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Message From Our Director

Many of us have been reflecting on *community* over this past year, and what it means to be *in community* while apart. I believe humanity and the land make up our ultimate community, recognizing that everyone plays a crucial role. It's about not only feeling connected but also responsible for what happens the world over. 2020 has shown that divisiveness continues to threaten our attempts toward a more just and sustainable world. Access to vaccines around the world is starkly disproportionate to the spread and impact of the disease, and still, within our own privileged spaces sentiments of us vs. them, and me over we, are ever present. We are not through this pandemic, and we will not be through it until our approach to tackling it is global in scope. My hope is that folks in Saskatchewan motivated to work for peace, continue to do so with an eye on inclusivity, equity and justice both locally and globally.

Together a better world **is** possible.

The 2020/2021 program year included significant challenges for our network, with restrictions on travel and congregating persisting throughout the year, our envisioned Public Engagement programming and services have had to be revised and adapted to a “new normal”. We have now completed year two of the four-year Inspiring Action for Global Citizenship, and though we have missed gathering in person, and building in-person connections between Canadians and their peers in the global majority, the SCIC's team has continued to provide resources, opportunities and support to Saskatchewan folks working toward a better world. We have been inspired by educators and youth from across the province who have participated in deep learning, challenging their ideas and taking on new skills to build back better. This program year also saw an overdue reckoning in Canada and renewal of calls to action in the face of persistent structural and systemic racism. These calls were echoed by renewed attention on social justice movements the world over including Black Lives Matters. Working together requires reflection and intention. We are encouraged and also have felt pushed as a team to continue to find new ways to work, live, share, grow and change together.

This next year will represent renewal and growth for SCIC as we begin engaging the network to co-design our next strategic plan for 2024-2029. I myself am moving on from SCIC as my family has relocated to British Columbia. After eight and a half years with the organization, I am extremely thankful for the opportunities I have been given, the lessons I have learned, and the relationships that will endure. Thank you.

Through thick and thin, SCIC staff and Board continue to be dedicated, hard-working, and passionate. Big things are possible, and I know all those who make up the strength of this Council will continue to do all that they can for positive, sustained change in Saskatchewan and beyond.

In Solidarity,



Jessica Wood
Executive Director

WHO WE ARE



The Council



SCIC is a network of organizations and individuals dedicated to global understanding, cooperation, peace and justice. Collectively, we work together to connect people to the information and ideas they need to be great global citizens and take meaningful action for a more just and sustainable world.

2020/2021 Board of Directors

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- Jessica Wood, Executive Director
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- Amy Bosche, Education Program Coordinator
- Tatenda Mhaka, Youth Program Coordinator
- Thom Gallet, Communications and Campaign Coordinator
- Hani Rukh E Qamar, Program Assistant
- Aria Ramdeo, Special Projects and Campaign Coordinator

Our Members

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



- ADRA Canada (Advertising Development and Relief Agency)
- Canadian Lutheran World Relief
- Regina Open Door Society
- Blue Sky Cultural Connections
- Bonding Together for a Brighter Future: Encounters and Dialogue with Cuernavaca, Mexico
- Development and Peace
- Engineers Without Borders University of Regina
- Equality Fund
- Fair Trade Saskatoon
- Global Health Committee, U of S College of Medicine
- GreenRoots Sustainable Living Inc.
- HOPE International Development Agency
- International Office, University of Saskatchewan
- KAIROS Regina
- Karen Community of Regina
- Mennonite Central Committee-Saskatchewan
- Mozambique Building Fund
- NASHI
- National Farmers Union
- Presbyterian World Service & Development
- Primate's World Relief and Development Fund
- Saskatchewan Intercultural Association
- Saskatoon Peace Coalition
- Seed Change (formerly USC)
- United Church of Canada
- United Nations Association in Canada Saskatoon Branch
- UR International
- WUSC

About SCIC

Mission

The Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation (SCIC) builds momentum towards a just, equitable, and sustainable world by enhancing the capacity of our members, educating and inspiring the public to take action, and creating connections among those we serve.

Values

We are committed to the recognition of the dignity of all people and their right to self-determination, to the protection of the world's fragile environment, to the equitable distribution of power, and to the promotion of global understanding, cooperation, peace and justice through mutual learning, partnership, transparency and solidarity.

Vision

We want to live in a Saskatchewan where our citizens are engaged global citizens, where equality, peace, and justice are the motivating principles pushing Saskatchewan towards an equitable societal shift.

