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## **The tax credit's ripple effect: how organizations in southern Alberta benefit from charitable donations**

Donations to registered charities help them to do their important work – but they don't stop there. Those donations can go one step further when they allow the charities to apply for a donation grant from the Community Spirit Program. Below are some examples of nonprofits and charities benefitting from the ripple effect in southern Alberta.

### **Brooks Communities in Bloom Association**

The Brooks Communities in Bloom Association supports various projects and programs that result in beautification within the community. The association has received a total of \$17,894.36 in donation grants over the past three years, which have been used toward a mural project and other endeavors.

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### **Nord-Bridge Senior Citizens Association (Lethbridge)**

The Nord-Bridge Senior Citizens Association provides senior programming and social services that foster a vibrant seniors community and encourages both health and wellness. The association has received a total of \$47,615.84 in donation grants over the past three years, which have been used towards operations and programming including fitness, education, and outreach programs.

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### **Big Brothers/Big Sisters Association of Medicine Hat and District**

Big Brothers/Big Sisters Association of Medicine Hat and District unites children with adult mentors to enhance personal growth and provide positive experiences through role modeling. The association has received a total of \$36,836.36 in donation grants over the past two years, which have been used towards operations.

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### **Bomber Command Museum of Canada (Nanton Lancaster Society)**

The Bomber Command Museum of Canada houses a dozen aircraft and associated artifacts, artworks, and interpretive signage. The society has received a total of \$50,000 in donation grants over the past three years, which have been used to support operational costs of the museum making funding available for museum display development and aircraft restoration.

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