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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BERNADETTE MCINTYRE FORMALLY OPENS THE SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE



Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan Bernadette McIntyre formally opened the Second Session of the Thirtieth Legislature with the Speech from the Throne on Wednesday, October 22, 2025, in the Assembly Chamber of the Saskatchewan Legislative Building.

"This will be my first opportunity since being installed on January 31st to participate in an opening of a Legislative Session," McIntyre said. "Reading the Speech from the Throne is a significant responsibility and great privilege as His Majesty's provincial representative. I look forward to this special occasion, which celebrates our heritage and the customs inherent to our form of government - a constitutional monarchy with a parliamentary democracy."

The public was invited to observe the outdoor ceremony, which began at 1:20 p.m. in front of the Legislative Building at 2405 Legislative Drive. The Lieutenant Governor was greeted by the Premier Scott Moe who lead traditional opening day of session ceremonies.

"It is an honour to stand alongside my colleagues and the Lieutenant Governor as we begin a new session," Moe said. "This session our government will continue working to ensure Saskatchewan's economy is strong, our communities are safe, and our future is secure."

The opening of the Legislative Assembly has taken place to mark each session since 1906, when representatives of the Legislature, the Executive, and the Judiciary first gathered to hear Lieutenant Governor Amédée Forget acknowledge expressions of welcome into the Canadian Federation from Ottawa and the other provincial Legislatures.

GOVERNMENT OUTLINES AGENDA FOR A STRONG, SAFE, SECURE SASKATCHEWAN



Premier Scott Moe said the government's agenda for the new session of the Legislature will ensure Saskatchewan's economy remains strong, Saskatchewan communities are safe and Saskatchewan's future is secure.

The fall legislative session began today with Lieutenant Governor Bernadette McIntyre reading the Speech from the Throne.

"Saskatchewan has the strongest economy in Canada and one goal of the legislative session will be to ensure Saskatchewan's economy remains strong and growing," Moe said. "At the same time, we will be working to ensure Saskatchewan remains the most affordable place to live in Canada, that our families and communities are safe, that our students are getting their best start and that our health care system is giving everyone the care they need. Those objectives and our plans to meet those goals are outlined in today's Speech from the Throne."

The Throne Speech addressed the challenges facing the province due to the United States and Chinese tariffs and committed that the province will continue to work with the federal government in working to have all tariffs removed. At the same time, Saskatchewan will continue to expand its export markets in over 160 other countries around the world.

The Throne Speech outlined a number of pieces of legislation that will be introduced, including:

- *The Saskatchewan Internal Trade Promotion Act*, which will reduce interprovincial trade barriers and promote freer trade within Canada;
- *The Response to Illicit Drugs (RID) Act*, which will take action to protect families and communities from illegal drugs and crack down on those who profit from them;
- *The Compassionate Intervention Act*, which will require individuals whose addictions are posing a threat to themselves and others to get the care they need;
- *The Cyberstalking and Coercive Control Act*, which will protect victims of online stalking by amending the definition of interpersonal violence to include coercive or controlling behaviour, and cyberstalking;
- Amendments to *The Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act*, which will ensure child support orders can still be enforced when a parent moves out of province;

- Amendments to *The Change of Name Act*, which will prevent those convicted of serious crimes from changing their name;
- Amendments to *The Saskatchewan Firearms Act*, which will protect Saskatchewan gun owners from financial liability resulting from federal firearm prohibitions;
- *The Building Schools Faster Act*, which will require municipalities to acquire and service sufficient land for the construction of new schools;
- Amendments to *The Animal Protection Act*, which will strengthen the protection of animals by creating a new animal welfare inspector position and establishing a code of conduct for animal protection officers;
- *The "From Many Peoples, Strength" Act*, which will allow for the permanent recognition of special days, weeks and months to recognize the important contributions to Saskatchewan made by various cultural groups; and
- *The Tailgating Act*, which will allow for tailgating events at Mosaic Stadium prior to Roughrider games.



