EATONIA NEWS BULLETIN



May 2024

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9:00am – 12:00pm
1:00pm – 5:00pm
Closed Weekends & Stat Holidays
Closed Monday May 20th for
Victoria Day

NUISANCE GROUND HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
1:00pm – 6:00pm
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
9:00am – 12:00pm
Closed Sundays & Stat Holidays
Closed Monday May 20th for
Victoria Day



WHAT'S HAPPENING

A column used to promote non-profit community events as well as a bonus promo for our advertisers. If you wish to have your non-profit event listed please contact the Town Office. May 5th St. Paul Lutheran Church services with Communion and Baptism 10:30 am May 11th Mother's Day Tea and Bake Sale at E.O.L from 2pm to 4pm May 12th Mother's Day May 19th St. Paul Lutheran Church services 10:30 am May 20th Victoria Day May 21st St. Paul Lutheran Church services with Communion 10:30 am May 25th 28th Annual Community Garage Sale Day in Eatonia 9am to 2pm May 27th Senior Citizen Achievement Award Deadline (at Noon) June 1st E.O.L Art Exhibit and Auction at the Eatonia Community Hall 6pm to 12am June 8th Grad **Electronics Collection Recycling Event** June 13th June 14th Prairie Oasis Fitness Club 5:01 BBQ June 21st & 22nd Big Brawl Ball (Pickleball and Dodgeball Tournament) June 21st- 23rd & 28th-30th NLS Lifeguarding Course at the Eatonia Swimming Pool June 29th Eatonia Show & Shine -10am -3pm















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Rates:

Regular Classifies (5-6 Lines)

Paid in advance RATE \$12 OTHERWISE \$21

Box classified ads \$21

1/8 Page Ad \$19

\$37 1/4 Page Ad

1/2 Page Ad \$58

Full Page Ad \$105

Non-Profit Organizations

1/4 Page Ad \$20

1/2 Page Ad \$28

Full Page Ad \$51

GST is not included in above pricing

Fax: 306-967-2267 PH: 306-967-2251 Email: newsletter.eatonia@sasktel.net

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS THE 22ND OF EACH MONTH

CONDITIONS OF ADVERTISING ACCEPTANCE **INCLUDING DISPLAY**

All advertising is subject to publisher's approval. Proofs of the advertisement will be sent out to all advertisers prior to printing. Any errors thereafter we will not accept responsibility for. We ask that all ads are submitted in a timely manner to allow enough time to process the proofs.

PLEASE READ YOUR AD

GRAD WISHES



Don't forget to contact the Town Office by May 17th if you are interested in putting a Grad Wish in the June Newsletter.

> Size of Ad: Business Card Size Cost: \$12.00 + GST

Email: newsletter.eatonia@sasktel.net

GARBAGE PICK-UP

Please have your bin out on the street by 7:00 a.m. Monday, May 6th Monday, May 20th

RECYCLING PICK-UP

Please have your bin out on the street by 7:00 a.m. Thursday, May 2nd Thursday, May 16th Thursday, May 30th

TAXES

The Town is offering tax discounts for payment of 2024 taxes. The following discounts will be applied to Municipal tax payments made during that month:

May - 2%

June - 1%

If you have any questions feel free to call the office.

PET LICENSES

If you have not renewed your pet license, please do a soon as possible.

Please remember to bring the license number when you come in to renew.

> Spayed or Neutered \$15.00/each Not Spayed or Neutered \$20.00/each







Somerville Digital Sign

Somerville Digital Sign is a unique advertising digital sign to advertise your business needs, community events, birthdays, baby announcements, anniversaries, engagements, hockey games, reunions and employment postings.

Commercial spots are 10 seconds long, minimum of 288 reps/24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Creative designs by our Digital Sign Animator are available upon request.

Cost: \$60 a week Commercial/Business Promotions

\$25 a week Community Events & Announcements

*Taxes not included in prices *Prices subject to change

Creative designs for an animated commercial or a static commercial can be discussed at time of booking. Please call our Digital Sign Coordinator Jerry Fuerstenberg at 306-967-2101 if you have any questions or if you would like to discuss your options.



FAMILY PHARMACY

w.dirkfamilypharmacy.ca 306–628–3744 Leade

OPEN MONDAY - SATURDAY 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM Closed Sundays & Holidays

We carry a full line of over the counter products, giftware and toys.

