

## **RECONCILIATION SASKATOON AIMS TO:**

- Honour Survivors and their families
- Foster awareness of the history of residential schools and the long-term repercussions on Aboriginal individuals, families and communities
- Encourage and facilitate responses to the TRC's Calls to Action
- Create opportunities for education about history and Indigenous culture
- Bridge communities

RECONCILIATION SASKATOON uses a working definition of reconciliation, based on the consultation work by the Office of the Treaty Commissioner. We encourage members to consider this vision and these objectives in their own Reconciliation work plans.

## VISION FOR RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation in Saskatchewan is each citizen of the province taking personal responsibility to do what they can to create an interdependent and fair society *where*:

- Indigenous cultures, languages, ways of knowing and governance structures are strong and sovereign, while also included in and contributing to the overall fabric of Saskatchewan life;
- We share a common understanding of Saskatchewan's history, and our personal place within it;
- Justice for past wrongs has been achieved, and families and communities are strong and healing;
- Safe spaces exist and skills are developed for mutual learning, communication across cultures, trust building, partnerships, and shared social experiences;
- We all enjoy a high quality of life, and full participation in the economy;
- Governance at all levels, including institutions of education, health, justice, economy and social services, represent and benefit from both Indigenous and non-Indigenous leadership, values, history and ways of knowing.

## RECONCILIATION SASKATOON works in a collective and collaborative manner according the following principles:

- Transparency and Accountability:
  - Decisions take place in the public eye.
- Equity and Inclusiveness:
  - All interests who are needed and willing contribute to solution.
- Effectiveness and Efficiency:
  - Solutions are tested to make sure they make practical sense.
- Responsiveness:
  - Public concerns are authentically addressed.
- Forum Neutrality:
  - Different perspectives are welcome; the process itself has no bias.
- Consensus-Based:
  - Decisions are made through consensus rather than majority rule.