

NORTH Central COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Winter/Spring 2006

What happened to the Drug house on the Corner?"

The **Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods (SCAN) Act** is improving community safety by targeting and, if necessary, shutting down residential and commercial buildings that are regularly used for illegal activities such as producing, selling or using illegal drugs, prostitution, solvent abuse or the unlawful sale and consumption of alcohol.

"On any block and in any neighbourhood, it only takes one house that is harbouring illegal activities to undermine the safety of all residents of that community and affect the property values throughout that neighbourhood," said Justice Minister Frank Quennell.

The Act also creates a process where building fortifications that cause public safety concerns and/or exceed reasonable security measures for residential or commercial dwellings can be removed by police. These fortifications may also prevent emergency response personnel, law enforcement officials, or occupants from gaining access to or escaping from those buildings in an emergency. Fortifications often include bullet proof glass or explosive-resistant materials, barbed wire, armour to reinforce doors, and bars on windows or doors.

This legislation empowers citizens to take back their neighbourhoods by confidentially reporting problem residences and businesses. It will also hold property owners accountable for threatening or disturbing activities regularly taking place on their property.

In its first 11 months of operation, the Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Investigation Unit has received 305 complaints. Of those complaints, 94 properties where illegal activities were occurring have been shut down.



What should I look for in my neighbourhood?

The following is a list of common signs of illegal activity. Alone, any of these activities or signs may not necessarily mean that drug dealing, drug producing, substance abuse, prostitution or any variety of other illegal activities are occurring on a property. However, a frequency of the following list of activities or a combination of them occurring on a property may indicate a problem:

- ✓ Frequent visitors at all times of the day and night
- ✓ Frequent late night activity
- ✓ Windows blackened or curtains always drawn

- ✓ Visitors with expensive vehicles
- ✓ Unfriendly people who appear to be secretive about their activities
- ✓ People watching cars suspiciously as they pass by
- ✓ Extensive investment in home security
- ✓ Strange odours coming from the house or garbage
- ✓ Garbage that contains numerous bottles and containers, particularly chemical containers
- ✓ Putting garbage out in another neighbours' collection area

If you are suspicious of a property in your neighbourhood, do not investigate it yourself or approach the occupants. Please call the Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Investigation Unit immediately at 1-866-51-SAFER. For more information on SCAN, please visit the website at www.saskjustice.gov.sk.ca/SaferCommunities.

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From the PRESIDENT

Hello Neighbours!

On behalf of the Board of Directors of North Central Community Association, I would like to remind you of our open monthly meetings:

Meetings are held the fourth Monday of each month at North Central Community Association office, beginning at 7:00^{pm}.

An invitation is extended to all residents of North Central Community to attend any or all of these meetings. We've been known to rotate the meeting spaces for the Board to become familiar with the wealth of resources in our neighbourhood, so it's best to phone the office to double-check our meeting location.

We'd like to thank Rainbow Youth Centre, North Central Family Centre, Albert Library, Indian & Métis Christian Fellowship, and Four Directions Health Centre for their hospitality in accommodating our Board meetings since last fall.

I really want our community to know that this is your Board and that if you feel like attending you are welcome. If you care to make a presentation to your Board, please notify the office to be placed on the agenda.

Soon spring will be upon us with an exciting lineup of activities and neighbourhood improvement projects. Stay tuned to *Community Connection* for more news.

Regards,
Brenda Mercer



Regina Police Chief Cal Johnston presents the Special Service Award to Brenda Mercer "In recognition of your deep and meaningful commitment to your community and to your neighbours. December 15, 2005"

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The NCCA is an elected group of volunteers whose goal is to improve the neighbourhood in every way. The Board meets regularly in the Albert-Scott Community Centre.



OUR LOGO represents the strong vision of working together with the community of North Central to enhance the quality of life by representing, promoting, developing partnerships and unifying our community and its image through effective communication, programs and services.