Our friendly, knowledgeable staff is always available to

offer advice on the most appropriate product for you.

- ✓ Primary Health Care Pharmacy
- ✓ Medication Reviews
- ✓ Chronic Disease Management
- ✓ Compliance Packaging
- ✓ Healthy Lifestyle Counseling

Joseph Dirk BSP

YES WE DELIVER!

FREE Delivery to Eatonia Monday to Friday

Call store for details

PharmaChoice OF YOUR COMMUNITY

A friendly reminder, please ensure that your cats are not free roaming around town.

Uninvited cats can sometimes be frustrating as it may cause conflict between pets.



Don't let your cats be a nuisance to others.

Thank you for being a good neighbor!



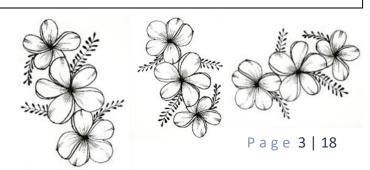
The town has hired a company to clean the streets. Virtue Construction & Street Sweepers will be here on

Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 7:30 am

There will be 2 commercial grade street sweepers to clean all the streets in town. They are estimating that it will take approximately a day to do the town.

Therefore, we need resident's cooperation to ensure this is a successful sweep. We ask residents to not park anything on the streets when they are here working. Offer to share driveways with your neighbors when possible. Clearing away the debris and leaves will freshen everything up in town.

Thanking everyone in advance for your Co-operation.



Senior Citizen Achievement Award

The Heritage Board would like to recognize an individual, sixty-five years or older, who has demonstrated outstanding community contribution through volunteerism, and has made an impact in their community by investing time and effort to improve the quality of life for others.

Everyone is encouraged to nominate individuals who are deserving of this recognition.

The deadline for nominations is Monday May 27th at 12:00 pm (noon)

& dropped off at Town Office or Call Sharon

Price at 306-460-5267





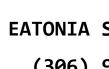




THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF CHESTERFIELD NO. 261 IS LOOKING FOR A NEW LOGO!!!

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR CREATIVE IDEAS TO:

THE RM OFFICE AT 304 MAIN
STREET



EATONIA SK SØL ØYØ

(306) 967-2222

ceo@rmofchesterfield261.ca

VIA: DROP OFF, MAIL OR EMAIL



ALL AGES WELCOME



Summer Students Wanted

The Eatonia Heritage Board is seeking to hire a student or students to act as a tour guide as well as to look after cleaning the buildings and light grounds keeping duties.

The student will work on Friday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1:00 to 4:00. Job share opportunity. Flexible hours available for candidates with prior approval. There may be the option for additional hours on long weekends and events.

The start date will be at the end of June and will run until the end of August.

Please call Sharon Price at 306-460-5267 for more details.

Summer Students Required

The Town of Eatonia requires two summer students to work in the Public Works Department to cut grass, tend to flowers and trees, and other miscellaneous duties.

Must have valid driver's license.

The positions are to start around the beginning of July 2024.

For more information on this position, contact the Town Office at 306-967-2251

Applications can be sent to:



Town of Eatonia Box 237 Eatonia, SK SOL 0Y0



Fax to 306-967-2267 Email to eatonia@sasktel.net HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Mother's Day Tea & Bake Sale!

Everyone Welcome

Saturday - May 11th, 2024 2:00 - 4:00 P.M. BAKE SALE - 3:00 P.M.

FATONIA OASIS LIVING

Mother's Day Raffle will also be drawn Baking Donations appreciated!

Given by the Health Care Auxiliary-Proceeds to supplies for Home.

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Eatonia Doctor Days

Dr. Abedi will be in Eatonia Thursday May 2nd and Wednesday May 15th

Dr. Addo with be Eatonia Monday May 6th, Thursday May 23rd, and Wednesday May 29th

To book an appointment please call the clinic at 306-967-2591

Clinic Hours:

Monday 8:00-3:30

Tuesday 8:00-3:30

Wednesday 8:00-4:30

Thursday 8:00-2:30

Services are subject to change

Healthy People, Healthy Saskatchewan

The Saskatchewan Health Authority works in the spirit of truth and reconciliation acknowledging Saskatchewan as the traditional territory of First Nations and Métis P





We are also looking for volunteers to work.
If you are able to help out,
contact Gail Morgan or EOL Office







Ground Squirrels are out and about. The RM has 20 kg Oat bait bags which replaces Strychnine and works really well.

