



## REGINA REALTORS® HELP INNER-CITY YOUTH

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**Regina, Saskatchewan** – The Association of Regina REALTORS® Inc. and the North Central Family Centre (NCFC) have continued their partnership to help youth in Regina’s inner-city.



2009 marks the fourth year of the partnership between the two organizations with the ARR providing an additional \$5,000 for the NCFC’s Youth Empowerment Program and another \$2,000 raised from the association’s 2009 golf tournament. The association has provided the NCFC with \$17,000 in assistance over the four-year period.

The Youth Empowerment Program employs 15-20 inner city youth to provide services to Regina’s north-central neighbourhood. These services include lawn-care, snow removal in the winter, doing year-round odd jobs for north-central area residents, painting dumpsters and operating an arts

and crafts gallery.

The 2009 funding will be used to acquire and replace yard work equipment and materials such as rakes, weed whackers, a lawn mower, and paint and brushes to paint dumpsters and fences. In addition, the funding will support an initiative to remove graffiti from buildings and replace it with murals painted by area youth in strategic locations in the North Central Community.

“The North Central Family Centre is a grass roots organization that is on the ground everyday helping the youth of north central Regina. We are very pleased to be able to provide this help to an organization which supports the revitalization of a neighbourhood facing many challenges”, said Russ Weir, 2009 President of the Association of Regina REALTORS® Inc.

“The Youth Empowerment Program is important because it not only provides services to those who live in the area by helping revitalize the neighbourhood, but also creates an opportunity for north central youth to gain some practical job experience.”

The NCFC mission is to carry out works for the encouragement and empowerment of the inner city community by offering educational, sports and recreation, social, cultural and counseling programs to promote positive and healthy changes in the north-central Regina. The NCFC delivers in excess of 45 structured programs to Regina's inner-city children, youth, families and seniors.

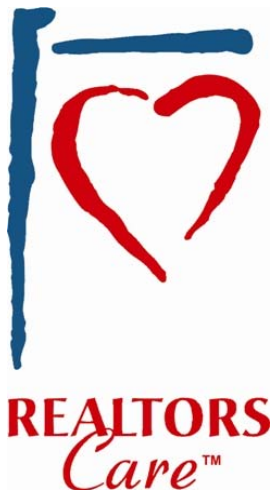
The Association of Regina REALTORS® Inc. is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors elected from the ranks of the membership. The Association has been serving Regina and area since 1912 and ensures that its members adhere to a strict Code of Ethics and Standards of Business Practice.

The Association operates the Multiple Listing Service® System in Regina and area, publishes the Regina Real Estate Review and operates The REALTOR® Channel on cable TV channel 9.

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