

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



**BUDGET COMMITMENTS INCLUDE TARGETED INVESTMENTS FOR SAFER COMMUNITIES**



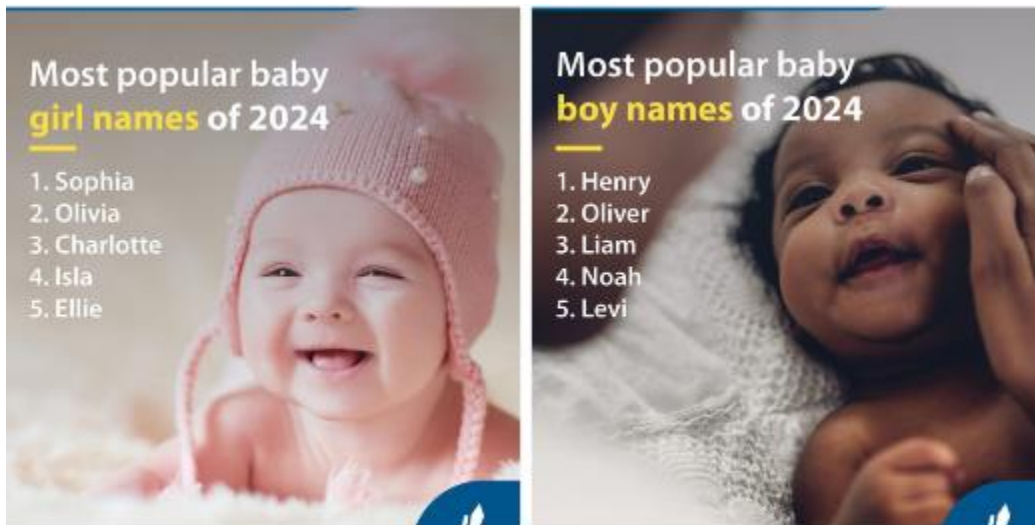
The Government of Saskatchewan is reinforcing its commitment to delivering safer communities and neighbourhoods through new and continued investments in the 2025-26 Budget. This includes \$665 million for the Ministry of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety; \$271 million for the Ministry of Justice and Attorney General;

\$118.9 million for the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA); and \$9.1 million for the Saskatchewan Firearms Office (SFO).

*"Public safety continues to be a top priority for our government, which is reflected through investments in Budget 2025-26," Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety and Justice and Attorney General Tim McLeod said. "Investments in policing, border security initiatives, reintegration supports for offenders and measures to address gangs, illegal drugs and weapons will help create safer communities for everyone in Saskatchewan."*

Read more about the investments [here](#): [Budget Commitments Include Targeted Investments for Safer Communities | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