OUR VALUES:

- All People • Respect •
- Caring • Pride •

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NORTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NEWS

From the CO-ORDINATOR



Spring 2006

Sitting at home you sometimes wonder, "what is happening in the neighbourhood?"

At the North

Central office we have 40 to 50 inquiries a day for information and services in the community.

We are a referral agency for the Food Bank and also a depot for the Good Food Box. On Mondays the Mobile R Store sets up across the hall and people from all over the neighbourhood come to buy fresh fruits and vegetables.

On Tuesday we host the seniors Care & Share Luncheon and have a Walking Club every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning.

For the next 2 months we will run the largest tax clinic in the city to help people on low income prepare their taxes. We will be working with 4 staff and over 15 volunteers.

We are gearing up this summer for another youth training program, which cut enough grass last summer to cover Taylor Field twice!

This summer we are again getting ready for another community cleanup. Last year we had close to 60 volunteers and can always use more.

The secret to all our success and accomplishments is the number of volunteers we are getting in North Central to come out and give a hand. If you think you have some spare time, or if there is something that is of interest to you please give us a call because your community can use you.

Rob Deglau
Community Co-ordinator

Rob Deglau has been a resident in North Central for most of his life, attending Albert School and graduating from Scott Collegiate. He has been active in the board for over 2 decades and for 3 terms served as the city councilor for the area. His background in community development will be an asset in helping bring exciting programming to our community.



North Central Phone Numbers

Schools

Albert	791-8539
Herchmer	791-8448
Kitchener	791-8516
Sacred Heart	791-7290
Scott Collegiate	791-8415
St. Luke	791-7248
Wascana	791-8528

Organizations & Agencies

Albert Library	777-6076
Boys & Girls Club	565-6213
Bylaw Enforcement	777-7000
Chili for Children	359-7919
Community Assoc.	791-9888
Community Centre	777-7033
Community Mobile R Store	347-3224
Fire Safety (storage of materials, safe exits & smoke detectors)	777-7830
Four Directions	766-7540
Gathering Place	522-7494
IMCF	359-1096
Police	777-6450
Rainbow Youth Centre	757-9743
Regina Police Substandard Housing Enforcement Team	777-6399
Rental Housing Supplement Program	787-4723
Regina Inner City Community Partnership	777-6771
RQ Health Region	766-7755
Rentalsman	787-2699
SaskPower (electrical & natural gas related inspections)	566-2500
SCAN's number for receiving complaints	1-866-51-SAFER

Regina Inner City Community Partnership Update



Three years ago Regina North Central residents participated in a survey to determine: what the community **prides itself** on; what the community **wants** for its future; and what the community **needs** in order to realize its goals.

The Regina Inner City Community Partnership (RICCP) was formed in 2002 to assist the community in addressing the longstanding issues and challenges that were identified in the survey. The main focus of the RICCP is to enhance the impact of activities through collaboration and through the removal of operational, policy, regulation and legislative barriers that slow down action to the community vision and priorities.

The year 2005 was very busy in Regina North Central with the implementation of various activities and initiatives in the areas of: housing and infrastructure; employment; and crime and safety. On December 17, 2005, the RICCP presented a report to the community, *Making a Difference in North Central*, which outlined some successes and achievements in the priority areas, some of which are:

- * For housing and infrastructure, the first major residential construction in 10 years is currently under way with 35 new homes at various stages of construction
- * The North Central Housing Education Committee has been providing information and support to homeowners and renters

* In the area of crime and safety, neighbourhood safety is being addressed through programs such as Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) facilitated by the North Central Community Association

* A Housing Enforcement Task Force has been established to ensure that houses in North Central meet health and safety standards

* In the area of employment, the North Central Employment Enhancement Program, another Community Association project, is helping young people find and keep stable employment

The RICCP partner organizations are: North Central Community Association; Regina Treaty Indian Status Indian Services; United Way of Regina; Circle of Aboriginal Voices; Regina Public Schools; Regina Catholic Schools; Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region; Regina Police Services; Regina and District Chamber of Commerce; City of Regina; Government of Saskatchewan and Government of Canada.

