

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



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SASKATCHEWAN'S GROWTH PLAN



Saskatchewan's growth plan ...

- **A Strong Economy**
- **Strong Communities**
- **Strong Families**

Premier Scott Moe, "The purpose of growth is to build a better quality of life for Saskatchewan people - to build strong communities and strong families - and grow a stronger Saskatchewan now, and for the next decade.

Saskatchewan's Growth Plan for the Next Decade of Growth 2020- 2030 is a roadmap for a growing province of 1.4 million people and a strong economy with 100,000 more jobs.

Over the next decade, business and investment growth will create stronger communities. Adding value to the products we export around the world will support the growth of new industries and new investment in our province.

Technology and innovation will be a catalyst for growth in our core economic sectors and the growing diversification of our economy.

Growth will create new jobs and more opportunities for young people to realize their future in our province, while attracting skilled and entrepreneurial newcomers from around the world.

These are just some of the benefits of a growing province over the next decade.

Most importantly, growth will afford the ability to invest in a better quality of life for Saskatchewan families and communities. That is the purpose of growth."

Watch for the 20 actions for the 2020s in upcoming newsletters.

SASKATCHEWAN IS OFF TO A STRONG START IN 2020



For the past 12 years, Saskatchewan has been growing. More people, more jobs and more investment in our families and communities. We want to ensure this strong growth continues. Your Saskatchewan Party government has a new Growth Plan for the new decade so everyone continues to benefit from a growing province.

Saskatchewan's Growth Plan is a roadmap for a growing province of 1.4 million people and a strong economy with 100,000 more jobs. Increasing the number of young people who stay here to start a career and family will help grow the population.

This past year, Saskatchewan saw an increase of 10,400 jobs, or 1.8 percent, from 2018. More than half of that job growth is due to full-time jobs.

The energy sector is also off to a roaring start in 2020 with 57 of Saskatchewan's 105 rigs working January 6th, up from 19 rigs just three days earlier. This means that Saskatchewan has a higher rig utilization rate than both Alberta and British Columbia.

In spite of external headwinds, the creation of 10,400 jobs last year is an indication that

Saskatchewan has a robust, diverse and growing economy and shows that our Growth Plan target is achievable and well on its way to being met.

Our province will continue to undertake the most aggressive youth retention plan in Canada while exploring new incentives to keep life affordable for young people and create more opportunities for them to realize their future right here at home.

With Saskatchewan's Graduate Retention Program, post-secondary grads who remain and work in Saskatchewan after graduation are eligible for up to \$20,000 in tax credits. To date, nearly 71,000 young people have claimed this tax credit.

The Government of Saskatchewan is also providing a quarter of a million dollars to save post-secondary students money on their textbook purchases. The innovative approach supports professors and instructors at Saskatchewan Polytechnic, the U of S and the U of R to develop open textbooks and other open educational resources.

The initiative is expected to save current and future students at least \$6.4 million with the resources developed so far.

Our investment in the development of open textbooks over the past five years is helping reduce costs for approximately 70,000 students.

The Government of Saskatchewan will continue to look at new incentives to retain more young people to live, work and raise a family.

Saskatchewan's growing technology sector and digital economy will be an important driver of economic growth of the next decade.

Tripling the tech-sector by 2030 by aggressively pursuing new measures to attract large scale tech employers will help ensure Saskatchewan is on the right path with a modern economy, and Innovation Saskatchewan will play a large role in achieving these goals.

In 2017, Innovation Saskatchewan launched Co. Labs, a provincially backed incubator which in less than three years has created 160 jobs, incubated 88 start-ups and secured more than \$8 million in investment. Saskatchewan also offers the Saskatchewan Technology Startup Incentive, the most aggressive tech angel investment incentive program in Western Canada.

Growing the tech sector is just one of the ways your government is strengthening and diversifying Saskatchewan's economy.

A committee of education stakeholders, parents and business professionals will meet to begin developing recommendations on the future development of curriculum and high school graduation requirements in Saskatchewan. The committee includes representatives from teachers, school divisions, parents, post-secondary institutions, chambers of commerce, the workforce, and the Ministry of Education.

It is important that we hear from parents, educators, post-secondary institutions and the business community about what students need to learn in the classroom in order to be successful. By keeping Saskatchewan's curriculum up to date, we're ensuring that our children will be well-equipped to succeed in their future.

