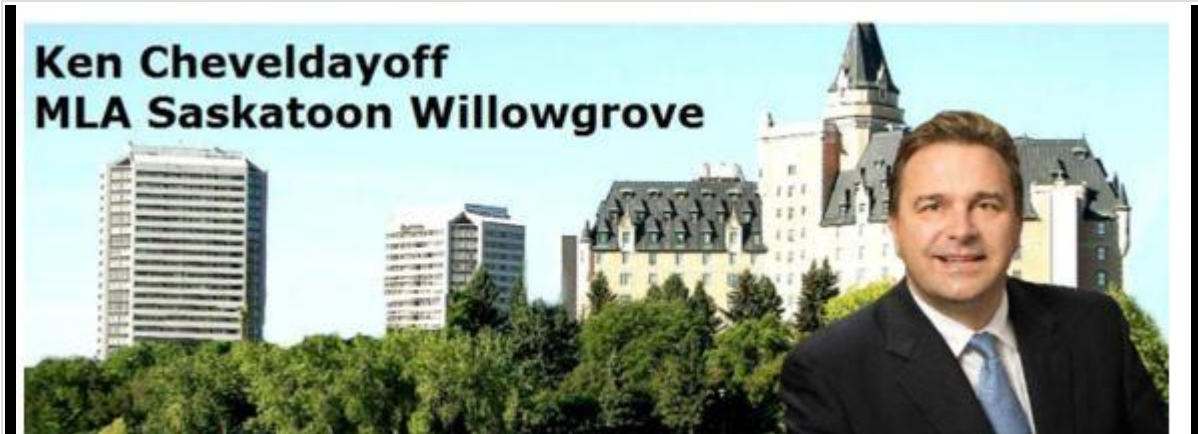


Check out what's happening in Saskatoon Willowgrove and throughout the Province!



**Premier Scott Moe, "Over 190,000 students from more than 770 schools will be heading back to class today. I'd like to wish everyone a fantastic school year, and remind drivers to be extra cautious on the road."**



**GOVERNMENT OF SASKATCHEWAN CONTINUES TO EXPAND  
INTENSIVE NEEDS SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS AND EARLY  
LEARNERS**



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New or expanded supports introduced over the past year include:

- **Early Learning Intensive Support (ELIS):**

Provides school divisions with funding to expand Pre-kindergarten programs for children with intensive needs. This includes hiring additional educational assistants and bringing in specialized resources. ELIS was first established in Saskatoon and Regina in 2018, and is now expanding to the communities of Moose Jaw, North Battleford, Prince Albert, Swift Current and Yorkton.

- **Supports for Learning:**

Provides \$285.5 million in funding to school divisions and Conseil des écoles francsaskoises that can be directed towards programming for children requiring additional supports, including those with intensive needs. Funding was increased by \$2.8 million in the 2019-20 budget.

- **Inclusion and Intervention Plan (IIP):**

Schools work with families to develop an IIP. The IIP focuses on priority outcomes based on the individual student's strengths, interests and needs. It describes the supports and strategies the student requires, and the person(s) responsible for providing the supports. The student's progress is monitored and the plan is adjusted as the student's needs change.

- **Mental Health Supports:**

For the 2019-20 school year, divisions and Conseil des écoles francsaskoises are budgeted to spend more than \$31 million on counsellors, psychologists and social workers in support of

students within the education system.

- **Early Childhood Intervention Program (ECIP):**

Works with the families of over 1,300 Saskatchewan children experiencing or at risk of experiencing a disability or developmental delay. ECIP staff identify areas of delay, enhance child development and provide assistance to parents. Funding for this program was increased to \$4.3 million in the 2019-20 budget.

- **KidsFirst:**

Provides child development supports to approximately 1,700 Saskatchewan families. Supports include home visits, tools to support learning and development, mental health services and connections to other community programs.

- **The Enhanced Accessibility Grant:**

Grant money of up to \$2,000 a month is available to licensed child care facilities in Saskatchewan to support any additional staffing costs required to care for a child with particularly challenging needs and/or behaviours.

- **Children Communicating, Connecting and in Community:**

Provides early intervention and support for pre-school aged children who are deaf and hard of hearing, or connected to the deaf and hard of hearing community. Professional supports, such as speech and language pathologists, are available to assist with language development. This program is available in both oral and signed language options in Saskatoon and Regina.

- **Eagle's Nest Youth Ranch:**

The 2019-20 budget included a \$77,000 increase in funding for Eagle's Nest Youth Ranch, to expand staffing and spaces for youth requiring additional educational supports.

Through the Canada-Saskatchewan Early Learning and Child Care Agreement work is also continuing to implement more training for early childhood educators on how to best support children with challenging needs and/or behaviours.

