

Annual Report 2025 - 2026





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Board of Directors

Chair Message

For over 50 years, lottery sales in Saskatchewan have been used to provide more than \$1.4 billion to support athletes from the grassroots level to the international stage, connect youth to artistic experiences, help residents experience the beauty of the parks that cover the province and much more.

I continue to be grateful for this long-standing and one-of-a-kind fundraiser that provides opportunities for Saskatchewan residents. The Sask Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation continues to support the volunteer-led community groups and programming into the future.

Not only was it another significant year for Sask Lotteries, but as an amateur sport community, we were recently able to support and cheer on hundreds of Saskatchewan athletes, coaches, officials and volunteers in various multi-sport events.

There was no shortage of competition on the world stage and right here in our backyard. Italy was host to the 2026 Milano Cortina Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. It was fantastic to watch as Saskatchewan athletes competed with the best in the world and knowing that funding from the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund played a small part in the success of those who captured medals across the two Games, makes it even more special.

In August, we saw 488 athletes represent Saskatchewan at the 2025 Canada Summer Games, held in Newfoundland and Labrador. The multi-sport games experience is like none other and offers athletes the opportunity to compete among the best in the country across 19 different sports.

Close to home, the 2026 Saskatchewan Winter Games ran from February 15-21 and saw more than 1,500 athletes across the province's nine districts participate in the historic event. Hosted by two communities, Meadow Lake and Flying Dust First Nation, a first in the Games history. In April, the 2026 Tony Cote Winter Games, hosted by Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation, welcomed athletes, coaches, officials and support staff to Saskatoon to take part in six sports.

Congratulations to the athletes, coaches, officials and support staff who had the privilege of representing their First Nation, district, province and Canada. We congratulate you on your hard work and dedication.

The strength of Saskatchewan's amateur sport community remains its volunteers. It is the dedication of volunteers that brings these high-quality opportunities to participants of all ages and abilities. In fact, none of the multi-sport games we celebrated could have happened without volunteers! Be sure to thank a volunteer in your community for all that they do.

Although my time as chair has come to an end, I look forward to continuing to celebrate all that Sask Sport and its member organizations do for communities across the province.

It has been an honour to serve as your Board Chair over the past year. Thank you to all Sask Sport employees, volunteer committees and our member organizations for your support.

-Amy Prokop, Chair



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Our Promise

How the Sask Lotteries System Works



Our Promise

To enrich Saskatchewan communities

Sask Sport is a volunteer-driven, non-profit organization founded in 1972 that serves the amateur sport community and operates Sask Lotteries — the main fundraiser for sport, culture and recreation.

What We Do

Federation for amateur sport in Saskatchewan

Sask Sport's membership includes 77 provincial sport and multi-sport organizations and districts. Sask Sport supports these members with programs and services that help a vast network of volunteers deliver sport opportunities to more than 325,000 participants.

Fundraiser for sport, culture and recreation

Sask Sport operates Sask Lotteries through a licensing agreement with the Government of Saskatchewan. Lottery proceeds are allocated to eligible sport, culture and recreation groups through the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation. Volunteer committees of Sask Sport, SaskCulture and the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association oversee and make funding decisions, as well as ensure accountability and transparency.

Supporting volunteers

Lottery proceeds support more than 330,000 volunteers who provide sport, culture and recreation opportunities to communities in every part of the province. Saskatchewan's volunteer-driven system enriches communities and quality of life by giving all people opportunities to learn, grow and play.

Winners and Promotions

Throughout the year, Sask Lotteries had some exciting wins and new Scratch & Win tickets were promoted in creative ways.