**TOGETHER, A BETTER WORLD IS
POSSIBLE**



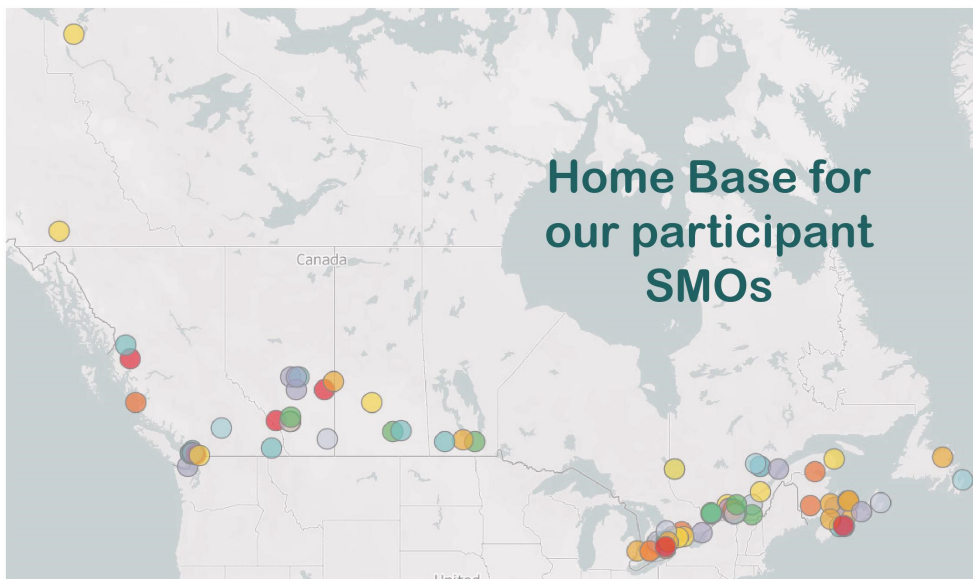
NATIONAL COALITION

SCIC is one of eight Provincial and Regional Councils for International Cooperation that together make up the Inter-Council Network (ICN). Collectively, we represent more than 350 diverse civil society organizations (CSOs) across Canada.

The ICN provides a national forum in which SCIC can bring regional knowledge and priorities from Saskatchewan forward in support of identifying collective actions for improved effectiveness. Two of these collective initiatives are the Fund for Innovation and Transformation (FIT), and Spur Change. Each of these new national ICN initiatives were implemented during the 2019/2020 program year.



Fund for Innovation
and Transformation
Fonds pour l'innovation
et la transformation



Spur Change engages SMOs from Whitehorse and Inuvik to Jonquière and Gander.



WHAT WE DO



Program Highlights

Supporting Canadians along a continuum toward sustained, active engagement for a more just and sustainable world requires a variety of targeted public engagement approaches. In the presence of covid-19, SCIC shifted our programming focus to online events, while engaging educators and youth during the 2020/2021 program year. SCIC thrived with online events, social media campaigns, resource sharing and communications based initiatives, all working towards building a more equitable world.



International Development Week 2021

International Development Week (IDW) is a national initiative to engage Canadians from coast-to-coast-to-coast with the collective work of ending global poverty, advancing human rights, combating climate change and improving equitable access to health and education the world over. Throughout the week (February 7-13, 2021) SCIC highlighted contributions toward sustainable global development, and shared stories and skills for folks across Saskatchewan, providing them the opportunity to engage.

This year, inspired by Canada's Feminist International Assistance Policy (FIAP) Action Area of Inclusive Governance, SCIC's implemented our BEtter For All Campaign, recognizing that sustainable development means institutions, policies, processes and services need to be accessible, accountable and responsive to all peoples.

This campaign included seven online events, including our renowned Saskatchewan Global Citizen Awards. In these events we highlighted inspiring change makers from across the province, from organizations such as BlackinSask and the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan, as well as keynote speakers such as Samra Zafar, and Notorious Cree. Engaging with thousands community members, we at SCIC left the week inspired and energized by the collaboration of our global community.



Gender Equality Week

SCIC recognizes women are more likely to be affected by poverty and inequality, including challenges related to limited access to affordable childcare and housing, social support programs and gaps in access to health care. As with any discussion or effort to advance global gender equality, it is important to recognize that the social and economic challenges faced by women around the world disproportionately affect Indigenous, elderly, disabled, transgender women, individuals of minority gender identity and expression, visible minority and racialized women.