#### SASKATCHEWAN'S MOST POPULAR NAMES FOR 2024



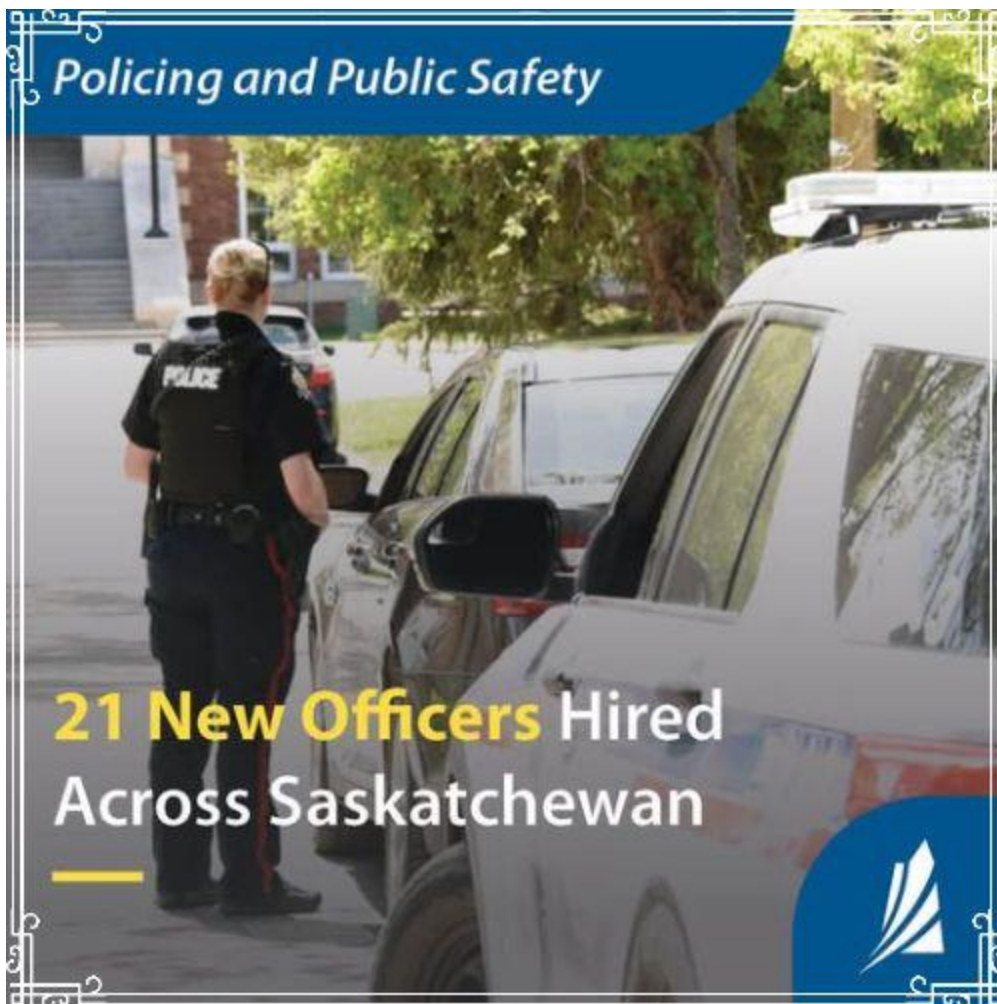
eHealth Saskatchewan released a list of the [top 20 baby names](#) for 2024 today and it shows a lot of movement.

In 2024, Sophia ended Olivia's nine-year run as the most popular name for baby girls, bumping Olivia down to second spot. Hazel rose from 20th to sixth, Ellie from 19th to fifth, Harper from 17th to eighth, and Isla from 10th to fourth. Ivy lost ground, falling from fifth place last year to 17th place this year. For the first time, Lainey is one of the most popular names for baby girls, coming in at number 20. Sadie and Grace return after being absent from the list for a few years, while Brielle, Nora, Evelyn and Sophie did not return this year after appearing in the top 20 in 2023.

On the boys' side, Henry jumped from 18th place all the way up to number one, bumping Oliver down to second place while long-time favourites Liam and Noah follow in third and fourth spots respectively. Other favourites like Levi, Hudson, Jack and Theodore remain strong. Daniel appears back on the list for the first time since 2017, and Asher, Alexander, Brooks and Elijah also return after being absent for some years. Muhammad climbed to 13th this year after first appearing in the top 20 in 19th place last year. Another favourite, Leo, fell from fourth place last year to 16th place this year, while Lincoln, Emmett, Ethan and Luke did not return to the top 20 this year. Check out [the top 20 baby names over the last 10 years](#).

The list of top 20 baby names for 2024 is created with a preliminary count of 13,189 live births registered in Saskatchewan as of April 5, 2025. eHealth is still completing birth registrations from the end of 2024. The number of live births registered in 2023 was 13,080. This does not include Saskatchewan mothers who gave birth outside of the province.

**21 NEW OFFICERS HIRED TO SUPPORT FRONTLINE POLICING IN SASKATCHEWAN**



The Government of Saskatchewan is funding 21 new police officer positions filled over the past year as part of the province's \$11.9 million Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods commitment to hire approximately 100 new municipal police officers.