Contact the RM at (306) 967-2222 for more information.



GREAT NEWS FOR EATONIA

The Town of Eatonia received an official notification on March 26, 2024, that they were approved for a grant to reline approximately 14 blocks of sewer mains for a total cost of \$983,980. These sewer mains were installed in 1956 and are well past their useful life.

This is a joint investment with the federal, provincial, and local government as a part of a significant investment in green infrastructure projects. The federal government is funding \$393,592 and the provincial government is allocating \$327,961 while the town must provide \$262,427 of the funding.

New Line Trenchless Technologies has been awarded a contract to take on this project. They have started the work on April 4, 2024 and hope to complete the relining project by the end of April, 2024.

Thank you to the Federal and Provincial governments for supporting this project.



Management's Responsibility

The municipality's management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the accompanying consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards (PSAS). The preparation of the statements necessarily includes selecting appropriate accounting principles and methods, and making decisions affecting the measurement of transactions in which objective judgments and estimates by management is required.

In discharging its responsibilities for the integrity and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements, management designs and maintains the necessary accounting, budget, and other related internal controls to provide reasonable assurance that transactions are appropriately authorized and accurately recorded, that assets are properly accounted for and safeguarded, and that financial records are properly maintained to provide reliable information for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements.

The Council is composed of elected officials who are not employees of the municipality. The Council is responsible for overseeing management in the performance of its financial reporting responsibilities. The Council fulfils these responsibilities by reviewing the financial information prepared by management and discussing relevant matters with external auditors. The Council is also responsible for recommending the appointment of the municipality's external auditors.

CHBB Chartered Professional Accountants, an independent firm of Chartered Professional Accountants, is appointed by the Council to audit the consolidated financial statements and report directly to them; their report follows. The external auditors have full and free access to, and meet periodically and separately with, both the Council and management to discuss their audit findings.

Councillor/Reeve/Mayor

09-Apr-24

Municipality of <u>Town of Eatonia</u>

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 2023

Statement 1

	2023	2022
ANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 2)	893,154	772,838
Investments (Note 3)	-	64 2
Taxes Receivable - Municipal (Note 4)	32,974	28,361
Other Accounts Receivable (Note 5)	92,935	116,227
Assets Held for Sale (Note 6)	168,454	162,600
Long-Term Receivable (Note 7)	12,699	11,57
Debt Charges Recoverable (Note 8)	-	
Derivative Assets [if applicable] (Note 9)	24	
Other (Specify)		
tal Financial Assets	1,200,216	1,091,59
BILITIES		
Bank Indebtedness (Note 10)	190,378	47,05
Accounts Payable	130,570	,
Accrued Liabilities Payable		
Derivative Liabilities [if applicable] (Note 9)	37,696	36,69
Deposits	500	1,01
Deferred Revenue (Note 11)	207,215	170,81
Asset Retirement Obligation (Note 12)	207,213	170,01
Liability for Contaminated Sites (Note 13)		
Other Liabilities		212,53
Long-Term Debt (Note 14)	-	212,55
Lease Obligations (Note 15)	435,789	468,10
al Liabilities	435,789	408,10
T FINANCIAL ASSETS (DEBT)	764,427	623,49
N-FINANCIAL ASSETS	4,427,354	4,313,26
Tangible Capital Assets (Schedule 6, 7)	45	,,
Prepayments and Deferred Charges	40,006	43,40
Stock and Supplies	40,000	10/10
Other (Note 16)	4,467,405	4,356,66
(a) 1401-1 Illahada Assess		
CUMULATED SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	5,231,832	4,980,16
Accumulated surplus (deficit) is comprised of:		E parcial sac
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit) excluding remeasurement gains (losses) (Schedule 8)	5,231,832	4,980,16
Accumulated remeasurement gains (losses) (Statement 5)		

Unrecognized Assets (Note 1 m))
Contingent Assets (Note 22)
Contractual Rights (Note 23)

Contingent Liabilities (Note 17)

Contractual Obligations and Commitments (Note 24)

The accompanying notes and schedules are an integral part of these statements.

