Duck Lake and Beardy's
Literacy for Life

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“Everyone Working Together”
“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”

-Margaret Mead
Partners

- Stobart Schools
- Willow Cree Health Station
- Family Wellness Centre
- Willow Cree Healing Lodge
- Town of Duck Lake
- Wapiti Regional Library
- Local businesses (Lanovaz, Duck Lake Agencies)
- Community Members
Other supporters

• Saskatchewan Literacy Network
• Saskatchewan Aboriginal Literacy Network
• Saskatchewan Literacy Commission
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Our Vision

All people of the Beardy's-Duck Lake community have the literacy skills that enable them to access community resources, enjoy economic prosperity, and support families in realizing their goals and dreams.
Our Goals

- To put in place the human resources needed to develop, implement, deliver, and support our community literacy program

- To develop and implement a Family Literacy program for the community
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- To develop and implement an Adult Literacy program for the community
- To develop and implement support programs for the family and the workplace, that will simplify the access to available literacy programs
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- To increase the awareness of the value, the need for, and the life-long and life-wide nature of literacy
- To develop and implement a strategy to sustain literacy programming in the community
Gathering Information

- Interviews with local businesses and organizations
- Community survey
- Anecdotal reports
Community Assets

- Levelled Reading and Kihtwam (youth apprenticeship) programs
- Family Wellness programs
- Health Station parent groups and maternal child health program
- Healing Lodge literacy programs
- Adult ed. at Constable Robin Cameron High School
Community Literacy Needs

- Family literacy
- Value of reading to increase/books in homes
- Cree language teaching
- Computer skills
- Adult ed. Opportunities
- Trades training
- Pre-employment and life skills training
Mamawkamatowin Literacy Programs

- Alphabet Soup
- Story Sacks
- Come Read With Me
- Tell Me a Story
- Get Connected
- Employment Skills Training Program
- Workplace Literacy Needs Assessment
Mamawkamatowin Funding

- SaskSmart Innovations Fund: $69,212
  In-kind contributions: over $23,000
  for October 2007 to September 2008
- Raise a Reader: $5,000 for storysacks contents
  and books to give away through CRWM
- SaskTel Pioneers: 4 computers for community
  access
- What’s next???????
Mamawkamatowin Advisory Committee

- Denis Poirier, Community Member
- Norma Antoine, Willow Cree Healing Lodge
- Rosanna Gamble, Willow Cree Health Station
- Diane Perrin, Wapiti Regional Library
- Ruth Unruh, Community Member
- Debbie Pine, Family Wellness Centre
- Jeannine Piche, Town of Duck Lake (deputy mayor)
- Jackie Bradley, Community Member
- Craig Schellenberg, Stobart Community High School principal
- Sandi Hildebrand, Counsellor/Community Developer at Stobart Schools
- Marlene Scott, Literacy Coordinator