

# SASKATOON POVERTY REDUCTION PARTNERSHIP

## From Poverty to Possibility... and Prosperity

### **A Community Leadership Challenge For Saskatoon**

**March 2013**

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*Welcome to new  
Leadership members*

*Plan to End Homelessness  
Community  
Consultations*

### SPRP Co-Chairs

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### **SPRP Action Group Updates**

#### **Plan to End Homelessness Action Group— United Way of Saskatoon and Area**

The *Plan to End Homelessness Action Group* lead by *United Way of Saskatoon and Area* is taking a major step forward this spring with comprehensive community consultations that will lead to a finalized, detailed Action Plan for Saskatoon by June 2013. You are invited to attend any one of the following community meetings (no pre-registration):

**Wednesday, March 27th 7pm-8:30pm Frances Morrison Library**  
**Thursday, March 28th 9:30am-11am Station20West**

**May 13-14th Plan to End Homelessness Charette TCU Place**  
registration is required

For more information contact: Janice Braden, Project Manager, Plan to End Homelessness, United Way of Saskatoon and Area, at 975-1571  
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### **SPRP Partner Updates**

#### **The Saskatoon Anti Poverty Coalition**

**When:** Wednesday March 6, 2013 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.

**Where:** St. Paul's Hospital Cafeteria Meeting Room

The Saskatoon Anti Poverty Coalition is a community coalition of organizations and people with the lived experience of poverty dedicated to building opportunities for inclusion and prosperity for everyone.

**Contacts:** Vanessa Charles and Jon Ellis, Co-Chairs

**YWCA of Saskatoon** Working to eliminate poverty, homelessness and violence for women and their families. **Like us on Facebook**



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### In Brief

A Big Welcome to our 3 new  
Leadership Team members:

Brad Bird, Coordinator, Urban  
Aboriginal Strategy

Bill Mintram, Saskatoon Indian &  
Métis Friendship Centre

Janelle Pewapsconias, Student

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The Building Awareness  
Action Group is developing a  
Communications Campaign  
about the **Costs of Poverty  
in Saskatoon**

.....**Human**.....

.....**Social**.....

.....**Health**.....

.....**Economic**

costs that affect each and  
every one of us. If you have  
resources, ideas or want to  
be involved, contact us!

### HEADLINES

#### [Canada Failing to improve the income Inequality Gap](#)

February 14, 2013 Conference Board of Canada

[Saskatchewan's Anti-Poverty Plan, From Dependence to Independence: Does It Measure Up?](#) by Brian Banks and Paul Ginchich, Saskatchewan Office, Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives

#### [Senator Hugh Segal speaks to the guaranteed annual income in Saskatoon 2012](#)

#### **Bill C-400, National Housing Strategy**

With the recent defeat of Bill C-400 calling for a *National Housing Strategy*, Canada remains one of the only developed countries in the world without a national commitment or strategy to address homelessness and inadequate housing. The final vote on the bill was 129 voting for it and 153 voting against it. Despite this, our ending homelessness efforts will continue to be strongly supported, advocated for, and brought to the attention of policy makers.

### CONTACT US

Do you have a community update, story or event to share?  
Have an opinion? Want to know more about the SPRP?

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