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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Calgary communities to benefit from ENMAX Energizing Spaces Fund for another three years

**Calgary, Alta.** – The Federation of Calgary Communities is pleased to announce that ENMAX has committed to provide funding to the *Energizing Spaces Fund* program for an additional three years. The fund will help Calgary's community centres and outdoor spaces upgrade to more energy efficient solutions.

"The Energizing Spaces Fund has helped so many of our members replace old, inefficient appliances and outdoor lighting, and we are thrilled that it will be able to re-energize even more organizations over the next three years", said Leslie Evans, Executive Director of the Federation of Calgary Communities.

In 2015, the Federation of Calgary Communities and ENMAX Corporation created the *Energizing Spaces Fund* to assist Calgary's community spaces in enhancing their neighbourhoods for years to come. Since its launch, the fund has awarded \$150,000 to 27 local community centres to help replace aging and inefficient appliances as well as upgrade outdoor and ice rink lighting. These upgrades are helping the not-for-profit organizations decrease operating costs, increase safety of outdoor areas, and enhance their capacity to offer events, childcare and other programming. Calgary boasts 100 community centres and 70 outdoor ice rinks that offer essential and interactive programs each and every day to people of all ages.

"Working with the Federation of Calgary Communities on the *Energizing Spaces Fund* program has allowed us to help brighten community spaces across the city," said Michelle Hogaboam, Manager of Community Investment, ENMAX. "With continued demand for the program, ENMAX is providing an additional \$225,000 through to 2019 to facilitate their transition to energy efficiency."

To learn more about the program and see all of the communities that have benefited from the *Energizing Spaces Fund*, visit calgarycommunities.com/energizingspaces.

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