Increasing supports for the province's most vulnerable young learners continues to be a priority for this government, as is ensuring all Saskatchewan children get the best start in life.

**MORE THAN 190,000 STUDENTS WILL RETURN TO CLASSROOMS FOR A YEAR OF LEARNING AND GROWING**

# Welcome Back to School 2019-20!

Welcoming back more than 190,000 students and 21,000 teachers and school division staff for a safe and successful school year.



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September 3rd marks the beginning of the school year and thousands of energetic students around the province can't wait to get back to the books. As school returns, drivers are asked to be extra attentive on the roads as there is increased traffic due to school buses and students. "I know firsthand how excited kids are at this time of year as they head back to school, or begin school for the first time" Deputy Premier and Education Minister Gordon Wyant said. "I know many parents and educators who are eager to begin a new school year too and it is important that we all do our part to keep our students safe as they travel to and from school."

Teachers and school division staff have been busy preparing for students' return to classrooms in more than 770 schools across Saskatchewan's 27 school divisions and the various other schools around the province.

Approximately 190,000 Prekindergarten to Grade 12 students will attend school in Saskatchewan for the upcoming school year. School zone speed limits vary in communities across the province from 30 to 40 km/h and drivers are advised to be cautious and adhere to the speed limits.

In Saskatchewan, school typically begins after Labour Day unless the statutory holiday falls on or after September 5th



## NEW ROYAL UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL ADULT EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT IN SASKATCHEWAN

**Royal University Hospital**  
**NEW**  
**Adult Emergency Department**

**STATE OF THE ART  
TRUAMA ROOMS**  
+  
**ACCOMMODATES  
UP TO 51 PATIENTS**  
+  
**STARS HELIPORT ACCESS**

Premier  
Scott  
Moe

Saskatchewan residents will soon have access to a brand new emergency department. The Government of Saskatchewan, Saskatchewan Health Authority and Royal University Hospital Foundation today celebrated the grand opening of the new Royal University Hospital (RUH) adult emergency department (ED).

“This new emergency department will improve patient safety and privacy, accommodate more people and improve access for trauma and EMS personnel,” Health Minister Jim Reiter said. “I am proud of our government’s investment in this project that will better meet the growing

healthcare needs of Saskatoon residents.”

The RUH adult ED includes:

- private exam rooms;
- enhanced trauma rooms;
- minor assessment and treatment spaces; and
- specially equipped mental health rooms.

Access to Emergency Medical Services will be improved by a large ambulance bay, and direct access to the STARS helipad through a dedicated trauma elevator. The new ED will open later this fall.

Anyone needing emergency services will go to a new entrance just past the current ED, where they will be triaged and directed to the appropriate care.

The RUH Foundation contributed \$5 million for furnishings, new technology and advanced equipment and fixtures.

“We are extremely humbled by the confidence bestowed on the Foundation and Royal University Hospital and thank the donors from across Saskatchewan who have given so generously,” Arla Gustafson, CEO of RUH Foundation said. “Donor support has and will continue to make a difference and help save lives every day in our new Adult Royal University Hospital Emergency Department.”

“Today, we celebrate the work done to ensure residents and families are first and foremost in decisions made regarding their care,” Saskatchewan Health Authority CEO Scott Livingstone said. “Collaboration with partners such as the Government of Saskatchewan and the Royal University Hospital Foundation, with the unwavering support of their donors, is key to important initiatives such as the new RUH Adult ED. A sincere thank you to the many dedicated staff who have worked so hard over the years to make this space a reality; they are the backbone of health care in our province.”

The Government of Saskatchewan has provided \$257.6 million for the Jim Pattison Children’s Hospital, including the Royal University Hospital adult emergency department.

**BE SURE TO SAVE THE DATE FOR THE WILLOWGROVE  
UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS FUN DAY!**



# ***Family Fun Day***

**September 14, 2019**

**11:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**Willowgrove Square**

BBQ  
Face Painting  
Bouncy Castles  
Beeper the Clown  
Magic Show  
Balloon Animals  
Crafts

**W.U.H.C.A.**

Willowgrove University Heights Community Association



**BUDGET ON TRACK AT FIRST QUARTER**



# BALANCED BUDGET



## The Right **Balance** Provincial Budget 2019-20

Premier  
Scott  
Moe

# REMAINS ON TRACK

The 2019-20 Budget remains on track to balance with a forecast surplus of a \$25.8 million at first quarter, down less than \$9 million from the budgeted surplus.

