FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Community Futures Network of Alberta

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Community Futures Network of Alberta - Operating Fund, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023, and the statement of operations and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at March 31, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the requirements set out in the Contribution Agreement between Prairies Economic Development Canada and Community Futures Network of Alberta, dated March 29, 2021 (the "Agreement").

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the organization in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

We draw attention to note 2 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared to assist the organization to meet the requirements of the Agreement. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of the matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the Agreement, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the organization's financial reporting process.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT, continued

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
 that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the organization's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the organization to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Lethbridge, Alberta September 6, 2023

Chartered Professional Accountants

COMMUNITY FUTURES NETWORK OF ALBERTA - OPERATING FUND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION As at March 31, 2023

| | Operating Fund | | PrairesCan Conditionally Repayable EDP Fund | | PrairiesCan Non-Repayable Canada Coal Transition Initiative Fund | | Regional Relief and Recovery Fund | Capital Growth Initiative Fund | 2023 Total | 2022 Total |
|--|--|----|--|------|--|------|--|---|---|---|
| | | | | 1 | ASSETS | | | | | |
| Current Cash Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses Due from CFLIP Fund (note 4) Interfund transfer (note 5) | \$ 43,868 41,225 321 77,727 181,229 | \$ | - 57,566 - - | \$ | - 121,477 - - - | \$ | 131,898 - - 6,684,384 - | \$ - - - - 152,024 | \$ 175,766 220,268 321 6,762,111 333,253 | \$ 293,002 187,252 4,071 2,703,392 144,501 |
| | 344,370 | | 57,566 | | 121,477 | | 6,816,282 | 152,024 | 7,491,719 | 3,332,218 |
| Loans receivable (note 6) | - | | | | - | | 81,547,238 | 2,837,594 | 84,384,832 | 85,535,188 |
| | \$ 344,370 | \$ | 57,566 | \$ | 121,477 | \$ | 88,363,520 | \$ 2,989,618 | \$ 91,876,551 | \$ 88,867,406 |
| | | | LIABILITIE | ES A | ND FUND BALA | ANCE | | | | |
| Current Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred revenue (note 7) Interfund transfer (note 5) | \$ 110,915 25,000 | \$ | - - 71,321 | \$ | - - 121,477 | \$ | - - 140,455 | \$ - 92,618 - | \$ 110,915 117,618 333,253 | \$ 70,646 230,875 144,501 |
| | 135,915 | | 71,321 | | 121,477 | | 140,455 | 92,618 | 561,786 | 446,022 |
| Conditionally repayable contributions (note 8) | - | | - | | - | | 9,627,538 | - | 9,627,538 | 9,627,538 |
| | 135,915 | | 71,321 | | 121,477 | | 9,767,993 | 92,618 | 10,189,324 | 10,073,560 |
| Fund balances Externally restricted Unrestricted | - 208,455 | | (13,755) | | - - | | 78,595,527 - | 2,897,000 | 81,478,772 208,455 | 78,595,009 198,837 |
| | 208,455 | | (13,755) | | - | | 78,595,527 | 2,897,000 | 81,687,227 | 78,793,846 |
| | \$ 344,370 | \$ | 57,566 | \$ | 121,477 | \$ | 88,363,520 | \$ 2,989,618 | \$ 91,876,551 | \$ 88,867,406 |
| Approved on behalf of the board | | | | | | | | | | |
| Director | | Di | irector | | | | | | | |

COMMUNITY FUTURES NETWORK OF ALBERTA - OPERATING FUND STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the year ended March 31, 2023

