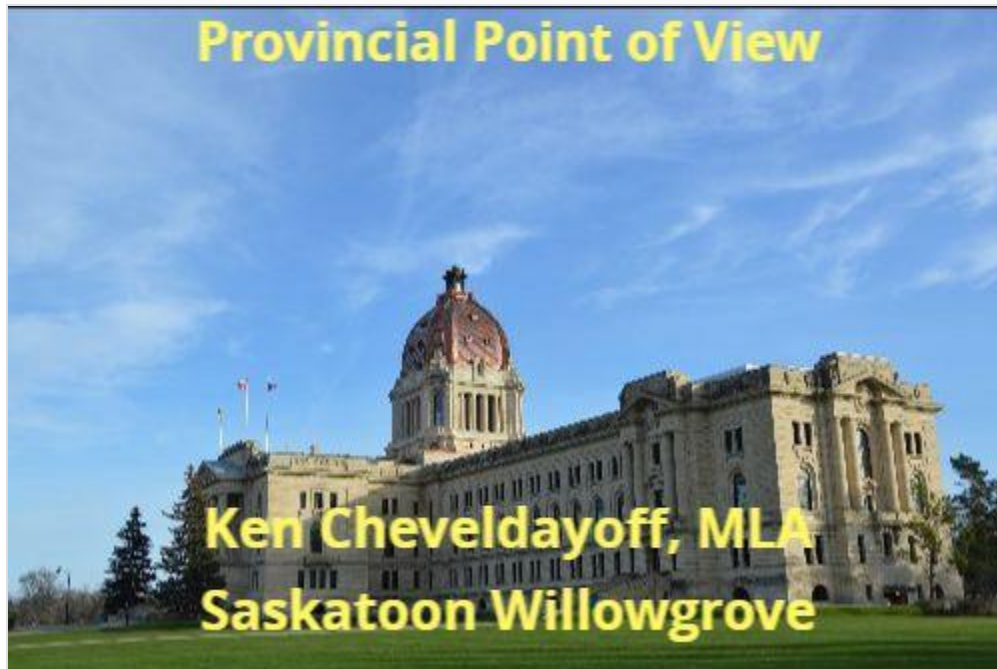


Check out what's happening in Saskatoon Willowgrove and throughout the Province!



GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO DELIVER FOR SASKATCHEWAN RESIDENTS AS SPRING SITTING CONCLUDES

Thank you to the great people of Saskatchewan who make our culture rich and our communities wonderful places to live. We will continue to work hard alongside you and ensure our province is the best place to live, work and raise a family in Canada.

With the Spring sitting of the Legislature concluding May 15, Premier Scott Moe highlighted the Government of Saskatchewan's balanced 2025-26 Budget and how it is delivering for you.

"Our government continues to prioritize safety in our communities and ensuring services are available to all residents when and where they need them," Moe said. "Saskatchewan is a growing and vibrant province that continues to benefit from a strong economy even in uncertain times. Record investments were made this year to keep Saskatchewan an affordable place to live, work and raise a family."

In this year's budget, record investments continue to be made in health care, education and community safety, in addition to delivering more affordability measures than ever before.

New affordability measures include:

- **The Fertility Treatment Tax Credit, helping individuals or couples cover costs associated with fertility treatments.**
- **Doubling the Active Families Benefit tax credit and raising the qualifying income threshold to \$120,000 will make accessing children's sports, arts, cultural and recreational activities more affordable.**
- **Seniors receive an increase in the senior supplement amount by \$500 annually for the next four years, starting in 2025 - over and above the impact of indexation.**
- **An increase to the Personal Care Home Benefit will help more than 2,000 low-income seniors with the cost of living in a licensed personal care home.**
- **The Graduate Retention Program has also increased, with a maximum benefit of \$24,000 for students who live and work in Saskatchewan after graduating from a post-secondary institution.**
- **The Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship provides up to \$3,000 for Grade 12 students who will be attending post-secondary institutions in the province.**
- **All education property tax mill rates have been reduced to absorb the increase in property assessment values and ensure this assessment year is revenue neutral for the province. This change will save property owners in the province more than \$100 million annually.**
- **Reinstating the Home Renovation Tax Credit saves residents up to \$420 and seniors \$525 annually in provincial income tax.**
- **The First-Time Homebuyers' Tax Credit maximum benefit increased to \$1,575, making homeownership more attainable for first-time homebuyers, and the PST Rebate on New Home Construction was made permanent.**
- **The Disability Tax Credit and the Disability Tax Credit supplement for children under 18 both increase by 25 per cent, in addition to indexation.**
- **The Caregiver Tax Credit also increases by 25 per cent, in addition to indexation, which provides financial support for families who care for adult children or parents with physical or mental impairments.**

