

MEMORANDUM

To:

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Affiliates, Area Directors, Senators

and Local Presidents

From:

Co-chair, Allan Morin, Clarence Campeau Development Fund

Date:

August 27, 1997

Re:

Clarence Campeau Development Fund

As Co-chair and on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Clarence Campeau Development Fund (CCDF), I am pleased to announce the establishment of the fund. We are in the start-up phase: planning distribution criteria; defining roles and responsibilities of the board of directors and fund manager; devising administrative and advertising strategies. We anticipate that by the late fall (November) we will be in a position to make our first disbursement.

The CCDF will be an additional funding source for Metis people in Saskatchewan to develop business and community economic development initiatives.

Attached is an information sheet describing the CCDF.

If you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact myself or the Interim Fund Manager, Julia Ewing at the Metis Nation of Saskatchewan

What is the Clarence Campeau Development Fund?

The Clarence Campeau Development Fund (CCDF) flows from gaming revenue in the Province. More specifically, the monies represent 25% of the Associated Entities Fund (which represent 6.25% of off-reserve gaming dollars generated in Saskatchewan.

The fund is formalized by an agreement between the MNS and the Government of Saskatchewan (Economic and Co-operative Development). The agreement was signed June 11, 1997.

The initial disbursement for '96 – '97 will be \$442,000 and '97-'98 is estimated to be \$607,000. Over the course of the next year, approximately 1 million dollars will flow in for economic development activities.

What activities are eligible?

The CCDF has been set up for Economic Development Activities such as:

- Equity for Metis businesses
- Community economic development initiatives that are linked to and support specific business developments
- Development of management skills of new and existing Metis business owners and Metis entrepreneurs.

The CCDF will not be able to fund cultural activities, previously incurred debts, social programs, or political bodies.

What has happened to date?

- Interim Fund Managers has been hired on a four month contract to establish administrative guidelines such as distribution criteria, board and management roles and responsibilities.
- The 9 member Board of Directors is established.
 - 5 voting members:
 - Allan Morin, Co-Chair, Minister of Economic Development
 - Ron Rivard, Urban
 - Yvonne Boyer Fletcher, Member at Large
 - Phillip Tinker, North
 - South, to be selected
 - 2 non-voting ex-officio members will be the:
 - CEO from SNEDCO, Acting Marty Klyne
 - Principal of the Dumont Technical Institute, Geordy McCaffery
 - 2 non-voting ex-officio members from the Government of Saskatchewan:
 - Assistant Deputy Minister of Economic and Co-operative Development, Janis Rathwell
 - Executive Director, Aboriginal Affairs, Donavan Young

It is anticipated lending and distribution will begin in November. Watch for brochures on the CCDF outlining application procedures.

This is an exciting first step for us. The CCDF will promote economic and business activity and enhance the goals of Metis self-sufficiency.