveness of client businesses in region | | |
| Economic | Provide shareholder communities and their community organizations with supportive economic | Support individual community economic development projects | | |
| Development | | Promote municipal partnerships on major projects | | |
| | development programs | Be recognized as a facilitator and contributor to the region provide advice and guidance, as appropriate, to regional programs | | |
| | CFH will successfully develop partnerships throughout all its member communities | Utilize CED and project development opportunities to promote business services | | |
| Promotion | Implement a timely, effective and ongoing promotion designed to create awareness and | Maximize partnered relationships with bankers for business programs, training and loan activities | | |
| | | Utilize client testimonials in marketing programs | | |
| | understanding of CFH services | Promote targeted services to existing SMEs | | |
| | Communities are fully aware of the CFH services and programs | Collaborate and partner with the regions Chambers of Commerce, EDCs/EDOs, and business organizations. | | |
| | | Municipal Offices – displays, awareness, education, presentations promoting CF visibility | | |
| | | Work with schools to educate Youth on entrepreneurship Keep all levels of Government and their representatives updated on outcomes and success stories | | |
| Human | Ensure CFH is appropriately staffed, and with annual budgets for on-going training for all staff and board members | Source, train and retain qualified staff | | |
| Resources | | Reward personal initiatives by staff | | |
| | | Maintain an annual budget for board and staff development | | |
| | CFH will provide its shareholder | Maintain a strong Board orientation and skill development program | | |
| | communities with strong information to assist in appointing committed board members | Work with shareholders to fill vacancies on board including succession plans for replacements | | |
| | | Develop succession plan for General Manager's position | | |
| Viability | Ensure the long term financial viability of the organization | Expand partnership with the Town of Okotoks through the Foothills Business Incubator | | |
| | Seek enhanced and additional funding sources for CFH operations | Increase and diversify facilities to provide more creative responses to potential users | | |
| | | Explore additional Federal Government and potential Provincial Government service contracts | | |
| | | Maximize CFNA and Pan West best practices and support services and programs | | |
| | | Assess member communities for services provided - user pay optional services | | |
| | | Maximize client fees for out of pocket unbudgeted costs | | |





April 1993 – March 2018 (25 Years)

(Stats for the 7 years prior to 1993 unavailable)

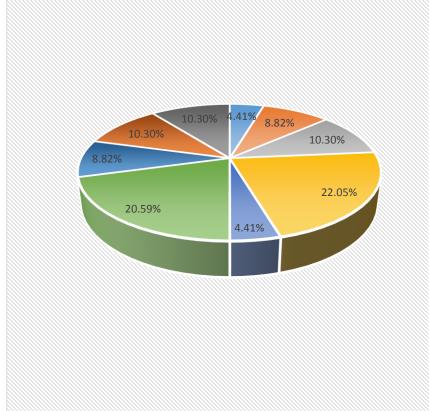
Results

| CATEGORY | Results | Avg. | Result | |
|--|------------------|-------------|------------------|--|
| General Operations | 25 years | Annually | 2017-18 | |
| # Volunteer Board Members | 470 | 19 | 23 | |
| # Board Member Volunteer Hours | 21,573 | 863 | 953 | |
| # Clients worked with | 8,392 | 336 | 346 | |
| # Additional Clients provided Basic Information Services | 14,258 | 570 | 535 | |
| Total \$ Economic Impact into the Region (Total of Items** below) | \$171,170,727 | \$6,846,829 | \$8,137,594 | |
| Total # Jobs Created through CF Services (Total of Items ^^ below) | 8,587 | 343 | 208 | |
| Community Economic Development | | | | |
| Government of Canada & other "Community Economic Development" Initiative Funds Sourced, Managed and Leveraged into the Community** | \$45,744,185 | \$1,829,767 | \$92,000 | |
| CED Projects Started/Delivered–Leadership; Planning; Partnered, etc. | 2,014 | 81 | 104 | |
| Business Development | | | | |
| # Business Loans Advanced | 697 | 28 | 15 | |
| \$ Value of all Loans Advanced** | \$24,567,049 | \$982,682 | \$879,176 | |
| \$ Average Value per Loan | \$35,247 | | \$58,612 | |
| \$ Leveraged by clients or others on top of CF Loan** | \$51,255,324 | \$2,050,213 | \$1,155,345 | |
| \$ Leveraged Value per Ioan | \$73,537 | | \$77,023 | |
| \$ Leverage per \$ Loaned out | \$2.1 – to - \$1 | | \$2.1 - to - \$1 | |
| # Jobs Created through Lending Services^^ | 3,983 | 159 | 30 | |
| # Businesses Assisted in Start-up or Expansion non-Loans clients | 1,519 | 61 | 65 | |
| \$ Leveraged by non-loan Business Clients opening a business** | \$49,604,169 | \$1,984,167 | \$6,011,073 | |
| # Business Clients attending CFH Training Workshops | 5,177 | 207 | 438 | |
| # Jobs Created by non-loan Business clients^^ | 4,604 | 184 | 178 | |
| # Business Advisory Services Provided | 5,979 | 239 | 376 | |
| Loan Write-Off data total and as a % of Portfolio | \$1,403,008 | 2.25% | 7.81% | |

