



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
LETHBRIDGE + SOUTHWESTERN ALBERTA

Henry S. Varley Fund for Rural Life Grant Recipients, Spring 2021

Interfaith Food Bank Society of Lethbridge, \$28,000: To increase the capacity of the Fleet that Feeds - Rural Food Share Program. This program will coordinate with rural food banks and rural food security initiatives to recover more food and increase direct support to rural communities.

Napi Friendship Association – Piikani Food Bank, \$5,000: To develop a community garden program at the Piikani Food Bank.

Raymond & District Futures Society - Farm Safety Centre, \$20,000: To expand the Sustainable Farm Families - Rural Health and Wellness Initiative into more rural communities throughout rural Southwestern Alberta. This program focuses on the importance of individual health, well-being, and safety to a successful farm. It provides participants with three annual, in-depth physical & mental health assessments.

Schizophrenia Society of Alberta, \$10,000: To expand the Community Education Presentation Programming into rural Southwestern Alberta communities. This programming reduces stigma around mental illness, and provides better understanding of schizophrenia.

University of Lethbridge - Prentice Institute, \$15,000: To subsidize access to one-day courses designed for rural community leaders in Southwestern Alberta that will help to address challenges in local community capacity across private, public, Indigenous, and non-for-profit sectors.