*"Saskatchewan residents expect and deserve to feel safe in their communities and that means having enough police officers on the ground where they are needed the most," Corrections, Policing and Public Safety Minister Tim McLeod said. "We are proud to support municipal police services in expanding their frontline capacity to prevent and respond to criminal activity in their communities."*

[21 New Officers Hired to Support Frontline Policing in Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

## **REGINA BREAST HEALTH CENTRE NOW OPEN**



**An exciting milestone April 23<sup>rd</sup>... The doors at the new Regina Breast Health Centre (BHC) is now open and accepting patients. This centre will offer pre- and post-surgical care with advanced diagnostic imaging in one location, streamlining the patient experience and enhancing breast health care in Regina and southern Saskatchewan.**



**Minister of Health, Jeremy Cockrill and Minister of Rural and Remote Health were joined by several colleagues at the opening of this incredible facility.**



**Multi-disciplinary teams will work together in the same clinic to closely collaborate as a team to provide timely care and an all-inclusive patient experience. Support teams include: breast radiologists, breast specialized surgeons, nurse navigators, diagnostic imaging professionals, physiotherapists, a social worker and support administrative staff all working together and closely collaborating as a team to provide timely care and a better patient experience.**

**Information:** [Regina Breast Health Centre](#) | [SaskHealthAuthority](#)

**In other health care related news, an additional 16 locations will benefit from Saskatchewan's Rural and Remote Recruitment Incentive (RRRI) program to now extend eligibility to a total of 70 communities. More than 420 hard-to-recruit positions have been filled as a direct result of the RRRI program, which is key to stabilizing and strengthening health care services in rural and northern communities.**

**Our government works everyday to ensure Saskatchewan remains the best place in Canada to work, live and raise a family.**

**LEADING CANADA IN URBAN HOUSING STARTS GROWTH**



# **Leading Canada in Urban Housing Starts Growth**

*Latest Statistics Canada data shows that urban housing starts are up in Saskatchewan.*



**Urban housing starts up 96.5%**  
in the first 3 months of 2025 compared  
to the same period in 2024.



**Urban housing starts up 160.8%**  
year-over-year for March.



**Housing starts on single family  
dwellings up 90.8%**  
year-over-year for March.

These numbers are demonstrating the effectiveness of our government's economic growth initiatives. By creating jobs, encouraging investment and expanding opportunities, we are building a strong and steady Saskatchewan. This allows us to deliver the programs, services and infrastructure needed for a growing province.

**SASKATCHEWAN URANIUM PRODUCTION AND SALES REACH ALL TIME HIGHS**



**Saskatchewan's uranium industry is responding to growing global demand by setting new records for annual sales and production in 2024.**

**Last year, uranium sales reached a new high of \$2.6 billion, exceeding Saskatchewan's Growth Plan target of increasing the annual value of uranium sales to \$2 billion dollars by 2030. Uranium production also reached a new record high of 16.7 thousand tonnes in 2024, up 28 per cent from 2023.**

***"The strong growth of our world-class uranium industry is great news for Saskatchewan," Energy and Resources Minister Colleen Young said. "With our abundant, high-quality reserves and stable regulatory approach to resource development, our government is very optimistic about Saskatchewan's increasing role in global energy security in the coming years. We expect uranium production will continue to rise with the McClean Lake mine resuming operations this year and other major projects approaching construction."***

[Saskatchewan Uranium Production and Sales Reach all Time Highs | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

**SASKATCHEWAN'S BUILDING CONSTRUCTION GROWTH LEADS AMONG PROVINCES**



## Building Construction

Saskatchewan  
Ranks **1<sup>st</sup>** in Growth  
Among the Provinces

↑ **29.9%**

February 2024 to February 2025\*

\*Seasonally-adjusted figure

Source: Statistics Canada, Table 34-10-0286-01



### ***Province Ranks First for Investment in Building Construction***

Statistics Canada numbers show an increase of 29.9 per cent in February 2025 compared to February 2024 for building construction investment in the province. This places Saskatchewan first among the provinces for year-over-year growth.

*"These numbers reflect Saskatchewan's strong economy, and continued growth in capital investment as more people are choosing to build and grow their families here in our province," Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding said.*

*"Whether they are building new housing, new infrastructure, or new businesses, they*

*are investing in the future of Saskatchewan."*



[Saskatchewan's Building Construction Growth Leads Among Provinces | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

**I'M HERE TO LISTEN AND LEARN FROM YOU - PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH**

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**SASKATOON**  
WILLOWGROVE

The graphic features a portrait of Ken Cheveldayoff on the left. The background is green with white daisies. The text is in white and green. A yellow and white wavy line separates the contact information from the constituency name.