Ivy Read - \$5 Million, Outlook SK



Cora Cuthbert - \$18 Million, Kisbey SK

 **12 Millionaires** in total

146 \$10,000+ winners 

 **2**  **2**  winners

1,042 lottery claims processed by the Prize Payout Offices



Dills to Bills promotion

Sask Lotteries and Lotto Spot partnered with Lucky Bastard Distillers to promote a new lottery ticket, the \$3 DILLS TO BILLS Scratch & Win ticket, which gave players the chance to win prizes of up to \$10,000. The ticket is the highest selling \$3 variety ticket in Sask Lotteries history, with total sales reaching a record \$832,000.



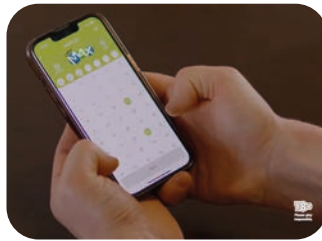
Oh! Canada Carnival

Sask Lotteries hosted the Oh! Canada Carnival at Market Mall in Saskatoon in February with games, prizes, face painting, balloon animals and Canadian pride to promote the Oh! Canada Scratch & Win ticket. The event included Saskatchewan's Olympic silver medallist Rylan Wiens, Paralympic bronze medallist Shelby Newkirk and 10 time Paralympic medallist Colette Bourgonje.



New Beneficiaries Campaign

Sask Lotteries introduced a new beneficiaries marketing campaign in 2025 to connect the act of buying a lottery ticket in Saskatchewan to supporting sport, culture and recreation groups in the province. The campaign videos feature the main character who purchases different types of lottery tickets and is surprised by someone thanking him for his support. The campaign also includes static digital ads that look like scratch tickets, as well as wraps on the five kiosks in Saskatoon and Regina.



In this first year, the campaign generated **15.3 million impressions**, **2.21 million completed video views** and **11,083 clicks to the website**.

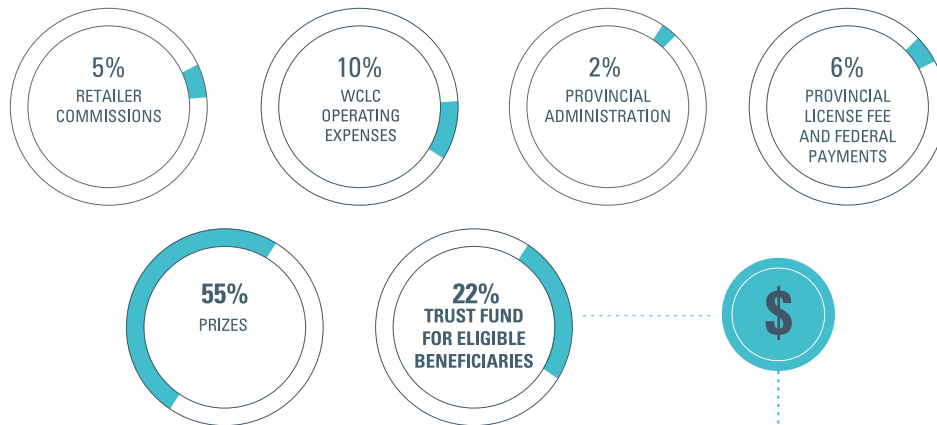
These results highlight how strongly the videos and messages resonated with Saskatchewan audiences, effectively driving engagement and generating awareness for Sask Lotteries.