Municipality of

Town of Eatonia

Consolidated Statement of Operations As at December 31, 2023

Statement 2

	2023 Budget	2023	2022
EVENUES		1	
Tax Revenue (Schedule 1)	476,663	479,648	477,699
Other Unconditional Revenue (Schedule 1)	122,291	122,343	107,949
Fees and Charges (Schedule 4, 5)	464,368	502,837	475,475
Conditional Grants (Schedule 4, 5)	103,631	102,887	202,470
Tangible Capital Asset Sales - Gain (Schedule 4, 5)	38,385	3,035	6,528
Land Sales - Gain (Schedule 4, 5)	-	-	-
Investment Income (Note 3) (Schedule 4, 5)	6,525	18,850	6,555
Commissions (Schedule 4, 5)	-	-	-
Restructurings (Schedule 4,5)	-	-	-
Other Revenues (Schedule 4, 5)	179,730	189,205	304,128
Provincial/Federal Capital Grants and Contributions (Schedule 4, 5)	825,686	106,701	36,963
otal Revenues	2,217,279	1,525,506	1,617,767
General Government Services (Schedule 3)	227,140	215,591	231,397
General Government Services (Schedule 3)	227,140	215,591	231,397
Protective Services (Schedule 3)	67,861	51,503	49,077
Transportation Services (Schedule 3)	220,452	172,170	161,068
Environmental and Public Health Services (Schedule 3)	208,736	206,193	197,114
Planning and Development Services (Schedule 3)	7,500	1	5,932
Recreation and Cultural Services (Schedule 3)	444,369	389,748	607,481
Utility Services (Schedule 3)	246,614	238,632	209,765
Restructurings (Schedule 3)		-	-
otal Expenses	1,422,672	1,273,837	1,461,834
nnual Surplus (Deficit) of Revenues over Expenses	794,607	251,669	155,933
ccumulated Surplus (Deficit) excluding remeasurement gains (losses), Beginning of Year	4,980,163	4,980,163	4,824,230
ccumulated Surplus (Deficit) excluding remeasurement gains (losses), End of Year	5,774,770	5,231,832	4,980,163

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On behalf of the Catonia & District Recreation Poard we would like to send out a HUGC thank you to the following people and organizations who made our Celebrity Sports Auction & Dinner a success!

We were able to raise \$90,000 before expensed

Judy Burt Eatonia Lions Club Mitch Larock

Jackie's Delicious Delights

Lisa Stevens

Eaton Grade 12 Class Prairie Centre Credit Union Greg & Shawn Larock 454 Land Corp

454 Land Corp Addisyn Connolly

Cheryl & Danise (Town of Eatonia)

Luke Aldridge & Chase Oomen

Codie Cumiskey

Kyla Thomson & Kaleb Dahlgren

Kelly Clarke (Ritchie Bros.)

Drew Hynd

Hayes Sand & Gravel
KB Air Conditioning
Butt's Seed Cleaning
Owens & Sweitzer
Bumbleboo, Kim Punter

Kraz E Threads

Backroad Photography Jeff & Cheryl Bailey

Amber Francis

Chesterfield Stock Farm Eatonia Minor Hockey

Taylor Aldridge & Addy Larock

Prairie Oasis Fitness Centre

Eatonia Minor Ball * *

Kindersley & District Co-op

Eatonia Huskies
Tracy Radies

Supreme Source for Sports

Cameron's Clothing

Rob Rongve Kenton Dulle

Daryl & Shannon Lothammer

Dirk's Pharmacy Garrett Turner Troy Joyce

Kristina Lothammer

JorAnn Safety
Jessica Pearce
Darren Guidinger
Debbie Kroeker
Charity Ward
Nick Feiffer
LaBelle Boutique

12th Avenue Fashions

Vanessa Price Bev Thompson

Eston Riverside Regional Park Bryan & Brenda Somerville

4/44 Services

Baylee & Maddox Stevens

Town of Eatonia Leader Pharmacy Leader Electric Millennium Land

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Darren & Jennifer Bews Rec Board Members Chris & Susan Theaker

Holly Odland Caitlin Buttar

Bredy's Country Store Stimmer's Farm & Co Ltd

Delia Massey

Ryder Bredy, Doug Bredy

Carol Peters WestJet

River Ridge Golf Course Leader Liquor Mart Tin & Yvette Schuh

Greg & Ronalee Guidinger BJ, Kristin, Craig, Shannon

Decisive Farming
Randi & Matt McKinnon

Vold's Collision

Nutrien

Hugz & Cuddlez Donna Lothammer

NAPA

Mantario Lions Club Dan & Anna Guidinger Joel & Grady Stevens Eatonia Agencies Ltd.

