

Safe, strong communities



A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL 2026 OLYMPIC ATHLETES

What an incredible journey it has been at the 2026 Winter Olympic Games from the opening ceremonies to the closing ceremonies.

From riveting competitions to unforgettable performances on the world stage, every athlete who took part in this year's Games has given us moments to celebrate. Whether you stood on the podium or pushed your personal best further than ever before, your dedication, grit, and passion have truly defined excellence.

We are especially proud of the Canadian athletes who represented our nation with courage and skill across multiple sports from speed skating and freestyle skiing, snow boarding to ice hockey and figure skating. Your achievements reflect the heart and spirit of sport that unites us all.



To the athletes from Saskatchewan who competed on the Olympic stage, a special thank you for making our province proud. Your hard work and commitment to your sport have inspired countless people back home and beyond. Whether this was your first Olympic experience or another step in an outstanding career, you've shown that determination and hometown pride go a long way. We salute you!

Congratulations to each and every Olympian — your performances have inspired a generation and reminded us all what's possible when we chase our dreams with passion and perseverance.

**SASKATCHEWAN EXPLORES POST-SECONDARY COLLABORATION IN THE
PHILIPPINES AND THAILAND**



Delegation to Explore International Education and Research Opportunities

Advanced Education Minister Ken Cheveldayoff and Saskatchewan's three largest post-secondary institutions are participating in a mission to the Philippines and Thailand to advance the province's education, research and labour market goals.

The mission will create new partnership opportunities for Saskatchewan post-secondary institutions, deepen relationships in these priority markets and strengthen the province's global reputation. This will help attract more talent to the province and expand study abroad opportunities for Saskatchewan students.

"Building relationships abroad connects Saskatchewan to the world and increases our province's international visibility," Cheveldayoff said.

"Promoting Saskatchewan's post-secondary advantages on a global scale

helps meet Saskatchewan's Growth Plan goals and demonstrates how our post-secondary sector can benefit jurisdictions around the world."

[Saskatchewan Explores Post-Secondary Collaboration in the Philippines and Thailand | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

METAL DETECTORS TO BE OPERATIONAL AT EIGHT SASKATCHEWAN HEALTH-CARE FACILITIES SOON



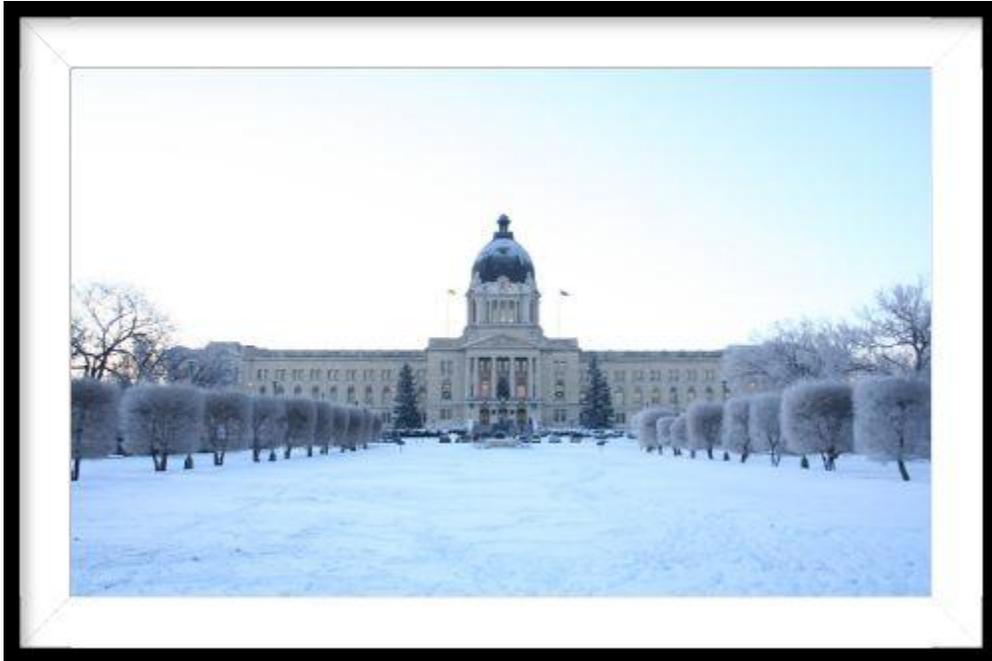
Metal detectors support Protective Services in preventing weapons from entering facilities, enhancing safety and security for patients, visitors and health-care teams.

