

# Our Journey Towards **Reconciliation**



**SASKATOON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Located on Treaty 6 territory and the homeland of the Métis.

**We are  
all treaty  
people**

# Strategic Plan

2016–2021

Goal #2

**Honouring Indigenous Perspectives**



# Taking Action

# Reconciliation Saskatoon





# Initiatives



## Aboriginal Awareness Seminars



### Hiding in Plain Sight: DISCOVERING THE MÉTIS NATION IN THE ARCHIVAL RECORDS OF LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES CANADA


#### EXHIBITION


February 3 to May 13, 2018  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan









 **Saskatoon Library** @stoonlybrary · Mar 15  
SPL will be sharing a Cree word a day for 50 days. Today's Word: nitawi-mīcīso  
ᓃᑕᐱ ᓂᓂᓂ go and eat

 **Saskatoon Library** @stoonlybrary · Mar 11  
SPL will be sharing a Cree word a day for 50 days. Today's Word: ēha ᓂᓂᓂ yes

 **Saskatoon Library** @stoonlybrary · Mar 13  
SPL will be sharing a Cree word a day for 50 days. Today's Word: pē-āpi ᓂᓂᓂ come and sit down

 **Saskatoon Library** @stoonlybrary · Mar 6  
SPL will be sharing a Cree word a day for 50 days. Today's Word: tawāw  
ᑕᐱᓂ welcome



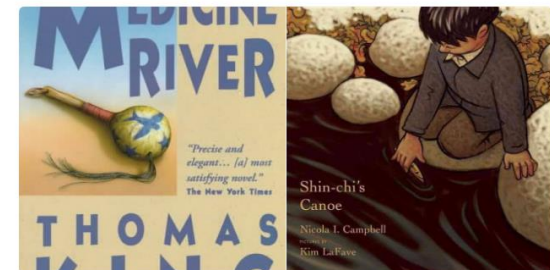
# #Read4Reconciliation



**Quint Saskatoon** @quintsaskatoon · 6h  
Quint Staff participated in filling out @stoonlibrary Reconciliation display cards & individually answered what Reconciliation means to them pic.twitter.com/Yz9IUpsaLH



Chief Weighill & Peter Linkletter of @CSC\_SCC\_en are accepting the #ReadforReconciliation challenge from @stoonlibrary #yxe





# Reconciliation Reading Area





# Round Prairie Branch Naming

SPL saskatoonlibrary.ca/metis

## Métis Reading List ∞

The following reading list has been compiled to highlight many of the Métis-themed books in SPL's collection. If there are books you'd like us to consider adding to our ever-growing collection, please visit our Suggest a Title website at [saskatoonlibrary.ca/suggest-a-title](https://saskatoonlibrary.ca/suggest-a-title).

<b>The History of the Métis of Willow Bunch</b> Ron Howard & Catherine Littlejohn	<b>Métis and the Medicine Line</b> Michael Hogue	<b>Stories of the Road Allowance People</b> Rose Campbell	<b>Money's Memories: Past Cases of Angela Carter</b> Rose Campbell
<b>MICHIF DICTIONARY 2013</b> Nohman Fawcett	<b>Métis Soldiers of Saskatchewan: 1804-1883</b> Cathy Littlejohn	<b>Gabriel's Children</b> Rex Joffe	
<small>Nahiyawehwin Maziwahikan: Michif Dictionary Voice Alternatives (from, Norman Fawcett)</small>			

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# Dr. Freda Ahenakew Branch Renaming