Want to get involved?

- * **Volunteer** for neighbourhood initiatives such as the Neighbourhood Watch Program and NCCA Spring and Fall community clean-up
- * **Participate** in community meetings and forums to provide input in identifying community issues, needs and solutions
- * Homeowners, landlords and tenants **do your part** to maintain your property by keeping yards and curb-

sides tidy, painting and repairing fences, etc.

* **Help** to reduce graffiti

* **Take Pride** in Your Neighbourhood!

For more information please contact:
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North Central Community Developer
Regina Inner City Community Partnership (RICCP)
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The Regina North Central Community Vision and Action Plan Report and the report to the community - *Making a Difference in North Central*, can be found on the following City of Regina website pages:

www.regina.ca/content/city_hall/mayors_office/RICCP-Vision_Action_Plan.shtml

www.regina.ca/news_release.php3?id=1478

www.regina.ca/content/city_hall/mayors_office/family_foundation.shtml

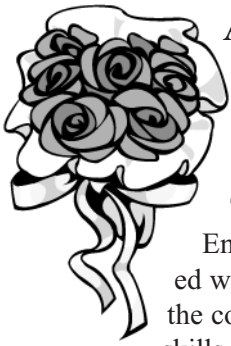


Tenant Information WORKSHOP

April 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Presentation on landlord/tenant responsibilities AND ON THE Saskatchewan Rental Supplement Program.

PRE-REGISTER BY CALLING
Maureen Lerat, North Central Community Developer 777-6771
or Maxine Tapper,
CMHC 780-7357



A North Central Bouquet to...

NC Employment Enhancement Project

Murray Giesbrecht, Project Supervisor & Job Developer

The North Central Employment Enhancement Project has been completed with amazing success. After finishing the community work and classroom life skills phase of the project, from July 19 to December 2, our participants have been involved in the work placement component, running from December 5, 2005 to February 24, 2006. During their work placements, our participants experienced personal growth, maturity, and a variety of new experiences. Special mention must be made of four of our participants who have put forth so much effort and determination to improve their lives. **Jeremy LaRose** has received a contract and the position of Assistant Video Editor with the Saskatchewan Centennial Network.

Carol Burns has accepted a position at Regina Alternative Measures Program as Input Co-ordinator. **Alex Williams**

has received a contract with Street Culture Kidz, as a co-ordinator with their new sport, culture, and recreation youth project. **Richard Laframboise** will be continuing his employment with Gabriel Housing as a Carpenter's Assistant, with opportunities to advance in the company. We congratulate all of our participants who have taken part, and completed the project.

The dedication, commitment, and determination of the staff made this project work. The challenges that we faced were extensive, and not once did anyone quit, or fail to see the validity of what the project represents. We were flexible, we adapted, and we were there to support one another. This speaks volumes about the character, integrity, and progressive-minded nature of the individuals who comprised the staff. I would personally like to thank the co-ordinator **Corey Matthews**, without

your wisdom, support, and vision this project would not be what it is. The life skills coach **Cecelia Rockel** contributed so much of herself and her own time, that she greatly exceeded any of the project's expectations of her. Project supervisor **Clayton Episkaneu**, was by my side every day and helped me so much in expanding my knowledge of North Central, and the people living here.

Corporal Ray VanDusen was always there to assist us in any way possible. He was such a big part of this project with his advice and guidance.

Christina Phipps, DCRE community worker, contributed so much by lending herself as a confidante by giving support to both the participants and staff members whenever it was needed.

