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Métis Nation–Saskatchewan Government Supports Early Learning with \$3.5 million Local Investment

July 7, 2022 – Métis Nation–Saskatchewan (MN–S) is making a direct investment in its citizens and families with the introduction of the Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) Community Enhancement Program.

Young children and early learners are a priority for the MN–S government. MN–S is pleased to be able to support community programs with that goal in mind. The ELCC Community Enhancement Grant will provide up to \$50,000 to Métis Locals to enhance or develop early learning programs and services. Métis language programs, Elder programming and land-based learning for children from birth to eight years old are eligible.

Investing in programs produced and provided by local communities will give Métis children better access to high-quality early learning designed with them and their local requirements in mind.

“The needs of our citizens drive our Métis Nation–Saskatchewan government. We are committed to building capacity in Métis locals that focus on our children and families across the province, in the north, central and south. Métis language programs, learning from our Elders, and land-based learning leads to Métis children grounded in our Métis culture, values and language. Gifting our children with pride in their Métis Identity strengthens our Métis Nation,” said MN–S President Glen McCallum.

MN–S Minister of Early Learning and Child Care Tim Roussin added, “Along with our children, Métis families, educators and communities will also benefit from this programming. Enhancing and developing programming that practices Métis culture has a positive effect on everyone. This work contributes to brighter futures and children who become strong Métis leaders in their communities.”

MN-S government is committed to service delivery for our citizens and is a leader in ELCC for our children, families and communities. Today’s announcement complements previous work done by MN–S ELCC and marks the first of several



new investments to be made by MN–S to benefit its citizens, their children and our Métis locals in Saskatchewan.

Information on how to apply is available at <https://metisnationsk.com>.

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About Métis Nation–Saskatchewan:

Métis Nation–Saskatchewan (MN–S) is built on a foundation of Métis identity, culture, values and language. Empowered by the Métis citizens of Saskatchewan, MN–S works to advance Métis rights and strengthen capacity. MN–S represents the political, socioeconomic, cultural and educational interests of more than 80,000 Métis in the province through an elected representative system at local, regional and provincial levels. Social Media Links: [@MNSask](#), [@metisnationsask](#)

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