As part of our plan to grow the province's population and economy, Saskatchewan will focus on the development, retention, and attraction of highly skilled and entrepreneurial talent. Over the next decade Saskatchewan will develop:

- An agile and integrated education and training system that is responsive to the economic opportunities for businesses and prepares people for careers in Saskatchewan.
- People with the skills experience and pathways to realize their potential and build their careers in Saskatchewan.
- Workplaces that help develop the potential of a diverse population that requires labour market supports to succeed.

To learn more about Saskatchewan's Growth Plan for The Next Decade, I encourage you to visit saskgrowthplan.ca.

SASKATCHEWAN SEEKING MORE HOME-BASED CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

A Career at Home can be Child's Play!



Start a Licensed Child Care facility in your own home:

- grants are available to help with start up and food costs
- child care training and workshops are available
- your business will be included in government materials for parents seeking child care
- early learning and child care consultants are available to advise and assist

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To meet the needs of a growing province, the Government of Saskatchewan is encouraging residents to consider the idea of operating a licensed child care business right in their own home.

“As part of our government’s Plan for Growth, we are committed to increasing the number of quality early learning and child care opportunities in Saskatchewan,” Deputy Premier and Education Minister Gordon Wyant said. “Grant money, professional supports and training opportunities are all being offered to assist new licensed home-based child care providers get their business started.”

The results of a recent survey of existing licensed home-based child care providers in Saskatchewan shows that people may not be aware of the many government supports available to them. Under the Canada-Saskatchewan Early Learning and Child Care Agreement, funding has been provided for the creation of new licensed child care home spaces in Saskatchewan.

Read the entire news release [here](#).

DID YOU KNOW?



If cold weather has you thinking about warmer days, mark your calendars.

Reservation dates to book your nightly and seasonal camping sites in Saskatchewan Provincial Parks have been announced.

- Monday, April 13 – Seasonal campsites...
- Wednesday, April 15 – Pike Lake, The Battlefords, Narrow Hills, Blackstrap
- Thursday, April 16 – Bronson Forest, Meadow Lake, Makwa Lake, Lac La Ronge
- Friday, April 17 – Saskatchewan Landing, Douglas, Danielson
- Monday, April 20 – Buffalo Pound, Rowan’s Ravine, Echo Valley, Crooked Lake
- Wednesday, April 22 – Cypress Hills
- Thursday, April 23 – Duck Mountain, Good Spirit Lake, Greenwater Lake
- Friday, April 24 – Candle Lake, Great Blue Heron, Moose Mountain

Seasonal, nightly and group campsites can be reserved through the online system at www.saskparks.goingtocamp.com or through the call centre at 1-855-737-7275.

See the news release below for additional information.

SASKATCHEWAN PROVINCIAL PARKS ANNOUNCE 2020 RESERVATION DATES FOR SEASONAL AND NIGHTLY CAMPING

April 2020 RESERVATION LAUNCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	SEASONAL (Across multiple provincial parks)		NIGHTLY Pike Lake The Battlefords Narrow Hills Blacktrap	NIGHTLY Bronson Forest Meadow Lake Makwa Lake Lac La Ronge	NIGHTLY Sask Landing Douglas Danielson	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	NIGHTLY Buffalo Pound Rowan's Ravine Echo Valley Crooked Lake		NIGHTLY Cypress Hills	NIGHTLY Duck Mountain Good Spirit Lake Greenwater Lake	NIGHTLY Candle Lake Great Blue Heron Moose Mountain	

Start Planning!

Reservations begin each morning at 7 a.m.

Set up your account, log-in and join the queue at 6:40 a.m.

Visit saskparks.com for further details.


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 Park Watch: 1-800-667-1788
saskparks.com



Campers can mark their calendars – reservations for 2020 campsites are scheduled to begin Monday, April 13 for seasonal and Wednesday, April 15 for nightly and Camp-Easy.

“We are looking forward to another exciting camping season in Saskatchewan Provincial Parks,” Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Gene Makowsky said. “Whether a seasoned-camper or first-time visitor, our parks continue to provide a variety of outdoor activities, programs and special events that offer unique and memorable experiences for all.”

