

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



REFLECTING ON LIVES LOST TO WORKPLACE INJURIES AND ILLNESSES



The flags at the Saskatchewan Legislature will fly at half mast April 28 in remembrance of 31 individuals who lost their lives to a workplace injury or illness.

Since 1984, every April 28, Canada marks the National Day of Mourning, as an opportunity to remember and honour those who were killed, injured or stricken with illness in the workplace.

"Our thoughts are with the families, friends and colleagues who are mourning the tragic loss of a loved one," Labour Relations and Workplace Safety Minister Don Morgan said. "Every life lost, and every illness or injury, has a tremendous impact on families, communities and workplaces. Let us work to put safety and health first so that everyone comes home safely at the end of the day."

[Reflecting on Lives Lost to Workplace Injuries and Illnesses | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATURE



April 28: This past month has reminded us just how unpredictable weather on the prairies can be. At the start of April, a winter snowstorm hit many areas. Around Maple Creek, SaskPower crews and contractors replaced more than 600 power poles while repairing 50 kilometres of power lines. This past

weekend, more damage was recorded as another storm rolled in with nearly 25,000 customers in southeast Saskatchewan left without power.

Thank you to everyone who worked during and after the storm to restore services to those in need. These two storms serve as a reminder about how important reliable utilities are. Our government is committed to investing in Saskatchewan's Crown corporations. With the 2022/23 Budget, we will spend nearly \$1.8 billion on capital projects to maintain and enhance utility infrastructure while supporting economic growth.

SaskPower will invest a record \$1.1 billion to improve reliability, replace aging electrical infrastructure, and meet customer demand. This will include increasing our ability to generate electricity for our growing province. Work has started on a new natural gas-fired electrical plant just south of Moose Jaw and updates at the EB Campbell Hydroelectric Station will extend its life and increase access to clean, reliable power.

This budget invests more than \$272 million into Saskatchewan's natural gas transmission and distribution system to ensure safe, reliable and affordable services to SaskEnergy customers. This year, the Crown gas company will expand the Regina East and West transmission lines, complete connections to supply the Moose Jaw electrical plant with natural gas and expand the distribution system to support new customers.

For SaskTel, the telecommunications company remains focused on connecting people to the world by investing \$337 million into the province's information and communication technology infrastructure. Investments will support quality networks, continued deployment of fibre service to rural customers and modernization of network infrastructure with the rollout of SaskTel's 5G wireless network.

With our growing province comes a growing need for sustainable water and wastewater systems. SaskWater will invest nearly \$53 million to support significant industrial growth along with continued investment in the water systems.

Support for our water network extends over to the Water Security Agency (WSA) with \$72 million in funding. Our economy has been growing by leaps and bounds in recent years and many of those new industries require water for their production facilities. Our communities are growing as more people move to Saskatchewan. This growth presents unique challenges, and this budget will support WSA in its efforts to ensure a safe and secure water supply. Their efforts will increase the sustainability of our economic growth while building a water supply network that is resilient to extreme weather patterns like the 2021 drought. To help manage that water supply, \$45 million will rehabilitate infrastructure such as dams and other water control structures. Another \$25 will support large and small irrigation projects that contribute to economic, irrigation and food security goals.

In our Growth Plan, we set goals to create 100,000 new jobs, grow private capital investment to \$16 billion annually and increase the provincial population to 1.4 million people by 2030. In order to support that growth, our Crown corporations will invest more than \$8 billion over the next five years to make capital infrastructure improvements.

Altogether, our provincial Crown corporations offer one of the lowest utility bundles in the country. Our government is committed to ensuring safe, reliable, high-quality services for Saskatchewan residents.

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you navigate provincial
government programs
and services.

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I appreciate the many opportunities I have 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 an electronic 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.

SASKATCHEWAN READY TO WELCOME DISPLACED UKRAINIANS



The province has supports in place to assist Ukrainians coming to live in Saskatchewan. A pathway has been set up to ensure quick and easy access to health care coverage services and supports.

The Government of Saskatchewan has made amendments to *The Medical Care Insurance Beneficiary and Administration Regulations* to allow health coverage for individuals forced to flee Ukraine as a result of the war.

This amendment is effective back to January 1, 2022 and allows families arriving under the Canada-Ukraine Authorization for Emergency Travel (CUAET) program to receive a Saskatchewan Health card for the duration of their immigration. The back dating is to ensure those who may have already left Ukraine and arrived here before the Russian invasion of February 24, 2022, are eligible for health benefits.