| | Operating Fund | PrairesCan Conditionally Repayable EDP Fund | PrairiesCan Non-Repayable Canada Coal Transition Initiative Fund | Regional Relief and Recovery Fund | Capital Growth Initiative Fund | 2023 Total | 2022 Total |
|---|-------------------|--|--|--|---|---------------------|---------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Revenue | | | | | | | |
| Prairies Economic Development Canada (schedule 1) | \$ 246,253 \$ | 165,373 | \$ 264,121 \$ | - \$ | 2,897,000 \$ | 3,572,747 \$ | 14,709,332 |
| Projects, conferences, and | φ 240,255 φ | 100,373 | φ 204,121 φ | - Ф | 2,091,000 \$ | 3,372,747 \$ | 14,709,332 |
| professional development income | 260,786 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 260,786 | 118,226 |
| Interest transferred from CFLIP | 92.528 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 92.528 | - |
| Administration income | 46,589 | _ | _ | _ | 10,381 | 56,970 | 108,944 |
| Other income | - | - | _ | _ | - | - | 3,000 |
| RRRF operating expense recovery | - | - | - | - | - | - | 109,154 |
| | | | | | | | - |
| | 646,156 | 165,373 | 264,121 | - | 2,907,381 | 3,983,031 | 15,048,656 |
| Expenses | | | | | | | |
| Special projects | 151,399 | 56,785 | 30,324 | | | 238,508 | 133,801 |
| Salaries and benefits | 228,924 | 30,763 | 30,324 | - | - | 228,924 | 264,706 |
| Training | 23,106 | - | 185,098 | - | - | 208,204 | 161,209 |
| Project management fee | 23,100 | 56,000 | 33,150 | _ | 10,382 | 99,532 | 90,550 |
| Travel - board and office | 66,026 | 444 | 5,621 | | 10,002 | 72,091 | 8,261 |
| Conference expenses | 59,581 | - | - 0,021 | _ | _ | 59,581 | 25,447 |
| Self-management | - | 42,064 | _ | _ | _ | 42,064 | 55,307 |
| RRRF website development | 34,154 | | _ | _ | _ | 34,154 | 83,814 |
| Telephone, fax and internet | 29,825 | _ | _ | | _ | 29,825 | 9,580 |
| Marketing | 9,504 | 14,145 | _ | _ | _ | 23,649 | 30,593 |
| Professional fees | 18,876 | - | _ | _ | _ | 18.876 | 7,233 |
| Office | 10,955 | | | | _ | 10,955 | 5,417 |
| GST expense | 7,121 | 2,133 | 1,348 | | _ | 10,602 | 7,414 |
| Overhead | 7,121 | 6,000 | 1,040 | _ | _ | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| Insurance | 4,636 | 0,000 | _ | | | 4,636 | 2,177 |
| Interest and bank charges | 2,049 | | - | | _ | 2,049 | 1,544 |
| RRRF operating | 2,049 | | - | | _ | 2,043 | 10,046 |
| Alberta Community and Co-operative | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 10,040 |
| Association | - | - | - | - | - | - | 750 |
| | 646,156 | 177,571 | 255,541 | | 10,382 | 1,089,650 | 903,849 |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenue over | 040,100 | 111,511 | 200,041 | - | 10,002 | 1,000,000 | 505,049 |
| expenses | \$ - \$ | (12,198) | \$ 8,580 \$ | - \$ | 2,896,999 \$ | 2,893,381 \$ | 14,144,807 |

COMMUNITY FUTURES NETWORK OF ALBERTA - OPERATING FUND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES For the year ended March 31, 2023

| | Operating Fund | PrairesCan Conditionally Repayable EDP Fund | PrairiesCan Non-Repayable Canada Coal Transition Initiative Fund | yable Regional (Coal Relief and G sition Recovery In | | Capital Growth Initiative Fund | | 2023 Total | 2022 Total | |
|--|-------------------|--|--|---|------------|---|-----------|---------------|---------------|------------------|
| Balance, beginning of year | \$ 198,837 \$ | (1,557) | \$ 1,039 | \$ | 78,595,527 | \$ | - | \$ | 78,793,846 | \$ 64,649,039 |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses | - | (12,198) | 8,579 | | - | | 2,897,000 | | 2,893,381 | 14,144,807 |
| Interfund transfer | 9,618 | - | (9,618) | | - | | - | | - | |
| Balance, end of year | \$ 208,455 \$ | (13,755) | \$ - | \$ | 78,595,527 | \$ | 2,897,000 | \$ | 81,687,227 | \$ 78,793,846 |



COMMUNITY FUTURES NETWORK OF ALBERTA - OPERATING FUND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS For the year ended March 31, 2023

