

Human Well-Being



Prosperity in Partnership: Indigenous Procurement Supporting Community Well-Being



Strong communities grow when economic opportunities are widely shared, and SaskPower's Indigenous procurement strategy helps make this possible. The approach encourages meaningful participation of Indigenous-owned businesses in Saskatchewan's economy by increasing the share of provincial purchasing that supports these enterprises. SaskPower tracks the percentage of its procurement from Indigenous businesses compared to all Saskatchewan-based procurement, with an annual target of 11 per cent in 2024-25. Starting in 2025-26, the Indigenous procurement measure will transition from being reported as a percentage of Saskatchewan procurement to targeting a specific dollar value.

This work goes beyond simple purchasing. It helps build lasting business relationships, supports local job creation and opens doors for future partnerships that strengthen both Indigenous communities and the wider provincial economy. The strategy recognizes a full range of procurement types, including direct contracting through to government purchase card transactions, and is supported by tools that help suppliers prepare for opportunities, including structured development programs, pre-qualification processes and incentives that encourage Indigenous participation in contracts.

By connecting economic opportunity with community empowerment, the strategy supports well-being in a broad sense. Stable employment, thriving local businesses and stronger partnerships contribute to healthier, more resilient communities across Saskatchewan.

Why It Matters

An effective Indigenous procurement strategy does more than encourage economic activity. It supports personal and community well-being by creating jobs, strengthening local businesses and improving access to financial stability. These opportunities help reduce social and economic barriers while fostering inclusion and long-term partnerships. Through this work, SaskPower strengthens community resilience in Saskatchewan by supporting equity, shared prosperity and meaningful participation in the provincial economy.

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