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The SSCF talks with communities all across the south side of the Province

Learn more about the regions and key topics we've discovered in our research:

Focus Area — Region

Regina's Crime Severity Index is 70% higher than in the rest of Canada.

Specific challenges reported by communities (Q5):

- Aging infrastructure, saving old buildings in small towns
- Young people leave small towns, lack of age diversity
- Loneliness within small communities for all age groups

Example Regina Crime Watch:

"a quote somebody or a group said about crime in Regina"

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Everyone is Home: A 5-year plan to end Chronic and Episodic Homelessness in Regina

Example Homeless Advocates:

"a quote somebody or a group said about homelessness"

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Five Emerging Issues:

#1. Sustaining Rural Communities (22% of Conversations)

Rural Canada contributes about 30% of the country's gross domestic product.

Specific challenges:

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Resources and supports needed to make a change:

More funding is the primary request from communities.

- Diversification of funding - relying on fundraising has become a challenge
- Establishment of food banks in smaller communities
- Small business development and community beautification

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Key Indicators of Community Health (Q2)

When thinking of the health of their communities, each community reported three of their top indicators, which were organized into six categories:

1. Belonging
2. Wellbeing and mental health
3. Income, economy, and poverty
4. Family violence and safety
5. Homelessness and housing
6. Reconciliation and Indigenous Issues

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Five Emerging Issues:

#3. Safety In Communities (20% of conversations)

Regina's Crime Severity Index is 70% higher than in the rest of Canada.

Specific challenges:

- Young people of group in schools and community
- Vandalism, break and enters, vandalism, lack of safety for cyclists and pedestrians
- Women's safety, specifically in relation to vulnerable trades

Resources and supports needed to make a change:

- Funding and donations, identifying funding sources to meet specific needs
- Support for a neighborhood watch
- Additional night watch patrols
- Late closing centres, open 10 p.m.

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Emerging Issue #1:

Sustaining Rural Communities

Saskatchewan-4-H Council:

"One of 4-H Saskatchewan's concerns is around people moving out of rural communities. Small schools in these communities are being closed, forcing families to move into larger centres. Since there is the isolation from urban centres, kids are no longer involved in 4-H and clubs are folding due to low enrollment, leaving an older population behind."

Specific challenges reported by communities (Q5):

- Aging infrastructure, saving old buildings in small towns
- Programs are closing down in small towns
- Development of arts community in small towns
- Economic downturn affecting small towns
- Young people leave small towns, lack of age diversity

- Closing schools in small towns
- Very limited access to home care in small communities
- Loss of businesses in rural communities
- High speed internet on the farm is still lacking
- Updating water systems and infrastructure

- Difficulty in building any sizeable arts programming within small communities
- Arts education in the school system in small towns
- Aging population in smaller communities - parking access for people with disabilities
- Keeping youth active, engaged and involved

- Loneliness within small communities for all age groups
- Attraction and retention of families, seniors and businesses
- Lack of transportation services to urban centers

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Partnership is key for conserving our environment

The Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) is our country's largest land conservation organization. Established in 1962, the NCC's first land conservation project in Saskatchewan was a quarter section of native grassland in the Qu'Appelle Coulee in 1983. Today, NCC conserves over 1 million acres across Canada. The NCC's goal is to be world as it is protected that only about 20% of Saskatchewan's native prairie remains intact.

Jennifer McKillop, Regional Vice-President of NCC says, "The grasslands that we see in southern Saskatchewan, are the most endangered ecosystem in Canada. Because of this, the rare forest and wetland habitat within prairie pothole land has left is valuable for a lot of reasons and its valuable to all of us.

"Indigenous people have been a part of that landscape for thousands of years and think that the conservation of thousands of acres of land is important also."

NCC is partnering with First Nations on environmental conservation projects.

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