For the 2017 18 operating year... the Community Futures Highwood Program returned to the tax payers of Canada, utilizing conservative tax rates for the jobs created / impacted, "over \$30 for every \$1" it received from the Government of Canada, under its funding contract



LOAN PORTFOLIO INDUSTRY MIX



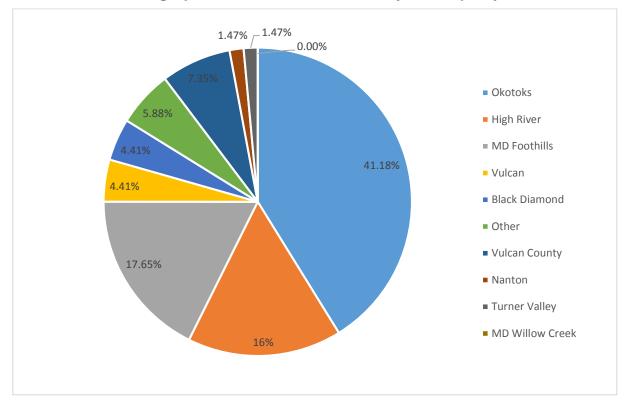
- Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting
- Construction
- Manufacturing
- Retail Trade
- Transportation & Warehousing
- Professional, Scientific & Technical Services
- Arts, Entertainment & Recreation
- Accommodation & Food Services
- Other Services (Including Services to Oil & Gas Extraction

| Retail Trade | 22.05% | 15 |
|---|---------|----|
| Professional, Scientific & Technical Services | 20.59% | 14 |
| Manufacturing | 10.30% | 7 |
| Accommodation & Food Services | 10.30% | 7 |
| Other Services (Including Services to Oil & Gas Extraction | 10.30% | 7 |
| Arts, Entertainment & Recreation | 8.82% | 6 |
| Construction | 8.82% | 6 |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting | 4.41% | 3 |
| Transportation & Warehousing | 4.41% | 3 |
| Mining | 0% | 0 |
| Wholesale Trade | 0% | 0 |
| Information & Cultural Industries | 0% | 0 |
| Real Estate & Rental & Leasing | 0% | 0 |
| Management of Companies & Enterprises | 0% | 0 |
| Administrative & Support, Waste Management and Remediation Services | 0% | 0 |
| Total | 100.00% | 68 |



LOAN PORTFOLIO SHAREHOLDER DISTRIBUTION

Geographic Distribution of Loans by Municipality



Shareholder % Share vs # Loans

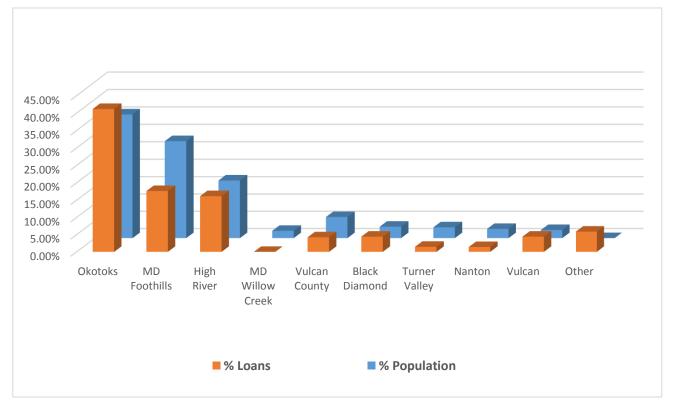
| Okotoks | 41.18% | 28 |
|-----------------|---------|----|
| MD Foothills | 17.65% | 12 |
| High River | 16.18% | 11 |
| Vulcan County | 7.35% | 5 |
| Other | 5.88% | 4 |
| Black Diamond | 4.41% | 3 |
| Vulcan | 4.41% | 3 |
| Nanton | 1.47% | 1 |
| Turner Valley | 1.47% | 1 |
| MD Willow Creek | 0.00% | 0 |
| | 100.00% | 68 |





