## My project is called *Find*. It focuses on Sustainable Goals #16 - Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions with a minor focus on #4 - Quality Education.

## 1. Provide your evolved and focused project idea need/opportunity

This app aims to facilitate the process of finding missing people or those on the run from the police. The user will be able to look through a database of missing / wanted people in Regina, ordered in a descending date format. If a user sees someone that may match the missing person's profile, they can use the application to leave a tip for the police.

As well, the app will have a knowledge aspect to it that will address some of the underlying themes and issues targeting vulnerable people in Regina such as poverty and racism. It will follow an article format allowing users to read various news pieces surrounding these topics.

This app focuses on promoting peace and inclusive societies for sustainable development and providing access to justice for all, following the 16<sup>th</sup> UN Sustainable Goal. In 2018, 1 in 3 trafficking victims were children, and this has been increased due to the pandemic. The pandemic has also led to the loss of jobs for millions of workers, with a jump in unemployment rate to 13% from 7%. With so many people losing their sources of income, those already in the low-income bracket were hit the hardest.

As popular research shows, people that are economically and socially disadvantaged are overrepresented among the people reported missing compared to the general population. With COVID-19 putting millions of Canadians at an economic disadvantage, the risk of vulnerable persons being targeted is much higher.

This application will not only make it easy for people to get involved in the search for the missing/on the run, but it will also provide them with an easy way to learn about why social exclusion can lead to higher cases of missing persons and what the general population can do to help.

## 2. High-level your community's characteristics - its lifecycle, constitution, openness, technology aspirations, and orientations

So my community is Regina, which is a bit of a challenge because Regina includes so many smaller communities as a part of it. In general, Regina is stable and adapting, and so it should not be too disruptive to introduce a new technology. Regina is pretty diverse, with a pretty varied racial composition but the majority of citizens being white. The level of participation in the city is also very diverse, with lots of opportunities to volunteer and different kinds of job opportunities. It is open to new technology, with technologies such as a solar panel powered gas station canopy to fuel gas stations just being installed, and QR code vaccine passports being introduced around the city.

3. Provide an at-a-glance overview of existing platforms and stand-alone tools currently supporting community efforts for collaboration and learning and reiterate the gap you will be attempting to fill/innovation you will be introducing into the world (from the first bullet)

There are currently multiple different resources for people in Regina to assist in finding missing people. There are a few Facebook Groups, the primary ones being either Saskatchewan Missing Men and Women, and Missing People Canada, both of which have thousands of followers. Another resource is the Regina Police website, that displays missing people in Regina in a blog format. It's good in terms of updating people on the current state of missing persons, but not great in terms of accessibility, as its a subpage in the Regina Police website. There is an app resource, from the Missing Children Society of Canada, which is very similar to the app I'm hoping to create, but it only focuses on children and not just on Regina. Also, it's not updated as often, which I'm hoping to fix by having my app's database pull info periodically from the Regina Police website.

## 4. Provide an overview of your evolved and focused stakeholders (customer/audience)

The stakeholders involved in my project are mainly Tim and the Regina Police, if I can get them onboard. The Regina Police would give feedback on my project idea and also allow me to use data from their database of missing persons. I also want to look into other Missing

People's organizations I can get onboard with my project, so that I can have as much community involvement in building this application as possible. My customers are largely the general public of Regina, but more so focused on people that use their devices often outside, because they'll be able to interact with it more.