| | | Operating Fund | PrairesCan Conditionally Repayable EDP Fund | | PrairiesCan Non-Repayable Canada Coal Transition Initiative Fund | Regional Relief and Recovery Fund | Capital Growth Initiative Fund | 2023 Total | 2022 Total |
|---|----|---------------------------------|--|---------|--|--|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses | \$ | - | \$ (12,198) | \$ | 8,580 | \$ - | \$ 2,896,999 | \$ 2,893,381 | \$ 14,144,807 |
| Net change in non-cash working capital iten Accounts receivable Due from CFLIP Fund Prepaid expenses | ns | (31,140) (77,727) 3,750 | (8,171) - - | | 6,294 - | - (3,980,992) - | - - - | (33,017) (4,058,719) 3,750 | 237,445 (2,487,505) (4,070) |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Deferred revenue Interfund transfers | | 89,048 (205,875) (27,110) | (6,418) - 26,787 | | (42,361) - 27,487 | - - 124,860 | - 92,619 (152,024) | 40,269 (113,256) - | 4,222 (20,458) - |
| | | (249,054) | - | | | (3,856,132) | 2,837,594 | (1,267,592) | 11,874,441 |
| Cash flows from financing activities Conditionally repayable contributions Contributions repaid | | - - | - | <u></u> |)\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ | - - | - | - - | 1,000,000 (10,754,463) |
| | | - | - | | - | - | - | - | (9,754,463) |
| Cash flows from lending activities Loan advances Loan repayments | | - | - - | | <u>-</u> | - 3,987,950 | (2,897,000) 59,406 | (2,897,000) 4,047,356 | (8,732,824) 2,487,505 |
| | | _ | _ | | _ | 3,987,950 | (2,837,594) | 1,150,356 | (6,245,319) |
| Increase (decrease) in cash | | (249,054) | - | | - | 131,818 | - | (117,236) | (4,125,341) |
| Cash, beginning of year | | 292,922 | - | | - | 80 | - | 293,002 | 4,418,343 |
| Cash, end of year | \$ | 43,868 | \$ - | \$ | | \$ 131,898 | \$ | \$ 175,766 | \$ 293,002 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended March 31, 2023

1. Nature of operations

Originally formed under the Societies Act of Alberta as Community Futures Network Society of Alberta on September 27, 1996, the organization provided membership services to Alberta Community Futures Development Corporations (CFDCs). Then, at the request of the membership, Community Futures Lending and Investment Pool of Alberta was formed under Part 9 of the Alberta Corporations Act. Each share issued was accompanied by a Community Futures Lending and Investment Pool - Cash Pooling Agreement signed between the corporation and each shareholder.

On March 31, 2006, the Society was dissolved and assets transferred to Community Futures Lending and Investment Pool of Alberta. Effective April 1, 2006, Community Futures Lending and Investment Pool of Alberta formally changed its name to Community Futures Network of Alberta (CFNA).

The purpose of the organization (Community Futures Network of Alberta) is to support the functioning of the Community Futures (CF) program in Alberta and to provide membership services to the 27 Alberta CFDCs. As well, the organization provides Alberta CFDCs with a membership focused pool to invest excess funds and/or to provide Alberta CFDCs with a preferred source for incremental investment fund monies.

2. Basis of preparation

These statements have been prepared in accordance with the reporting conditions outlined in the contribution agreement between Prairies Economic Development Canada and Community Futures Network of Alberta dated March 29, 2021 (the "Agreement"). This Agreement requires the use of Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, except that the statements of financial position, results of operation, and cash flows of Community Futures Network of Alberta - Operating Fund be presented in a separate financial statement. Accordingly, these financial statements do not reflect all the assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses related to CFNA.

3. Significant accounting policies

The organization applies Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, except for the requirements set out in the Contribution Agreement between Prairies Economic Development Canada and Community Futures Network of Alberta, dated March 29, 2021. The significant policies are detailed as follows:

(a) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are balances held within Canadian banks. Cash subject to restrictions that prevent its use for current purposes is included in restricted cash.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended March 31, 2023

3. Significant accounting policies, continued

(b) Revenue recognition

The organization uses the deferral method of accounting for contributions and reports on a fund accounting basis.

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the appropriate fund in the year in which the related expenses are incurred.

Unrestricted contributions, including project and other revenues, are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

(c) Government transfers

The organization recognizes a government transfer as revenue when the transfer is authorized and all eligibility criteria, if any, have been met. A government transfer with stipulations giving rise to an obligation that meets the definition of a liability is recognized as a liability. In such circumstances, the organization recognizes revenue as the liability is settled.

(d) Financial instruments

The organization initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value. The organization subsequently measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for portfolio investments, which are subsequently measured at fair value.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash, and accounts receivable. Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and amounts due to Prairies Economic Development Canada.

(e) Income taxes

The organization is operated exclusively for not-for-profit purposes and accordingly will be exempted from income taxes as long as it complies with the requirements of section 149.1 (I) of the Income Tax Act.

(f) Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the Agreement requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended March 31, 2023

4. Due from CFLIP Fund

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Regional Relief and Recovery Fund repayments Interest transfer | \$ 6,684,384 77,727 | \$ 2,703,392 |
| | \$ 6,762,111 | \$ 2,703,392 |

During the year, there was \$3,980,994 of RRRF repayments transferred to CFLIP to be invested.

CFNA also received approval from Prairies Economic Development Canada to transfer \$92,528 of interest from CFLIP to CFNA to cover administrative expenses. \$14,801 was transferred in prior years, leaving \$77,727 of additional interest to be transferred.

