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Global Goals Week: Saskatchewan Organizations Urge Canada to Amplify Support for SDG Action

REGINA, Saskatchewan - More than 15 Saskatchewan civil society organizations, united through the Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation (SCIC), are calling on Canada to urgently scale up action to achieve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030.

Marking Global Goals Week (September 19–28), the groups are highlighting the urgent need for action. With only five years left, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals Report 2025 shows that just 35% of targets are on track, while 18% are moving backwards.

“Our members are proving every day that global citizenship begins at home, in schools, in communities, and in the partnerships Canadians build across borders,” said Malcolm Toland, Executive Director of SCIC.

Local organizations, including Wapi Kihew, Attention to Creative Solutions Inc., are demonstrating how Indigenous knowledge and community-driven leadership are essential to climate justice and sustainable futures.

While progress has been made, Saskatchewan groups warn that poverty, inequality, gender-based violence, climate disruption and conflict are slowing advancement. Canada’s 2024 SDGs report, for example, shows Saskatchewan had the highest provincial poverty rate in 2021 at 9.1 per cent.

“The road to 2030 is short, but our collective power is strong,” added Toland. *“Together, we can keep the promise of the Global Goals and create a future where everyone can thrive.”*

Saskatchewan organizations are inviting the public to join Global Goals Week by learning about the SDGs, sharing success stories and supporting initiatives that advance sustainability and social justice.

To view the full joint statement, including the list of all SCIC member organization signatories, please visit: [Joint Statement: Saskatchewan Civil Society Organizations Call for Urgent SDG Action](#).

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