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Canada's New Government announces \$42,040 to reduce addictions among youth in the Saskatoon-Wanuskewin constituency

Saskatoon, September 10, 2007 — Today, Maurice Vellacott, Member of Parliament for Saskatoon-Wanuskewin, announced that Canada's New Government is providing \$42,040 in funding to support the project, *In Search of Your Warrior*. It is a project run by Beardy's & Okemasis Band Justice Department to reduce drug use and abuse among youth.

"Canada's New Government is serious about keeping our communities safe, which is why we are focusing crime prevention projects on those who are most at risk," said Mr. Vellacott. "These projects will help young people make better choices, steering them away from a life of crime. We are working with a local community group right here in Prince Albert to fund a project that will demonstrate results in our community."

This project will bring the community, local services and resources together to reduce drug abuse among local youth. It will also raise community awareness to fight complacency surrounding drug trafficking.

Crime prevention funding under Canada's New Government is focused on priorities established in partnership with stakeholders, using careful analysis of key crime trends.

Priorities for funding support include:

- supporting vulnerable families and children at risk;
- preventing youth gang and drug-related crime;
- preventing recidivism among high-risk groups; and
- fostering prevention in Aboriginal communities.

As part of Public Safety Canada, the National Crime Prevention Centre (NCPC) provides funding to strategically selected projects that contribute to preventing and reducing crime in Canada and to increase knowledge about what works in crime prevention.

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