Metal detectors will soon be operational at eight Saskatchewan health-care facilities.

When entering emergency rooms in Saskatoon or Regina hospitals, or the

main doors of the Regina Urgent Care Centre, Battlefords Union Hospital or Prince Albert Victoria Hospital, the photos above are what you can expect: Learn more: <https://www.saskhealthauthority.ca/.../metal-detectors...>

YOUR LEGISLATIVE REPORT



From leading job growth and advancing surgical technology to supporting communities, our government remains focused on initiatives that make a real difference for everyone who calls Saskatchewan home.

New figures from Statistics Canada show Saskatchewan led the nation in year-over-year job growth in January, with 15,000 new jobs added. That represents an increase of 2.5 per cent, the second highest among all provinces. Our province also recorded the second lowest unemployment rate at 5.3 per cent, well below the national average of 6.5 per cent. This growth reflects the strength of our economy and the confidence that industry and employers have in our province. More people working means more opportunity for families, stronger communities and continued economic

momentum.

That strength is also reflected in Saskatchewan's wholesale trade sector. Saskatchewan once again ranked first among the provinces for year-over-year growth, with wholesale trade increasing 14.7 per cent from December 2024 to December 2025. Strong wholesale growth signals a healthy flow of goods through our economy and creates opportunities for Saskatchewan businesses. Our government remains committed to helping companies expand, reach new markets and stay competitive so they can continue creating jobs across the province.

A strong economy allows our government to invest in important services, including innovative health care that delivers better outcomes. Robot-assisted surgeries are strengthening surgical services in our province, with the newly added system located at Royal University Hospital in Saskatoon. It is now the fourth robotic system operating in Saskatchewan, one of the highest per capita rates of any Canadian province. Two other systems operate at St. Paul's Hospital in Saskatoon, and another was introduced at Pasqua Hospital last fall. With this expansion, more patients will have access to minimally invasive procedures that allow quicker recoveries close to home. Our government extends sincere thanks to our surgeons and health care teams for their ongoing collaboration in expanding surgical access.

We continue to take meaningful action to address gender-based violence. Our government is investing \$1.46 million in additional funding through the National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence. This funding will support 10 organizations and programs across the province. Investments are being allocated based on alignment with the five pillars of the National Action Plan: foundational knowledge; support for survivors and their families; prevention; a responsive justice system; Indigenous-led approaches; and strengthening social infrastructure. Addressing gender-based violence requires sustained action, strong partnerships and targeted investments. Our government is grateful to our partner organizations for the important work they do to help create safer communities for women and girls in Saskatchewan.

Ensuring safety in our communities also means maintaining safe and reliable

transportation links, which are essential for remote northern communities, businesses and industries. Construction of ice and seasonal roads usually begins in early winter, with closures occurring by late March, depending on weather conditions. As we move through winter, Highways Minister Kim Gartner is reminding motorists to check the Highway Hotline for the latest road conditions and allowable weights on provincial ice and winter roads before travelling. Residents are encouraged to use the interactive map at hotline.gov.sk.ca/ for up-to-date information.

Through continued economic development, health care innovation and community investment, your Saskatchewan Party government remains focused building a stronger, more secure future for everyone in the province. If you have any questions or would like to share your thoughts, please feel free to contact my constituency office AT 306.651.7100 or email ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net.



We're here to help
you navigate provincial
government programs
and services.

