

# NEWS RELEASE

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## GDI Receives sizeable Lysol® Disinfecting Wipes Donation from Reckitt Canada

### 63,000 units of Lysol Wipes donated to GDI campuses across SK

(SASKATOON, SK) — The Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI) has received a 63,000 unit Lysol Disinfecting Wipe donation from Reckitt Benckiser (Canada) Inc., ("Reckitt"). The donation is part of a program set up by Reckitt to help reach vulnerable communities across Canada with Lysol Disinfecting Wipes, a product that is both convenient and particularly useful at cleaning and disinfecting surfaces.

"We are thankful for this extremely generous donation that will be distributed for use in each of our GDI campuses across Saskatchewan," said Lisa Bird-Wilson, GDI Executive Director. "This donation will help us maintain the health and safety of our students, faculty, staff, and the Métis individuals that access our support services in each of the communities in which we operate."

GDI, in turn, will provide hundreds of wipes to other local organizations in urban, rural, and northern communities. Part of GDI's donation will be shared with the Friendship Inn as well as the Indian and Métis Friendship Centre here in Saskatoon, the University of Saskatchewan, University of Regina, Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technology, as well as many other educational institutes throughout the province. GDI will be contacting further community partners to see if any others require Lysol Disinfecting Wipes.

"Reckitt has been working hard to get Lysol wipes into the hands of those who need them most," said Reckitt Benckiser (Canada) Inc. "We are proud to have helped GDI and Métis communities across Saskatchewan keep their campuses, families, and communities safe and healthy."

As GDI does not have any warehouse facilities to store such a large donation, Rosenau Transport/Acropolis Warehouse volunteered to transport and store GDI's Lysol Disinfecting Wipes. GDI would like to send sincerest thanks to Chico Pobereznek, Rosenau Transport Regional Manager, and the Saskatoon Terminal staff for all their support.

As a non-profit organization, GDI is appreciative of the assistance in improving access to health and safety products during the pandemic. GDI will ensure that the Lysol Disinfecting Wipes donation is used to maximize disinfection in all classrooms, labs, offices, and public areas.

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#### Gabriel Dumont Institute:

GDI is a Métis-owned post-secondary and cultural institution in Saskatchewan. Since 1980, GDI has prided itself as a conservator of Métis culture and history. Together with its subsidiaries; the Dumont Technical Institute, Gabriel Dumont College, GDI Training & Employment, GDI Culture & Heritage, and the Saskatchewan Urban Native Teacher Education Program (SUNTEP), GDI provides Métis-specific education programs and services in 13 communities across the province. GDI is affiliated with the Métis Nation—Saskatchewan (MN–S) and is governed by a 12-member Board of Governors plus a chair who is the MN–S Minister of Education.

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