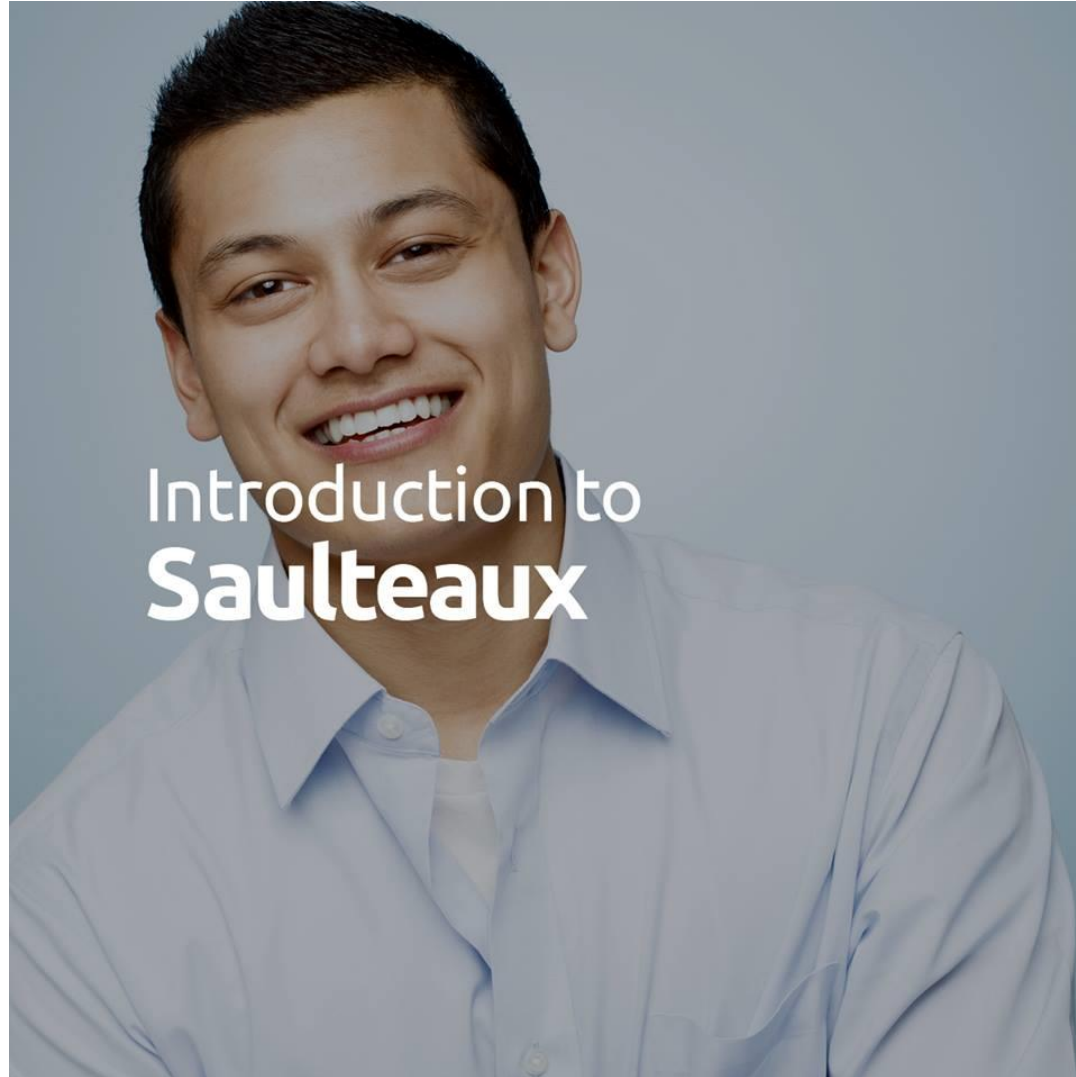


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# Programming, Service & Collections





# Related Initiatives

- Added more public computers
- Free courtesy phones
- Mobile charging lockers



# Reconciliation Learnings

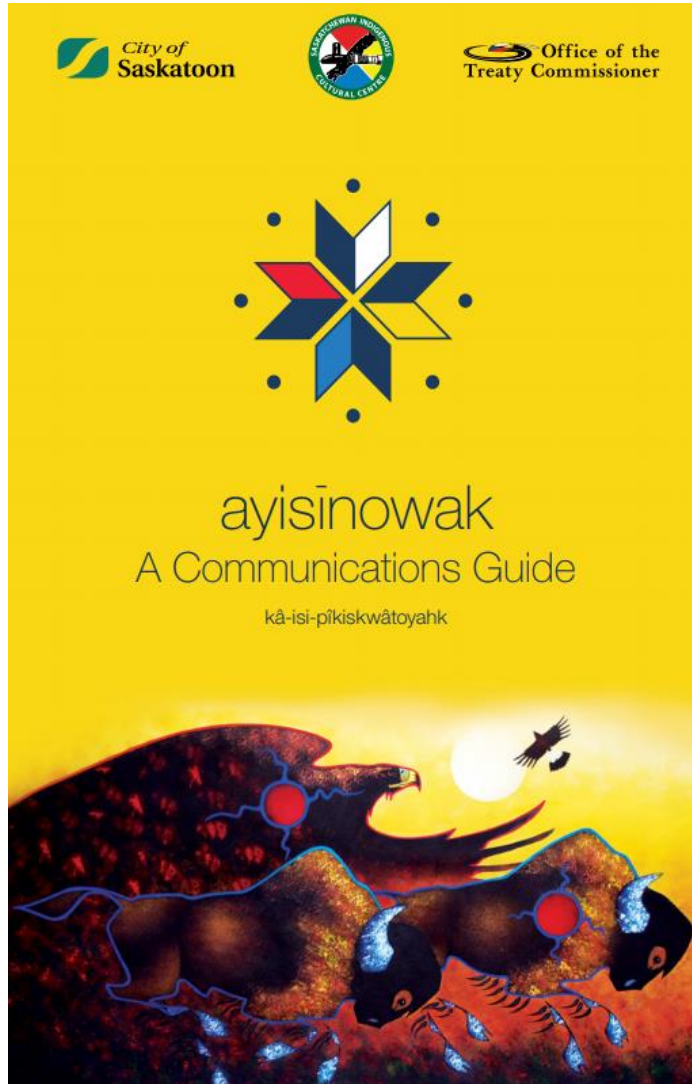
# Learnings

Building relationships with the community has been fundamental to our success.



# Communications Guide

<http://bit.ly/2tsZAZW>



# What's Next

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- Welcoming Initiatives Work-Unit
- Adding Social Workers at our central library
- Exploring Elder In Residence program



# Our Advice

1. Make a personal commitment.
2. Just start.
3. There's no "right" way.

# Thank you