- The Small Business Tax Rate permanently remains at one per cent, which benefits more than 35,000 small businesses and saves them over \$50 million annually in corporate income taxes.
- The Small and Medium Enterprise Investment Tax Credit provides a non-refundable tax credit for individuals or corporations that invest in the equity of eligible Saskatchewan small and medium enterprise, while the Saskatchewan Class 1 Truck Driver Training Rebate Program supports individuals seeking their commercial driving license.

Additionally, legislation introduced and passed this year aims to promote community safety. Amendments to *The Construction Codes Act* allow the development of a pilot framework intended to help eligible municipalities dispose of these structures as well as provide a training opportunity for local volunteer fire departments. Amendments to *The Safe Public Spaces (Street Weapons) Act* include fentanyl, methamphetamine and hypodermic needles as categories of street weapons recognizing the significant risks these items present to public safety. New regulations under *The Trespass to Property Amendment Regulations, 2025*, will allow police to immediately enforce the Act against individuals partaking in activities such as public intoxication and drug use as it will be automatically considered trespassing in public spaces or businesses.

This April, the Government of Saskatchewan was pleased to reach a new agreement between the Government-Trustee Bargaining Committee (GTBC) and the Teachers' Bargaining Committee. This new agreement recognizes the important role of teachers and provides certainty for teachers, students and their families.

Health care continues to be a priority for the government with continued investment into new and enhanced services and the Health Human Resources Action Plan to ensure services are staffed. The new Regina Breast Health Centre started welcoming patients this spring offering a co-location of essential services to streamline care, reduce wait times and improve patient experiences in what can often be a challenging time. Success continues to be made with recruitment guided by the Health Human Resources Action Plan to recruit, train, incentivize and retain more staff in the province. To continue that work, Saskatchewan's Rural and Remote Recruitment.

Our strong and steady economy combined with our government's fiscal responsibility is the foundation for programs, initiatives and affordability measures that matter most to Saskatchewan people. We continue to lead Canada in many areas:

- The best job creation record in Canada.

- The lowest unemployment rate in Canada.
- The strongest wholesale sales growth in Canada.
- The most affordable place to live in Canada.
- The only balanced budget in Canada.
- The only completely carbon tax free province in Canada.

Incentive (RRRI) program has been expanded to an additional 16 communities for a total of 70. This incentive of up to \$50,000 for a three-year return-in-service is offered to new, permanent full-time employees in nine high-priority health occupations in rural and remote communities experiencing or at risk of service disruptions due to staffing challenges. A recruitment campaign also launched recently encouraging physicians from the United States to consider practicing in Saskatchewan.

WISHING YOU A GREAT MAY LONG WEEKEND!
BE SAFE



Victoria Day is a statutory holiday in Saskatchewan. On the last Monday before May 25th, Victoria Day celebrates Queen Victoria's birthday. It also marks the unofficial start of summer with fireworks, parades, and outdoor activities. This long weekend is a popular time for Canadians to relax, celebrate, and often signals the unofficial start of summer.

Wishing everyone a safe, relaxing, and happy long May weekend! Whether you're spending it with family, enjoying the outdoors, or simply taking some well-deserved rest, make the most of it and take care.

STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS WORLDWIDE



It was a pleasure this past Monday to meet at the Saskatchewan legislature with Janos Jako, Consul General of Hungary in Toronto and Candace Bonk, Honorary Consul of Hungary for Saskatchewan.

