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MEDIA RELEASE

Westerner Park Awards \$1,500 Bursary to an Olds College Student

April 14, 2016 | Red Deer, AB – In 2014 Westerner Park established a \$15,000 fund through the Olds College. This fund was created to be awarded as a bursary over five years.

As an agriculture society and part of Westerner Park's commitment to the community the purpose of the bursary is to provide financial assistance to deserving Olds College Students in Agriculture and Environmental Studies.

"Our organization is strongly rooted in agriculture," says Ben Antifaiff, Westerner Park Chief Executive Officer and General Manager. "We see it as our responsibility to support the community and give back where we can."

Each year up to two \$1,500 bursaries are awarded to students studying in any of the following programs;

- Rural Finance & Entrepreneurship Certificate
- Agricultural Management Diploma
- Animal Health Technology
- Veterinary Medical Receptionist
- Environmental Horticulture Diploma
- Land and Water resources Diploma
- Horticulture Diploma

The student must be in their second year and reside in Alberta.

On March 17, at the Olds College Night of Distinction, Ayralea Lander of Olds, in the Horticulture Technologist Diploma Program was awarded a \$1,500 bursary to aid in her continuing studies.

Westerner Park congratulates Ayralea Lander and is proud to be a small part of her contribution to the Agricultural Industry.

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Westerner Park is central Alberta's largest tradeshow, agricultural, sports, entertainment and convention facility. A not-for-profit organization supported by 50 full-time staff and 150 full-time volunteers, Westerner Park generates \$150 million annually in economic activity hosting over 1,500 events and 1.5 million visitors each year.

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