• ***"Today's Throne Speech outlines an active legislative agenda to ensure Saskatchewan remains strong, safe and secure," Moe said.***

YOUR LEGISLATIVE REPORT



This week, our government delivered the Speech from the Throne upon the opening of the second session of the 30th Legislature in the Province of Saskatchewan. The Lieutenant Governor, Bernadette McIntyre, conveyed the actions the government will take to meet the challenges and build on the opportunities facing our province. We are committed to ensuring the determined, resilient, and innovative people of Saskatchewan are safe in their own communities, that our economy remains strong, and the future is secure for the next generation.

Highlighted in the speech is the strength of our economy, despite headwinds from a realignment of international trading norms. Our government's approach to expanding export markets is working with Saskatchewan goods and services are sent to 160 countries. We have more than doubled the value of our exports since 2007. Our government will continue to market our province to the world, while having a solid and secure economic environment at home.

Saskatchewan continues to be the most affordable place in Canada to live. However, we understand that people are facing challenges as prices continue to rise. Our strong economy allows us to make investments in programs that make life more affordable. These include further income tax cuts which will take an additional 54,000 people off the tax roll, enhancements to the Personal Care Home Benefit, First-time Homebuyers' Tax Credit, the Graduate Retention Program, Home Renovation Tax Credit, Active families Benefit, and the Disability and Caregiver Tax

Credit. It is important to remember that these enhancements are not one-time events. They will help everyone year after year with affordability.

The Throne Speech also highlights the measures our government is implementing to make our communities safer. New police officer funding, amendments to the Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act, the Trespass to Property Act and the new Safe Public Spaces Act will provide police forces with more tools to address criminal activity. New announcements in the speech include the Response to Illicit Drugs Act and the Compassionate Intervention Act. The latter will require individuals with addiction problems, who are unable to seek treatment on their own, to enter a treatment program. This will be supported by continuing work on 500 new drug treatment beds.

Our government is putting students first by investing in 500 additional teachers, \$131 million for classroom supports and building 26 new schools which are at various stages of completion. The Building Schools Faster Act will ensure there is enough municipal land available to minimize delays in getting new schools completed. Post secondary institutions will see a new multi-year agreement with the government that provides funding certainty and protects students from tuition increases.

We want to ensure our health system is meeting the demands of patients in Saskatchewan. The number of doctors and nurses has increased significantly since the implementation of the Health Human Resources Action Plan. The number of communities eligible for the Rural Recruitment Incentive has increased by 70. Our government has committed to performing 450,000 surgeries in this four-year period, and we are on track to meet this goal. This has resulted in significantly reduced wait times. We are supporting our patients and health care workers with new facilities, such as urgent care centres. The first of these, located in Regina, has served 41,000 patients in its first year.

Many football fans have seen or experienced “tailgating” at other stadiums throughout Canada and the United States for many years. We will introduce the Tailgating Act, which will allow this activity to take place here in Saskatchewan. This regulatory change could bring tailgating fun prior to watching our Saskatchewan Roughriders play at Mosaic Stadium.

I look forward to continuing to represent the people of Saskatoon Willowgrove at the Legislature as we implement the direction provided in the Throne Speech. If you have questions about this or any other matter, please feel free to contact my constituency office at ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net or call 306.651.7100.

MEETING STUDENTS ACROSS THE PROVINCE



I had the pleasure of meeting with the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Students Association in Saskatoon this past week. Representatives from Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, and Saskatoon shared their accomplishments and identified areas for growth. I appreciate the service of these students.



I also had the opportunity to visit post secondary colleges in Prince Albert. Saskatchewan is in good hands!

THE GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN TO PROVIDE \$6.3 MILLION IN FUNDING TO ESTABLISH FOUR NUCLEAR RESEARCH CHAIRS IN SASKATCHEWAN



The Province of Saskatchewan through SaskPower will invest \$6.3 million during the next six years to establish four new nuclear research chairs at post-secondary institutions in the province.