Strengthening partnerships with post-secondary institutions and stakeholders worldwide is a key focus. Our government values it's relationship with Hungary and is working alongside Saskatchewan post-secondary institutions and the province's Trade and Investment Offices in Germany and United Kingdom to enhance relationships, communication, research collaborations, and student mobility with Hungary and surrounding regions.

PROVINCE CELEBRATES WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS AND THEIR IMPACT ON SASKATCHEWAN'S ECONOMY

Women's Entrepreneurship

The Government of Saskatchewan has officially proclaimed May 11 to 17, 2025, as Women Entrepreneurs Week, recognizing the vital role women entrepreneurs play in shaping the province's economy and business community.

"Women are making significant contributions in every sector of our economy," Minister Responsible for Status of Women Alana Ross said. "Each May, our government is proud to partner with Women Entrepreneurs of Saskatchewan (WESK) to celebrate the innovation, resilience and success of women-led businesses that are helping to build a strong Saskatchewan."

"Our government is proud to see women entrepreneurship in Saskatchewan continue to grow and thrive," Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding said. "During this week, it is important to recognize the significant contributions women entrepreneurs have made to Saskatchewan's economy through job creation, support for their communities and creating opportunities for

all those who call this province home.”

From May 11 to 17, 2025



[Province Celebrates Women Entrepreneurs and Their Impact on Saskatchewan's Economy](#) | [News and Media](#) | [Government of Saskatchewan](#)

EXPANSION OF MENTAL HEALTH CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM TO SUPPORT MORE STUDENTS

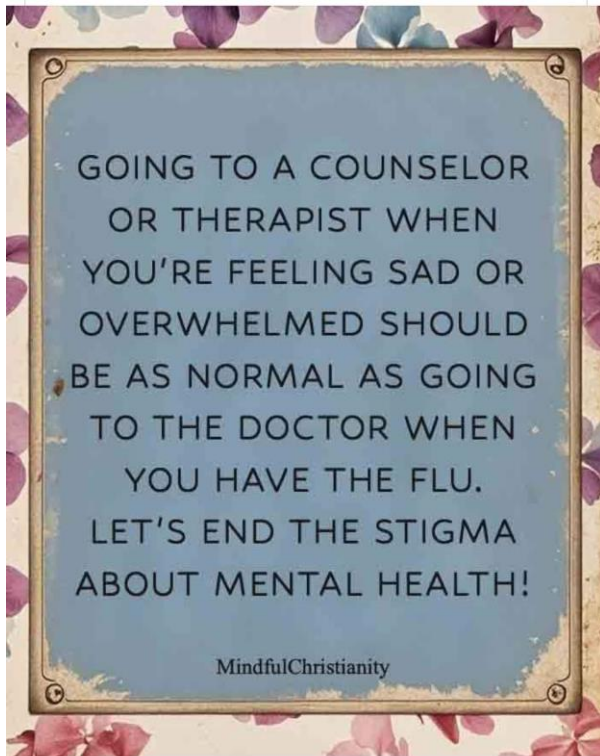


Education Minister Everett Hindley and Mental Health and Addictions Minister Lori Carr announced an expansion of the Mental Health Capacity Building (MHCB) program to five more Saskatchewan schools in support of student mental health and wellbeing.

The five additional schools selected through an application-based process include Bedford Road Collegiate in Saskatoon, Rossignol High School in Île-à-la-Crosse, Martensville High School, Holy Rosary High School in Lloydminster and Swift Current Comprehensive High School.

"The Mental Health Capacity Building program is helping young people learn how to manage their emotions, anxiety and increase awareness of mental health and where they can find additional support," Hindley said. "We are pleased to expand this program to reach more students and school communities across Saskatchewan."

[Expansion of Mental Health Capacity Building Program to Support More Students | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)



NATIONAL NURSING WEEK 2025

National Nursing Week 2025

In 2023-24, over
4,000 students
were enrolled in nursing

30% increase over the last 10 years



Thank you to the more than 20,000 nurses across our province for their service.

National Nursing Week

Celebrating Nurses for
their meaningful impact
in healthcare

They are a vital part of our healthcare system.

