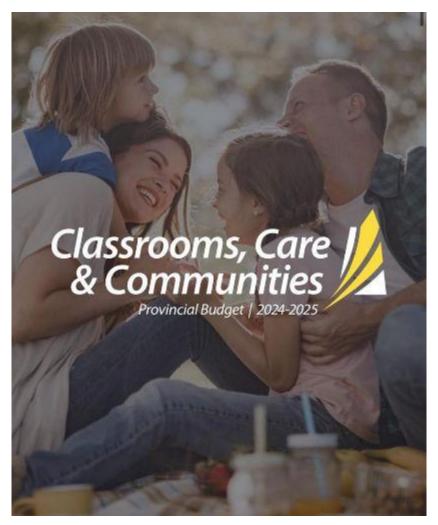




THIS WEEK'S NEWSLETTER PROVIDES HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROVINCIAL BUDGET 2024-2025



Classrooms, Care, and Communities.

Thank you to everyone that attended the 2024-2025 Budget address at the Legislature yesterday. I always enjoy welcoming you to your legislature.

Budget 2024-25 highlights how our strong and growing economy means our government can make record investments in education, healthcare and our communities.

For a full list of investments in the 2024-25 Budget visit: https://budget.saskatchewan.ca/

GREAT NEWS FOR SASKATOON WILLOWGROVE
CONTITUENCY - TWO NEW HIGH SCHOOLS & TWO NEW

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WILL BE BUILT TO SERVE THE BRIGHTON / HOLMWOOD AREAS!



for education, up 9%, including over \$356.6 million in direct classroom supports.



Saskatchewan Provincial Budget | 2024-25 Classrooms, Care & Communities

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We are investing in what teachers and students have told us matter the most. Overall, this budget provides \$356.6 million in classroom supports and is a significant commitment to address classroom size and complexity. Learn more at Saskatchewan.ca/budget.

SASKATOON WILL RECEIVE \$62.5 MILLION IN REVENUE
SHARING - AN INCREASE OF \$7.8 MILLION OVER LAST YEAR!



Saskatchewan's 2024-25 Municipal Revenue Sharing program will set a new record, with a 14 per cent increase from the 2023-24 fiscal year and 167 per cent increase since 2007-08.

Saskatchewan's 2024-25 Municipal Revenue Sharing Program will set a record at \$340.2M. This represents a 14% increase from the last fiscal year and a 167% increase from 2007-08.



Eligible municipalities may allocate this predictable, annual funding to their budget priorities. Additional details on MRS funding allocations are available with the release of the 2024-25 provincial budget.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT



Saskatchewan's 2024-25 Budget makes record new investments in classrooms, care and communities. The budget includes the largest-ever increase in school operating funding, the largest-ever increase in health funding and the largest-ever increase in municipal revenue sharing for Saskatchewan communities.

The budget is designed to ensure growth continues in our great province. Saskatchewan's population continues to grow faster than it has in more than a century and will reach 1.25 million people this year. In addition to more people, the labour market continues to grow, with more jobs and a low unemployment rate that combine to help fuel the provincial economy.

Revenue is forecast at \$19.9 billion, up \$184.2 million from last year's budget. There are no new taxes and no tax increases in this year's budget, helping keep life affordable for Saskatchewan residents.

The budget includes \$2.0 billion in previously announced tax reductions and other affordability measures. When taxes, utilities and housing costs are combined, our province is the most

affordable place to live in Canada for a family of four.

Our government will invest in what matters most to Saskatchewan people – classrooms, care and communities.

The 2024-25 Budget supports students and teachers through a record-level total education budget of \$4.4 billion. This includes \$3.3 billion for the Ministry of Education, up 8.1 per cent over last year's budget. This is an increase of \$247.8 million to support Prekindergarten to Grade 12 students, early learning, child care and libraries.

Saskatchewan's 27 school divisions will receive \$2.2 billion in school operating funding for the 2024-25 school year, a record increase of \$180 million, or 8.8 per cent, over the previous year.

The budget includes a record \$7.6 billion investment into the Ministry of Health and includes funding to expand patient care and increase access to services to meet the needs of our growing population.

For cities, towns, villages and municipalities throughout Saskatchewan, this budget provides a record increase of \$42.4 million in municipal revenue sharing. This is an increase of 14.2 per cent from the year before, and a total of \$340.2 million in unconditional support for municipalities in the province.

Capital investment is expected to reach \$14.2 billion this year, making Saskatchewan a leading contributor to economic growth in Canada. The budget helps further strengthen our strong and growing economy, focusing on expanding our presence in international markets while building a stronger Saskatchewan.

The budget invests a record \$4.4 billion into the Saskatchewan Capital Plan to build schools, hospitals, highways, municipal and Crown infrastructure.

The 2024-25 Budget addresses many priorities for the people of Saskatchewan, with a clear focus on classrooms, care and communities. These areas impact everyone in our province – from the seniors who helped build our province into the great place it is today to our future leaders who are just making their way into the world, as well as everyone in between.

