



2025 Saskatchewan Communities in Bloom Results – Participant Announcement

The Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association (SPRA) is pleased to announce the winners of Saskatchewan's Communities in Bloom program in 2025 and recognize all 46 of the provincial participants after a successful year. Participants enhanced their communities and were evaluated in the following criteria: Community Appearance, Environmental Action, Heritage Conservation, Tree Management, Landscape, and Plant & Floral Displays. Participants are recognized with a Bloom Rating, and through the program's Evaluation, Special Recognition Awards, and Photo Contest.

Communities in Bloom Provincial Competition Winners:

Six Provincial Winners excelled in all six criteria:

Population Category 501 - 1,000

Eastend, SK
5 Blooms
Special mention for Very Supportive Volunteer System

Population Category 2,001 - 2,250

Maple Creek, SK
5 Blooms
Special mention for Forward Thinking CiB Committee

Population Category 3,001 - 4,999

Nipawin, SK
4 Blooms
Special Mention for the Tourist Information Centre

Population Category 1,001 - 2,000

Langham, SK
4 Blooms
Special Mention for Langham and District Heritage Village and Museum

Population Category 2,251 - 3,000

Outlook, SK
4 Blooms
Special Mention for Impressive Community Garden

Population Category 5,000 and higher

Swift Current, SK
3 Blooms
Special Mention for Memorial Coulee – Tree Planting Monument

Saskatchewan Communities in Bloom Special Recognition Award Winners:

Five recipients are recognized with the Special Recognition Awards:

- Community Appearance - The Redvers Hometown History Project
- Heritage Recognition - Watson & District Heritage Museum
- Floral Displays - Ituna Communities in Bloom
- Volunteer Recognition - Leanne Kozun with Ituna Communities in Bloom
- Community Spirit - Bee Hive Garden Keepers in Shaunavon, SK



"Take a Shot!" Photo Contest Winners:

Three Individuals are recognized for their submissions to the photo contest:

- 1st Place - Colleen Sampson, Davidson Communities in Bloom
- 2nd Place - Audrey Kingfisher, Sturgeon Lake First Nation
- 3rd Place – Savannah Kuschak, Ituna Communities in Bloom

We also acknowledge Moosomin and Melfort, who represented Saskatchewan in the **2025 National Communities in Bloom Edition**. Their achievements were recognized at the 2025 Communities in Bloom National Symposium featuring the National and International Awards Ceremonies on October 18, 2025 in Stratford, ON.

- Moosomin – 5 Blooms, Participant in the Competitive – Up to 5,000 Category, Special Mention for Bradley Park
- Melfort – Participant in the Circle of Excellence Category, non-evaluated

Also recognized at the National and International Awards was a special contest winner. Congratulations to Tommy Douglas Collegiate in Saskatoon for being awarded the Nutrients for Life School Garden Award!

A full summary of the 2025 Provincial Winners and Participants with Bloom Ratings, Special Recognition Award Winners, and Photo Contest Winners is attached.

Results of the national and international program can also be viewed here:

<https://www.communitiesinbloom.ca/wp-content/uploads//2025/10/2025-National-International-ResultsEN.pdf>



2025 Saskatchewan Communities in Bloom Participants and Results

Participant Name	Category	Bloom Rating	Special Mention for
Population 1 – 500			
Silton	Evaluated Friends	1 Bloom	Community Involvement
Colonsay	Evaluated Friends	3 Blooms	Dog Park
Cadillac	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Craik	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Island View	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Pelican Pointe	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Riverhurst	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Saskatchewan Beach	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Viscount	Friends	non-evaluated	-
WeeToo Beach	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Manitou Beach	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Population 501 – 1,000			
Eastend – <i>Winner!</i>	Competitive	5 Blooms	Very Supportive Volunteer System
Eston	Competitive	4 Blooms	Plant and Floral Displays
Watson	Competitive	3 Blooms	Heritage
Rocanville	Evaluated Friends	3 Blooms	Webster Cemetery
Wolseley	Tourist's Takeaway	3 Blooms	Recognition of Historical Community Leaders
George Gordon First Nation	Novice	3 Blooms	Healthy, Diverse and Natural Forest
Arcola	Friends	non-evaluated	-