Because of these structural and systemic factors, SCIC recognizes the fourth week in September as Gender Equality Week, where we celebrated the vital contributions of women and those who identify as women. We do this not only because equality is a human right, but also because everyone benefits from gender equality! Throughout the week, SCIC held several online events, partnering with organizations and changemakers working in Saskatchewan. We were inspired by the keynote speech hosted by Samra Zafar, and informed by the Lunch and Learn hosted in partnership with YWCA Regina.

Women face barriers to education, employment and equal pay, as well as a legal recourse, representation, and access to both resources and decision-making power, as women are underrepresented at all levels of government, in boardrooms and in executive positions. While we aim to address these issues through all facets of our programming, our Gender Equality Week Campaign set the tone to both address these issues but also celebrate women around the world!

5 GENDER EQUALITY





Global Citizenship Education

In this world, the challenges that face humanity are increasingly global in scope and therefore require global solutions. This has significant implications for kindergarten to grade 12 teachers, teacher-educators, and curriculum developers, who are responsible for educating the next generation of global citizens to rise to the challenge. Through global citizenship education, educators can support the development of citizens that internalize the values, master the skills, acquire the knowledge, and experience the sense of empowerment needed to tackle these challenges.

In promoting global citizenship education we at SCIC have used our social media platforms to release a weekly “Teaching Tuesday” post, each providing a curated list of online global citizen education resources. We aim at encouraging teachers to advance global citizen education and the sustainable development goals in their classrooms and through virtual learning platforms with their students.

In addition to our content sharing, we at SCIC engaged educators in virtual professional development opportunities over the year including our Reading Circle for Educators. This Reading Circle gave Educators from across the Province the opportunity to read a book they can use with their student, discuss the themes and topics in the book, connect with each other to discuss and share resources and then connect with the author. SCIC offered a wide range of books from diverse authors and perspectives in order to broaden the scope of topics and themes that Educator participants were invited to learn and share about. With these events and our consistent content sharing, we have engaged with thousands of educators, signing up hundreds of teachers to receive direct and consistent resources and opportunities.

4 QUALITY
EDUCATION





Generating Momentum

In unison with our education initiatives, SCIC also emphasises the importance of directly building up youth capacity with our programming. While this work is a year round effort, the highlight of our youth programming is our annual Youth Camp, Generating Momentum. So when the world paused, we were all looking for a sense of community and hope, so we (SCIC and the Regina Public Interest Research Group – RPIRG) made the decision to host a virtual iteration of this camp in the summer of 2020.

Generating Momentum is an annual activist and leadership training camp for youth between the ages of 18-35 which for the past 11 years has inspired, motivated and encouraged youth to be leaders and change-makers in their communities. The 2020 training camp was no exception. Despite a virtual program due to the global pandemic, youth came together, built community and acquired skills to be leaders in their spheres of influence.

The core programming content centred on the current climate of our world, and how youth could find inspiration and empowerment in their surroundings. “Generating Momentum empowered me to start conversations,” – Emily, 2020 Participant. Generating Momentum had two Artists in residence who delivered six workshops over two days using an arts for social change lens, focusing on community activism and leadership. Two other sessions led by knowledgeable facilitators on both days focused on gender equality and reproductive justice, and anti-racism / anti-oppression respectively. Both program days were highly engaging, well attended and interactive.

Throughout Generating Momentum 2020, participants managed to find a semblance of togetherness whilst acquiring skills to reignite their passion for global justice issues and activism!

“I had a valuable experience at Generating Momentum 2020! The Workshops helped me to develop my knowledge on key social issues, and to have had the chance to meet others in the province so dedicated to these causes even with the pandemic inspired me!” – Mac, Participant.

Our Impact



People Reached
Through SCIC Public
Engagement

3439



Youth Participating in
Learning Opportunities on
Empowerment, Gender
Equality & Leadership

887



Number of Global
Citizen Education, &
SDG Resources provided
to Educators

2334



Educators Reached
Through Global Citizen
Education Resource
Distribution

1036



Number of Events
Organized to Learn
About Global Issues

35



Number of Collaborative
Partnerships and
Networking Opportunities

26



SCIC's Partners
Participating in
Collaborative Organizing &
Networking Opportunities

63

Financials

Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation
Statement of Financial Position
31-Mar-21