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**TELEMIRACLE CELEBRATES 50 AMAZING YEARS - GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY
SHOW FEBRUARY 28 - MARCH 1**



Ring those phones! Soon that familiar phrase will echo throughout Prairieland Park in Saskatoon. TeleMiracle Week begins February 22, leading up to TeleMiracle's golden anniversary show February 28 to March 1.

"Year after year, Saskatchewan people show their generosity through TeleMiracle," Minister Responsible for the Provincial Capital Commission Eric Schmalz said. "By donating their time and talents to perform or contributing toward the fundraiser, the people of this great province turn up for TeleMiracle and for those who need us most."

In celebration of 50 years, the telethon has been extended by two hours. TeleMiracle 50 will begin at 7 p.m. on February 28 and conclude on March 1 at 5 p.m. for a total of 22 hours on both CTV Saskatchewan channels and online

at www.telemiracle.com.

[TeleMiracle Celebrates 50 Amazing Years | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

GOVERNMENT PROVIDES \$1.46 MILLION FOR GENDER BASED VIOLENCE PROGRAMMING



Our government has announced approximately \$1.46 million in additional funding through the National Action Plan to End Gender-based Violence. This new funding will support 10 organizations and programs across the province.

"The participating agencies are guiding and fostering change as they build tools and programs to proactively address gender-based violence," Justice Minister and Attorney General Tim McLeod, K.C. said. "I am grateful to all these partner organizations for collaborating with us on this important project and for the work they do to create a safe future for women and girls in Saskatchewan."

The funding is being provided based on each organization's alignment with the five pillars of the National Action Plan: foundational knowledge; support for survivors and their families; prevention; responsive justice system; and Indigenous-led approaches; and social infrastructure and enabling environment.

“Addressing gender-based violence requires sustained action, strong partnerships, and targeted investments such as the one we are announcing today,” Minister Responsible for the Status of Women Alana Ross said. “The funding will support prevention programs that help stop violence before it starts and expand services for people who experience violence. This is practical support that helps women, children and families live safe, healthy, and prosperous lives.”

[Government Provides \\$1.46 Million for Gender Based Violence Programming | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SASKATCHEWAN ECONOMY CONTINUES TO GROW



Once again, Saskatchewan's economy continues to grow! Investment in building construction leads to new jobs for our workforce, and new infrastructure for our communities.

These are the new results from Statistics Canada show investment in building construction in Saskatchewan is delivering results for families, workers, and communities across our province.

Let's keep building Saskatchewan together. This helps all of us succeed.

SASKATCHEWAN WHOLESALE TRADE CONTINUES STRONG GROWTH



Province Ranks First Again in Year-Over-Year Growth

New figures released today by Statistics Canada show Saskatchewan's wholesale trade (excluding petroleum, petroleum products, and other hydrocarbons and excluding Oilseed and grain) increased 14.7 per cent from December 2024 to December 2025, ranking first among the provinces in year-over-year growth.

"Strong wholesale trade growth signals a healthy flow of goods through our economy and creates opportunities for Saskatchewan businesses," Trade

and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding said. "Our government is committed to helping companies expand, reach new markets, and stay competitive so they can continue creating jobs and driving economic growth across the province."

[Saskatchewan Wholesale Trade Continues Strong Growth | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

WORKING FOR YOU!

SUPPORTING YOU THROUGH LOWER TAXES

REDUCING THE INCOME TAX THRESHOLD
FAMILY OF FOUR WILL PAY NO INCOME TAX ON THEIR FIRST \$65,000 OF INCOME, THE HIGHEST THRESHOLD IN CANADA.

INCREASING THE GRADUATE RETENTION PROGRAM
INCREASED BY 20% TO A MAXIMUM OF \$24,000 FOR GRADUATES CHOOSING TO STAY AND WORK IN SASKATCHEWAN.