Coronach	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Dundurn	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Ituna	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Kerrobert	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Qu'Appelle	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Turtleford	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Population 1,001 – 2,000			
Langham – <i>Winner!</i>	Competitive	4 Blooms	Langham and District Heritage Village and Museum
Redvers	Evaluated Friends	5 Blooms	Community Pride and Community Involvement
Dalmeny	Evaluated Friends	3 Blooms	Overflow Ponds with Walking Trails
Fort Qu'Appelle	Tourist's Takeaway	4 Blooms	Carvings and Murals Around Town
Grenfell	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Candle Lake	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Davidson	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Ile-a la-Crosse	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Maidstone	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Rosthern	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Shaunavon	Friends	non- evaluated	-
Population 2,001 – 2,250			
Maple Creek – <i>Winner!</i>	Competitive	5 Blooms	Forward Thinking CiB Committee
Canora	Competitive	4 Blooms	Outstanding Whole Community Involvement



Population 2,001 – 3,000			
Outlook – <i>Winner!</i>	Competitive	4 Blooms	Impressive Community Garden
Sturgeon Lake First Nation	Competitive	3 Blooms	Stewardship of the Land
Pilot Butte	Tourist’s Takeaway	4 Blooms	Tidiness of the Community
Population 3,001 – 4999			
Nipawin – <i>Winner!</i>	Competitive	4 Blooms	Tourist Information Centre
Population 5,000 and higher			
Swift Current – <i>Winner!</i>	Competitive	3 Blooms	Memorial Coulee – Tree Planting Monument
Saskatoon	Tourist’s Takeaway	4 Blooms	The Meewasin Valley Trail
Humboldt	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Prince Albert	Friends	non-evaluated	-
Places and Spaces			
Blumenort	Evaluated	4 Blooms	Jane’s Garden



Saskatchewan Communities in Bloom Special Recognition Award Winners

Community Appearance Award

The Redvers Hometown History Project

This is an ongoing project to honor Redvers residents, past and present, for not only Athletic Achievements, but also Community Impact. This project was inspired by two 'original' highway signs recognizing Dean Kennedy and Danielle Kot. These signs, coined "Pride of Redvers" were showing their age and two replacements were sponsored by the Redvers Rockets Field of Dreams. The replacement of these signs inspired an expanded initiative that showcases both local heritage and enhances the beauty of the community. Three offerings include:

- Annual Public Nominations budgeted by the town for "mini" Hometown History recognition signs to be placed around the community. A future goal includes placing a sign at each street, telling the history of the family that street was named after.
- The availability of large highway Hometown History signs to anyone that inquires and is interested in sponsoring the initiative. This has recognized additional community leaders including three men who helped establish Redvers!
- The availability of public benches, trash cans, and dog waste stations that can be sponsored in order to honor and remember through name recognition. With great support so far, this will continue annually.

Heritage Recognition Award

Watson & District Heritage Museum

The Watson and District Heritage Museum board has been working very hard over the past five years improving the condition of the museum, preserving the artifacts, and creating a clean fresh place for residents to revisit the community's past.

With only volunteer labour they have renovated the interior of the building and created a safe and enjoyable experience. Following renovations, students were hired to operate the museum regularly through the summer months and these young individuals were encouraged to use their imaginations and be creative in providing entertainment for the community. Year after year, amazing activities have been planned including paint and craft nights, afternoon tea, movie "in the park" evenings, murder in the museum mystery nights and so much more. Off season events are also held to celebrate Remembrance Day and Christmas. Revitalizing this building has brought affordable and fun activities to community members that need them the most.