5. Interfund transfers

Transfers are required annually in order to balance each fund. The transfers are as follows:

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|--|--|
| Canada Coal Transition Initiative Fund EDP Fund Regional Recovery and Relief Fund Capital Growth Initiative PrairiesCan Operating Fund | \$ (111,859) (71,321) (140,455) 152,024 171,611 | 84,372 44,534 15,595 - (144,501) |
| , | \$ - | \$ - |

6. Loans receivable

Funding was received for the Regional Relief and Recovery Fund by Community Futures Network of Alberta through three phases. This funding was then disbursed to the various Community Futures offices to loan to clients. The funds are repaid to Community Futures Network of Alberta as clients make repayments to each individual office. As of March 31, 2023, \$6,684,384 in repayments have been received.

Funding was received for the Capital Growth Initiative by Community Futures Network of Alberta. This funding was disbursed to the various Community Futures Offices to loan to clients. The funds are repaid to Community Futures Network of Alberta as clients make repayments to each individual office. As of March 31, 2023, \$59,406 in repayments have been received.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended March 31, 2023

7. Deferred revenue

Deferred revenue relates to revenue received for subsequent years, as follows:

| | Balance, ginning of year | F | Received | r | cognized as evenue in urrent year | R | epayable | Bala | ince, end of year |
|---|--------------------------------|----|-----------|----|---|----|----------|------|----------------------|
| Capital Growth Initiative Capital Growth Initiative- Admin | \$ - | \$ | 2,970,000 | \$ | (2,897,000) | \$ | - | \$ | 73,000 |
| | - | | 30,000 | | (10,382) | | _ | | 19,618 |
| Business Link | 25,000 | | - | | - | | - | | 25,000 |
| Cyber Security | 191,074 | | - | | (112,326) | | (78,748 |) | - |
| CFLIP transfer | 14,801 | | - | | (14,801) | | - | | |
| | \$ 230,875 | \$ | 3,000,000 | \$ | (3,034,509) | \$ | (78,748 |) \$ | 117,618 |

8. Conditionally repayable contributions

Funding was received for the Regional Relief and Recovery Fund by Community Futures Network of Alberta from the various western provinces as a result of a higher need in Alberta. This funding is conditionally repayable back to each individual province.

Any funds not advanced to the individual Community Futures offices within Alberta as at December 31, 2023 become immediately repayable. The remainder of the funds borrowed become repayable in equal monthly payments on an interest-free basis over a two year term commencing on January 1, 2024. The entire outstanding loan balance must be repaid in full by December 31, 2025.

| | | 2023 | | 2022 |
|------------------|----|-----------|----|-----------|
| British Columbia | \$ | 4,070,441 | \$ | 4,070,441 |
| Manitoba | | 3,518,237 | | 3,518,237 |
| Saskatchewan | | 2,038,860 | | 2,038,860 |
| | Ф | 9,627,538 | \$ | 9.627.538 |
| | Ψ | 9,027,000 | Φ | 9,027,536 |

9. Economic dependence

A significant portion of the organization's revenue is from government funding. The grant funding can be canceled if the organization does not observe certain established guidelines. The organization's ability to continue viable operations is dependent upon maintaining adherence to the criteria within the federal government guidelines. As at the date of these financial statements the organization believes that it is in compliance with the guidelines.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended March 31, 2023

10. Financial instruments

The organization, as part of its operations, carries a number of financial instruments. It is management's opinion that the organization is not exposed to significant interest, currency, credit, liquidity or other price risks arising from these financial instruments except as otherwise disclosed.



SCHEDULE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended March 31, 2023

| Schedule of PrairiesCan operating fund revenue and expenses | ; | Schedule 1 |
|---|-----------------|------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| Prairies Economic Development Canada - contributions | \$ 246,253 | 321,253 |
| Expenses | | |
| Salaries and benefits | 228,924 | 264,706 |
| Travel - board and office | 66,026 | 6,488 |
| Telephone, fax and internet | 29,825 | 9,580 |
| Training | 23,106 | <u>-</u> |
| Professional fees | 18,876 | 7,233 |
| Office | 10,955 | 21,626 |
| Marketing | 9,504 | 17,102 |
| GST expense | 4,883 | 2,192 |
| Insurance | 4,636 | 2,177 |
| Interest and bank charges | 2,049 | 1,544 |
| RRRF portal | <u>-</u> | 6,746 |
| | 398,784 | 339,394 |
| Deficiency of revenue over expenses | \$ (152,531) | (18,141) |