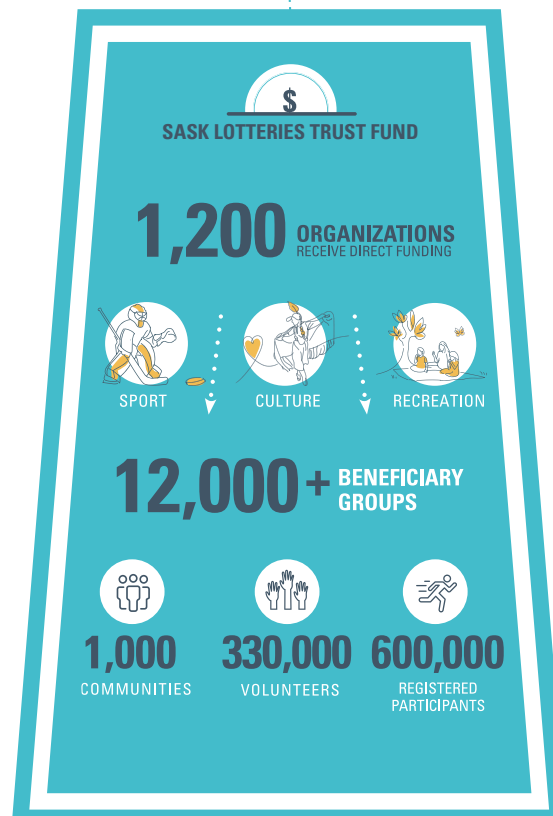
Trust Fund



Where the Money Goes



As a non-profit organization, Sask Lotteries operates effectively and efficiently to maximize the proceeds available for funding. For more information on Sask Lotteries, its partners and how lottery proceeds are distributed through the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation, see sasklotteries.ca.



Community Grant

The Sask Lotteries Community Grant Program continues to benefit volunteer-led community groups by directly funding impactful programs that enhance the quality of life in communities across Saskatchewan.

This initiative complements the other funding and grant programming delivered by Sask Sport, SaskCulture and the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association and their members. By providing funding at the community level, these grants ensure local priorities are supported and that every corner of the province benefits from lottery proceeds. With this direct funding, community-based organizations are creating opportunities, eliminating barriers and increasing participation.

\$6.3 MILLION
GRANTED IN 2025-26
TO **984** COMMUNITIES,
INCLUDING



**Fond-du-Lac
First Nation**
Hockey, Broomball,
Archery

Stony Rapids
Community Fish Fry



Cole Bay
Frisbee Golf



La Ronge
Jewelry Making



Dinsmore
Bowling Club

Porcupine Plain
Dance School



Abbey
50+ Club



Estevan
Quilt Guild



Olympic and Paralympic Games

Italy welcomed 27 individuals with ties to Saskatchewan for the 2026 Milano Cortina Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. Ten athletes, six coaches, six officials and five members of the support staff represented the province and Canada on amateur sport's largest stage.

Across the two Games, Saskatchewan athletes captured six medals, while the remaining contingent made the province proud with their performances.

Full results for the 2026 Winter Games in Italy at cheeronsask.ca.



Photo Credit: Canadian Paralympic Committee - Angela Burger

Achieving History

Wheelchair curler Gil Dash of Kipling had an outstanding Paralympic debut with Team Canada, as they claimed gold and made history by being the first team to go undefeated at the Paralympic Games.



Photo Credit: Curling Canada

Shining Debut

Four athletes travelled to Italy to make their debut at the Games and two came home with hardware as a souvenir.

- Saskatoon-born Brandon Hagel and Saskatoon-raised Darcy Kuemper helped the Canadian men's hockey team secure silver after the team played for gold for the first time since 2014.
- On the slopes, Saskatoon's Maia Schwinghammer competed in the first-ever Olympic dual moguls event and finished fifth in the women's freestyle skiing moguls.
- Meanwhile, Regina biathlete Logan Pletz represented the maple leaf across four events and achieved a top result of 17th place in the men's 4×7.5-kilometre relay race.



Photo Credit: Canadian Paralympic Committee - Michael P. Hall



Photo Credit: Canadian Paralympic Committee - Angela Burger

Returning to the podium

Four Saskatchewan athletes returned to the Olympic and Paralympic podium while in Italy.