DOUBLING THE ACTIVE FAMILIES BENEFIT
MAXIMUM OF \$300 PER CHILD TO HELP COVER THE COST OF SPORTS, CULTURAL, AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

NEW HOME RENOVATION TAX CREDIT
HOMEOWNERS CAN CLAIM UP TO 10.5% OF ELIGIBLE EXPENSES UP TO A MAXIMUM OF \$4000, FOR A MAX CREDIT OF \$420.

Premier Scott Moe

As tax season approaches, remember to take advantage of Saskatchewan's competitive incentives and initiatives, which are allowing individuals and families to keep more of their hard-earned dollars each year.

In this year's provincial budget, our government will be moving forward with the second year of our personal income tax reduction plan, which means lower taxes for everyone in Saskatchewan.

**PROGRAM APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR ARTSVEST
SASKATCHEWAN**



With \$100,000 in funding from the province, artsvest Saskatchewan has opened for 2026, with applications open until March 12.

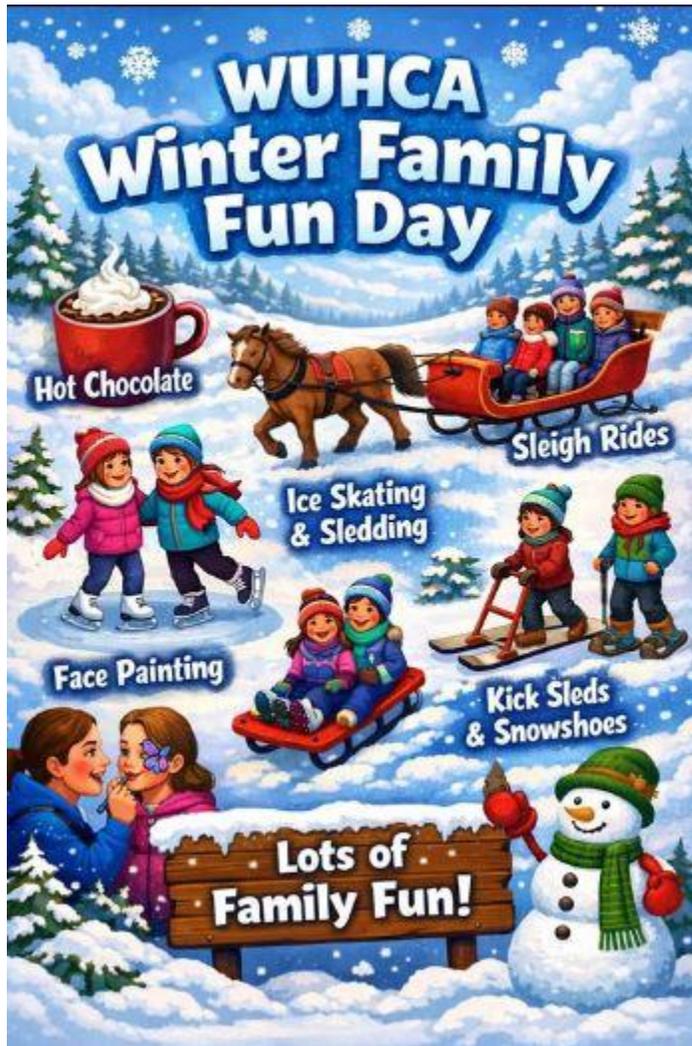
Artsvest Saskatchewan is a sponsorship and training program that encourages private sector investment in arts, culture and heritage organizations. Participating organizations can receive funding and professional development support through webinars and hands-on workshops on topics such as governance, fundraising, marketing, fund development and financial sustainability.

"Our province has a vibrant arts, culture and heritage sector made up of talented and creative individuals and organizations," Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Alana Ross said. "We are extremely pleased that the agreement has been renewed as it demonstrates the province's commitment to these sectors. This annual program has proven to be a highly successful way of aligning businesses with arts, cultural and heritage organizations to work

together and partner in ways that benefit both parties, their communities and ultimately our province."