LOAN PORTFOLIO SHAREHOLDER DISTRIBUTION

Geographic Distribution of Municipal Population compared to % of loans

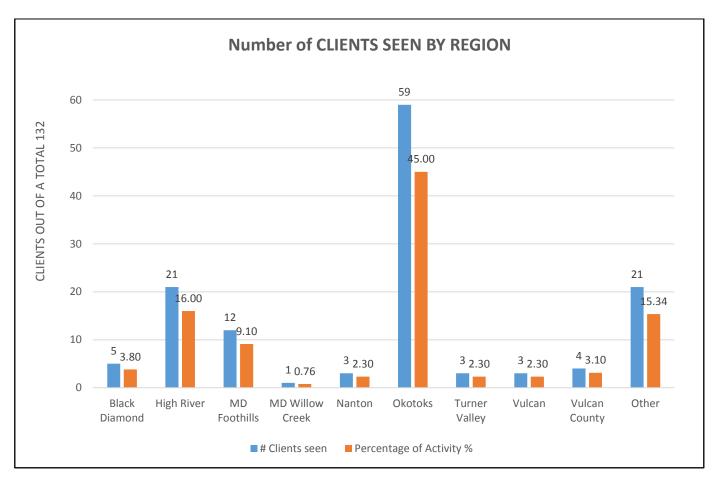


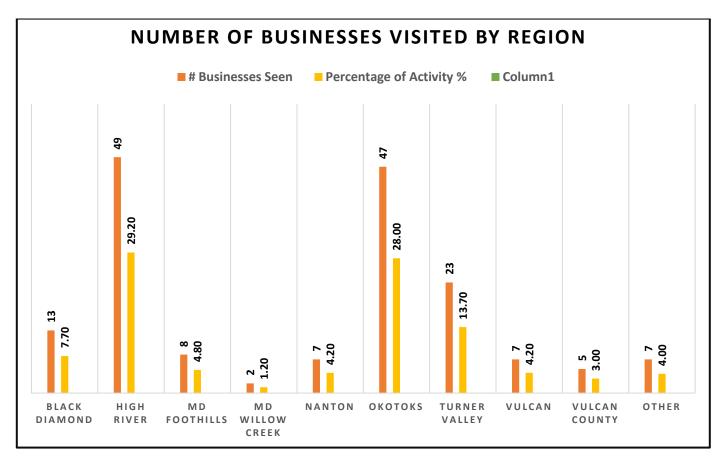
Total Shareholder Region Population 81,416

Shareholder Region % Population compared to the % loans

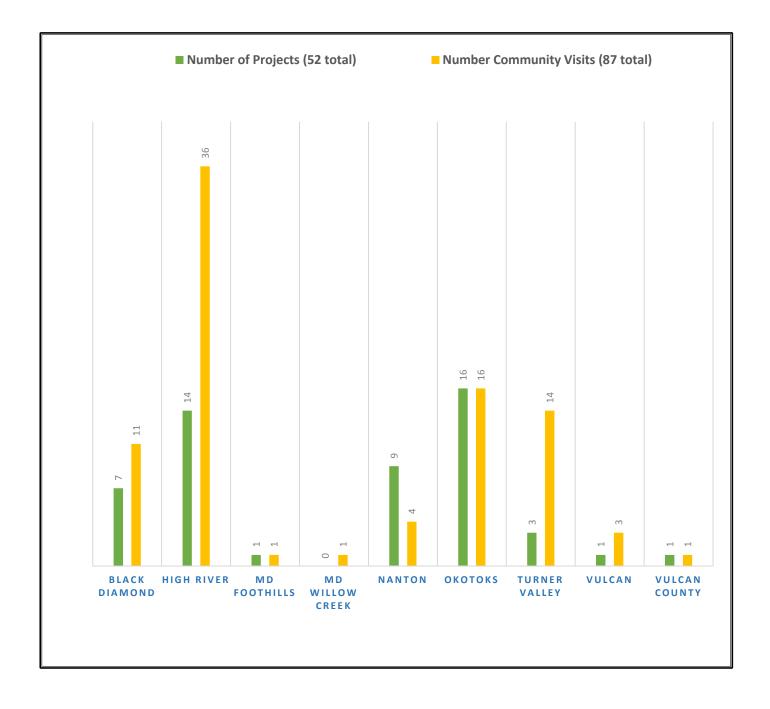
| Okotoks | 35.62% | 41.18% |
|--------------------------|---------|--------|
| MD Foothills | 27.96% | 17.65% |
| High River | 16.68% | 16.18% |
| MD Willow Creek | 2.12% | 0.00% |
| Vulcan County | 6.13% | 4.23% |
| Black Diamond | 3.32% | 4.41% |
| Turner Valley | 3.14% | 1.47% |
| Nanton | 2.68% | 1.47% |
| Vulcan | 2.35% | 4.41% |
| Other | 0.00% | 5.88% |
| | | |
| Total Population / Loans | 100.00% | 68 |