Floral Displays Award

Ituna Communities in Bloom

As a returning participant to the Communities in Bloom program, Ituna Communities in Bloom excelled with floral displays across the community in 2025. Volunteers enthusiastically worked together to create beautiful floral displays and share the work of caring for them. Hanging Baskets and Planters were placed along main street and a showcase display that was developed around the Ituna sign with outstanding bubble gum petunias was vibrant and welcoming even after the cold nights in September. The striking pop of color greeted you when entering Ituna, and is a symbol of the cheerful community! Ituna CiB extends a special Thank-you to Eleanor Renkas who cared for this showcase display around the town sign all summer!

Volunteer Recognition Award

Leanne Kozun with Ituna Communities in Bloom

Leanne Kozun is a member of the Ituna Communities in Bloom committee. In their first year returning to Communities in Bloom, she played an integral role in getting the projects and committee started. Her knowledge about flowers and vegetable plants is outstanding and helped Ituna CiB develop planters that supported the "Edible Gardens" theme. Leanne spent countless hours volunteering to water 17 hanging baskets and multiple planters along main street sidewalks. During summer heat waves with no rain, flowers and vegetable plants required a lot of care and Leanne ensured all the pots were well maintained. Ituna Communities in Bloom and the Town of Ituna community members greatly appreciated her time spent making the planters beautiful. Leanne's hard work and countless hours volunteering did not go unnoticed. Thank you Leanne!

Community Spirit Award

Bee Hive Garden Keepers in Shaunavon, SK

After her father moved into Shaunavon Long Term Care in 2022, Patty Wright would look out his window and see what was a wonderful community project. Thirteen years ago, Shaunavon Wildlife Federation completed an amazing project building raised beds outside the dining room windows, laying sod, erecting a gazebo with furnishings, and installing underground sprinklers and drip irrigation for raised beds. It was a great success at the time, except nobody was left in charge maintaining the space. Unfortunately, 13 years later the Wildlife gardens had become overgrown and poorly kept.

Patty Wright, Karen Stevenson, Bonnie Fritz, Pamela Bahnuick, and Kim Wallis joined the quest and so started the Bee Hive Garden Keepers. In order to raise funds and develop a sustainable group the Bee Hive Garden Keepers became a registered charity incorporated on August 3, 2022. Moving forward the group has received donations, grants, and support from the business



community along with individual and memorial donations all while completing fundraising activities to support their efforts.

The Bee Hive Garden Keepers have revitalized the Wildlife Federation Project and expanded the gardens. The funding supports irrigation, self watering planters, annuals, perennials, trees and shrubs, mulch, garden supplies, and contractors to mow and maintain the lawns. Their Volunteers are an integral part serving as board members, and labour for spring and fall clean-up, planting days and ongoing maintenance. The goal is to keep the gardens accessible to the residents and as maintenance free as possible.

A fall garden party is held annually in September to recognize the sponsors and volunteers all while showing off the gardens to the community. This organization is proud of their accomplishments and honoured to be able to give back. This organization truly is "Growing Great Places Together"



"Take a Shot!" Photo Contest Winners

1st Place



*Photo taken by Colleen Sampson – Davidson Communities in Bloom
A beautiful fall landscape scene in Davidson showcasing heritage, floral
displays, gardening and agriculture*

Selected for its illustration of how a local Communities in Bloom group can beautify the community... one of the hallmarks of the program. Also noted for the high quality of the landscape installation as an excellent fall display!

2nd Place



*Photo taken by Audrey Kingfisher – Sturgeon Lake First Nation
Holiday Celebrations at Sturgeon Lake First Nation with the CiB Flag
proudly displayed and the tree decorated with Seed Packets for
community members to take*

Selected for illustrating that Communities in Bloom is a year round program. Also noted that the story behind this photo would be awesome to hear and that the Communities in Bloom Flag is fittingly hanging below a floral display hanging on the wall.

3rd Place



*Photo Taken by Savannah Kuschak - Ituna Communities in Bloom
Communities in Bloom Volunteers planting a floral display*

Selected for its illustration of three generations working together to create a tiny spot of beauty. It was noted that this is how a community blooms - one pot at a time.