[Saskatchewan Ready to Welcome Displaced Ukrainians | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SECOND ROUND OF CHILD CARE REFUNDS NOW IN THE HANDS OF SASKATCHEWAN FAMILIES



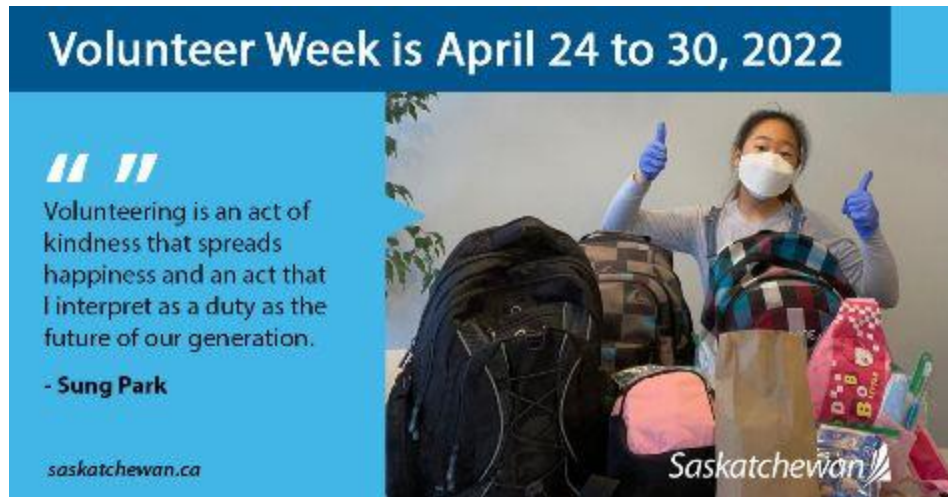
The governments of Canada and Saskatchewan have taken another step toward improving affordability and reducing regulated child care fees for families with children under six. A second round of reimbursement payments were provided to parents last month through regulated child care facilities to offset parents' costs for the period from November 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022. This is in addition to the first round of reimbursements paid in late 2021, which provided parents with reimbursements from July 1, 2021 to October 31, 2021. Parents began paying reduced fees to their regulated provider on February 1, 2022.

This fee reduction is part of \$1.09 billion being invested through the 2021-22 to 2025-26 *Canada-Saskatchewan Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement* to make regulated child care more affordable for Saskatchewan families.

"We are excited about this next step towards improved affordability for child care," Education Minister Dustin Duncan said. "The Ministry of Education is interested in helping unregulated child care providers, many of which provide child care out of their homes, become regulated. This will benefit families who use their services by allowing them to pay reduced child care fees."

[Second Round of Child Care Refunds Now in the Hands of Saskatchewan Families | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SASKATCHEWAN YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERS HIGHLIGHT NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK



Thank you to all the volunteers throughout the province! Our constituency of Saskatoon Willowgrove has several community associations that are successful because of our fantastic volunteers!

The Ministry of Education recognizes April 24 to 30 as National Volunteer Week. According to SaskCulture, Saskatchewan has been recognized as the province with the highest per capita rate of volunteerism for several years in a row. All members of the Saskatchewan Youth Council are avid volunteers within their communities.

"Volunteering benefits organizations, communities and the volunteers themselves," Education Minister Dustin Duncan said. "Engaging in community service opportunities can be challenging with our busy lives but is also incredibly rewarding. I am pleased to see our Youth Council members rise to this challenge."

[Saskatchewan Youth Council Members Highlight National Volunteer Week | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SASKATCHEWAN VOLUNTEER MEDAL PRESENTED TO NINE RECIPIENTS



April 26 nine dedicated individuals were presented with the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal during a ceremony at Government House.

"Through their selfless work and commitment to helping others, volunteers improve our communities and our province," Lieutenant Governor Russ Mirasty said. "I am pleased to be able to honour these remarkable individuals during National Volunteer Week."

[Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal Presented to Nine Recipients | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

TAKE PRECAUTIONS FOR TICKS OUTDOORS



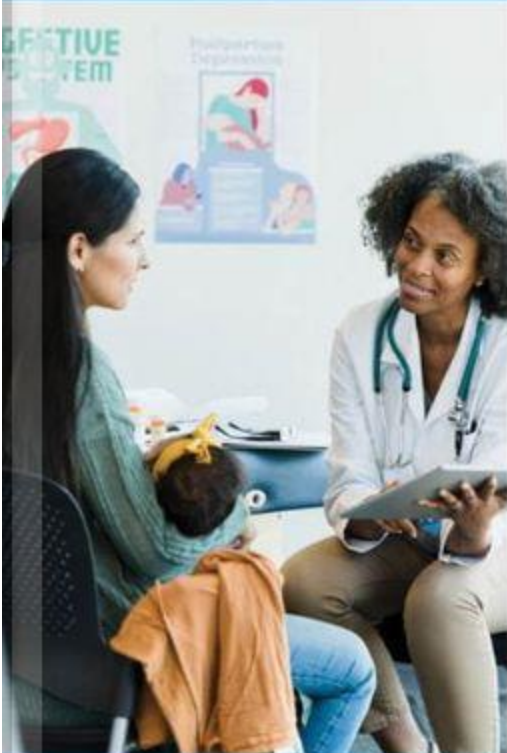
Saskatchewan residents are being reminded to watch for ticks as they venture outdoors this spring.

Ticks are most often found in tall grass, brush, or wooded areas. They cannot jump or fly, but will grasp onto people or pets who brush up against them.

"People should be vigilant and check for ticks on themselves, their children and their pets after being outside," Saskatchewan Chief Deputy Medical Health Officer Dr. Julie Kryzanowski said. "Taking precautions against ticks is the best way to reduce the risk of a tick bite."

[Take Precautions for Ticks Outdoors | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

STAY ON TRACK WITH YOUR CHILD'S IMMUNIZATIONS



Stay on track with your child's immunizations.

Protect them from:

- chicken pox
- measles
- meningitis
- mumps
- polio
- whooping cough
- and more.

For more information, contact your local public health office.

saskatchewan.ca/immunize Saskatchewan

Protect Against Preventable Illnesses like Measles, Polio and Whooping Cough

April 23-30, 2022 is National Immunization Awareness Week, highlighting the importance of immunizations to protect children against preventable diseases.

"Routine childhood immunizations are free to all Saskatchewan families through public health offices throughout the province," Health Minister Paul Merriman said. "Our province's team of public health care professionals continue their important work to keep childhood vaccination rates on track and keep our kids' safe."

[Stay On Track With Your Child's Immunizations | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

2022 BIG GAME DRAW OPENS ONLINE MAY 1



Saskatchewan's Big Game Draw opens on May 1. Hunters have until May 25 to submit their online applications.

The Big Game Draw is used to allocate a limited number of hunting licences to Saskatchewan residents in a transparent and equitable manner. This year's draw includes licences for elk, moose, pronghorn, either-sex mule deer and antlerless mule deer.

"The opening of the Big Game Draw is always a highly anticipated date for hunters in our province," Environment Minister Warren Kaeding said. "The demand for hunting tags speaks to the interest in Saskatchewan's diverse hunting opportunities. I wish all applicants good luck in this year's draw."

[2022 Big Game Draw Opens Online May 1 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SASKATCHEWAN LEADS NATION IN RETAIL TRADE GROWTH



Year-Over-Year Retail Trade Increased by 13 Per Cent in Saskatchewan, Highest in Canada

Saskatchewan is leading the nation in year-over-year retail trade growth.

Between February 2021 and February 2022, the value of retail trade in Saskatchewan increased by 13 per cent (seasonally adjusted), highest among all provinces.

"Saskatchewan continues to lead the country in key economic growth indicators," Trade and Export Development Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "Our government is increasing trade and export opportunities for Saskatchewan businesses, attracting record investment and supporting one of Canada's most competitive business environments to ensure this growth continues."

[Saskatchewan Leads Nation in Retail Trade Growth | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

**YWCA TICKETS FOR SASKATOON WOMEN OF DISTINCTION
AWARDS ARE NOW ON SALE!**



Tickets for Graham's Women of Distinction Awards are now on sale! The event is scheduled for Thursday, May 26 at 5:30 pm.

Visit tcuplace.com to purchase tickets and tables today. All proceeds from the event go directly back to the YWCA Saskatoon to ensure that the programming and services we offer to women and families in need can continue.

\$7 MILLION FUND TO HIRE UP TO 200 ADDITIONAL FULL-TIME EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANTS

Saskatchewan Provincial Budget / 2022-23
Back on Track

New \$7 million fund to hire up to 200 additional full-time educational assistants for the 2022-23 school year.

- ✓ To support students in the class
- ✓ Help manage increasingly diverse classrooms
- ✓ Record investments in education spending again this year



A strong economy pays for strong public services, and we can see that in the provincial budget's record investments in education that will set up Saskatchewan students for success for years to come. Learn more at Saskatchewan.ca.