[Program Applications Now Being Accepted for Artsvest Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

WUHCA WINTER FAMILY FUN DAY MARCH 1!



NOTICE: This is our last newsletter prior to March 1st so be sure to mark your calendars!!

🎉❄️ Winter Family Fun Day is Coming! ❄️🎉

Mark your calendars and bundle up! Join us at Wallace Park on March 1, 2026 from 1–4 p.m. for a fun-filled winter afternoon!

🍵🐎👣 Enjoy:

- Hot chocolate
- Sleigh rides
- Ice skating & sledding
- Kick sleds & snowshoes
- Face painting
- Tons of family fun!

Bring your friends and family—everyone is welcome!



Call for volunteers: WUHCA is looking for volunteers to help make our Winter Family Fun Day a success!

📅 Sunday, March 1

🕒 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

📍 Wallace Park

We need helping hands with:

- Set-up & take-down
- Serving hot chocolate
- Activity stations (sledding, skating, sleigh rides, face painting, etc.)

- **General event support**

Even an hour of your time makes a big difference!

If you're interested in volunteering, please contact events@wuhca.ca or call 306-331-9147.

Thank you for supporting our community — we couldn't do this without you! 💙

WINTER ILLNESS TIPS FOR KIDS

Winter illness tips for kids

Flu and Colds

Know the signs to protect your little one.

- Give fluids, such as frequent sips of water, popsicles, broth or breast milk/formula.
- Rest, rest and more rest.
- Over the counter medicine like Children's Tylenol or Advil can help with discomfort.

If you are unsure, Call HEALTHLINE 811

Most respiratory illnesses, like colds and the flu, are caused by viruses and usually last five to seven days.

Symptoms can include runny nose, sneezing, red eyes, sore throat, cough, headaches, body aches, fever, and loss of appetite.

! Remember: Don't give cold or cough medicine to children under six years of age unless advised by a healthcare professional.

FROSTBITE PREVENTION

**WINTER TIPS:
FROSTBITE PREVENTION**

- 1 DRESS PROPERLY FOR THE COLD**
Wearing proper winter clothing helps reduce cold exposure, even for short trips outside.
- 2 STAY HYDRATED IN WINTER**
Cold, dry air and indoor heating can cause dehydration, so drinking water regularly is important—not coffee alone.
- 3 REDUCED EXPOSURE TIME**
Limiting time outdoors in extreme cold helps reduce the risk of frostbite.
- 4 WHAT TO DO AFTER COLD EXPOSURE**
Remove wet clothing after cold exposure and use warm—not hot—water on affected areas.

 Saskatchewan Health Authority

Cold doesn't need hours — minutes can be enough.

Cold temperatures, wind, and dehydration increase your risk. It is important

to drink water regularly — coffee alone isn't enough. Dress appropriately, and limit time outdoors when temperatures drop. If you've been exposed to extreme cold, never use hot water to rewarm affected areas. Use warm water instead and remove any wet clothing immediately.

Know the signs. Protect yourself.

PET TIPS



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Here's to warm paws and safe winter adventures!



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Winter is here! Keep your furry friend safe and cozy with these simple tips:

- **Limit time outside as cold paws and noses can lead to frostbite.**
- **Small dogs or short-haired breeds may need a warm coat or sweater.**
- **Consider using dog booties or applying pet-friendly balm to their paws to protect them from ice, and salt.**
- **Wipe down their paws, fur, and bellies to remove snow, salt, or other chemicals.**
- **Hydration is key! Even in winter, pets need to have fresh water.**

Let's keep pets happy and warm this winter!

Pet Emergency Kit



Are you prepared for an emergency?



medical records



pet food



bottled water



leash



collar and tags



pet carrier



blanket



first-aid kit

saskpublicsafety.ca

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Emergencies happen when we least expect them. Plan ahead and consider your furry friend's safety with a pet emergency kit! 🐱🐶

Some must-have essentials include:



Food & Water: Have a 7-day supply ready to go.