- On the ice, Ben Hebert captured his second career Olympic gold medal—previously standing top of the podium at the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics — with the Canadian men’s curling team,
- Saskatoon’s Emily Clark added another silver to her collection with the Canadian women’s hockey team.
- Prince Albert Para Nordic skier, Brittany Hudak was back on the podium for her fourth-career bronze medal in the women’s Para cross-country 10-kilometre interval start classic standing event.
- And on the mountain, Kurt Oatway, who started his Para alpine career in Regina, captured bronze in the men’s downhill sitting event after previously claiming gold at 2018 PyeongChang Winter Paralympics in the men’s sitting super G event.



Members of Saskatchewan’s Olympic and Paralympic contingents gather for celebration event after the Games.

Tony Cote Games



Hundreds of athletes travelled to Saskatoon from April 19-25, to participate in the 2025 Tony Cote Winter Games, which were hosted by Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation.

Following a week of competition across six sports, File Hills Qu'Appelle earned a total of 66 points and 14 medals, which secured them top of the standings. In total, they claimed five gold, five silver and four bronze medals.

Events took place in badminton, basketball, curling, hockey, table tennis and volleyball.



Canada Summer Games



The 30th edition of the Canada Summer Games saw 488 individuals from Saskatchewan representing the province in Newfoundland and Labrador.

From Aug. 9-25, the green and yellow had 377 athletes representing 92 communities from across the province in 19 different sports.

Regina basketball and volleyball player, Hayden Kot was named Saskatchewan's flag bearer for Opening Ceremonies, while multi-gold medallists Lila Stewart and Brendan Cote Williamson were named dual flag bearers for the Closing Ceremonies.

After two weeks of action, Saskatchewan finished sixth in the standings thanks to their haul of 48 medals, 13 of which were gold. In addition, the province also claimed 14 silver and 21 bronze medals.



Saskatchewan Winter Games

More than 1,500 athletes, coaches and officials were a part of history for the 2026 Saskatchewan Winter Games, which took place in neighbouring northwestern communities, Flying Dust First Nation and Meadow Lake.

The 27th edition of the biennial multi-sport event was the first time a First Nation and city shared hosting duties.

From Feb. 15-21, athletes from the province's nine districts were welcomed by over 1,000 volunteers.

Saskatoon's district team finished the week at the top of medal standings after tallying 109 medals and were named the overall champions. They accumulated 30 gold, 37 silver and 42 bronze medals with the highest medal total of 25 claimed across speed skating events.



Saskatchewan Sport Awards

On January 29, Regina hosted the 41st Annual Saskatchewan Sport Awards in front of supporters from across the province, who gathered to celebrate the dedication of individuals who represent the province's amateur sport community through two categories – Excellence Awards and Recognition Awards.

Recipients were gifted a custom designed trophy case to hold their award, which were crafted by Core Neighbourhood Youth Co-op in Saskatoon and then decorated by three local Treaty 4 artists: Torrie Ironstar, Madison Pascal and Harley Sinclair.

In addition, they received a handmade beaded gift completed by participants of the Dream Brokers program at Kitchener School through their afterschool Indigenous Culture program, in partnership with Steeves Healing Journeys.



Excellence Awards

Male Athlete of the Year

Taylor Barth

Special Olympics
Athletics

Regina

Female Athlete of the Year

Savannah Sutherland

Borden

Youth Male Athlete of the Year

Kash Tarasoff

Saskatoon

Youth Female Athlete of the Year

Ali Diehl

Para Swimming

Prince Albert

Team of the Year

Team Bryden

Curling

Regina

Coach of the Year

Mary Carroll

Diving

Saskatoon

Recognition Awards

Inspire Through Sport

Dive Sask Provincial Team

Anshul Malik

Diving

Target Shooting

Provincial

Saskatoon

Coach Dedication Award

Melissa Lock

Handball

Regina

Mark Lord

Soccer

Saskatoon

David Wassill

Adaptive Waterski

Saskatoon

Harvey Weber

Athletics

Saskatoon

Volunteer Dedication

Darin Degenstein

Ringette

Regina

Dave Elder

Athletics

Saskatoon

Allyson Senecal

Figure Skating

Rosetown



Emcee, Donovan Bennett



Board Chair, Amy Prokop

Grants and Campaigns



Spark Ideas Grant

Waterski Wakeboard sparks program growth

For the past decade, Waterski and Wakeboard Saskatchewan (WSWS) has been working to become more inclusive in their sport by offering travel clinics across the province, as well as Give It A Go programs for women, Indigenous peoples, Newcomer Canadians and adaptive athletes.