“In this year’s budget, we promised to deliver the right balance for Saskatchewan,” Finance Minister Donna Harpauer said. “At first quarter, the province remains on track to record a small surplus. This balance allows sustained investment into the priorities of Saskatchewan people—including into health care, classrooms, and support for seniors and vulnerable families, as well as into needed infrastructure for our growing province.”

Revenue is forecast at \$15.38 billion at first quarter, up \$355.3 million, or 2.4 per cent, from budgeted revenue. Expense is forecast at \$15.35 billion, up \$363.9 million, or 2.4 per cent, from budgeted expense.

The minor reduction in the forecast surplus reflects a significant increase in pension expense, a non-cash accounting adjustment, at first quarter compared to budget. It is offset by higher

revenue projected from non-renewable resources and federal transfers, and from smaller increases in Government Business Enterprises (GBE) net income and own-source revenue.

Debt is down \$267.5 million compared to budget, due to decreased debt for GBEs.

“Overall, I’m encouraged by Saskatchewan’s updated budget forecast at first quarter,” Harpauer said. “In any given year there can be in-year budgetary challenges, and there can also be some up-side. Our government will continue to manage expenses carefully, invest in priorities, and keep the economy strong—providing the right balance for Saskatchewan people.”

## CITY OF SASKATOON CURBSIDE SWAP



The annual city-wide Curbside Swap is happening on September 7!

Make your space bad to the bone with new to you items or let someone turn your old stuff into their style—all while making room at the landfill. Learn more at: [bit.ly/yxeCurbsideSwap](https://bit.ly/yxeCurbsideSwap)  
[#yxeCurbsideSwap](https://twitter.com/yxeCurbsideSwap)

## STUDENTS AND PUBLIC WEIGH IN ON THE FUTURE OF SASKATCHEWAN EDUCATION



Nearly 9,000 students, parents and community members had their say in a recent online survey about what students in the province need to be successful in school.

Students who responded to the survey identified the most important things to help them learn are quality teachers and staff and a comfortable, quiet learning environment. Students also said it is important to have a variety of program and elective options so they can work toward future goals and to study things they are interested in.

In addition to the students, non-students provided survey responses saying that quality teachers, issues at home and access to supports, including educational assistants, are the top three things needed to support students' well-being and learning.

While quality of teaching was noted as extremely important by student respondents, some noted that quality of instruction can also be a challenge. Classroom environment and student behaviour were also noted by some as being a barrier to learning. The survey results from non-students identified that updated curriculum and classroom supports are important.

“Thank you to the thousands of people that we heard from, and in particular the students who took the time to tell us what they need,” Deputy Premier and Minister of Education Gordon Wyant said. “Student voice is key as we begin to plan for the future success of all Saskatchewan students now and into the future.”

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

## LEARN HOW TO DO BUSINESS WITH GOVERNMENT

Learn how to do business with government

at the **Business Opportunity Expo 2019**

A one-day event for suppliers interested in selling goods and services to Saskatchewan public sector purchasers

Queensbury Convention Centre  
EVRAZ Place - Regina  
September 12, 2019  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**FREE**  
Tradeshow &  
Presentations

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 Saskatchewan!

Business Expo 2019 will be held September 12, 2019 (Queensbury Convention Centre, Regina)

Are you a supplier interested in selling goods and services to the public sector in Saskatchewan? Learn how at Business Expo 2019. Get convenient access to public sector organizations, information about doing business with them, procurement information sessions and opportunities to network.

Find more information at <https://sasktenders.ca/>

## PRUNE YOUR ELM TREES STARTING SEPTEMBER 1



The annual elm pruning ban was lifted on Sunday, September 1.

We thank everyone who helped protect our elm trees from Dutch elm disease by not pruning.

The ban will be back in effect April 1 - August 31, 2020.

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

**DO YOU HAVE EXTRA PRODUCE FROM YOUR GARDEN?**



**SASKATOON:** Do you have extra produce from your garden? Want to prevent it from going to waste and help people in your community? Well, the Saskatchewan Nursing Student Association (Saskatoon student council) is offering to come to your house to help harvest and pick up extra produce of any kind you may have. We will take the produce to community organizations that provide food for people in need in Saskatoon. Please e-mail [sponsorship.snsas@gmail.com](mailto:sponsorship.snsas@gmail.com) to make arrangements. Also, if you know of organizations that accept fresh produce, please email so we can reach as many people in our community as possible. So far there are 15 organizations that could really benefit from your generosity. Check out the Gardening at U Sask on facebook [here](#) or go <https://gardening.usask.ca/> if you'd like to help out!

### **COMING EVENTS**

**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](mailto:ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net). I appreciate your feedback.*



**We would be happy to feature your upcoming event here!**

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## THOUGHT OF THE DAY



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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.

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**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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