The chairs, whose work will support nuclear science and the deployment of nuclear energy generation in Saskatchewan, are made possible by partnerships with the University Network of Excellence in Nuclear Engineering (UNENE) and the Sylvia Fedoruk Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation.

“We are committed to a reliable and affordable provincial electricity system powered by nuclear energy. Including a provincial economy strengthened by a world-leading nuclear industry,” Minister Responsible for SaskPower Jeremy Harrison said. “These four new research chairs will help build the nuclear engineering capacity and training Saskatchewan will need as we move toward our future nuclear reality.”

[The Government of Saskatchewan to Provide \\$6.3 Million in Funding to Establish Four Nuclear Research Chairs in Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

OPTIMIST CLUB ANNUAL GALA



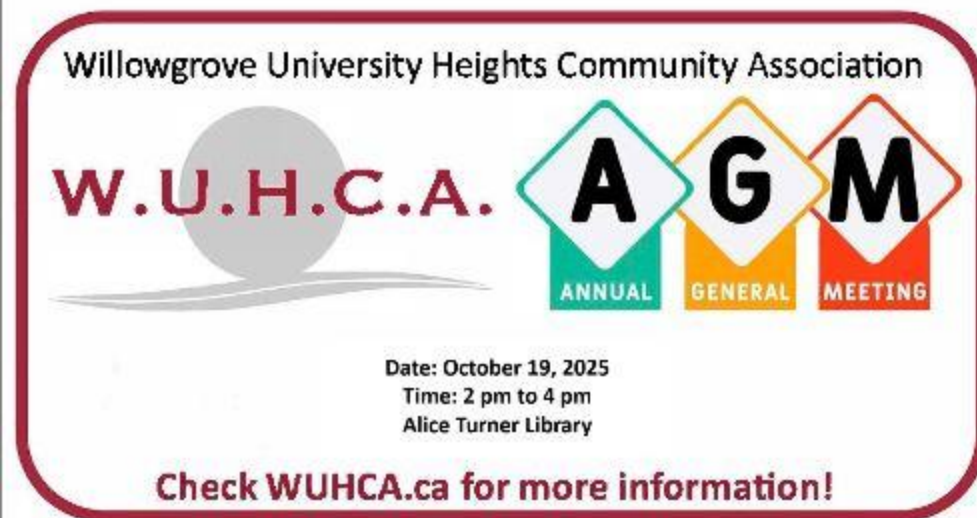
I was delighted to support the Optimist Club by attending their Annual Gala this past Saturday.



The evening featured exquisite cuisine, great company, and the opportunity to support a cherished community asset. Attending was long time Optimist Club member Brad Sylvester.

Events like this facilitate accessibility and vibrancy of Optimist Hill for families, riders, and the community.

WUHCA ANNUAL MEETING



It was a pleasure to join residents for the annual Willowgrove University Heights Community Association (WUHCA) meeting last weekend at the Alice Turner Library.

The WUHCA shared valuable updates and information about ongoing community initiatives. A heartfelt thank you to Alana Wakula for stepping up as President for a second year - her leadership is greatly appreciated.



Special thanks as well to dedicated volunteers like Ross VJ, Ibrahim, and many others who help make programming possible throughout the year.

Community associations like WUHCA play a vital role in enhancing our quality of life—as a resident and MLA for Saskatoon Willowgrove, I appreciate everything our community associations do to make our community a better place.

I encourage anyone interested to get involved.

SASKATCHEWAN TAKES THE LEAD IN BUILDING CONSTRUCTION



According to new data released today by Statistics Canada, Saskatchewan saw a 6.9 per cent increase in building construction investment in August 2025 compared to July 2025 (seasonally-adjusted), placing the province first in month-over-month growth.

"These numbers tell a powerful story," Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding said. "Saskatchewan is growing, and attracting more people and investment to our province. Whether it is new homes or commercial developments, this growth reflects the confidence people have in our province as a great place to live, work, and build a future."