Reservations for campsites will open at 7 a.m. on the scheduled days below, with the queue opening at 6:40 a.m. Staggered launch dates and the queuing system will be implemented again in 2020 to help manage the volume the site experiences.

Click [here](#) to learn more about the schedule.

THE BISON ARE BACK!

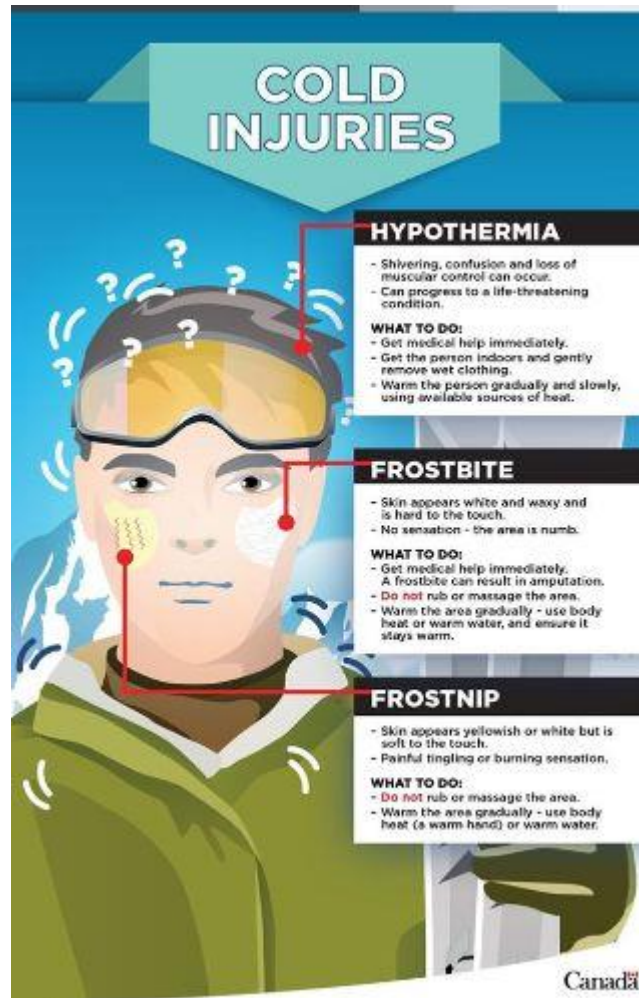


The bison are back! Pictured above is Lisa Lamber, MLA Saskatoon Churchill-Wildwood. Lisa brought greetings on behalf of Premier Scott Moe and the Government of Saskatchewan to the Wanuskewin/Parks Canada media event to announce the return of the bison to their ancestral home.

There are now 11 bison at the site: six calves are from Grasslands National Park (south Saskatchewan) and one bull/four pregnant cows have arrived from Yellowstone National Park (South Dakota ranch). The Wanuskewin bison will be the most genetically diverse conversation herd in North America. Wanuskewin has been a gathering place for Indigenous people for more than 6,000 years, and this area was a famed buffalo feeding ground. Plains bison once numbered in the millions in North America, estimates are between 30 and 60 million. The return of a herd of plains bison is part of Wanuskewin's application to become a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

This important bison initiative is made possible through a very generous \$5 million donation from Wayne Brownlee and the Brownlee Family Foundation. [Wanuskewin Heritage Park](#)

KNOW MORE ABOUT COLD INJURIES



Saskatchewan Health Authority - In the [#extremecold](#) make sure you are protecting yourself and your loved ones. Unprotected skin can start to freeze in minutes. Wear layers. Make sure to protect extremities like ears, nose, fingers, and toes. Limit your time outdoors and take lots of warm-up breaks.

PLAY. LEARN. GROW. TOGETHER!



The [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#) says the brain develops most rapidly in the first few years of life, and helping children from age 0 to 6 learn can improve their physical, intellectual, emotional and social development! For easy and fun tips on how to make the most of your child's early years, follow us at www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/education-and-learning/prek-12-education-early-learning-and-schools/early-years-learning.

HEADING OUTSIDE ON A WINTER DAY?



Take advantage of Saskatchewan's beauty this winter by getting outside! Hiking, snowshoeing, ice fishing and cross country skiing are just a few of the wonderful activities our province has to offer.