We continue to make robust investments through the HHR Action Plan to grow, strengthen and stabilize our nursing workforce.

Learn more at saskatchewan.ca/HHR.

**SASKATCHEWAN LEADS THE NATION WITH 21,100 JOBS ADDED IN APRIL AND
LOWEST UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN CANADA**



Statistics Canada's latest labour force numbers show that the labour market in Saskatchewan remains strong with 21,100 jobs added year-over-year in April, an increase of 3.6 per cent, the highest in Canada. Saskatchewan's unemployment rate is the lowest in the nation at 4.3 per cent, well below the national average of 6.9 per cent.

"Saskatchewan is an economic leader in Canada, demonstrated by the 21,000 jobs we added in April and the lowest unemployment rate in the nation," Deputy Premier and Minister of Immigration and Career Training Jim Reiter said. "Our government is ensuring that our labour market remains strong, our economy continues to grow and that Saskatchewan remains the best and most affordable place to live, work and raise a family in Canada."

[Saskatchewan Leads the Nation With 21,100 Jobs Added in April and Lowest Unemployment Rate in Canada | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

MAY 12 - 16 IS AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES AWARENESS WEEK



Saskatchewan Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Awareness Week runs from May 12 to May 16 this year - a great opportunity to learn more about slowing the spread of AIS and keeping our waterbodies healthy.

"Our province, blessed with thousands of lakes and rivers, is a popular destination for anglers, boaters and others who enjoy recreation on the water," Environment Minister Travis Keisig said. "So far, our prevention efforts targeting zebra and quagga mussels have been successful - no invasive mussels have been found in Saskatchewan waterbodies."

[May 12-16 is Aquatic Invasive Species Awareness Week | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

ADDITIONAL MAY PROCLAMATIONS



GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN PROCLAIMS MAY 11 - 17 AS DISABILITY SERVICE PROFESSIONALS WEEK

"The partnership between the Ministry of Social Services and SARC, its members and the Disability Service sector is one we are proud of," Social Services Minister Terry Jenson said. "This week we celebrate the dedicated service professionals who work to create an inclusive province and make a meaningful difference in the lives of persons with disabilities."



[Government of Saskatchewan Proclaims May 11-17 as Disability Service Professionals Week](#) | [News and Media](#) | [Government of Saskatchewan](#)

INDIGENOUS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DAY PROCLAIMED IN SASKATCHEWAN

"Saskatchewan is fortunate to have a growing number of Indigenous-owned companies and organizations that are strong contributors to our province's economic wellbeing," Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding said.

"Economic reconciliation remains a priority for our government, and we remain committed to creating more opportunities for Indigenous people and communities."

May 12



[Indigenous Economic Development Day Proclaimed in Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WEEK CELEBRATES SASKATCHEWAN'S STRONG ECONOMY

Economic Development Week



The Government of Saskatchewan has proclaimed May 11 to May 17 as Economic Development Week in the province. The week focuses on the crucial role of Saskatchewan businesses and economic development organizations in growing and creating opportunities in the province.

"The work that our business community has been doing across the province, has led to strong investment and economic growth in recent years," Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding said. "Businesses, and investors, are choosing Saskatchewan because of our low tax rates, our transparent regulatory environment and the strong suite of incentives with personalized support that we

offer."



[Economic Development Week Celebrates Saskatchewan's Strong Economy | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

NEW WEBSITE PROVIDES FREE OPEN EDUCATION RESOURCES



NEW Open Education
Resources Website

Free textbooks and academic
resources are now available
in one convenient location
for Saskatchewan students.

Check out the new website!

 **Saskoer.ca**

This new website provides free open education resources from Saskatchewan's post-secondary institutions. These resources will support faculty in teaching and research and help make education more accessible and affordable for students.

GROWING SASKATCHEWAN'S ECONOMY AND ENERGY SECTOR



Our government is taking action to grow Saskatchewan's economy and energy sector.

The new Low Productivity and Reactivation Oil Well Program, announced by Energy & Resources Minister Colleen Young, will bring inactive wells back into production—creating jobs, attracting investment to Saskatchewan.