Simplot

Moosiman Farms Fred's Auto Body

Somerville Farms (2014) Ltd.

The Planning Committee: Teana Hayes, Vanessa Price

Deanna Callsen, Maryanne Becker, Lindsay Laroct



SUMMER BURSARIES

We are handing out 2 bursaries for \$100 each to students attending a camp this summer. To nominate a recipient, forms are at the Town Office. Deadline for nominations is June 5th.

SOCCER

1st day of practice is Wednesday, May 8th. Big thanks to Janelle Layton for sharing her love of soccer with us!

POOL NEWS

We are very excited to welcome 10 lifeguards to our pool this summer!

A NLS Lifeguarding course is being offered June 21-23rd & 28-30th.

Recently, we have fixed the cement at the pool and the remainder of the pool liner has been installed!





Fun for the whole family! Beer Sardens, Food, Hids Activities, Calcutta, Ball Sames

Festivities kick off at 6 pm!



Entry Fee: \$240/team

6 players per team. Must have no more than 4 of one gender.

Pickle Ball Tournament

Entry Fee: \$40/person

2 players per team. Teams must be mixed genders.

To register a team, text 460–7130 by June 10th **Eatonia Oasis Living**

ART EXHIBIT

& AUCTION

June 1, 2024 6:00 pm to 12:00 am at the Eatonia Community Hall

Live Auction at 8:00 pm with Silent Auction finalized after that.

Snacks & Refreshments will be served.
(Bar provided by the Eatonia Lions Club)

SILVER COLLECTION AT THE DOOR

Come out and support a great cause!

Proceeds to go towards improving our outdoor space & Resident Activity Fund!



ATTENTION ALL ARTISTS!

All artists of any medium are invited to show their work at the

June 1, 2024
6:00 pm to midnight
Eatonia Community Hall

This is an opportunity to display your art and if you would like to donate one of your art pieces, there will be a Live and a Silent Auction to raise money.

Proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards improving our outdoor space and to the Resident Activity Fund.

Please contact Moorease Scott at 306-460-9088 for more information.



THE BUSY BEE GREENHOUSE

Providing excellent and knowledgeable customer service to surrounding areas for 36 years!

Now open for the season May 1/2024

Regular Hours:

Monday to Saturday:

9 am to 7 pm

Sunday: 1 pm to 6 pm

Kick Start the Season 15% off on Giftware May 1 to 6

With every purchase you will be eligble to enter your names in for a Mothers Day Draw (May 12) Visit us for:

Bedding plants

Hanging Baskets & Plants

Trees, Shrubs & Perennials

Succulents & Water Pond Plants

Garden Seeds

Onion Sets & Seed Potatoes

Soil & Bulk Wood Chip Mulch

Giftware

Specialty Olive Oils & Balsamic Vinegars

by Solar Gardens (from Italy)

& Great Mothers Day Gift Ideas!

Gift Certificates avaliable!



Lettuce Feed You Hydroponic Farms will have their cooler stocked with lettuce and microgreens, all locally grown in Leader by Chris & Nicole Schneider

THE BUSY BEE GREENHOUSE

419-1st Street East, Leader SK

Landline: 306-628-4316 Cell:306-628-7156 or 306-661-9094 Cliff & Patty Schneider

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EATONIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

28TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY
GARAGE SALES

SATURDAY, MAY 25TH 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

PICK UP YOUR MAPS AND BINGO CARDS AT THE ARENA

LOCAL FOOD SPECIALS....

- EATONIA FAMILY RESTAURANT
- 21-44 STORE
- · TJ'S PUB & GRUB
- · BREDY'S COUNTRY STORE
- EATONIA OASIS LIVING BEEF ON A BUN AT ARENA

REGISTER AT EATONIA AGENCIES LTD
COST - \$25.00



ELECTRONICS COLLECTION EVENT

BRING YOUR OLD ELECTRONICS

AND WE'LL MAKE SURE

THEY'RE SAFELY & SECURELY RECYCLED

DATE: June 13 (Thursday)

TIME: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed over lunch hour)

WHERE: Parking lot behind Town Office

202 Main Street

Computers – Printers – Microwaves – Stereo Equipment – Phones – GPS Devices – Gaming Systems – TVs – Displays – Monitors – Baby Monitors – Earbuds – Headphones – Keyboards/Mice – Projectors – VCR or DVD machines – Computer Peripherals – Tape Recorders – any cable that connects to electronic devices - and more.