Many thanks to the staff at North Central Community Association: Rob, Brenda, Crystal, and Melinda for providing excellent administrative assistance to the project. Sandy, Ivan, and Brad at

North Central Family Centre, for allowing us to their classroom space, and also CanSask and DCRE for their excellent contributions to the project. We would also like to thank Indian & Métis Christian Fellowship for allowing us to use their facility to meet and hold our graduation ceremony. To all the employers and organizations that gave our participants the opportunity to do their work placements, we greatly appreciate your acceptance, and we sincerely thank you for your contributions to the success of the project. Although this project had different goals, and meant different things to different people, we succeeded in giving a group of youth an idea and vision of the future. This project has succeeded in what it set out to do: breaking barriers, sustaining employment, and creating futures. Best wishes to all of our participants and good luck in their future endeavors.



Proud Grads & Instructors, left to right: Christina Phipps, Stacy Sparvier, Toni Longman, Jeremy LaRose, Cherrisse Thompson, Carol Burns, Cecelia Rockel, Marita Bray; Alex Williams, Murray Giesbrecht (in back), Richard Laframboise (kneeling)



Annual General Meeting

MONDAY MAY 29th
7:00 pm

- To conduct the Association's membership meeting
 - To hear reports from the Board of Directors & committees
 - To hold elections for directors
- Discussions on
- Regina Inner City Community Partnership (RICCP)
 - North Central Employment Enhancement Project (NCEEP)
 - The next Community Cleanup and all other related issues.

Meeting held at

North Central
Community Centre
1264 Athol Street
(corner of Athol & 7th Ave.)
Memberships available at the door

- Phone: 791-9888
- E-Mail: nccs@sasktel.net

We would like to express how important it is to hear from you - the community!

We have a lot of information about what is going on now, and what will be going on in the near future.

**Snacks, Coffee,
Door Prizes and more!
Come out & get involved!**

Income Tax Time!

Community Volunteer Income Tax Program

North Central Community Association is once again doing taxes. If you are unable to complete your income tax and benefit return by yourself and are unable to pay for assistance, our Community Volunteer Income Tax Program is for you.

Specially-trained volunteers can help you complete your income tax and benefit return if your income is low and your tax situation is simple.

Volunteers do not complete income tax and benefit returns for deceased persons, bankrupt individuals, or who have capital gains or losses, employment expenses, or business or rental income and expenses.

Our free volunteer income tax service

March 1st til May 1

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

No appointments necessary

We are a drop in service

First come First served!

North Central Community Assoc. is
located at 1264 Athol St. on the 2nd
floor (elevator available).

If you have any questions or
concerns please contact the office
at 791-9888.

This years income limits
are as follows.

Family Size	Total Family Income
1.....	\$25,000
2.....	\$30,000
3.....	\$32,500
4.....	\$35,000
5.....	\$37,500
6.....	\$40,000
7.....	\$42,500

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A HOMEOWNER?

Habitat for Humanity is seeking families to partner with in helping them to own their own home in North Central. Come to an information session on **Thursday April 27th** at the Albert Scott Recreation Centre, 1264 Athol St, **7:00 to 8:30**. Applications will be available that evening.

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Notes from the Sergeant's Desk

Police Service Centre Changes

Staff Sergeant Dave Wyatt

**As of mid-January, 2006,
THE Service Centres' front desk**

HOURS WERE CHANGED to

Monday to Thursday

10:00 ^{am} to 2:00 ^{pm}

and CLOSED on

Saturday, Sunday

& all statutory holidays.

The Regina Police Service has strived over the years to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the Service Centres for the communities in which they serve and for the other members of the Regina Police Service. The Service Centres were established to deal with long-term problems faced by the communities in which they are located. Members working out of the Service Centres are not normally dispatched to deal with emergent calls for service. Service Centre members take proactive approaches to long-term problems to either eliminate or reduce the problems in the communities.

The New Year brought changes to the North Central and Al Ritchie Service Centres that will allow for more uniformed members to be visible within the community. One uniformed member used to staff the front desk of each Service Centre for a 12-hour period. At times, the number of people attending to the Centres was minimal and member's time could be better utilized working on the streets to deal with ongoing problems.