[Saskatchewan Takes the Lead in Building Construction | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

CELEBRATE EDUCATION WEEK IN SASKATCHEWAN



Join the Government of Saskatchewan during the week of October 19-25, 2025, as we celebrate the important role education plays in the development and wellbeing of all learners.

This year's Education Week theme, **Seeds of Learning, Roots to Success**, reminds us that education sets a lifelong foundation for building skills and acquiring knowledge, ensuring Saskatchewan learners can succeed in school and beyond. We encourage everyone to take the time this week to also recognize Saskatchewan's teachers, school staff and division staff, who teach, inspire and support students.

"Education is about much more than memorizing facts and passing tests, it is about learning and growing to make life meaningful and rewarding," Education Minister Everett Hindley said. "Thank you to our education professionals for helping to ignite

the spark in Saskatchewan's students that will lead to a love of learning and limitless possibilities."

[Celebrate Education Week in Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)



School Bus Driver Appreciation Day is celebrated alongside Education Week, on October 20, 2025, recognizing the important role bus drivers have in safely transporting students to and from school.

SASKATCHEWAN ROUGHRIDERS HOST THEIR ANNUAL PINK GAME OCTOBER 25TH - TOUCHDOWN FOR DREAMS!



The [Saskatchewan Roughriders](#) are hosting their annual Pink Game on Oct. 25, celebrating the Cameco Riders Touchdown for Dreams program, which makes dreams come true for women living with a life-threatening cancer diagnosis. Pink toques will be available for purchase for \$20 from volunteers at the game, with proceeds supporting the program

2025 Cameco Riders Touchdown for Dreams



Making a dream become reality is fulfilling. But this program's sense of community and mutual support extends far beyond the fulfilment of a single dream. As dream recipients face unique challenges together, supported by program partners and new friendships, their shared strength, grace and resilience inspires us all.

As a partner, Cameco is entering the 14th season of this unique program which has enabled 96 courageous women to experience their dreams. In 2025, another eight women joined the program. The program is a partnership between Cameco, the Saskatchewan Roughriders and the Cancer Foundation of Saskatchewan.

SASKATCHEWAN CELEBRATES THE POWER OF SMALL BUSINESS



Celebrating Small Businesses

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK 2025

In 2024 Saskatchewan had the second highest per capita rate of small businesses in the country.

Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding proclaimed October 19 to 25 as Small Business Week in Saskatchewan. This year's *Saskatchewan Small Business Profile*, also released today, shows that small businesses in the province have grown 4.9 per cent from 2014 to 2024.

In 2024, small businesses in the province totaled 154,278. That gives Saskatchewan a per capita rate of 124 for every 1,000 people, the second highest rate in the country.



"Small businesses are the heartbeat of our provincial economy," Kaeding said. "Data released today represents more than numbers - they are families, workers, and communities who are supported by our healthy business landscape. Our government continues to support small business by maintaining one of the lowest tax rates and one of the highest small business income thresholds in Canada."

[Saskatchewan Celebrates the Power of Small Businesses | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SASKATCHEWAN PROCLAIMS OCTOBER 20-24 AS NUCLEAR SCIENCE WEEK



The Government of Saskatchewan is proclaiming the week of October 20-24 as the inaugural Nuclear Science Week in the province.

This special recognition highlights Saskatchewan's significant progress and strengths in advancing nuclear energy and research in the region, as the province partners with GE-Vernova Hitachi Nuclear Energy to potentially deploy their BWRX-300 small modular reactor (SMR) as Saskatchewan's first SMRs.



"Nuclear energy has a significant role in our province's future electricity grid," Crown Investments Corporation Minister Jeremy Harrison said. "We also have what the world needs for nuclear development right here at home. Saskatchewan has world-class nuclear research facilities and institutions, a resilient workforce and a strong supply chain. We are also proud to be the second largest global producer of uranium. Saskatchewan is and will continue to be a key contributor in advancing nuclear power in Canada and around the globe."