In 2025, WSWS received funding through the Spark Ideas grant that allowed them to expand their programming, including purchasing adaptive equipment to make the sport more accessible and increasing their travel clinic opportunities from two per year to six, with three new Indigenous communities on the list.

Adaptive Sport Grant

Adaptive equipment grant opens slopes to all

A Dymanique Bi-Ski and a headset, microphone and speaker are just a couple of the ways that the Regina Alpine Adaptive Ski Program has utilized the Adaptive Sport Equipment Grant to allow skiers with a variety of disabilities to carve up the slopes.

The bi-ski (also known as a sit-ski), used by individuals with limited or no use of their legs, costs around \$13,000 and the club notes that the cost would be almost unreachable without grant assistance. Meanwhile, the headset system facilitates clear communication between visually impaired skiers and their guide.



Brent Waldo (guide) and Owen Reid (participant)
sit-ski - Challenge Cup 2026

Next Generation Indigenous Athlete Assistance Grant

Funding helps Owen Whitrow get to next level

From the outside looking in, a transition from gymnastics to weightlifting seems like an irregular shift, but for Owen Whitrow, the move to another individual sport made perfect sense as he enjoys being in sole control of his own outcome.

Along with continuing to develop his skills such as discipline, perseverance and mental strength, Whitrow has been able to put his individual talents to the test in weightlifting. Assisting with that journey is the Next Generation Indigenous Athlete Grant, which has provided him with financial assistance to seek out training opportunities and take part in events across Canada.

Safe Sport

A safe sport environment for all

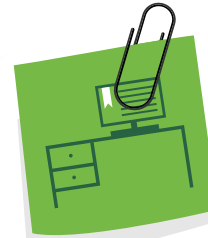
To help promote awareness of the ITP Sport reporting tool that was launched in 2024, Sask Sport created the Bench the Bad Behaviour campaign in 2025. The campaign features social media graphics and short videos, as well as posters.

Admin Centre



PAYROLL

Serving 147 organizations, providing 750+ employees access to a pension and benefits program



OFFICE SPACE

More than 51,000 square feet of combined office and storage space in five buildings in Regina and Saskatoon



BOOKKEEPING

4,200 hours of bookkeeping and audit preparation services provided to 50+ organizations



PRINTING SERVICES

700+ printing projects, including business cards, posters, manuals and more



RECEPTION SERVICES

Supporting 65+ organizations and more than 200 employees



MAIL SERVICES

Saves clients money through group rates for processing mail and shipping parcels. Processed over 22,000 pieces of mail and over 3,500 parcels during the year

Financial Highlights

Consolidated statement of revenue and expenses. Year ended March 31, 2026.

Sask Lotteries

Lottery ticket sales	238,747,867
Other lottery revenue	1,121,711
	239,869,578
Prizes and retail commission	142,520,656
Government payments	1,970,285
Operating costs	30,684,136
	175,175,077
Net profits transferred to the Sask Lotteries Trust Fund	64,694,501

Sask Sport Inc.