Current Photos: Helps reunite you if separated.



Medications: Have an extra supply if possible.



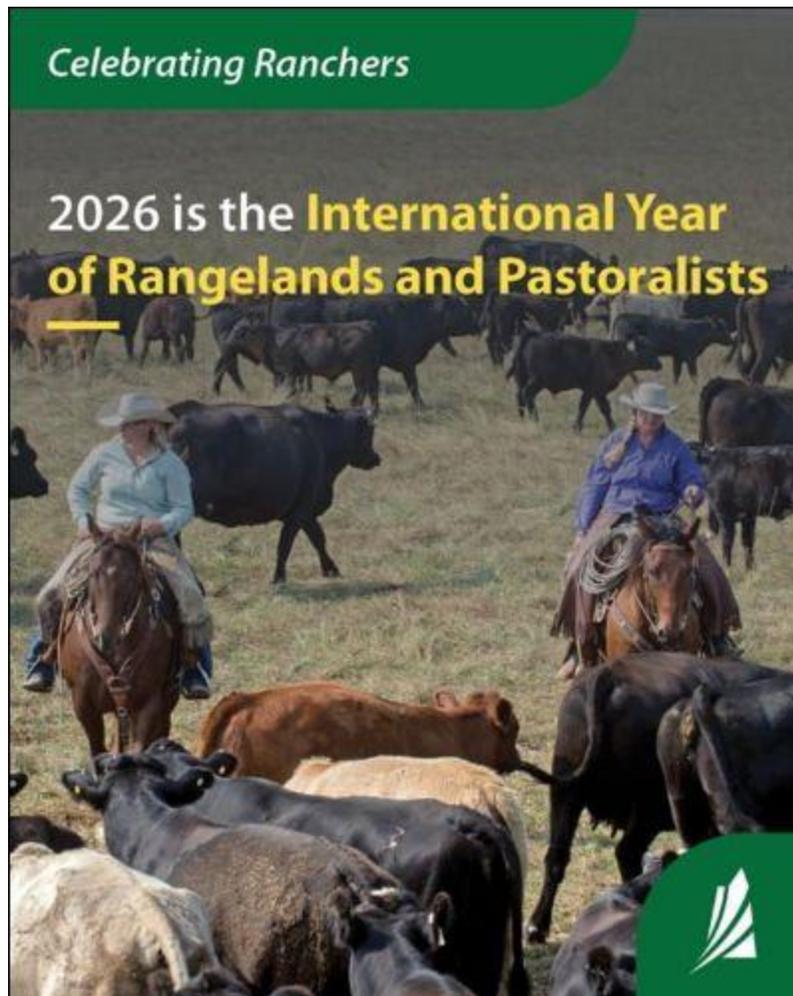
Collar & Leash: Always have your pet's collar, ID, and leash on them.

For details on what to include in your pet emergency kit, click

here: <https://www.saskspca.ca/resource/pet-emergency-kit-checklist> OR

visit [saskpublicsafety.ca](https://www.saskpublicsafety.ca) for more information on emergency preparedness.

SASKATCHEWAN CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF RANGELANDS AND PASTORALISTS



The Government of Saskatchewan joins the Saskatchewan Stock Growers Association (SSGA) and the Saskatchewan Prairie Conservation Action Plan (SK PCAP) in recognizing 2026 as the International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists (IYRP) in the province.

"Saskatchewan's rangelands support a sector that helps drive our economy," Agriculture Minister David Marit said. "This is our opportunity to recognize the hard work and stewardship of Saskatchewan's ranchers."

[Saskatchewan Celebrates International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

JUST THE LINKS



[Governments of Canada and Saskatchewan Announce Continued Support Through the 2026 Crop Insurance Program | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)



[Ice and Winter Road Openings Underway | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Government Reaches Settlement with Shercom Industries | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

There's no elevator to success.

You have to take the stairs,
one step at a time,
with patience, effort, and
persistence.

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