Does not matter how old they are!

recycleMYelectronics.ca/sk





The future is in your hands. Don't let it go to waste.™

What's Accepted

Electronics accepted at our drop-off locations



Display Devices

Televisions and monitors, including various technologies such as Cathode Ray Tube (CRT), all-in-one flat panel (LCD, LED and plasma) and rear projection.



Non-Cellular Telephones

Includes corded and cordless telephones, as well as telephone answering machines.



Home Audio/Video Systems

Includes VCRs, DVD and CD players, digital cable and satellite equipment, speakers, amplifiers, receivers, data projectors and similar audio/video systems.



Desktop Computers

Desktop computers (including those acting as servers) and all bundled keyboards, mice, cables and internal components.



Portable Computers

Includes portable computers such as laptops, netbooks, notebooks and tablets



Computer Peripherals

Includes both wired and wireless manual input devices such as keyboards, mice and trackballs.



Desktop Printers

Printers designed to reside on a work surface, including laser and LED, ink jet, dot matrix, thermal, dye sublimation and "multi-function" copy, scan, fax and print devices. Stand-alone desktop fax machines are also included in this category.



Personal/Portable Audio/Video Systems

Includes docking speakers, portable stereos, portable CD players, portable audio recorders, tape/radio players, head-phones, digital media (MP3) players, voice recorders, digital cameras and video cameras.



Home Theatre In-A-Box (HTB) Systems

Includes pre-packaged disc player/speaker/amplifier systems for use with video or television display to create a home theatre experience.



Vehicle Audio/Video Systems (aftermarket)

Includes amplifiers, equalizers, speakers and audio/video components.



Countertop Microwave Ovens

Countertop Microwave Ovens may include microwaves from hotel rooms or restaurant units similar in chassis type to household type units. Please note built-in or overthe-range microwave ovens and microwave/range hood combinations are excluded from the program.



Video Gaming Systems & Peripherals

Includes gaming console, hand-held gaming devices, as well as game controllers and both wired and wireless joysticks.



Floor-Standing Photocopiers/Multi-Function Devices

Floor-standing photocopiers and Multi-Function Devices (MFDs). This will include all printing and copying devices, utilizing all printing technologies that are floor-standing models with a maximum weight of 200 kg.



Global Positioning System (GPS)

Personal Portable & Vehicle (aftermarket)

GPS devices both for personal portable use (sports, leisure etc.), as well as aftermarket systems designed for use in a vehicle.



External Storage Drives & Modems

External hard drives, including home media network hard drives and external optical disk drives, as well as network-attached storage devices (NAS), external CD-ROM, DVD and Blu-ray drives.



E-Book Readers

Includes personal and portable devices designed primarily for reading digital e-books and periodicals.



Desktop & Portable Scanners

Includes optical document/image scanning devices that reside on a desktop and portable devices. Including scanners but not limited to business card, cheque, photo negative, ID card, as well as portable pen scanners.

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Published March 1, 2020

5 Reasons to SHOP LOCAL

"Going local does not mean walling off the outside world.

It means nurturing locally owned businesses . . . " – Michael H. Shuman

- 1. **Encourage economic development:** when you purchase locally more money is kept in the community. Purchasing local helps grow other businesses as well as the local tax base.
- 2. Go Green: shopping locally reduces your fuel consumption, saving you money and time. Think green and lower your pollution emissions.
- 3. **Support community groups:** local business owners donate more to local non-profit/community groups than non-local owners. It is much appreciated when those groups buy locally in return.
- 4. **Local businesses** create more jobs: small local businesses are the largest employers nationally. The more jobs we have in the community the less people are required to commute = more time, less traffic, and less pollution.
- 5. **Invest in own community:** local businesses are owned by people who live in this community your neighbors, friends, and family; they are less likely to leave, and are more invested in the community's future.

(Sources: https://rmtache.ca and https://lloydminster.ca)

Fun Fact: 98.9 percent of all businesses in Saskatchewan are <u>small businesses</u> (fewer than 50 employees).

It is vital we support them – and support and build our local communities.

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