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Saskatchewan

March 23, 2022

Chief Darcy Bear, Chair
Board of Governors
Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies
Suite 118 – 335 Packham Avenue
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Dear Chief Darcy Bear:

The 2022-23 Budget is focused on Saskatchewan being *back on track*, with a fiscal plan to return the budget to balance. Our resurgent economy and sound fiscal management ensure the services, programs, and infrastructure investments Saskatchewan people value are sustainable today and into the future.

In 2022-23, the Government of Saskatchewan will continue to invest in the second year of our multi-year funding commitment in post-secondary education. This four-year commitment to the sector supports your continued efforts to improve long-term financial sustainability at your institution. We look forward to learning more about how your multi-year funding initiatives progress over the next year and we applaud your commitment to achieving the priorities of *Saskatchewan's Growth Plan for the Next Decade of Growth 2020-2030*.

This year, we are pleased to provide a total investment of \$7,805,700 for Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies, which includes \$108,000 in accordance with the multi-year funding commitment negotiated last year. The following appendices provide additional details about government's investment and its intended uses:

- Appendix 1 – Detailed Schedule of Funding; and,
- Appendix 2 – Targeted Funding.

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Ministry officials will be in contact with representatives at your institution to discuss the following accountability requirements and due dates for 2022-23:

- **Agreement to Submit Required Accountability Reports** – due April 15, 2022 (as per Eligibility Criteria 1 in the “Saskatchewan Post-Secondary Multi-Year Operating Funding Memorandum of Understanding”);
- **Multi-Year Business Plan** – due May 2, 2022 (40 days after budget allocation notification);
- **Multi-Year Funding Accountability Reports** – two reports, one due with Multi-Year Business Plan submission due May 2, 2022, and the other due by January 31, 2023, (as per Eligibility Criteria 2 and 3 in the MOU);
- **Tuition Schedules** – due May 15, 2022 (as per Eligibility Criteria 2 in the MOU); and,
- **Performance Framework Reports** – due June 30, 2022, and January 31, 2023.

Post-secondary education and skills training are crucial to Saskatchewan’s post-pandemic economic recovery. We look forward to our ongoing work together.

Sincerely,



Gene Makowsky
Minister of Advanced Education



Jeremy Harrison
Minister of Immigration and Career Training

Attachments

cc: Riel Bellegarde, President and CEO, Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies
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APPENDIX 1
Detailed Schedule of Funding
Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies

Funding Schedule April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023

		Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies	
		2022-23 Funding	2021-22 Funding
<u>Operating Funding</u>			
	Base Operating Grant	\$ 2,141,500	\$ 2,141,500
	Multi-Year Funding Allocation	108,000	108,000
	Operating Grant as per MYF MOU*	\$ 2,249,500	\$ 2,249,500
	2021-22 Operating Grant Increase	1,000,000	1,000,000
	Total Operating Funding	\$ 3,249,500	\$ 3,249,500
<u>Training Programs and Services</u>			
	Adult Basic Education Grant	850,000	850,000
	Adult Basic Education - Essential Skills for the Workplace	200,000	200,000
	On-Reserve Adult Basic Education	1,600,000	1,600,000
	Total Essential Skills Programming	\$ 2,650,000	\$ 2,650,000
	Skills Training Allocation	1,361,000	1,361,000
	Aircraft Maintenance Engineer Program	500,000	500,000
	Total Skills Training	\$ 1,861,000	\$ 1,861,000
	Total Training Programs and Services	\$ 4,511,000	\$ 4,511,000
	Total Operating and Program Funding	\$ 7,760,500	\$ 7,760,500
<u>Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship</u>			
	Opportunity Scholarships	45,200	45,200
	Total Scholarship Funding	\$ 45,200	\$ 45,200
	Total Funding	\$ 7,805,700	\$ 7,805,700

Funding Source:

Saskatchewan Ministry of Advanced Education	\$ 3,294,700
Saskatchewan Ministry of Immigration and Career Training	\$ 4,511,000
Total Funding	\$ 7,805,700

* MYF MOU = Saskatchewan Post-Secondary Multi-Year Operating Funding Memorandum of Understanding 2021-22 to 2024-25

APPENDIX 2
Targeted Funding
Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies

Operating Funding

For 2022-23, the Ministry of Advanced Education will provide Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies \$3,249,500 in operating funding. This contribution includes \$108,000 for the second-year provision of the Multi-Year Funding Allocation, and \$17,200 for the Provincial Training Allowance Administration Support.

Student Support Services Model

The 2022-23 Budget includes \$359,800 targeted funding to increase student engagement, retention, and achievement. Cabinet directed the Ministry of Advanced Education to track the progress and results of implementing the improved Student Service Model. By September 30, 2022, please submit a report on the progress in identifying and meeting student needs. It is expected that the report will include:

- recruitment and guidance provided to students into appropriate programs;
- providing a safe and healthy learning environment that is sensitive to and supportive of Indigenous languages, cultures, and values;
- offering diverse training relevant to market and industry needs;
- accommodating students who wish to learn in their own communities by delivering knowledge through alternatives to the traditional classroom;
- providing academic and learning support services to maximize student success and career placement;
- providing information and advocacy for services and supports that can help individual students deal with challenges such as housing, funding, and child care services; and,
- statistics on: student retention, completion, graduation, and labour market attachment.

Training Programs and Services

Essential Skills Programming

For 2022-23, Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies will be provided with a total of \$2,650,000 for the delivery of Adult Basic Education, Adult Basic Education-Essential Skills for the Workplace and On-Reserve Adult Basic Education. This funding is intended to support adult learners to develop basic employment skills, increase education and/or certification levels and gain prerequisites for further training that will lead to labour market attachment.

Skills Training Allocation

For 2022-23, Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies will be provided with \$1,861,000 for Skills Training programs. This allocation includes \$500,000 targeted for the Aircraft Maintenance Engineer program. The Skills Training Allocation is for the delivery of accredited training programs that meet the labour market needs of employers across various sectors and of the provincial economy.

Provincial Training Allowance

Effective July 1, 2022, the province will launch a new training incentive to replace the Provincial Training Allowance program. The Ministry of Immigration and Career Training will continue to work with training institutions to administer the program and provide benefits to low-income learners enrolled in eligible Adult Basic Education and workforce development programs from April 1 to June 30, 2022. When the program transitions to the Ministry of Social Services in July 2022, they will oversee the administration of client benefits and your institution will no longer be required to manage a shadow allocation.

Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship

The 2022-23 Budget includes \$45,200 targeted funding for the Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship, which will be disbursed to your institution in October 2022.

Post-secondary institutions are required to report annual Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship activity from July 1st to June 30th of each year and will have until July 31st to submit their reporting to the Ministry of Advanced Education. Institutions are to advise the Ministry in writing by June 30th of their priorities for scholarships over the upcoming year and include the areas of study and student categories the institution will focus on.

Annual allocations are subject to budget appropriation and are based on each institution's ability to match funds in the previous year. The Ministry of Advanced Education will revisit the Saskatchewan Innovation and Opportunity Scholarship reporting and fundraising progress with all institutions prior to the 2023-24 Budget.