**This program supports our goal of producing 600,000 barrels per day, strengthens environmental performance, and helps turn liabilities into assets.
Saskatchewan is proud to lead in responsible energy development.**

KEEP IN TOUCH

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

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Please reach out, we look forward to hearing from you.

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I am honoured to serve as a Member of the Legislative Assembly and will continue to work hard to serve you.

Your phone calls, letters, and emails make a big difference in keeping me informed on the issues that matter to you.

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**VICTIM SERVICES VOLUNTEERS RECOGNIZED DURING VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF
CRIME WEEK**

Supporting victims of crime.



**Thank you to
Volunteer
Victim Support Workers**



[Victim Services Volunteers Recognized During Victims and Survivors of Crime Week | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

60 MILLION REASONS TO CHECK THE HIGHWAY HOTLINE THIS PAST YEAR

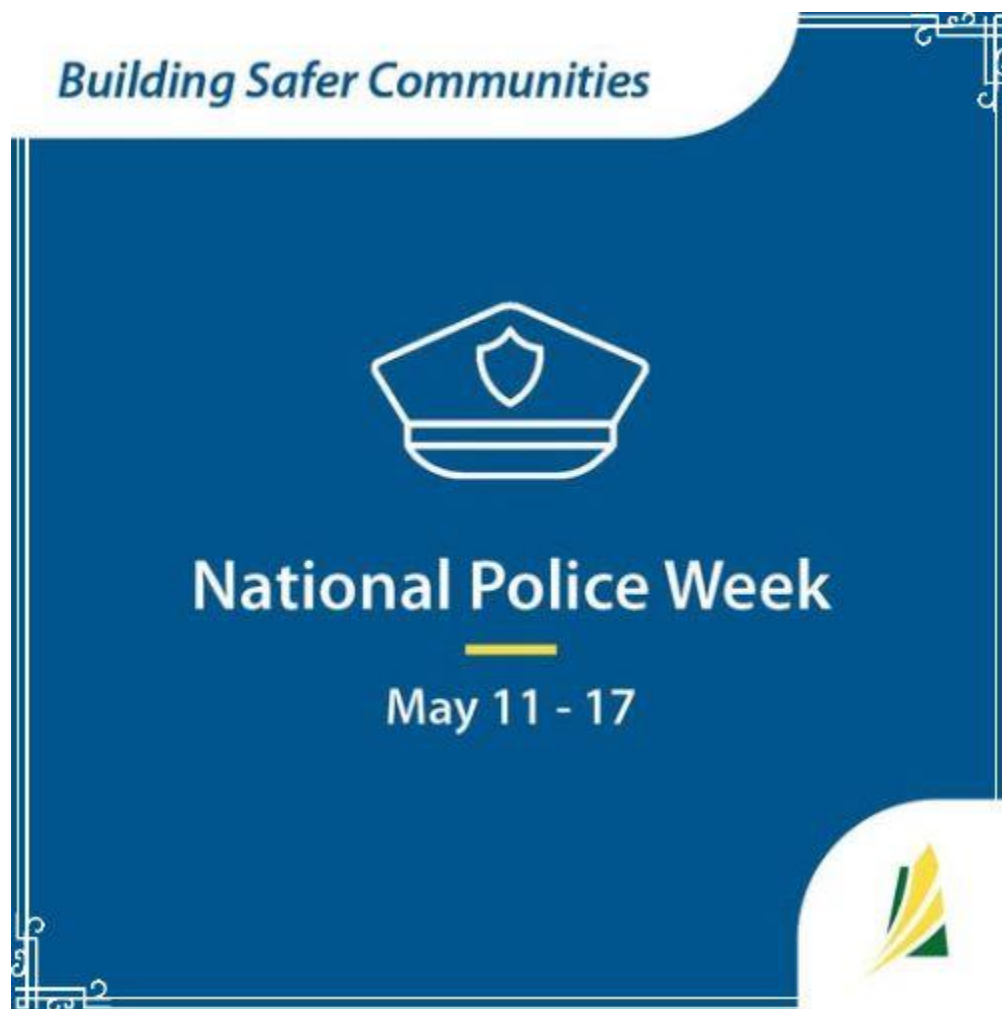


Highways Minister David Marit announced the Highway Hotline's digital platform was checked by motorists over the last year more than 60 million times - a new record for Saskatchewan's provincial road information service.