[Saskatchewan Proclaims October 20-24 as Nuclear Science Week | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

PROVINCE CELEBRATES OPENING OF THE PERMANENT BALLISTICS LABORATORY



Corrections, Policing and Public Safety Minister Tim McLeod, K.C. and Saskatchewan Firearms Office (SFO) Commissioner Robert Freberg officially opened the permanent location of the Saskatchewan Ballistics Laboratory, strengthening firearms-related criminal investigations across the province.

Nearly \$3.35 million was invested by the Government of Saskatchewan on the development of the Ballistics Lab. The permanent lab will house additional testing equipment and will eventually conduct firearms testing for all law enforcement agencies in the province.

The lab is equipped with advanced technology to support firearms investigations, including a MILO Range for controlled testing, a water tank and cotton box to safely capture bullets and casings, a comparison microscope and BrassTrax technology for detailed analysis, and a Laboratory Information Management System to securely manage case data and results.

"The Saskatchewan Ballistics Lab has been a turning point in how crimes involving firearms are investigated in our province, providing over 900 firearm examinations and services since commencing operations," Corrections, Policing and Public Safety Minister Tim McLeod, K.C. said. "With the opening of a permanent lab, our government is committed to providing law enforcement with the tools and expertise they need to secure and protect Saskatchewan families and communities."

[Province Celebrates Opening of the Permanent Ballistics Laboratory | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SASKATCHEWAN RESEARCH COUNCIL DELIVERS \$657 MILLION IN IMPACTS TO PROVINCIAL ECONOMY IN 2024-25



The Saskatchewan Research Council's (SRC) latest economic impact assessment demonstrates its continued work to strengthen Saskatchewan's economy with quality private sector jobs and a secure environment by realizing a combined impact of \$657 million in its last fiscal year.

Since it began assessing its economic impact in 2003, SRC has recorded roughly \$16.2 billion in combined economic and employment impacts in Saskatchewan, including \$565 million in economic impact in its fiscal year ending March 31, 2025. SRC also assisted in creating or maintaining more than 1,447 jobs in Saskatchewan in 2024-2025, valued at an additional \$92 million.

In 2024-2025, SRC had a mandate effectiveness of 28, which means that for every dollar the province invested in SRC, SRC's work contributed at least a 28-times return to the growth of the Saskatchewan economy.

These impact numbers were also accompanied by revenue generation by SRC of approximately \$102 million.

"SRC's contribution to Saskatchewan's success continues to be evident when you look at the economic value they provide each year, which includes job creation and industrial commercialization," Minister Responsible for SRC Warren Kaeding said.

"SRC is a truly unique organization that helps clients all over the world while still being a key economic driver right here at home in Saskatchewan."

[Saskatchewan Research Council Delivers \\$657 Million in Impacts to Provincial Economy in 2024 - 2025 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

SASKATCHEWAN RECOGNIZES WASTE REDUCTION WEEK



The Government of Saskatchewan is recognizing Waste Reduction Week, taking place from October 20 to 26, 2025. Waste Reduction Week focuses on the importance of waste reduction, resource conservation and building a more sustainable future.

Throughout the week, Saskatchewan residents are encouraged to take part in any activities, initiatives or discussions that might take place in your community that promote waste reduction.

This year's campaign has six different themes, each highlighting an important area where we can prevent waste... [CLICK THE NEWS RELEASE LINK BELOW.](#)

"These themes highlight that each one of us, whether through our work or in our personal lives, have a role to reduce impacts of waste on our landfills," Environment Minister Travis Keisig said. "Saskatchewan people have always been innovative and

resourceful, and Waste Reduction Week is a great time to celebrate those strengths and put them into action."

