



RE: Invitation to Consultation on Accessibility and Disability for the Development of Regina's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

Hello,

In partnership with key stakeholders in the city of Regina, we would like to invite you to a virtual consultation session on **Tuesday, March 23rd, 2021 from 2:00 to 3:30 PM** to guide the development of the Regina Community Safety and Well-Being Plan.

The City of Regina is partnering with the [Canadian Municipal Network on Crime Prevention](#) to develop a Community Safety and Well-Being (CSWB) Plan. The goal of the plan is to increase community safety and well-being for people living in Regina through a collective approach to issues such as poverty and inequality, services for those struggling with mental illness, substance use, and homelessness, among others. This will go a long way to help addressing community safety in the long run. But these efforts will also need to be balanced with more immediate interventions to prevent and reduce crimes and increase community well-being. For more information on the CSWB planning process in Regina, visit the [Be Heard Regina](#) website.

Developing a CSWB Plan includes looking at what currently exists and is working well as well as identifying challenges that need to be addressed. To do so, we are looking to develop a better understanding of the perspectives and experiences of various groups in the City of Regina, with special attention being paid to groups who are marginalized and vulnerable when compared to other populations.

The City will be engaging with a broad range of stakeholder groups, including **persons with disabilities**. We would very much welcome your engagement in the upcoming consultation session. Furthermore, in order to receive as broad a range of perspectives as possible, we are also looking to invite additional community members with disabilities, and frontline workers that directly support those with disabilities. Please feel free to forward this invitation to **up to two** community members and/or frontline workers who would be interested in participating in this engagement session.

During the session, broadly, the questions we are looking to explore are as follows:

1. What are areas in Regina that you appreciate, enjoy, love to frequent, and why?
2. What are some areas in Regina that you are concerned about, and what is it about these areas that make you feel this way?
3. What barriers do you see to community safety and well-being in Regina overall and what suggestions do you have to improve that situation now and more long-term?

Please note that if you would like your voice to be heard but would prefer not to participate in a consultation session, you can also fill out the Community Safety and Well-Being Survey online at <https://beheard.regina.ca/community-safety>. Paper copies are available upon request. However, please consider that participating in the consultation sessions will allow you to share more detailed thoughts and ideas related to your perceptions of safety and well-being in your city and exchange with others in the session.

We strive to host an inclusive, accessible engagement approach that enables everyone to participate fully. Therefore, please indicate any **accessibility or accommodations** needs that you require in order to fully participate.

Lastly, kindly RSVP your attendance and direct any questions to audrey@safercities.ca by **Friday, March 19th, 2021**. If you send this invitation to additional community members, please ensure that they are aware of the



need RSVP. A calendar invite will be sent to all participants with the login information and consultation materials closer to the consultation date.

Warm regards,

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Meet the Consultation Facilitators



Hi there! My name is Audrey Monette and I work for the Canadian Municipal Network on Crime Prevention. My colleagues and I have partnered with the City of Regina to support the development of a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, and I'm so excited to be part of the project. I currently live in Gatineau, Québec with my partner and my pet rabbit. I love camping, hiking, reading, and traveling (well, when we're not in the middle of a pandemic!). I studied criminology and am passionate about social justice, human rights, and violence prevention. I look forward to meeting you virtually during an upcoming consultation!



Hi! My name is Katie Cook and I work for the Canadian Municipal Network on Crime Prevention. I am looking forward to working alongside my colleagues and the City of Regina to support the development of a Community Safety and Well-Being plan. I currently live in Kitchener, Ontario. When I am not working, I enjoy playing and watching lots of sports, particularly baseball and hockey, and baking for my family and friends. I am currently a graduate student studying sociology and am particularly interested in youth justice. I am looking forward to hearing more about your experience in Regina during the consultation process.

Hello! My name is Christiane Sadeler, and I am a Community Practice Advisor (volunteer) for CMNCP, of which I was a founding co-chair. My family and I recently moved to Victoria BC, the traditional territories of the Lekwungen-speaking people, known today as the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations. Prior to being in Victoria I lived for 30 years in Ontario, almost 26 of which I spent as the Executive Director in the municipal sector responsible for crime prevention through social and community driven development. My passion for upstream approaches to the prevention of human harm comes from many years of working with disadvantaged populations such as people living in poverty, teen parents, persons with mental health and addiction issues, persons with disabilities, victims of crime, and those who come in conflict with the law. I was engaged in this work in the direct services sector in four different countries: Canada, New Zealand, England, and Germany (which is where I was born). These far apart settings had way more similarities than differences and that experience has led me to believe in the power of citizen driven and collaborative solutions. I am always humbled when I get asked to support community work. Every person and every community have a story and I look forward to hearing yours. My spare time tends to be spent in nature, hiking, canoeing, taking photographs often with my Golden Doodle Zoë who has become my teacher in all things mindfulness and how to have fun.