



*Our Vision*

TO HAVE ALL RESIDENTS OF RIVERS WEST DISTRICT LIVE HEALTHY, ACTIVE LIFESTYLES THROUGH COMMUNITY ACCESS TO AND PARTICIPATION IN DIVERSE SPORT, CULTURE AND RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES.

## RIVERS WEST DISTRICT E-NEWS

September 2023



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## Upcoming Workshops



**Sept 26th Staying Connected: Recreation Chat - [Click for Details](#)**

**Sept 28th Cultural Gathering - [Click for Details](#)**

**Oct 14th Board Governance at Springwater Hall - [Click for Details](#)**

**Oct 21st Grant Writing at Springwater Hall - [Click for Details](#)**

**Nov 22nd Introduction to Risk Management in Rec - [Click for Details](#)**



Sask Sport is committed to recognizing National Day for Truth and Reconciliation through education, knowledge and sharing.

As part of National Truth and Reconciliation Day, that recognizes and remembers those who were lost to the legacy of the residential school system,

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honours survivors and acknowledges the lasting harm and pain that these schools brought to Indigenous children, their families and communities, Sask Sport employees have worn orange shirts as a symbol of Reconciliation.

In 2023, Sask Sport partnered with a local Indigenous artist from the sport community on a custom orange shirt. The Indigenous-produced shirt is being offered at cost for the sport community to wear in the spirit, unity and commitment to Truth and Reconciliation.

The Sask Sport 'Every Child Matters' shirt has special meaning in all parts of the design:

- The circle shape represents the interconnectivity of all aspects of one's being including the connection with the natural world.
- The child in the centre of the circle is looking up to the sky to acknowledge the children who never made it home from residential schools and is praying for those who still suffer from the affects.
- The starblanket guiding star pattern represents a new beginning from ignorance and truth.
- The northern lights behind the starblanket are the spirits of those departed friends and relatives trying to communicate with those they left behind on earth.

Shirts are available at cost for \$15.50 and are available in adult (S to XXL) and youth (S to XL) sizing.

Bulk ordering for groups, teams and organizations can be accommodated by emailing [communications@sasksport.ca](mailto:communications@sasksport.ca).

[Order now.](#)



# Events Calendar

click here



**Saskatchewan  
Parks and Recreation  
Association**

**Mark Your Calendars - A New Event is Coming!**

Get ready to connect in person with your friends and peers in parks and recreation at  
Wanuskewin Heritage Park on May 7-8, 2024!

This special event, hosted at one of Canada's proposed UNESCO World Heritage Sites, offers a  
unique opportunity to connect with the land and each other. It's the perfect place for our  
industry to gather together for the first time since 2019!

[Learn more](#)





Mark your calendars! Culture Days kicks off on September 22. Stay tuned for event schedules, locations, and all the incredible details that will make this month one to remember — there's something for everyone. Find events near you at [culturedays.ca/events](https://culturedays.ca/events).

**Check out the Culture Days events happening in  
Rivers West District!**

[Click Here](#)



In the summer of 2024, more than 1,800 athletes, coaches and officials will gather in the Border City to share in the thrill of competition and camaraderie on the provincial stage. Upwards of 1,000 community volunteers will be recruited to help welcome thousands of visitors to Lloydminster during the seven days of Games competition.

The Saskatchewan Games Council looks forward to partnering with the City of Lloydminster and the 2024 Saskatchewan Summer Games Host Society to stage an incredible celebration of sport, volunteerism, and community.

Keep an eye out for more information in the lead-up to summer 2024.

**1,800 participants**

**1,000 volunteers**

**15 sports**

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**9 District Teams**  
**7 days**  
**1 incredible experience!**

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY



**SASK SPORT**

[Adaptive Sport Grants](#) - **Application deadline: Oct. 1**  
[Coach and Official Grants](#) - **Open all year for application**

[Indigenous Community Sport Development Grant Program](#) - **Open all year for application**

[See all opportunities](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY



**Métis Cultural Development Fund now available**

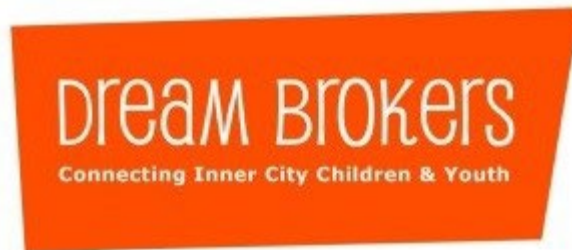
The [Métis Cultural Development Fund \(MCDF\)](#), offered in partnership with Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI), supports community-based activities and initiatives that preserve, strengthen and transmit Métis culture and traditions.