"Thank you to all drivers who take the time to check the Highway Hotline to make an informed decision before heading out on the road," Marit said. "Understanding what may be on the road ahead can help you plan safer and more efficient trips, which supports our quality of life and export-based economy."

[60 Million Reasons To Check The Highway Hotline This Past Year | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SASKATCHEWAN RECOGNIZES MAY 11 - 17 AS NATIONAL POLICE WEEK



The Government of Saskatchewan has proclaimed May 11 to 17, 2025 as National Police Week.

This year's national theme, "Committed to Serve Together," highlights the collaborative efforts of police services and community organizations working together to ensure community safety and wellbeing across the province.

"It is very fitting that this year's Police Week theme is 'Committed to Serve Together' because that is exactly how we approach public safety in Saskatchewan," Corrections, Policing and Public Safety Minister Tim McLeod, K.C. said. "The RCMP, municipal police services and law enforcement agencies work in close partnership every day, whether it is by conducting traffic safety services together to keep our roadways safe or through several provincially-funded specialized enforcement teams working in tandem to address complex crimes, partnerships between Saskatchewan police and law enforcement agencies remain strong. With the Saskatchewan Marshals Service set to be operational this summer, we will have another layer of support to further strengthen that network and contribute to delivering safer communities across the province."

[Saskatchewan Recognizes May 11-17 as National Police Week | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

2025 CAMPING SEASON STARTS THIS WEEKEND



Saskatchewan's provincial parks are ready to welcome visitors back for another memorable summer, with the 2025 camping season officially kicking off on Thursday, May 15.

"We are excited to welcome visitors for another incredible season in our beautiful provincial parks," Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Alana Ross said. "Whether you want adventure, relaxation or time with family and friends, our parks create lasting memories while highlighting the beauty of Saskatchewan's natural environment."

[2025 Camping Season Starts this Weekend | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

BE BEAR AWARE



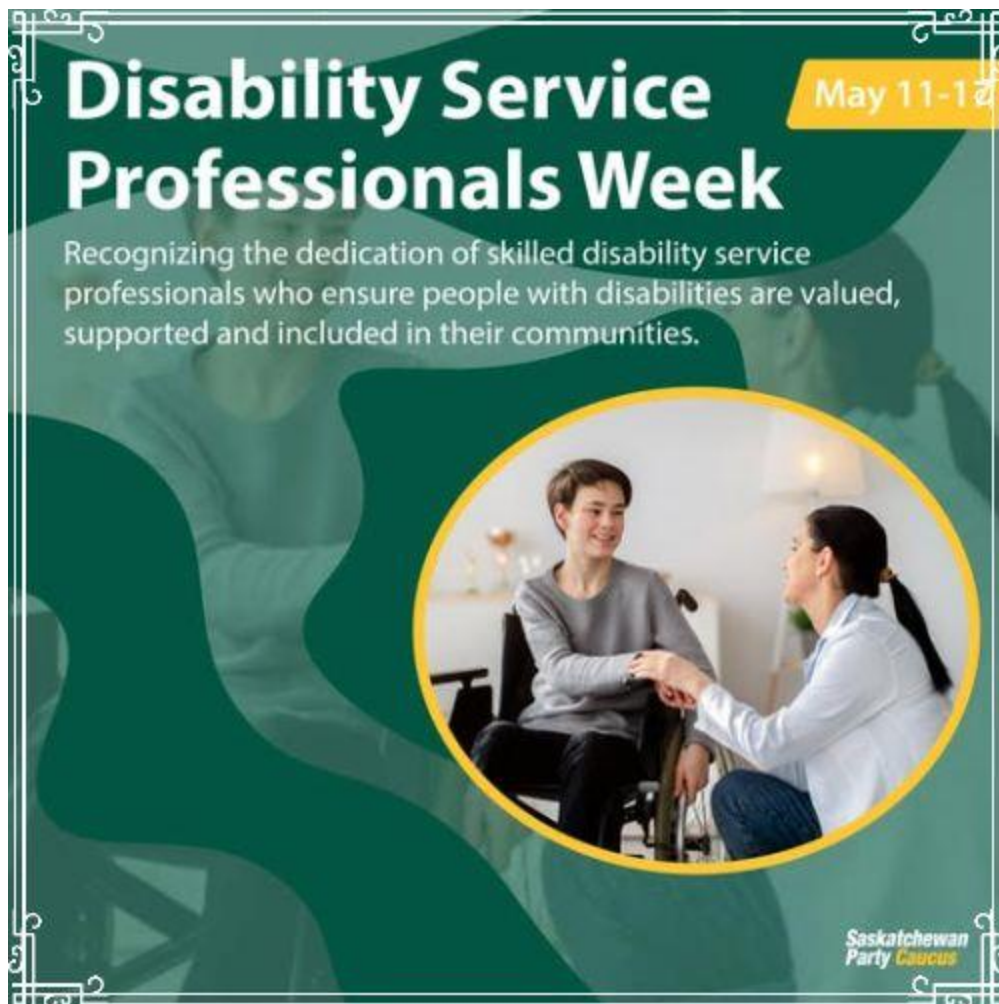
Warmer weather attracts nature-lovers and our wildlife neighbors - bears! These foragers are out of hibernation and are busy searching for food. As you enjoy the outdoors, be mindful of your surroundings.