CLIENTS AND BUSINESSES SEEN





PROJECTS BY SHAREHOLDER REGIONS





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COMMUNITY FUTURES PROGRAM

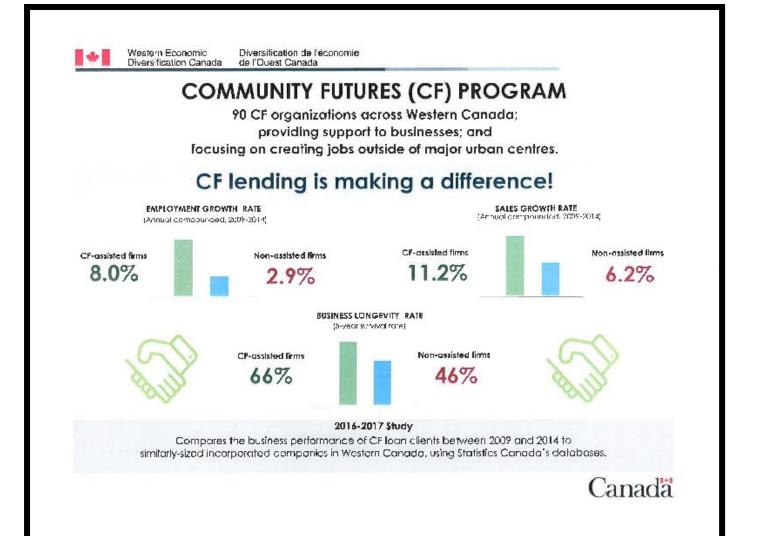
WESTERN ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION CANADA PERFORMANCE REPORT

ROUND SEVEN (2009 - 2014) RELEASED FEBRUARY 2018

THE REPORT IS A CONTINUATION OF A PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT STRATEGY THAT EVALUATES COMMUNITY FUTURES (CF) LOAN CLIENT SUCCESS BY COMPARING SEVERAL INDICATORS OF BUSINESS SUCCESS WITH THOSE RESULTS FROM COMPARABLE FIRMS.

• IN THE CATEGORY OF "EMPLOYMENT GROWTH"... CF ASSISTED BUSINESSES INCREASED THEIR NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES BY 8.02% ANNUALLY COMPARED TO A 2.89% GROWTH RATE IN NON- CF ASSISTED BUSINESSES.

- FOR SALES GROWTH... CF ASSISTED BUSINESSES EXHIBITED AN 11.24% COMPOUNDED ANNUAL SALES GROWTH RATE COMPARED TO A 6.17% GROWTH RATE FOR NON- CF ASSISTED BUSINESSES.
- ADDITONALLY... COMMUNITY FUTURES 'LOAN CLIENTS' WERE ABLE TO WITHSTAND INITIAL SHOCKS TO ECONOMIC ACTIVITY BETTER THAN THOSE OF BUSINESSES WITHOUT CF ASSISTANCE AND THEIR SALES GROWTH TENDS TO OUT-PERFORM SALES GROWTH FOR COMPARABLE BUSINESSES.
- IN THE AREA OF BUSINESS LONGEVITY... CF ASSISTED BUSINESSES EXHIBITED STRONGER FIRM LONGEVITY THAN THOSE BUSINESSES IN THE COMPARABLE GROUP, ESPECIALLY IN THE LONG RUN.
- THE REPORT'S "EXECUTIVE SUMMARY" ENDED WITH THIS QUOTE:
 - "OVERALL, THE DATA DEMONSTRATES COMMUNITY FUTURES ORGANIZATIONS' LENDING ACIVITY IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE"