*I appreciate any opportunity to make a positive difference in our 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.*

**ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net or call 306.651.7100**

*If you are no longer interested in receiving this newsletter, please click on the **UNSUBSCRIBE** option at the bottom.*

**DO YOU WANT TO PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS IN SASKATOON WILLOWGROVE? THIS SPACE COULD BE YOURS!**



**I would be happy to feature your Saskatoon Willowgrove business in one of our upcoming newsletters. Small businesses are the backbone of our communities, so let us know .... we have the perfect spot for you to spread the word!**

## **LIFECYCLE SPIN STUDIO**



### **Feature Business:**

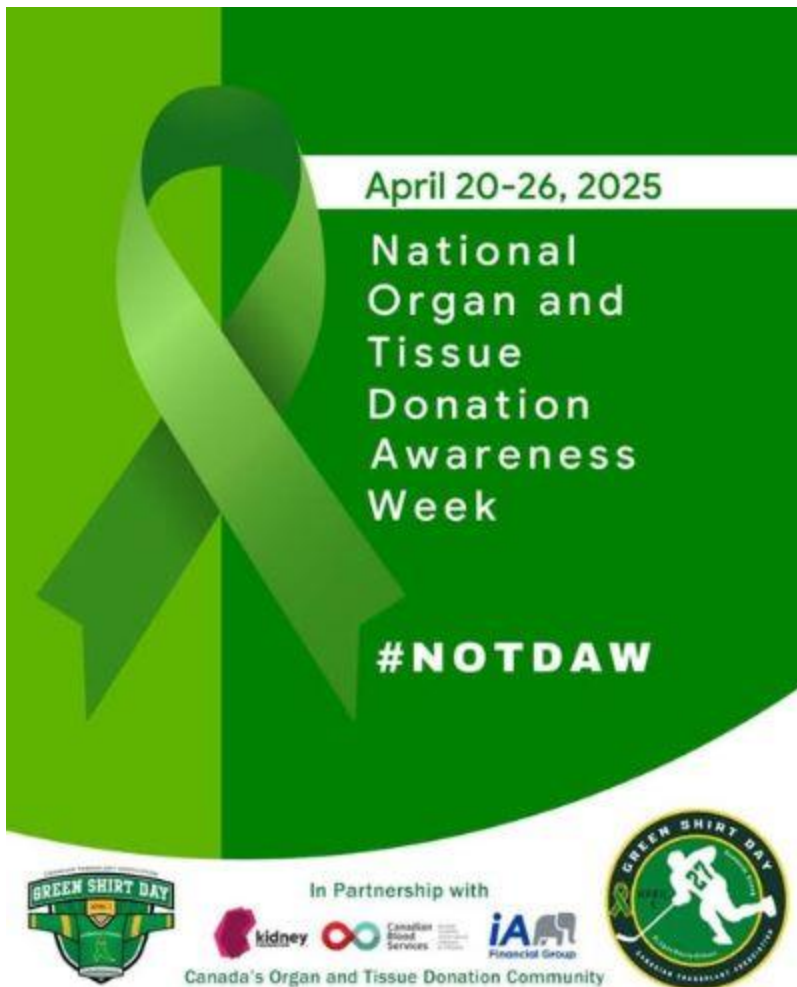
Have you checked out 🚴 LifeCycle yet?

Lifecyclespinstudio has been part of Brighton Village Centre since March, bringing high-energy, feel-good indoor cycling to our community!

Their classes are all about making you sweat, smile, and push your limits—whether you're a seasoned rider or just getting started.

Find them at Brighton Village Centre at The Commons!

**NATIONAL ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION AWARENESS WEEK**



It's National Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week – April 20–26, 2025! 🧡

Let's keep the momentum going from [#GreenShirtDay](#) and continue to spark conversations, inspire registrations, and honour the legacy of organ donors and their families.

👉 Wear your Green Shirt Day shirt proudly this week and help raise awareness for the importance of organ and tissue donation.

📸 Snap a pic, share your story, and tag it with [#NOTDAW](#) and [#GreenShirtDay](#) — together, we can make a difference.

💚 Because one donor can save up to 8 lives and improve the lives of 75 more.

👤 Register – Tell Your Family – Be Inspired

## Make the decision clear



Did you know health card stickers aren't distributed anymore?