Black bears are common in Saskatchewan, with most found in the northern forest region. However, their range stretches southward into the aspen parkland and other areas including the Touchwood Hills, the Qu'Appelle Valley and the South Saskatchewan River Valley.

Read the entire news release and see some helpful tips to follow if you encounter a bear.

[Be Bear Aware | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

DISABILITY SERVICE PROFESSIONALS WEEK



This week we celebrate the dedicated professionals who work to create an inclusive province and make a meaningful difference in the lives of persons with disabilities.

SASKATCHEWAN LEADS THE NATION IN HOUSING STARTS AND WHOLESALE TRADE GROWTH

Housing Starts

Saskatchewan
Ranks **1st** in Growth
Among the Provinces

↑93.8%

January 2025 to April 2025*

Source: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)



"The strong performance we are seeing in housing starts and wholesale trade is further evidence that Saskatchewan is one of the fastest-growing economies in Canada," Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding said. "These consistent increases reflect the success of our policies, which are driving job creation, investment and growth across all sectors. Saskatchewan remains a destination for opportunity and is open for business."

[Saskatchewan Leads the Nation in Housing Starts and Wholesale Trade Growth | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD MAY 6 TO MAY 12, 2025

Weekly Crop Report

Seeding Progress

49% complete for the week of
May 6 - 12



Limited precipitation over the past week has allowed producers to make substantial seeding progress. Seeding is currently 49 per cent complete across the province, up 31 per cent from last week. This is significantly ahead of the five-year average of 32 per cent and the 10-year average of 34 per cent.

All regions were able to make considerable seeding gains this week. Currently, the southwest region continues to lead in seeding progress with 76 per cent complete. The northwest region sits at 49 per cent complete. The southeast, west-central and northeast regions are all reporting 43 per cent complete seeding. The east-central region is reporting 33 per cent complete.

[Crop Report For The Period May 6 to May 12, 2025](#) | [News and Media](#) | [Government of Saskatchewan](#)

WHOLESALE TRADE UP 10.2%



Saskatchewan is leading the nation in wholesale trade, surging for the third month in a row - with a jump of 10.2% to hit \$4.0 billion in March—the strongest growth of any province.

Our tariff response plan is delivering for Saskatchewan as our province is leading Canada in jobs, economic and trade growth.



FAMILY FUN SASKATOON WEEKEND GUIDE



WEEKEND GUIDE

May long has arrived and if you aren't spending it camping, we've got the low down on what's going on in Saskatoon.

* [Sum Theatre Saskatoon](#) is back with Theatre in the Park! Catch the preview of *Breathe* on Thursday, the opening on Friday or some afternoon shows on Sunday and

Monday!