NEW DATE ADDED - A RED DRESS BEADING PROJECT!

A beaded red dress pin, made of red and black beads, is shown on the right side of the flyer. The dress has a black outline and a red body with a black collar and hem.

Register online or by phone
Limited spots available
Wanuskewin.com
306 931 6767

**RED DRESS
BEADING
PROJECT**

May 5, 2022
10am - 4pm

Join us in the making a Red Dress pin
with Nehiyaw artist Keith Sunchild
\$40 all materials included

 **Wanuskewin**

NEW DATE ADDED! A second Red Dress Beading Project will be held on May 5th.

Visit <https://bit.ly/37D32ac> to register.

CANADA AND SASKATCHEWAN INVEST IN 24 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS ACROSS THE PROVINCE



Investments in local infrastructure projects help build inclusive, resilient communities. They create good jobs and business opportunities, address some of the gaps highlighted by the pandemic, and support local climate-related initiatives.

April 27 , Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities, and Saskatchewan's Government Relations Minister Don McMorris announced more than \$35.9 million in federal-provincial funding for 24 new infrastructure projects across Saskatchewan.

"Our province is proud to support Saskatchewan people through this investment of nearly \$17 million that will go toward important projects to enhance water and wastewater infrastructure, and help protect the environment, which will strengthen our communities throughout the province," McMorris said.

[Canada And Saskatchewan Invest In 24 Infrastructure Projects Across The Province | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SUPPORTING AND RECRUITING HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS



A priority of this provincial budget is focused on getting our health system back on track by investing and recruiting health care workers. Learn more at [Saskatchewan.ca](https://www.saskatchewan.ca).

TOURISM SASKATOON - EVENTS IN OUR BEAUTIFUL CITY!



Taken from the Tourism Saskatoon website:

This past year has seen the cancellation of our beloved festivals and events in our city, province, and country. We urge you to take part in any virtual events you see posted - your support is cherished and essential to these organizations!

As Saskatchewan continues to move through its [Re-Opening Roadmap](#), things can change at any time. Please be sure to check with venues, attractions and event listings to ensure you are able to adhere to all safety protocols.

We are so excited for the return of our festivals and events which take place in Saskatoon all year long! Continue to refer to this page and to our social media channels ([Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#)) for the latest on what's happening!

I encourage you to check out the events page to see the many activities planned: [Saskatoon Events | Festivals, Concerts, Fairs, & Shows \(tourismsaskatoon.com\)](#)

SASKATCHEWAN RCMP PAMPHLETS



If you see one of these pamphlets hanging from your doorknob, it means your local RCMP were in the neighbourhood doing proactive patrols and stopped by to check in. The attending officer will have left their name and the date they came by.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your local RCMP detachment or call 310-RCMP.

DOG'S BREAKFAST 2022



Members from the Huskie football Foundation announced plans for the 2022 Dog's Breakfast to be held on Wednesday. The 20th annual event will be held on May 5th at Prairieland Park. This year's breakfast will pay tribute to the Grey Cup champion Saskatchewan Roughrider team that defeated the Winnipeg Blue Bombers 23-19 on November 25th, 2007 at Rogers Centre.

The Dog's Breakfast returns after a two year hiatus because of the pandemic. Huskies quarterback Mason Nyhus is going in to his fifth and final season, and knows how important the event is. "I think it's really big for recruits coming in. It's also a good reminder for our players now, to know the kind of support they have financially. The breakfast is part of those good things that make our team different and special than everyone else in the Canada West and U Sport."

Tables of eight cost \$1,200, while single tickets are \$150. For more information fans can call The Huskie Football Foundation at (306) 966-5492 or visit dogsbreakfastyxe.com

ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT NEWS RELEASES



[Provincial Constituency Boundaries Commission Appointed | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Assistance for Livestock Producers Impacted by Severe Spring Storms | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[AgriStability Enrollment Deadline Extended To June 30 2022 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[New Legislation to Protect Victims of Human Trafficking In Effect | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Innovation Challenge Winner Presents Vergo - a Workplace Safety Technology Solution | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Saskatchewan Expands Covid-19 Booster Eligibility To 50+ | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Possible Flooding in Southeast Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[COVID-19 Weekly EPI Report - New COVID-19 Treatment Available | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[New Home Gallery Opens At The Royal Saskatchewan Museum | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Government Of Saskatchewan Extends 4R Nutrient Stewardship Agreement With Fertilizer Canada | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Another \\$15.3 million for Rural Highway Improvements | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

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