[Saskatchewan Recognizes Waste Reduction Week | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

LEADING THE NATION IN HOUSING STARTS

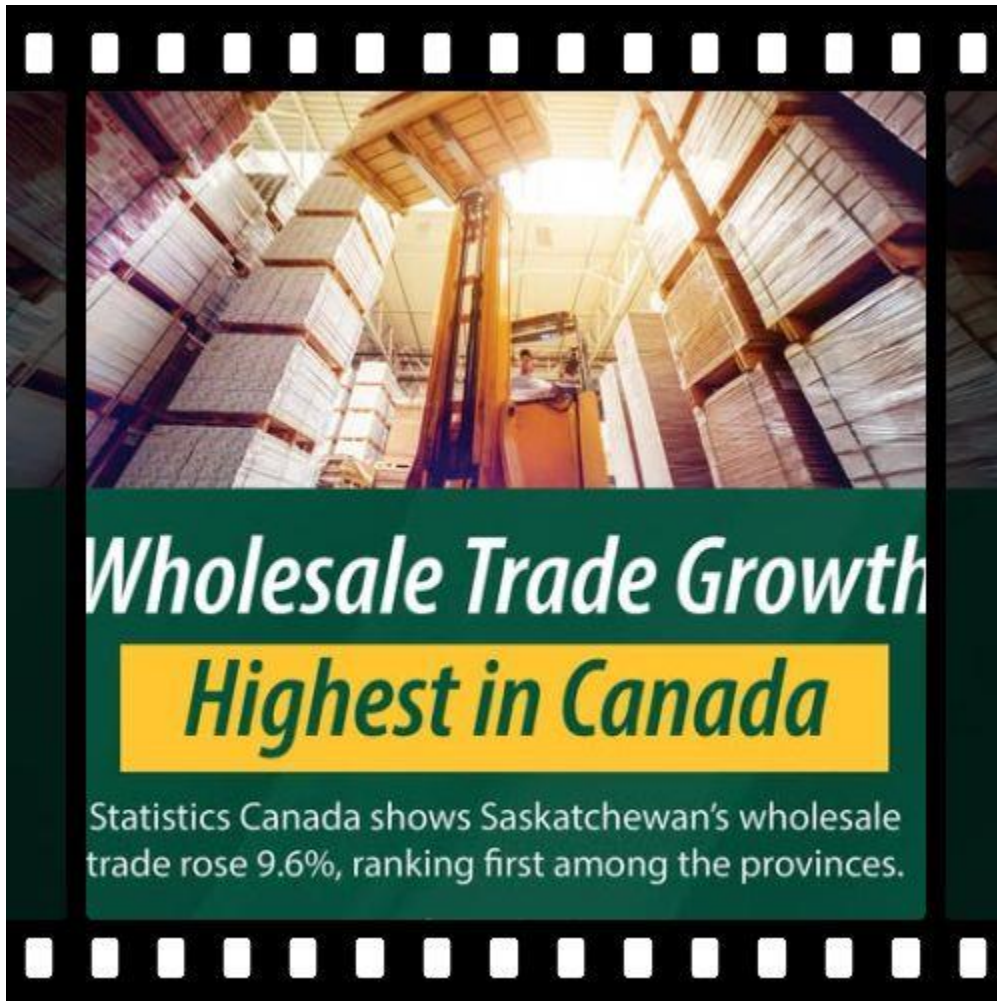


Leading the Nation in Housing Starts

According to the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Saskatchewan's housing starts are up 48% from the same time last year, ranking first among the provinces.

More and more people are choosing to put down roots and establish their lives in Saskatchewan. This increase in housing starts creates jobs and economic growth, which leads to the programs and services Saskatchewan residents count on.

WHOLESALE TRADE GROWTH - HIGHEST IN CANADA



Saskatchewan ranks first in month-over-month growth in Wholesale Trade in August 2025 compared to July 2025. In August 2025, wholesale trade totaled \$5 billion. While we face ongoing challenges in the global economy, Saskatchewan is continuing to diversify export markets and reach more customers than ever before.

WATCH FOR OUR HALLOWEEN EDITION NEXT WEEK!



NEWS RELEASE - LINKS



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THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Success

is achieved and
maintained by those
who **TRY** and
keep **TRYING**.

- W. Clement Stone

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you navigate provincial
government programs
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