Please contact [David Morin](#) to discuss this grant.  
**Deadline:** September 28, 2023



### **September 16 to 24 is National Coaches Week!**

During this time we recognize and acknowledge contributions that coaches make to improve the quality of life in communities all over Canada. Be sure to say #ThanksCoach this year!



**What is Dream Broker all about? . . .** The Dream Broker connects inner-city youth and their families with a sport, recreational or cultural activity. She can support participation in various sport, culture or recreation activities by helping with registration costs, transportation, equipment or just by being a cheerleader on the sidelines when a family member is unable to attend.

Please let Chelsey know if you're interested in more information.  
Email [rwdscri.yc@sasktel.net](mailto:rwdscri.yc@sasktel.net) or call/text 306-480-9875

If you are interested or need any information,  
please contact Chelsey 306-480-9875 or on her FB page



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**District Dream Broker**

Chelsey Gladue

### **September 2023 Update:**

Greetings! Can you believe it is already back to school time?!

The leaves are falling and changing colour, the mornings are brisk and it seems fall has greeted us with its presence.

Chelsey is excited to be back in the schools. She is working with St. Mary's on Mondays and Tuesdays and Connaught on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Chelsey is getting busy with soccer registration deadline approaching fast. She is connecting with families to get kids signed up before the September 20<sup>th</sup> deadline.

Meetings with service providers are in full swing to start planning after school programs. Programs looking to be offered this year are Dance, Judo, Sewing, Cooking, Arts and Crafts, Cultural Land based learning just to name a few.

Chelsey looks forward to another great year in the schools with the students and staff offering programs. She looks forward to connecting with new and returning families and getting students signed up for sports, recreation and cultural programs.

*"It is not about what it is, it is about what it can become"*

*Dr. Seuss*



**The Heritage Awards are back for 2023!**

We look forward to celebrating and honouring heritage work in the province again this year in a ceremony at Government House on **November 8, 2023**.

**Watch for further announcements about award recipients!**

Thank you to everyone who submitted projects for consideration. You are all doing wonderful work!

## SASKATCHEWAN SAFETY COUNCIL

# Mature Driver Refresher Course

### Coming to a Community Near You!

*FUN - INFORMATIVE - FREE*

The completely FREE 6-hour Mature Driver Refresher Course is strictly informational and offered in a positive, open class environment.

Available for anyone over the age of 55 in Saskatchewan. Participant driver's licenses **are not affected and there are no required examinations**.

The Mature Driver Refresher Course helps reinforce safe driving habits. It will increase your confidence when navigating Saskatchewan's increasing city, town, and highway traffic. It provides insight into how to adapt your driving habits based on the physical changes your body goes through as it matures.

Some of the topics discussed in the program are:

- Normal driving situations such as intersections, following distance, and maintaining an open "gate" around your vehicle
- Hazardous driving environments such as skids, head-on collisions, hydroplaning, and how to protect yourself while driving
- Traffic guidance such as sign recognition and pavement markings
- Review of safety devices such as seat belts and airbags
- Medication awareness, vision, and effective use of your eyes




### 2023 Fall Locations

Estevan – October 26  
Fort Qu'Appelle – October 16  
Kindersley – October 18  
Maple Creek – October 19  
Moose Jaw – October 16  
Moosomin – October 18  
Oxbow – October 25

Swift Current – October 17  
Regina – October 26  
Weyburn – October 24  
Yorkton – October 17

Additional dates added based on demand

 Saskatchewan Safety Council

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[www.sasksafety.org](http://www.sasksafety.org)

1.855.280.7115



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**Register for Driver Refresher Course in Kindersley - Oct 18th**



**See What's Coming Up in MAS Community Chat**



**See What's Coming Up for MAS Courses & Programs**

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Office of the  
Treaty Commissioner