As of mid-January, 2006, the Service Centres' front desk hours were changed to Monday to Thursday 10:00 ^{am} to 2:00 ^{pm} and will be closed on Saturday, Sunday and all statutory holidays. Members will still work out of the Centres during other times of the week. This will not mean that you will be unable to obtain the services of a police officer if they are not at the Service Centre. A phone system will be installed outside each Service Centre that will allow people to contact members directly to report non-emergent calls Monday to Thursday between the hours of 10:00 ^{am} to 6:00 ^{pm}. **All emergency calls should be directed to our Headquarters Building by calling 9-1-1.**

The changes may cause some difficulties for residents in the areas but overall will allow more people living in North Central and Al Ritchie a greater opportunity to have face-to-face contact with Service Centre members. If anyone has any questions or comments on the changes they can call me, S/Sgt. Dave Wyatt at (306) 777-6464, during normal business hours.

North Central Community



Be a part of the City's largest Garage Sale! As part of our community clean up this year we want to kick off the week by having the **largest community garage sale** ever! If you plan to have a garage sale or flea market on the weekend of June 17th we will advertise it and develop a map.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

A week later what you can't sell bring down to Scott Collegiate on June 24th and we are going to host the largest "free for all" (swap meet) in the city with our partners Regina Free Cycle.



that same day...

**COMMUNITY
CLEAN UP**



**put large items
out beside your
dumpster
the night before**

LET US KNOW IF YOU WANT TO:

- * volunteer
- * help with the clean up
- * sit on a committee
- * cook hot dogs
- * or just register your garage sale

GIVE US A CALL 791-9888

Making access to primary health care EASIER in North Central

North Central has been selected as one of the first neighbourhoods in the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region in which to improve access to primary health care services for the community. Primary health care is the first level of contact with the health system and includes services to promote health, prevent illnesses, care for common illnesses and manage ongoing health problems. It includes primary care services from a family physician or a nurse practitioner, a population and public health focus on healthy lifestyles and disease prevention, and better management of chronic conditions like diabetes or asthma. All the health providers work together in a team approach to provide services to the community.

In June 2005, a Plan for Primary Health Care in North Central was presented to the RQHR by the North Central Consultation Committee. The Committee, made up of residents, service providers and health care providers,

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developed the plan. The Plan was then taken forward to Saskatchewan Health by RQHR. Saskatchewan Health has been very impressed with the depth of the report and its strategies to move forward.

One of the key strategies of the report was to improve access to primary health care services by enhancing the primary health care team. The current focus for the region has been working in partnership with the University of Saskatchewan's College of Medicine Family Medicine Unit to secure a full time physician who would be part of the Four Directions Community Health Centre. Other efforts to enhance the team are underway.

The RQHR will continue to work with the North Central Primary Health Care Consultation Committee to ensure a strong community voice in the development and delivery of primary health care in the neighbourhood. Future plans include a network of primary health care sites around the region in both the rural and urban areas.

Are you renting..... in
Would you like to own your home..... North Central?



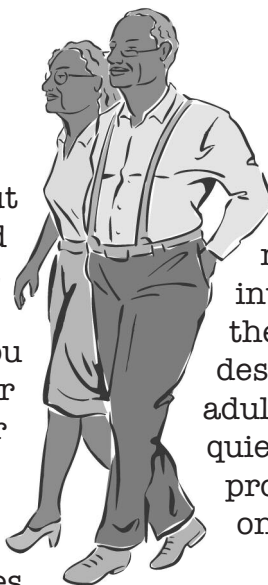
STEPPING STONES HOUSING CO-OP
may be able to help you buy the house you live in or one that fits the needs of your family
Call North Central at 791-9888



Care & Share

Seniors Lunch \$4.00 every Tuesday

We welcome all seniors to come on out and enjoy a nutritious meal & card bingo. There will be a nurse on hand at all times, to check blood pressure. Lunch is at 11:45 a.m. Hope to see you there! We also provide other services for seniors, which include a Homemaker and foot care. On Thursdays there is a seniors bridge club, the cost is .50 per game. There is no registration required and it is located here at the centre, games start at 12:30 - 4:00 p.m.



