



# RUN WITH IT



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## **A Message From the Community of SCI**

***The need is clear and the time is now.***

The Rural Municipality of Springfield is a youthful, vibrant, and beautiful community that is missing something. A community that is largely involved in sports can only benefit from a quality safe outdoor recreational facility to serve its many athletes. Our community is missing a large outdoor gathering place that can hold substantial numbers of people to cheer on its outdoor sports teams. It is time to resolve this issue.

Currently there are no fields in the immediate area that are crowned for proper drainage. This leads to frequent field flooding and loss of use for any scheduled activities. The fields on the tri-school site are uneven in grade and frequently are found to have surface rocks and other hazards that hinder their potential use. This is not acceptable.

Conservatively, we have over 2500 youth involved in outdoor sports in our community. Local teams consist of high calibre athletes involved in soccer, track and field, rugby, cross-country, field lacrosse and marathon running. We need a safe playing field on which to practice, host games and run tournaments. Our school sports teams need a facility that would match the calibre of their athletic abilities. Our largest community sports program is soccer. We have over 500 children of all ages (as of spring 2009) playing soccer on local fields that are sub-standard and in some cases unsafe. From a larger community perspective, our runners and joggers need an alternative to the current practice of running on the streets, where they are in danger of being injured by a passing car or truck. This has to change.

The Field of Visions Organization is a student-run organization established in 2006 that is dedicated to the enhancement of the outdoor sports facilities available for students and community members in the tri-school area of Oakbank. Its primary purpose is to oversee the building of a national-level track and field facility on the Springfield Collegiate Institute/Springfield Middle School site. This is a unique organization in that Springfield Collegiate students are responsible for all the major facets of this project from design and development, to fundraising and construction. Most importantly, this organization has the guidance and support of the Sunrise School Division, as well as the local community.

Our goal is to have this facility completed and operational by the summer of 2012. In order to achieve this we need supporters who want to be involved in giving our vision life.

## **Our Community's Growing...**

Oakbank is a growing community of 4500 residents, situated just 15 minutes east of the Perimeter Hwy. Two sizeable and well-known housing developments have been built in town, bringing many new younger, growing families who are becoming more and more involved in our community. Oakbank also serves as an educational centre in the RM of Springfield with a tri-school site of 1500 elementary, middle school and high school kids who are bused daily. All of this growth is a great thing for our community, as long as our entire infrastructure keeps pace. With respect to our playing fields, we are falling behind at a time when substantial growth is evident. What will happen in future years when the facilities cannot support the demand?

## **Our Vision**

We will build a new facility consisting of a competition-grade multi-use field which can also be used for soccer, rugby, lacrosse, field hockey and football. This field will be surrounded by a 400m IAAF (International Association of Athletic Federation) "standard" track, 8 lanes oval and 8 lanes straight. Facilities for long jump, triple jump, hurdles, high jump, pole vault, shot put, discus, hammer throw and javelin will also be incorporated. The surface level of the field will be raised and crowned for drainage, and culverts will be installed to divert water run-off. There will also be seating for 100 people, fencing, a watering system, field house, outside lights and a scoreboard. When completed, this track & field facility will be one of only a handful in the Province of Manitoba that will be eligible to host "national level" track & field competitions.



By setting demanding standards in design and construction of this facility, we are building a field not just for today but also for tomorrow. Our facility is designed to serve this community and the surrounding area for the next 20 years before a possible retrofit may be necessary.

*"The students building this field will someday be able to watch their children using the field."*

## User Profiles

Physical activity plays a very important role in the physical and mental development of our children. Increased physical activity on a regular basis has become one of the cornerstones of healthy living. From the standpoint of mental and social development, physical activity and participation in sports promotes an understanding of teambuilding, personal goal setting, and discipline. An increased opportunity for participation in sport also maintains motivation and distracts children from other activities that are harmful to them.

There will be a variety of different types of recreational groups that will have access to this facility. Listed below is a description of these groups:

- *Elementary, Middle and High School Sports Teams.*
- *Physical Education Classes.*
- *Community Teams.*
- *Running and walking enthusiasts.*
- *Paying Users of the facility.*



