

## **Become a Communities in Bloom Judge!**

Communities in Bloom (CiB) depends on many volunteers to make the program a success each year! In addition to volunteers at the local level, we need Communities in Bloom Judges to volunteer with the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association and evaluate participants across Saskatchewan.

### What does judging involve?

- Travelling to participants across the province in July and August
- Meeting with local Communities in Bloom committees for community evaluations
- Coordinating with your fellow judges (each evaluation is completed by atleast 2 judges)
- Passing your horticultural and community knowledge on to others
- Completing the written evaluation for each CiB participant you evaluate
- Most Importantly, being a positive and motivating individual as you are the face of CiB!

#### Am I the right fit? I'm a pretty busy person.

If you have passion for Community Development in the broadest sense... the answer is yes! If you are busy that is OK too! Judges can evaluate any number of participants. Many evaluate just 1 or 2 participants each year.

#### What type of people are Communities in Bloom Judges?

We have a wide variety of people involved as judges for Communities in Bloom. Some judges are new and others have been volunteering with us for decades. Our judges come from a wide variety of backgrounds and include people such as:

- Teachers
- Greenhouse/Landscape
  Business Owners
- Elected Officials
- Individuals with a keen interest in Horticulture
- Horticultural Professionals
- Arborists
- CiB Community Volunteers

# How does Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association (SPRA) support its volunteer Communities in Bloom Judges:

- SPRA coordinates the judging teams and community evaluation assignments
- All mileage, meal and travel expenses are reimbursed for CiB related travel
- An annual CiB Judges Training Session is held to make sure our judges have current knowledge that will assist with the evaluation process.

#### Are you interested? Contact SPRA today!

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