Thanks to the growth of our province, we have more people, more jobs and more opportunities for the people and families that call Saskatchewan home. The 2024-25 Budget meets the challenges of a growing province by re-investing the benefits of a growing province in classrooms, care and communities.

To learn more about the 2024-25 Budget, please visit www.saskatchewan.ca/budget. If you have any questions, please reach out to my constituency office at ken.cheveldayoff,mla@sasktel.net.



RECORD FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES



Saskatchewan is committed to supporting strong and growing communities. With a record investment of \$340.2M in municipal revenue sharing, the 2024-25 Provincial Budget directly supports \$556.9M to Saskatchewan's municipalities— a 10.7% increase from last year.

Since 2007-08, more than \$4.3B in provincial funding has been allocated to support municipalities through the municipal revenue sharing program.

SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES



The 2024-25 Budget includes a record investment of \$1.5 billion for the Ministry of Social Services to help vulnerable people and families as they build a better quality of life.

SASKATCHEWAN'S INFLATION RATE IS DOWN



The inflation rate in Saskatchewan has dropped to 1.7%, largely due to our government's decision to remove the carbon tax on home heating costs.

Inflation in SK is now more than a full point lower than the national rate of 2.8%.

The federal government has set a goal of getting inflation down to 2%.

So Saskatchewan has actually achieved Trudeau's goal by removing the Trudeau carbon tax, while Trudeau sticks to his plan to add to inflation by increasing the carbon tax again on April 1.

CLASSROOMS, CARE AND COMMUNITIES



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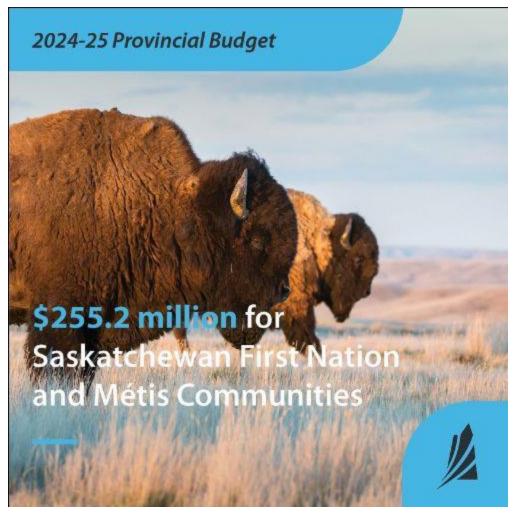
Find out more about what it means for you at https://bit.ly/43oQ7kT

SUPPORTING STUDENTS - RECORD FUNDING



The 2024-25 Budget includes the largest-ever increase in school operating funding, and a record investment of \$2.2 billion, to support teachers and students in our classrooms.

COMMUNITIES COMMUNITIES



The 2024-25 Provincial Budget continues its commitment to supporting First Nation and Métis communities across Saskatchewan, with targeted funding reaching \$255.2M —an increase of \$6.1M from the previous year.

This funding underlines the province's commitment to economic reconciliation.

INVESTING IN HEALTH CARE



The new Saskatchewan budget delivers the largest-ever health care funding of \$7.59 billion to meet increasing demands of a growing population. The increase will expand patient care and services, and provide support for physicians, nurse practitioners and other health professions.

READ THE BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS IN THE NEWS RELEASES
BELOW!



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2024-25 Health Budget Delivers Record Increase in Health Care Funding | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Record \$3.3 Billion Education Budget Includes Largest Ever Increase of 8.8 Per Cent to Saskatchewan Schools | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Investing in Post-Secondary Education for a Growing Saskatchewan | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Making Investments to Secure Economic Growth | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

New Investments in Parks and Recreation Benefit Saskatchewan People and Communities | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

<u>Social Services Budget Supports Growing Needs of Saskatchewan People, Families and Children | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

\$250 Million Budget Enhances Access to Justice, Public Safety | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Record Funding for Communities in Government Relations Budget | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Record 44 Billion Capital Budget to Build Schools Hospitals Roads and Infrastructure | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Invests \$1 Million to Provide 150 Additional Training Seats Through the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification Commission | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

<u>Increased Investments Strengthen Saskatchewan's Mining and Energy Sectors | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

<u>Budget Invests More Than \$730 Million in Community Safety | News and Media |</u> Government of Saskatchewan

Sustainable Future: Environment's 2024-25 Budget Enhances Environmental Resilience |
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Innovation Saskatchewan Doubles Saskatchewan Technology Startup Incentive Cap to \$7.0 Million, Strengthens Support for Cleantech and Agtech Companies | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

<u>Budget Delivers Record Investment in Agriculture | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan</u>

\$741.0 Million Highways Budget Meets the Needs of a Growing Province | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan

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Investments Made to Support Saskatchewan's Growing Workforce | News and Media |
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