Seniors' Walking Club

**Monday, Wednesday & Friday
8:00 to 9:00 a.m.**

Our seniors walking program has now become a club for all who are interested in participating to improve their physical fitness. The program is designed to provide a safe place for adults to get together and exercise in a quiet comfortable setting. In case any problems occur, there is a staff member on hand at all times.

If you have any question or concerns, please contact the North Central Office 791-9888.

M.P. Report

I would like to thank all the voters of Regina-Qu'Appelle for coming out to vote on January 23rd. I am very honoured and thankful that voters here chose me to represent this riding again in the upcoming Parliament. Being part of a new government is exciting and I am confident that residents of Regina will be very pleased by the policies and actions taken by the Conservative government.

The upcoming session will be focused on implementing our 5 key priorities which we explained during the election.

Our number one priority as a government, and the first piece of legislation that will be put before the House of Commons, is the Federal Accountability Act. This legislation will clean up government and put an end to the scandals and corruption that defined the Liberals' 12 years in office. It will ensure that the gross misuse of taxpayer's money like that seen in the Sponsorship Scandal can never happen again. Canadians deserve to know that their hard-earned tax dollars are not wasted on vote-buying schemes and personal kickbacks.

We will bring about the tax relief that all Canadians need after more than a decade of over taxation, mismanagement, and corruption. Since the mid 1990s Canada has run multibillion dollar surpluses. Canadians are paying far too much of their pay-cheques in taxes. That is why we promise to immediately cut the GST from 7% to 6% and finally to 5% over the course of our mandate.

We will also institute the Patients Wait Time Guarantee which will ensure all Canadians get the timely access to quality health care that they deserve. As it currently stands thousands of people are waiting for critical care, hip and joint replace-



**Andrew Scheer, M.P.
Regina-Qu'Appelle**

ments, MRIs and cancer care. This is simply unacceptable. We need to guarantee that your wait for such health care procedures is held to an acceptable standard.

Parents want the best for their children, nowhere is this more true than in the area of child care. What parents have asked from us is that we give them real choice in child care by giving child care funding directly to parents. Instead

of pouring billions into a huge bureaucracy, our government will provide support to the real child care experts: Mom and Dad.

In Regina crime is a real problem. There are parts of our city where honest residents are afraid to go outside at night or even leave their front doors unlocked during the day. We in the Conservative party know that we need to make our streets safer. That is why we will impose mandatory minimum sentences for violent and repeat offenders. We believe that it is wrong for a car thief, a drug dealer, or a rapist to be walking our streets when they should be in jail.

These are the five areas that we will focus on as the new session of parliament is set to begin at the beginning of April. We have been clear on these priorities and we will follow through on them. Once again, I want to thank you for the support you have given me in the last election and regardless of who you voted for you can rest assured that I will look after the best interests of all the residents of North Central Regina and all of Regina-Qu'Appelle.

Sincerely,

Andrew Scheer, M.P.
Regina-Qu'Appelle

Ward 6 Report



**Wade Murray,
Councillor**

Get involved is the new catch phrase in North Central because in so many ways, personal involvement IS the key to a successful community!

Get involved with our upcoming Community Spring Clean-up, June 24th. If you want to help, contact the North Central Community Association at 791-9888 to be placed on a contact list. The Association will contact and inform you of the next clean-up schedule.

Get involved and support the City of Regina's Waste Minimization Program. What can one person do? A lot. Reduce the amount of trash YOU generate. Consider taking a travel mug to get your morning coffee; you'll save the environment from one more disposable cup and will keep your beverage hot longer. Just think of the difference we can make if everyone did that! Take your recyclables to one of the many Big Blue Bin locations across the city (North Central location at the Field House). When the landfill reaches capacity, it creates a big expense that we, as citizens of Regina, will have to help pay for through property taxes. It costs about \$20 million to close our landfill and open a new one.