Membership and rent revenue	256,450
Interest	1,714,347
Contract revenue	436,700
Grants	9,610,489
Other income	73,058
	12,091,044
Operating costs	3,424,404
Programs and sport system support	8,073,319
	11,497,723
Net operating income	593,321
Unrealized gain on market value of investments	7,579,138
Net income after unrealized gain	8,172,459





Admin Centre for Sport, Culture and Recreation

Rent and service income	2,267,928
Interest	22,104
Grants	1,156,700
	3,446,732
Operating costs	1,740,998
Building repairs	214,206
Rent and service expenses	1,514,532
	3,469,736
Net loss	(23,004)

Select financial information is derived from the annual audited financial statements of the following entities:

- Western Canada Lottery - Saskatchewan Division Inc.
- Sask Sport Distributors Inc.
- Sask Sport Inc.
- Administration Centres for Sport, Culture and Recreation (1989) Inc.

The independent external auditors of the organization have, as part of their responsibilities, reviewed this information to ensure its consistency with the audited financial statements.



Membership List

Sask Sport members are non-profit, volunteer-led organizations. Combined with a network of passionate and skilled professionals and volunteers, they form the sport delivery system in Saskatchewan.

ACTIVE MEMBERS

- Saskatchewan Archery Association Inc.
- Saskatchewan Artistic Swimming
- Saskatchewan Athletics
- Saskatchewan Badminton Association Inc.
- Baseball Sask
- Basketball Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Baton Twirling Association Inc.
- Saskatchewan Blind Sports Association
- Bowling Federation of Saskatchewan
- Bowls Saskatchewan Inc.
- Boxing Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Broomball Association
- Canoe Kayak Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Cheerleading Association Inc.
- Coaches Association of Saskatchewan Inc.
- CURLSASK
- Saskatchewan Cycling Association Inc.
- Saskatchewan Darts Association Inc.
- Dive Sask Inc.
- Saskatchewan Fencing Association
- Football Saskatchewan
- Saskatchewan Games Council Inc.
- Golf Saskatchewan
- Gymnastics Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association
- Hockey Saskatchewan Association Inc
- Saskatchewan Horse Federation Inc.
- Horseshoe Saskatchewan Inc.
- Judo Saskatchewan
- Saskatchewan Karate Association
- Saskatchewan Lacrosse Association Inc.
- Saskatchewan Martial Arts Association Corp.
- Pickleball Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Racquetball Association Inc.
- Ringette Association of Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Rowing Association Inc.
- Saskatchewan Rugby Union Inc.
- Saskatchewan Sailing Clubs Association
- Skate Canada-Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Skeet Shooting Corp.
- Saskatchewan Ski Association
- Saskatchewan Soccer Association Inc.
- Softball Saskatchewan
- Special Olympics Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Amateur Speed Skating Association
- Sport Medicine and Science Council of Saskatchewan Inc.
- Sport Parachute Association of Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame and Museum Inc.
- Saskatchewan Squash Inc.
- Swim Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Table Tennis Association Inc.
- Saskatchewan Tae-Kwon-Do Inc.
- Saskatchewan Target Shooting Association
- Saskatchewan Team Handball Federation Inc.
- Tennis Saskatchewan
- Saskatchewan Amateur Trapshooting Association Inc.
- Saskatchewan Triathlon Association Corp.
- Saskatchewan Ultimate Players Association Inc.
- University of Regina, Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies
- University of Saskatchewan, College of Kinesiology
- Saskatchewan Volleyball Association
- Water Polo Saskatchewan Inc.
- Water Ski and Wakeboard Saskatchewan Inc.
- Saskatchewan Weightlifting Association Inc.
- Saskatchewan Wheelchair Sports Association
- Saskatchewan Amateur Wrestling Association

AFFILIATE MEMBERS

- Lakeland District for Sport, Culture and Recreation
- Northern Sport, Culture and Recreation District
- Parkland Valley Sport, Culture and Recreation District
- Prairie Central District for Sport, Culture and Recreation
- Rivers West District for Sport, Culture and Recreation
- South West District for Culture, Recreation and Sport
- South East Sport, Culture and Recreation District

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

- Saskatchewan Academy of Sport Medicine
- Lifesaving Society Saskatchewan Branch
- Saskatchewan Association of Recreation Professionals
- Saskatchewan Powerlifting Association





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