**Register your intent to donate** online and talk to your family

Visit **GiveLifeSask.ca**



**Did you know health card stickers are no longer used to show you're a donor? April is National Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Month. Thousands of Canadians are waiting for a transplant-one donor can save up to 8 lives and enhance 75 more through tissue donation.**

**✓ Register online to make sure your decision is known. Visit [www.GiveLifeSask.ca](http://www.GiveLifeSask.ca)**

**AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 8 - 12**





## Youth Preparedness Council

Registration open until July 14, 2025. Apply now to **make a difference** in your community.

[saskpublicsafety.ca](https://www.saskpublicsafety.ca)



The SPSA's Youth Preparedness Council is now accepting applications for the 2025-2026 term. Applicants should be students in Grades 8-12.

The Youth Preparedness Council is a chance for students to create disaster preparedness and climate resiliency projects with like-minded students from across Saskatchewan and with our international partners.

Check out the website for more information and to apply today! <https://www.saskpublicsafety.ca/at-home/public-education>

**SMILE COOKIES HELP FUND OUR COMMUNITY GROUPS**



The iconic Tim Hortons Smile Cookie campaign returns April 28 through May 4 with 100 per cent of the proceeds supporting over 600 charities and community groups in Canada, selected by local Tim Hortons restaurant owners.

"Every year, Tim Hortons restaurant owners across Canada come together with team members and guests to make an incredible impact in their local communities with the annual Smile Cookie campaign," says Axel Schwan, President of Tim Hortons.

From April 28 to May 4, 100 per cent of the proceeds from Smile Cookie sales will be donated to over 600 charities and community groups in Canada, selected by local Tim Hortons restaurant owners across the country. Community associations right here is Saskatoon Willowgrove benefit, so please consider supporting this initiative!

**MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD**



## Make your voice heard

Provide your input by May 16 on proposed legislative changes to support surface access for carbon storage projects.

*saskatchewan.ca*

*Saskatchewan* 

**We're looking for your feedback on proposed changes to The Surface Rights Acquisition and Compensation Act for carbon storage projects.**

**If passed, these changes will support the acquisition of surface rights for wells and other infrastructure used for injecting and storing carbon dioxide underground.**

**Learn more and give input until May 16, 2025, at <https://bit.ly/3GblSoS>**

## PERSPECTIVE

Someone is taking their last breath in a hospital bed today, and you're frustrated sitting in traffic.

Someone is spending their first night alone after years of love, and you're annoyed your partner left dishes in the sink.

Someone is burying their baby that they carried for 9 months, and you're upset your child spilled milk on the couch.

Someone is burying their mom who created them, and you're annoyed your mom called you twice this morning.

Someone is wishing for just one more conversation with their dad, and you're rolling your eyes at his advice.

Perspective is everything. Appreciate the little things because one day, they'll be the big things. ♥

LET'S CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER AND TAKE CARE OF OUR PRECIOUS PLANET

*Saskatchewan Environment*

## Celebrating Earth Day

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**The Ministry of Environment, are committed to ensuring safe communities, sustainable landscapes, resilient wildlife populations and a healthy environment. They couldn't achieve these goals without support from Saskatchewan's community members.**

**Over the past year, you showed up for our Recycling Hero contest, voted in our March madness wildlife competition and showed us how much you care about invasive species!**

**Earth Day is another great opportunity to join forces and make a difference in your community. Try hosting a local clean-up event, crafting with upcycled items or attending an inspiring discussion panel.**



**Let's continue to work together and take care of our precious planet.**

## **CARBON MONOXIDE SAFETY**



[saskpublicsafety.ca](http://saskpublicsafety.ca)

**Saskatchewan**  
PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCY

**Carbon monoxide (CO) is often called the "silent killer" because it can build up without anyone noticing.**

**CO is an invisible, odourless and tasteless gas that can reach dangerous levels when in an enclosed space.**

**Any fuel-burning appliance can cause CO buildup - fireplaces, water heaters and vehicle exhaust, to name a few.**



**Protect your home with working CO alarms. For more information about carbon monoxide, visit <https://bit.ly/42SaIVk>.**

**LET US KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE YOUR EVENT IN THIS NEWSLETTER**



## COMMUNITY SPRING CLEANUP THIS SATURDAY!



**26 APRIL**

10 am - 2 pm

Meeting Point: Willowgrove Square

# COMMUNITY SPRING CLEANUP

Join us for Spring Cleanup Day! Help us refresh our community by picking up litter and caring for our local spaces.

