



# **TIRE STEWARDSHIP** Manitoba

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## **SCRAP TIRE RECYCLING AGENCY ANNOUNCES COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM**

Tire Stewardship Manitoba (TSM) a not-for-profit organization that operates Manitoba's scrap tire recycling program has established a Community Demonstration Grant Program to provide up to \$5,000 in matching grant funding for the use of recycled tire products made from Manitoba scrap tires in projects delivered by local governments, industry, community and youth groups, Aboriginal organizations, and First Nation communities in Manitoba.

"Manitobans recycle the equivalent of 1.3 million passenger tires every year creating jobs and economic development in Manitoba. This is an opportunity for Manitoba communities to benefit from the scrap tire products being made in Manitoba" said Brett Eckstein, TSM Executive Director.

The grant offered by TSM encourages communities and organizations to use and benefit from a wide range of recycled tire products. Proposed projects must be environmentally and ecologically sound, promote a sustainable approach, have clear environmental benefits and take into account benefits to the community and the economy. Projects should also demonstrate the involvement of youth where possible.

"Although eligible projects typically include safe surfaces for children's playgrounds, walkways, and landscaping materials, projects that demonstrate other innovative, environmentally and ecologically sound scrap tire product uses are also encouraged" said Eckstein.

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