Community Futures (CF) is a program that supports community economic development and builds the capacity of communities to realize their full sustainable potential. The purpose of the CF Program is to help communities develop and implement *local solutions to local problems*.

Community Futures Performance Results	2020-21
Strong rural community strategic planning and implementation	
1. Total number of community-based projects (new & on-going)	67
2. Total number of local and regionally based community strategic plans developed and/or updated	25
Rural access to business development services	
3. Total number of business training session participants	378
4. Total number of business advisory services	323
Rural access to capital and leveraged capital	
5. Dollar value of loans	\$2,128,046
6. Total number of loans	50
7. Number of jobs created/maintained/expanded through lending ¹	51
Provide additional Information (e.g. Success stories, Links to priorities, leveraging work, communication	n events, etc
In 2020/21 we continued to help businesses and diversify the economy:	
41 RRRF COVID-19 Relief Loans totalling \$1,223,200 were provided to local businesses	
33 businesses were created/maintained/expanded through lending51 Jobs were created/maintained through lending	
50 loans totalling \$2.1M helped new and existing businesses in our region	
1 loan was to youth, 4 to indigenous and 5 to support women entrepreneurs	
12 Indigenous, 16 youth, 27 women and 10 persons with disabilities were served	
Since 1986 Community Futures Lac La Biche has disbursed 974 loans totalling \$56.7 MM and;	
Since 2017 we have disbursed 190 loans totalling \$10.5 MM in support	
This year some of our projects included the Alberta iMarket <u>www.albertaimarket.com</u> , the Alberta Foo	-
www.albertafoodmarketplace.com Mainstreet Lac La Biche www.mainstreetlaclabiche.com, and Powe	
<u>www.powerupalberta.com</u> . We also created a physical incubator and shared workspace to enhance w supports through Project Gazelle <u>www.projectgazelle.ca/</u>	omen's

¹ Estimated at the time of lending