Upcoming Events

**CLICK HERE**

## **Grant & Funding Opportunities**

### **Upcoming**

[Adaptive Sport Grants](#) - Oct 1, 2023

[Independent Artists Grant](#) - Oct 1, 2023

[Indigenous Peoples Art and Artists-](#) Oct 15, 2023

[SaskFestivals- Project](#) - Oct. 15, 2023

[Indigenous Community Sport Development Grant Program](#) - Oct. 30, 2023

[Aboriginal Arts and Culture Leadership Grant](#) - Oct. 31, 2023

[Museum Grant Program](#) - Nov 1, 2023 (Stream 2 & 3) and Dec 1, 2023 (Stream 1)

### **Ongoing**

[Canada Community Revitalization Fund](#) - ongoing

[Canada Council for the Arts | Bringing the arts to life](#) - varying deadlines

[Canada Cultural Spaces Fund](#) - ongoing

[Canada Saskatchewan Jobs Grant](#) - ongoing

[Canadian Tire Jumpstart](#) - Receive funding for registration fees, equipment, travel, etc.

[Coaches Association of Saskatchewan - Coach Development Grant](#) - ongoing

[Coaches Association of Saskatchewan - Coach Visitation Program](#) - ongoing

[Coaches Association of Saskatchewan - High Performance Coach Development Grant](#) - ongoing

[Community Support, Multiculturalism & Anti-Racism Initiatives Project](#) - ongoing

[Co-op Communities in Full Color](#) - ongoing

[Creative Sask](#) - Our grants help creative producers pursue commercial success.

[Dreamcatcher Charitable Foundation Fund](#) - ongoing

[Emergency Community Support Fund](#) - varying deadlines

[First Nations and Métis Community Engagement Project Fund](#) - ongoing

[Indigenous Community Sport Development Grant](#) - ongoing

[KidSport Saskatchewan](#) - Contact your local Chapter

[Multi-sectoral Partnerships to Promote Healthy Living and Prevent Chronic Disease](#) - matched

funds

[Municipalities of Saskatchewan \(suma.org\)](#) - find a grant

[Na-mi-quai-ni-mac Community Support Fund](#) - ongoing

[Sask Culture Grants](#) - find a grant

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[Sask Lotteries Community Grant Program](#) - ongoing  
[Sask Sport Deaf & Hard of Hearing Sport Accessibility Grant](#) - Apr 1 & Oct 1 annually  
[Sask Sport Deaf & Hard of Hearing Athlete Assistance Grant](#) -- Apr 1 & Oct 1 annually  
[SGI Community Grant](#) - deadlines Feb 28 and Oct 31 each year  
[Six Rivers Fund](#) - Committee adjudicates in May and November  
[Social Innovation Fund - Organizational Rebuilding](#) - ongoing  
[Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Grants](#) - ongoing  
[Support for Workers in Live Arts and Music Sectors Fund](#) - ongoing

[Click Here to go to Rivers West Funding Documents](#)

### [Sask Lotteries Subscription](#)

*Sask Lotteries funds over 12,000 sport, culture and recreation groups across Saskatchewan. Every time you purchase a lottery ticket in Saskatchewan, a portion of that revenue supports a wealth of organizations in our communities.*

*Subscriptions allow lottery players to play draw based games - including LOTTO MAX, LOTTO 6/49, WESTERN MAX, WESTERN 649, DAILY*

*GRAND and EXTRA - for up to a year in advance.*

*Subscriptions can be purchased by phone, by mail, or on the [Sask Lotteries website](#). Some additional [frequently asked questions about Subscriptions can be found here](#).*



### **How do lottery proceeds benefit sport, culture and recreation groups in Saskatchewan?**

Sask Lotteries is a longstanding fundraiser that provides a real, honest chance at winning and a guarantee of supporting your community.

Through an agreement with the Government of Saskatchewan, proceeds from the sale of lottery products benefit more than 12,000 sport, culture and recreation groups across the province. These groups support a wide range of activities and promote opportunities for participants of all ages and abilities to play, create and grow. [Learn more](#)

[Sask Lotteries Beneficiary Stories](#)

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