



# Saskatchewan Co-operative **MERIT AWARDS**

## OUR FOUR 2019 CO-OP MERIT AWARD RECIPIENTS ARE...

The Saskatchewan Co-operative Association is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2019 Saskatchewan Co-operative Merit Awards. The Awards will be presented in Regina during a banquet on Tuesday, October 15th as part of our celebrations for Co-op Week.



**FRAN MORAN to be honoured with the Co-operative Young Leaders Award.**

Fran's commitment to co-operatives began in 2009 when he started working at The Co-operators. It was reinforced through volunteering for the Saskatchewan Co-operative Youth Program (aka Co-op Camp).

Fran is credited with inspiring and encouraging youth to be involved in their communities, to help them embrace co-operative values and principles, and to explore their independence.



**MORLEY DOERKSEN will be presented with the Lifetime Co-operative Achievement Award.**

Morley is a driver of strategic change at Pineland Co-operative Association, where he has been president since 2013. He's been a stakeholder in the development of Pineland's board governance, performance management and phenomenal growth.

A level-headed, diplomatic leader, Morley is always guided by the best interests of the membership.



**AFFINITY CREDIT UNION to receive the Co-operative Enterprise Award for Restart Loan.**

Affinity Credit Union's Restart Loan is helping break the cycle of predatory payday loans.

Restart assists those who are struggling with debt or credit challenges, or who use expensive payday loans out of desperation. Its fees are significantly less than traditional payday loans.

The Restart Loan - the first of its kind in Saskatchewan - is directly aligned with Affinity's co-operative roots and is an important next step to building a strong financial future.



**CONEXUS CREDIT UNION is receiving the Co-operative Enterprise Award for its Cultivator business incubator.**

Through Cultivator - Canada's first business incubator powered by a credit union - Conexus Credit Union is demonstrating its commitment to community in a creative and bold way.

Conexus created Cultivator as a space for Saskatchewan's entrepreneurial community. It assists founders to launch, grow and scale start-up companies locally.

**Saskatchewan Co-operative MERIT AWARDS**

Please join us at the Co-operative Merit Awards Banquet on Tuesday, October 15 as we honour two individuals and two organizations who have made outstanding contributions to co-operatives and credit unions.

*Recipients of the 40th Annual Saskatchewan Co-operative Merit Awards are:*

*Lifetime Co-operative Achievement Award*  
**Morley Doerksen**

*Co-operative Enterprise Award*  
**Affinity Credit Union**  
**Conexus Credit Union**

*Co-operative Young Leader Award*  
**Fran Moran**

*Travelodge Hotel Regina, 4177 Albert Street, Regina*  
*Reception 5:30 p.m. / Dinner and Awards Ceremony 6:30 p.m.*

*Tickets are \$57.75 (including GST) and can be ordered by contacting SCA at 306-343-3582 or victoria.morris@sask.coop*  
*Children's rate available upon request.*  
*Please advise us of any dietary requirements.*

*Order deadline is October 4.*

*Hotel rooms may be booked at the block rate of \$129.95+ taxes until September 13. Call: 306-586-3443 or email: groupreservations@travelodge Regina.com. Use block code 101419SKC.*

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Join us in Regina on October 15 for our annual Co-operative Merit Awards Banquet, which this year honours Fran Moran, Morley Doerksen, Affinity Credit Union and Conexus Credit Union.

Register to attend the awards banquet and help them celebrate! The deadline to order tickets is October 4, 2019.

For details, download the Awards Banquet invitation [HERE](#).