



# Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan

*From Many Peoples Strength*

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **SASKATCHEWAN MULTICULTURAL WEEK**

#### **Who's Your Multicultural Superhero? | #MulticulturalSuperhero**

The Government of Saskatchewan and the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan (MCoS) are proud to partner in proclaiming November 19 -27 Saskatchewan Multicultural Week. The week kicks off with [\*MCoS Multicultural Honours: A Celebration of Multicultural Contributions\*](#), will take place on November 19<sup>th</sup> at Government House, hosted by Her Honour the Honourable Vaughn Solomon Schofield, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan.

“Our growing diversity continues to enrich our province as newcomers come here to make a better life for themselves and their families,” Parks, Culture and Sport Minister Ken Cheveldayoff said. “Many show their appreciation for our welcoming nature and our quality of life by sharing their heritage through multicultural activities throughout the year.”

Saskatchewan Multicultural Week is celebrated every year in November to recognize the Saskatchewan Multiculturalism Act. It is an opportunity to recognize our growing diversity, encourage respect for the multicultural heritage in Saskatchewan and foster harmonious relations among people with unique cultural and ethnic backgrounds. It also serves to preserve, strengthen and promote Aboriginal cultures and acknowledge their historic and current contributions to the development of Saskatchewan.

This year's theme is [\*Who's Your Multicultural Superhero? \(#MulticulturalSuperhero\)\*](#), which represents the [\*five streams of multicultural work\*](#). Each year, MCoS produces and distributes the educational resource, Building Welcoming Communities. This year it focuses on how people can share about their multicultural superheroes, as well as act on some TRC recommendations. It is available for download here: [\*Building Welcoming Communities\*](#).

“MCoS is proud to celebrate Saskatchewan Multicultural Week. This year we celebrate the 42<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Saskatchewan Multiculturalism Act through our campaign, *Who's Your Multicultural Superhero?*, which highlights the five multicultural streams of work – cultural continuity, celebration of diversity, anti-racism, intercultural connections and integration – that are the foundation of multiculturalism” said MCoS Executive Director Rhonda Rosenberg. “MCoS invites everyone to share who their multicultural superheroes are and why. This is a creative and exciting way to talk about the benefits of multiculturalism while engaging in meaningful conversations.”

This year, various communities are recognizing multiculturalism by holding special events and proclaiming Saskatchewan Multicultural Week. For more information on activities around the province visit [Saskatchewan Multicultural Week](#).

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**About the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan (MCoS)**

The Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan is a charitable, non-profit organization committed to promoting, fostering, improving and developing multiculturalism in the cultural, economic, social and political life of Saskatchewan while working to achieve equality of all residents. We support member organizations in a variety of ways, including workshops, investments in their activities that implement our mission, aims and objectives, networking and information, and being the lead voice on multiculturalism in the province. We also support anti-racism and multicultural education activities in schools. We celebrate significant dates, such as Saskatchewan Multicultural Week in November, Black History Month in February, International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on March 21st, Hispanic Heritage Month in April, Asian Heritage Month in May, National Aboriginal History Month in June, and Celebrate Canada from June 21st to July 1st. For more information, please visit [mcos.ca](http://mcos.ca) and follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

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