(as at Apr 1 2018)

| NAME | | REPRESENTS | Date On Bd. (# Yrs. / Months Previous Service) | Total # Years of Service YTD | Term Expiry Date (Nov 30 th) |
|--|--------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|---|
| Veronica Kloiber (Council) | | Black Diamond | Nov 2017 | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2021 |
| Robert Cotton (at lar | ge) | Black Diamond | March 2018 | 0 yrs – 1 mos | 2021 |
| Carol MacMillan (Co | uncil) | High River | Nov 2017 | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2018 |
| Al Gillis (at large) IR | C Chair | High River | Nov 2010 (3/0) | 7 yrs – 5 mos | 2019 |
| Delilah Miller (Cound | cil) | M.D. Foothills | Apr 2016 | 1 yrs – 12 mos | 2018 |
| Wayne Schultz (at lan | ·ge) | M.D. Foothills | Feb 1, 2018 | 0 yrs – 2 mos | 2021 |
| Evan Berger (Counci | l) | M.D. Willow Creek | Nov 2017 (1/8) (2/11) | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2018 |
| Don McRae (at large) | | M.D. Willow Creek | Nov 2017 (18/11) | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2020 |
| John Dozeman (Council) | | Nanton | Nov 2017 | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2018 |
| Rick Everett (at large | Rick Everett (at large) | | Nov 2017 | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2020 |
| Florence Christopher | rs (Council) | Okotoks | Nov 2017 | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2018 |
| Amber Chapman (at large) Bd. Secretary | | Okotoks | Nov 2014 | 3 yrs – 5 mos | 2020 |
| Jonathan Gordon (Council) | | Turner Valley | Nov 2017 | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2018 |
| (at large) | | Turner Valley | | 0 yrs – 0 mos | 2020 |
| Michelle Roddy (Cou | Michelle Roddy (Council) | | Nov 2017 | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2018 |
| Gordon McPherson (| at large) <i>IRC Vice</i> | Vulcan | May 2015 (6/11) | 2 yrs – 11 mos | 2018 |
| Serena Donovan (Cou | ıncil) | Vulcan County | Nov 2017 | 0 yrs – 5 mos | 2018 |
| Jason Thornhill (at large) | | Vulcan County | Mar 2015 | 3 yrs – 1 mos | 2018 |
| | | | | | |
| STAFF | | | | | |
| John Lockhart | General Manager | | June 1993 (24 / 10) | | |
| Cory Kunz | Office Administrator | | | May 2016 (1 / 11) | |
| Ursula Sherwood | Business Analyst (p/t. BA 0/9) | | | May 2016 (2 / 8) | |
| | | Co-Ordinator (Admin 7/ 4) (p/t BA 1/11) | | April 2018 (9 / 3) | |
| Billie Charlton Adr | | ministrative Assistant | (P/T) | April 201 | 6 (2 / 0) |

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In basiness, what if

nobody asked what if?



Are you willing to ask "what if ??



2017-2018 AGM... 32 YEARS SAT. JULY 7, 2018 TOWN OF NANTON

6:00PM

RECEPTION

7:05PM

WELCOME

Evan Berger, Board Chair, MC Mayor Jennifer Handley, Town of Nanton

GRACE

7:20PM

DINNER

8:30PM

REMARKS

MEGAN BRETT, Catalyst LLP EVAN BERGER, Board Chair AL GILLIS, Board Loan Committee Chair

9:30pm VISIT WITH FRIENDS

Dinner Menu

WHITE AND RED WINES

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CASEAR SALAD

●●● DRIBEYE STEAK W/GARLIC TOAST AND BAKED POTATO.

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DESSERTS

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COFFEES ... TEA

SHAREHOLDERS

Town of Black Diamond Town of High River Town of Okotoks Town of Turner Valley Town of Nanton Town of Vulcan Vulcan County M. D. of Foothills M. D. of Willow Creek

FUNDERS

Government of Canada (Western Economic Diversification)

PARTNERS

Community Futures Network of Alberta Town of Okotoks Nattress Kuntz Chartered Accountants McFarlane Insurance Agencies MacLean West Law Office Regional Chambers of Commerce Economic Development Committees Bow Valley College McBride Career Group Business Link Servus Credit Union Business Development Bank of Canada

2018 SPECIAL GUESTS

Nanton Mayor, Jennifer Handley Nanton Councillor, Dave Mitchell Nanton Councillor, Beryl West Carmangay Deputy Mayor, JoAnne Juce Turner Valley Councillor. John Waring Okotoks Councillor, Ray Watrin Randall Nattress, Chartered Accountant Megan Brett, Senior Manager, Catalyst Brian West, McLean West Law Terrance Meyers, McLean West Law Bill & Karen McFarlane, McFarlane Agencies