* Enter into a magical world with Dragons and Mythical Beasts at [TCU Place](#).

* The Saskatoon Rock N Gem show returns from Thursday to Sunday.

Find out more here: <https://www.familyfuncanada.com/saskatoon/weekend-guide/>

SASKATOON ZOO FOUNDATION - BUTTERFLY SEASON



Thumbs up for the start of butterfly season.

Adam from the City of Saskatoon was out last week to help get the Prairie Butterfly House ready for to go for the year. The butterflies will be here soon, stay tuned for more updates on the opening date!

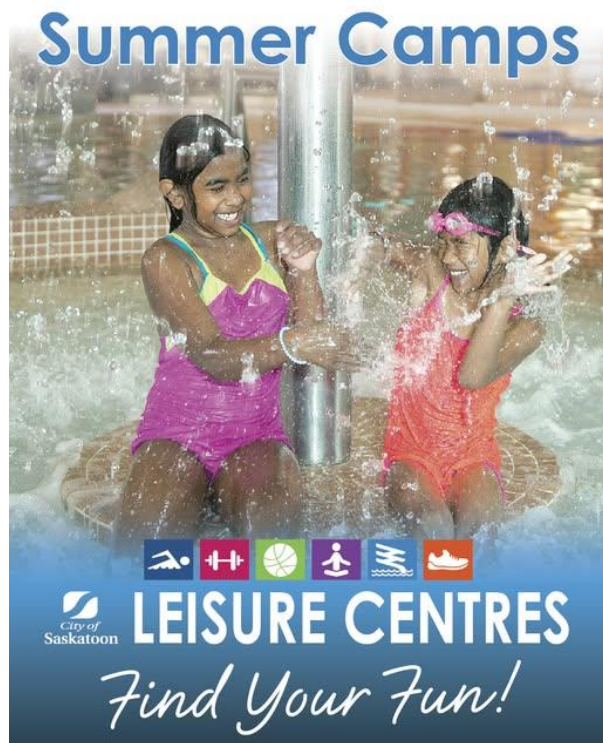
WILLOWGROVE UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE



Saturday, June 7th - 9 am to 3 pm

To have your garage sale listed on our master listing of sales which will be available on the WUHCA website and Facebook page, email events@wuhca.ca.

SUMMER CAMPS WILLOWGROVE



Find your fun! [City of Saskatoon](https://www.saskatoon.ca) Summer Camps will keep children active and happy

as they meet new friends and discover new activities. If your child is between 7 and 12, they will love either joining a camp with swimming and sports or a new City of Saskatoon camp with a focus on sports and games. As a parent, you can drop off your kids at camp each day with the comfort of knowing they are in great hands. Find out more here: <https://www.familyfuncanada.com/.../city-of-saskatoon.../>

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALES



COMMUNITY SALES

Community Garage Sales in Saskatoon! The warm months mean it is time for bargain hunting! It's the season for garage sales and Family Fun Saskatoon doesn't want you to miss a single one! That's why we've created a guide with all the Community events we've found! If we're missing any please let us know. Find our guide here: <https://www.familyfuncanada.com/.../community-garage-sales/> or

ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT NEWS RELEASES



[Expansion of Mental Health Capacity Building Program to Support More Students | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Government of Saskatchewan Invests in Social Housing Units | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Kick Off Summer on Victoria Day at Government House | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Saskatchewan Launches New Program to Boost Oil Production and Generate Investment | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Expanded CIC Indigenous Bursary Program Delivering more Supports for Post-Secondary Students Across Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Continual Intake Improves Targeted Sector Support Application for Municipalities | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Spring Seeding Underway In Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Day of Ceremony and Action: May 15 is Moose Hide Pin Day | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Anthrax Confirmed in Cattle in the RM of Paynton No. 470 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Employment Standards Amendments Pass | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

**MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH
AWARENESS MONTH.
SENDING LOVE TO THOSE WHO..**



struggle with
a mental illness



suffer with
suicidal thoughts



feel misunderstood
by society



feel alone in
their struggles



are scared to
speak up



are trying
to heal

#MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH



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