Details and RSVP at:  
**WUHCA.CA**



**WUHCA asks you to join the Spring Cleanup Day!**

**Help refresh our community by picking up litter and caring for our local spaces.**

**Meetup location - Willowgrove Square**

**Saturday, April 26 - 10am to 2 pm**

## FAMILY FUN SASKATOON WEEKEND GUIDE



## WEEKEND GUIDE

The tulips are popping up, and our weekend is on the way. If you're looking for something fun to do on your last days of the break, we've got some ideas for you!

- \* The Saskatoon Wildlife Festival is back from Friday to Saturday.
- \* Persephone Theatre is back with their last performance of the 2024-2025 season.
- \* City Nature Challenge has events throughout the weekend.

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

## DISCOVER SASKATOON NEW BLOG




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## STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS







**Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Luncheon  
11:15 am - 1:30 pm  
TCU PLACE  
Upper Salon Level  
Members: \$50  
Non-Members: \$65


**POWERHOUSE  
SERIES**

**STATE OF THE CITY**

with her Worship Mayor  
**Cynthia Block**

PRESENTED BY  
**GRAHAM**

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Mayor Block will touch on the challenges and opportunities facing Saskatoon, her perspective on current business and economic issues, and her priorities in the year

ahead.

REGISTER TODAY: <https://bit.ly/4lqpULj>

## MAIFEST 2025

**FREE ADMISSION**

**MAY  
4**  
130-4 PM



**MAIFEST 2025**

**Sask Hall at the WDM**  
Join the 'Concordia Junior Alpenrose Dancers'  
for a Come & Go Afternoon  
**'WELCOME SPRING' German Style**

- Live Music & Dance Performances
- Cake & Refreshments ( Cash Sale )



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE EACCA SPRING GARAGE SALE

**Spring  
GARAGE SALE**

**Saturday May 10**



**Follow Us On  
Facebook For  
Details**

The Erindale Arbor Creek Annual Community Garage Sale is happening Saturday, May 10, 9am-3pm – rain or shine!

If you want to have your garage sale listed, please send the following information to

EACCAgaragesale@gmail.com

1. Your Name

2. EACCA Member ID

3. Address

4. General description of what you're selling

Don't have your EACCA membership?

Head to <https://registration.erindalearborecreek.org/> and SIGN UP!

The map, a list of items houses are selling, and a Google map link are below in this post. Please share this post or share the event page

ZOOGALA 2025

## THE SASKATOON ZOO FOUNDATION'S **ZOOGALA**

Zoogala is a one of a kind Saskatoon fundraising event that takes place at the unbeatable setting of the Saskatoon Zoo.

ZOOGALA is every food lover's dream come true, featuring exquisite cuisine created by the best Saskatoon Chefs. The evening also promises amazing entertainment, wonderful prizes and the true stars of the show, the resident animals. We invite you to wander around the beautiful Saskatoon zoo grounds, visit with the animals and enjoy a truly unique evening. Tickets go fast so get yours early. 19+ event.

**Tickets:** [ZOOGALA - Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park & Zoo Tickets, Fri, Jun 6, 2025 at 6:15 PM | Eventbrite](#)

JUST THE LINKS

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NEWS  RELEASES

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[Trespass Regulations Amended to Improve Public Safety, Protect Communities | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Initial Applications Being Accepted for new Infrastructure Funding Program | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[SPSA Seeks Young Leaders for New Youth Preparedness Council | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Investor Alert: Crudite International, Grayscale Group, Swift Investments Also Known As Swifti, and WildBearUnion Group Are Not Registered | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)



[fcaa.gov.sk.ca](http://fcaa.gov.sk.ca)



[Financial and Consumer Affairs Authority of Saskatchewan Joins Multi-Jurisdictional Settlement With GSB Gold Standard & GS Partners, Enabling Investor Refund Claims | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Agricultural Water Management Funding now Available | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

**Agricultural Water  
Management Funding  
Now Available**



[Treaty Land Entitlement Transfer of Mineral Rights for Sturgeon Lake First Nation | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

**THOUGHT OF THE DAY**



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isn't easy but  
every day you get  
a chance to make  
a difference. Be  
thankful for what  
you already have  
and work hard for  
the things you  
want because  
every breath you  
take is a blessing.

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