But before you embark on your adventure, check out these safety tips:

- Make a plan. Know where you're going and all the possible routes.
- Always let someone know where you are going and when you plan on coming back.
- Dress for the conditions and bring extra clothing.
- Pack food, water, flash light, GPS (not just your phone) and a whistle.

2020 NUTRIEN SHINES WINTERFEST



It's time for the 2020 Nutrien WinterShines Festival! This is an opportunity to build your volunteer experience and give yourself something to do during the cold winter season!

To sign up, please visit the link below and enter the organization as
EBSS. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VolunteerWinterShines>

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**WINTERSHINES
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Come out and help celebrate winter
with the 2020 Nutrien WinterShines festival!

Jan 25th - Feb 2nd

FIND THE SIGN UP LINK IN THE EBSS NEWSLETTER

WinterShines is looking for volunteers for various events
starting on January 25 and running until February 2

Nutrien WinterShines is Saskatchewan's premiere winter festival. Celebrating the winter season, food, fun and outdoor activities. We are a winter city, and let's celebrate it! The frosty fun of Nutrien WinterShines happens between Avenue A and Avenue C on 19th Street. Walk through

the *Enchanted Ice Garden* 琉璃仙苑 designed by architect Don Greer with Kyuubi Culture Artist Collective with lighting by Production Lighting. Take a photo by the gargoyle vignette and perch on an Emperor's Ice Throne. Pop up restaurants, Games Night, pony rides, petting zoo, shinny tournament, bonfires and plenty of daily bustle to shake the frost off your chin.

For additional details, click [here](#).

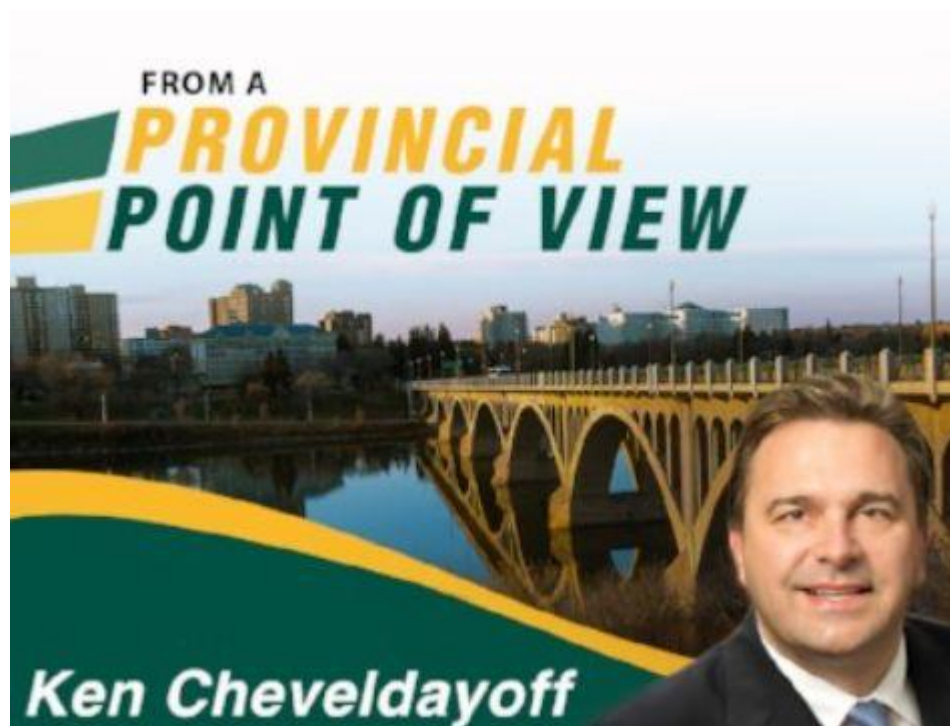
ARE YOU A STUDENT LOOKING FOR A JOB AS A LIFEGUARD/SWIM INSTRUCTOR?



Do you know any full-time students who might be interested in working as a Lifeguard/Swim Instructor for the summer? The [Government of Saskatchewan](#) has openings for summer students in Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park, Pike Lake Provincial Park, and Buffalo Pound Provincial Park.