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash	136,943	136,606
Accounts receivable, net of allowances	9,113	5,787
Canada Emergency Business Loan Forgiveable Portion	<u>10,000</u>	-
	156,056	142,393
Long term investments	82,622	81,478
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated amortization	1,743	2,927
Total Assets	<u>240,422</u>	<u>226,798</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	28,001	17,403
Government remittances payable	9,556	7,180
Canada Emergency Business Loan	40,000	-
Deferred Revenue	<u>27,828</u>	<u>84,422</u>
	105,385	109,005
Net Assets		
Operating Fund	17,244	(28,341)
Severance Reserve Fund	39,091	30,949
Contingency Reserve Fund	<u>78,702</u>	<u>115,185</u>
	<u>135,037</u>	<u>117,793</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>240,422</u>	<u>226,798</u>

Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation
Statement of Operations

31-Mar-21

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Revenue		
Government of Canada		
Canada Summer Jobs	2,943	3,223
Global Affairs Canada-Inspiring Action	484,081	362,815
Global Affairs Canada- Sustainable Development Goals Grant	-	98,600
Canada Emergency Business Account- forgiveable loan income	10,000	
COVID 19-10% wage subsidy	8,396	
SPUR -via Alberta Council for Global Cooperation	<u>4,508</u>	<u>1,176</u>
	<u>509,929</u>	<u>465,814</u>
Generating Momentum Grants		
Regina Public Interest Research Group	4,000	
Multicultural Council of Sask	1,500	
Sask Arts Council	<u>9,900</u>	
	<u>15,400</u>	-
Other		
Membership	200	2,163
Donations	395	1,441
Interest	1,004	1,605
Annual General Meeting Registrations		360
ECMF admin	1,200	1,200
Miscellaneous	<u>876</u>	
	<u>3,675</u>	<u>6,769</u>
Total Revenue	<u>529,004</u>	<u>472,583</u>
Expenses		
PERSONNEL		
Total personnel expenditure	<u>401,839</u>	<u>301,026</u>
<u>Administration</u>		
Rent	17,461	14,213
Telephone	3,348	3,673
Office repairs and maintenance	895	515
Supplies	715	1,414
Audit and legal	3,255	3,270
Bank charges & interest	314	111
Insurance	1,725	1,749
Amortization	1,184	729
Memberships		<u>81</u>
Total Administration Expenditure	<u>28,896</u>	<u>25,755</u>
<u>Governance</u>		
Board & Committee governance	193	5,869
Annual report	22	146
Annual General Meeting conference	<u>229</u>	<u>1,114</u>
Total Governance Expenditure	444	7,129

Programming

Member Agency meetings/workshops/consultations		2,090
Global Affairs-Monitoring & evaluation		12,749
Global Affairs-Libraries campaign	100	
Global Affairs-Teacher Capacity building	100	250
Global Affairs-Teacher training modules & workshops	6,120	1,085
Global Affairs Youth Leadership workshops	1,734	
Global Affairs Youth Social Media campaigns	1,880	
COVID 19 Remote Work Access Program planning	4,222	
Global Affairs-Feminist International Assistance Policy (FIAP)	5,831	
Professional Development	399	256
Partnerships and Shared Capacity	2,493	2,631
Transport/Attending conferences	20	810
Virtual Reality Cylinder costs	7,948	23,077
Virtual Reality -Public Engagement	1,012	
Insight Teachers Module/Classroom kits	5,786	
Discussion Series	4,372	1,531
Conferences & Pan Cdn networking		4,902
International Development Week	10,771	27,586
Global Affairs-Stakeholders meetings		715
Global Affairs- Profiling Member work	2,450	728
Publicity Information Campaign		192
Generating Momentum Youth Event	24,047	9,308
Memberships-CCIC	1,297	1,445
Global Affairs Canada- Sustainable Goals Dev project		77,623
Volunteer Appreciation		<u>37</u>
Total Program Expenditure	<u>80,581</u>	<u>167,015</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>511,760</u>	<u>500,924</u>
Net Surplus (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>17,244</u>	<u>(28,341)</u>

Saskatchewan Council for International Cooperation
Statement of Changes in Net Assets

31-Mar-21

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Net Assets, beginning of year	117,793	182,004
Surplus (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	17,244	(28,341)
Payout of severance during year	-	<u>(35,870)</u>
Net Assets, end of year	<u>135,037</u>	<u>117,793</u>
Composed of:		
Severance Reserve Fund	39,091	30,949
Contingency Reserve Fund	<u>95,946</u>	<u>86,844</u>
	<u>135,037</u>	<u>117,793</u>

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