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| **Community Futures Performance Results** | **2015-16 Results** |
| ***Strong rural community strategic planning and implementation*** |
| 1. Number of local and regionally-based community strategic plan(s) developed and/or updated during the year: | **9** |
| 2. Total number of community based projects (“new” and “on-going”): | **56** |
| ***Rural access to business development services*** |  |
| 3. Number of businesses created/ maintained/ expanded through business services | **3** |
| 4. Number of business training session participants | **209** |
| 5. Number of business advisory services | **279** |
| ***Rural access to capital and leveraged capital*** |  |
| 6. Dollar value of loans  | **$320,000** |
| 7. Number of loans | **4** |
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| **Provide additional Information (e.g. Success stories, Links to priorities, leveraging work, communication events, etc…)**  |
| **Cheap Smokes was able to expand into their second location and their sales have continued to climb. Their first location was up in Stone Creek and owners Krystel and Carl have decided to push into the downtown market with the new location. They specialize in all products tobacco, cigars and e-cigarettes.** **2015 was a busy year in Northern Alberta – with the downturn in the economy there are quite a number of people who want to start businesses. Some have got laid off from their current employers and others feel like now is a good time to become an entrepreuer.** **Our Business Support Network has seen a large turnout to our events. We will be expanding the BSN into the new year with monthly events instead of every other month.** |