Speaking of taxes, City Council is reviewing all the options to budget the 2006 tax year. Many communities in Saskatchewan were considering about a six per cent increase to continue to offer services we have come to enjoy. However, a recent announcement by the Saskatchewan Provincial Government states that they will provide additional revenue to the City of Regina. At the time of my writing this newsletter, it is unclear what impact this will have on our city mill rate, but I am

optimistic it will assist in my promise to keep our tax increases at bay.

Talks are on-going to develop a new grocery centre in North Central. Also promising, is the approval of 14 new infill homes to be built here using local contractors. Also, preliminary planning continues at the Regina Exhibition Grounds for renovation and for possible building additions.

Some of the reasons why we are seeing improvement in North Central are due to the dedication and hard work provided by our Housing Standards Enforcement Team. If you have a concern about a property near you that is in need of major repair call 777-7000. Regina Police Substandard Housing Enforcement Team led by Staff Sergeant Rick Bourassa is 777-6399. SCAN's (Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods) number for receiving complaints is 1-866-51-SAFER. OR, if you're not sure what to do, call me. All calls are anonymous. I will make sure the appropriate people are contacted, and the problems looked into. And remember, if something looks suspicious, call and report it to the police. For new police service hours call 777-6500.

Get involved!
Wade Murray

A cartoon illustration of a man wearing a cap and a shirt, holding a large flyer that says "EXTRA! EXTRA! (cash!)" in bold letters. He is looking excited.

LOOKING FOR WORK?

We need responsible people to do flyer drops in North Central community!
Call 791-9888

Looking for extra money? Do you have skills in carpentry? Plumbing? Electrical? We have residents who are need of these services. Give us a call and let's see if we can get you some part-time work. Contact Rob at 791-9888





Warren McCall, MLA

Hello - my name is Warren McCall, and I am the Member of the Legislative Assembly for the constituency Regina Elphinstone – Centre, the constituency which encompasses **ALL** of North Central. I am also your neighbour – North Central is where I was born and raised, and it is where I make my home.

In my job, it is my aim to work both FOR and WITH the people of Regina Elphinstone-Centre. If you require assistance with a provincial government matter, please contact my office.

Regina Elphinstone-Centre

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E-mail: wmccall@ndpcaucus.sk.ca

Saturday, June 24



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COMMUNITY CLEAN UP**

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Complete this security check to find out if your home may be vulnerable to thieves.

DOORS

- Doors have 180° peepholes
- Inside locks are at least one metre from glass
- Exterior doors are solid-core
- Exterior doors have 2.5 cm (1") deadbolts
- Exterior door hinge pins are non-removable
- Door jambs are securely fastened
- Strike plates are secured to door jambs with 6.35 cm (2.5") screws
- Deadbolts extend sufficiently into strike plates
- Locks have been changed or re-keyed since you have moved in

WINDOWS

- Double-hung windows are securely pinned
- Metal windows & basement windows have auxiliary locks

- Curtains cover windows completely
- Window air conditioners are secured from inside

GARAGE

- Garage door closes tightly
- Overhead garage door has quality lock
- Doors are locked and closed when not in use
- Remote garage door opener is customized for your garage door
- Keys are removed from vehicle while it's in the garage
- Garage light can be turned on from inside the house

EXTERIORS

- Shrubs are cut below window level
- Tree limbs are cut above window level
- Residence number is visible from the street, and at night all entrances to the house and garage are well lit

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It offers a forgivable equity loan of up to \$19,500 based on household income and the cost of the home being purchased.

The loan is put towards the cost of the home to lower the mortgage.

If you live in the home for 10 years, the loan will be forgiven in full.

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