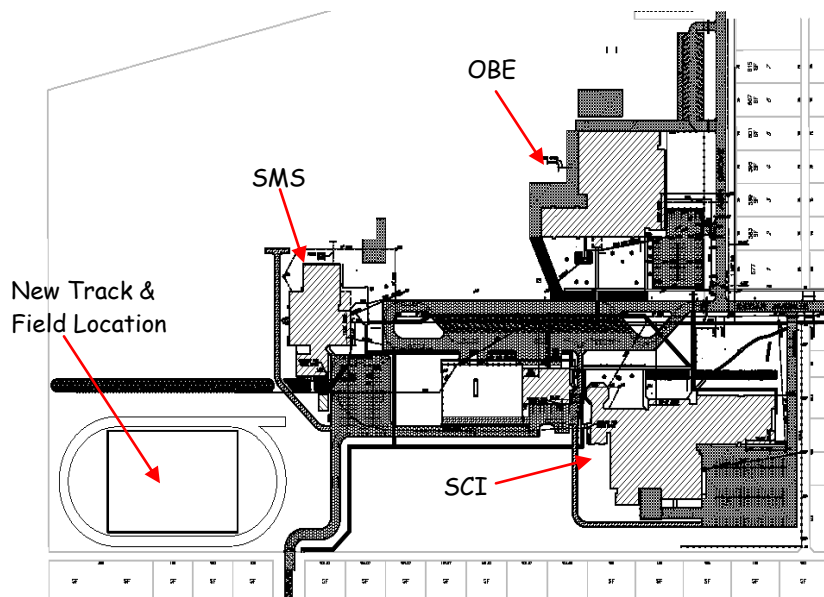
**Springfield Collegiate Rugby**

It is anticipated that revenue will be generated by rental of this field to users outside of our community. Close proximity to Winnipeg means that this will happen in a couple of ways;

- Sports teams (rugby, football, soccer) from outside of our community renting the facility for practices, games and tournaments.
- Next to the University of Manitoba track and field facility, this facility will be the only outside facility in or near Winnipeg that is built to handle "national level" track & field competitions. It is anticipated that this facility will be used to host track and field "meets" for a variety of groups from outside our community.

## Project Description

The facility will be located in an existing open field area beside the Springfield Middle School parking lot. This location is the former site of the old field and running track, which has been unusable for many years. It is surrounded by trees on three of the four sides, and the fourth side allows access to the parking lot.



The track & field component of this project has the following features;

- 400m IAAF "standard" asphalt surfaced track, 8 lanes oval & 8 lanes straight
- straight-away extension to accommodate 100m and 110m hurdles
- bi-directional long jump/triple jump runway
- facility for high jump
- bi-directional facility for pole vault
- facility for combined discus & hammer throw (concrete surface)
- 2 x facility for javelin throw
- facility for shot put (concrete surface)

The infield component of this project will meet the dimensional requirements of multi-sports such as soccer, rugby, football, lacrosse and field hockey.

# THE *RUN WITH IT!* CAMPAIGN

## **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GOAL \$1, 500, 000.00**

The students of Springfield Collegiate through the Field of Visions Organization are committed to raising the \$1,500,000 Capital Campaign goal over a period of three years from 2010/11 until 2012/13. The \$1.5 million will be broken down with \$1.2 million to build the field with the remainder of \$300,000 being put away in a fund for long-term field maintenance.

***We need your help.***

### **Project Stages**

The project will be completed in 3 stages.

- Stage 1
  - Take the field down to sub-base
  - Fill in silt beds
  - Prep for receiving fill
  - Prep for irrigation system
  - Prep for lighting
  - Drainage swales and field drainage put in place.
  - Fill to level and crown according to the plans
- Stage 2
  - Lay down playing field
  - Lay down running track
  - Irrigation completed
  - Install fencing around site
- Stage 3
  - Lighting completed
  - Landscaping completed
  - Install seating for 100 persons
  - Install field house

***Together We Will Make This Vision A Reality.***

(A detailed layout of project costing is available on request)

## PROJECT COST BREAKDOWN

BASE (\$540,000)

- field less asphalt, athletic equipment, top soil, sod

BASE + \$295,000 (\$835,000)

- field with asphalt, athletic equipment, top soil, sod

BASE + \$650,000 (\$1,190,000) *Preferred Option*

- Field with asphalt, athletic equipment, top soil, sod, fencing, irrigation, lighting and athletic surfacing for 'D' area

BASE + \$940,000 (\$1,480,000)

- Field with asphalt, athletic equipment, top soil, sod, fencing, irrigation, lighting, track and 'D' area with athletic surfacing.

\*Athletic surfacing for the "D" alone will cost \$90,000

\*Athletic equipment that could be provided & later installed by a contractor could be as follows:

(estimated costs for supplying is \$30,000)

- Running track curb
- Long jump/triple jump takeoff boards
- Pole vault troughs
- Shot put ring & toe boards
- Discus ring & hammer throw reducer

\* Costs are all taxes and fees in based on 2010 costing estimates



## Capital Campaign Recognition Levels

Facility Naming Rights .....	\$375,000
Platinum	\$100,000 - \$374,999
Diamond	\$ 75,000 - \$ 99,999
Gold	\$ 25,000 - \$ 74,999
Silver	\$ 10,000 - \$ 24,999
Bronze	\$ 5,000 - \$ 9,999
Runner	\$ 1,000 - \$ 4,999
Jogger	\$ 500 - \$ 999
Walker	\$ 499 - \$ 499