Key duties include implementing the Red Cross Swim Program, including planning and delivering lessons in a fun, interactive way for both children and adults. You will also provide lifeguard duties ...during public swim times, and assist with daily maintenance of the pool and its facilities and equipment. The ideal candidate will hold current certifications in; Red Cross Water Safety Instructor (WSI), LSS National Lifeguard/ Pool Certification, and standard CPR-C Certification. You will also have experience working with children through instructing swim lessons, camp counselor, youth leader, or other related positions.

To apply, click [here](#).



**IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO HIGHLIGHT
IN THIS NEWSLETTER, PLEASE LET US KNOW!**

**Provincial Point of View is a great way to connect with our
community. We appreciate the opportunity to share the successes
we see in our constituency and highlight the many events
happening in our community. If you have a suggestion for items**

you would like highlighted in this newsletter, please
email: ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net

**REMINDER ABOUT SOME UPCOMING EVENTS PREVIOUSLY
HIGHLIGHTED IN THIS NEWSLETTER**



Nutrien Wintershines

When: January 25 - February 2

Where: Saskatoon Market building, Market Square

For additional information, click [here](#)



Breaking Barriers, A Journey to Mental Wellness

When: January 28, registration at 12 noon

Where: World Trade Center, Prairieland Park, Hall A

Click [here](#) for information



Swinging With The Stars

When: Saturday, February 1

Where: TCU Place

Click [here](#) for tickets and information

ONLINE VOTING IS NOW OPEN!!!

<http://swtsevents.com/saskatoon/online-voting/>



Fundraiser for Kayden Kot

When: Friday, February 7th, 5:30, dinner 6:15

Where: Travelodge Hotel, 106 Circle Dr. W

For tickets or information contact Sylvie Fortier-Kot at smfortier@hotmail.com

or kdeibert@gscs.ca or hmcnairn@gscs.ca

 **KISSES FOR KAYDEN**

Please join us for Kayden Kot's annual fundraiser.

Kayden has had challenging and complex medical issues from birth. Kayden was recently diagnosed with a very rare genetic disorder (C-F-C) that caused his digestive issues and global development delays. There is no cure or treatment for this disorder so the prognosis for Kayden's future is still unknown. At this stage, the family needs help the following priorities: ABM therapy for neuro movement, continued appointments with a pediatric neurologist/dietician who has experience with CFC syndrome, but mostly his specialized formula and equipment. He will also need to travel to Montreal this year for surgery.

Peter, Sylvie and Edyn are extremely grateful to family, friends and the community for the amazing generosity that has been shown to them in the past. We hope that you can continue to support Kayden's family to provide him with the best quality of life possible.

All the Details:
Family Friendly Evening – Kids Welcome!!
 Build-Your-Own Burger (3 options)
 Includes Fries and Salad
 Chicken Fingers for Child's meal

When? Friday Feb. 7 2020, 5:30 pm (Dinner 6:15)

Where? Travelodge Hotel, 106 Circle Dr W

Cost? \$20 per adult
 \$10 per child (10 and under)

For tickets or more information please contact:
 *Sylvie Fortier-Kot at:
 smfortier@hotmail.com or
 ps.kot@sanktel.net or
 call/text 306-381-8873 or
 306-341-3819
 *Kim Deibert
 [kdeibert@gcs.ca]
 *Heather McNairn
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If you would like to donate but cannot attend the event, donations can also be made on the following website (no tax receipt issued):
<https://www.gofundme.com/steak-night-for-kayden>

Please join us for Entertainment, Raffles, 50/50 draw! (Cash and Cheque only).

You Make All the Difference.
Thank-you!

Canadiens Alumni Game

When: February 27, 7 pm start

Where: Merlis Belsher Place

For more information and to purchase tickets, click [here](#)

Watch for additional information in our next newsletter



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 CLICK [HERE](#)**

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

“Your smile is your logo, your personality is your business card, how you leave others feeling after an experience with you becomes your trademark.”

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KEEP IN TOUCH

I appreciate the many opportunities to make a positive difference in my constituency. Your phone calls, letters, and emails make a big difference in keeping me informed on the issues that matter to you.

If you would like me to recognize anyone or have your event mentioned in this newsletter, please don't hesitate to call or email me.

"From a Provincial Point of View" is a weekly message from Ken Cheveldayoff, MLA Saskatoon Willowgrove. Your opinions are important and your letters, emails, and phone calls on any issues relating to the provincial government are welcomed.

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