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A successful World Juniors bid has many benefits for Regina & area

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Last week the Regina & District Chamber of Commerce expressed its full support of the City of Regina in its joint bid to host the 2023 World Junior Championship.

We would like to commend Regina and Saskatoon city councils, REAL, Economic Development Regina and our provincial tourism leaders for their collaboration to develop a very attractive and strong bid in such a short time.

An event of this magnitude is an investment in our community on so many levels. We all understand the positive economic impact a world-class event has on our tourism partners and our local businesses and service providers. This boost to our economy follows the immense benefits that an in-person Western Canada Agribition and Grey Cup 2022 will provide in November.

With the influx of hockey officials and fans, plus the 120 million TSN viewers, the World Juniors will allow us to showcase to an international audience the abundant amenities and attractions Regina has to offer.

As a city that is recognized worldwide for developing local, national and international hockey stars, it is only natural that we host the best junior hockey players. We understand the connection between hockey, business and community success.

Not only will we see economic spinoff and world-wide profile from the World Juniors, but there is also a community advantage for young hockey fans to benefit from watching elite athletes work toward their goals.

This will provide inspiration to our future community leaders as they get a chance to watch firsthand that determination, hard work and goal setting will help them fulfill their dreams.

If Hockey Canada and the International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) needs another reason to select Regina as a co-host the 2023 World Juniors, have them check out our amazing volunteer network. For every national and international event we've hosted, these incredible ambassadors always create a warm and welcoming atmosphere for our visitors.



To make sure we are part of this international experience, our team at the Regina & District Chamber of Commerce will provide promotional support and share our organizational and creative talents on the World Junior planning committee.

Blow the whistle and get ready to drop the puck because Regina is ready for this gold medal opportunity!

Have a great Regina day!

Tony

UPCOMING REGINA CHAMBER EVENTS

FRI., APRIL 8

2022 Paragon Awards -- Celebrating Business Excellence
Queensbury Convention Centre -- The REAL District
6 p.m.

Presented by Nutrien, Conexus Credit Union, CTV Bell Media Inc., Scotiabank, XPT Grain, Innovation Credit Union, Sask Polytechnic, City of Regina, Mission Zero and Grant Thornton LLP.



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WED., APRIL 13

2022 Luncheon Series -- Saskatchewan's Polytechnic Advantage
Featuring Dr. Larry Rosia, President & CEO of Saskatchewan Polytechnic
Atlas Hotel

11:30 a.m. -- 1 p.m.

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THURS., APRIL 21

2022 Speed Networking
A quick way to expand your professional contacts!
The Williston Harbour Landing
5 p.m. -- 7 p.m.



WED., APRIL 27

40th Annual "Take A Break" Luncheon
An opportunity to recognize your support staff during
Administrative Professionals Week.

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11:30 a.m. -- Buffet luncheon

Entertainment: Norma McKnight, ventriloquist/comedian
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April Traffic Safety Spotlight on suspended drivers and unregistered vehicles



This April, SGI and law enforcement are shining the Traffic Safety Spotlight on suspended drivers and unregistered vehicles.

Drivers can be suspended and/or have their vehicles impounded for driving impaired and other unsafe driving behaviours. There are actually quite a few different reasons a driver's licence can be suspended, including missing required driver education classes, or because they have a medical issue that affects their ability to drive.

Ensuring that drivers can drive safely is important and suspensions are one tool used to keep our roads safe. With 185 [Automated Licence Plate Readers](#) (ALPRs) installed in law-enforcement vehicles across Saskatchewan, suspended drivers are more likely than ever to get caught as these devices read every single plate that passes them and flags any vehicle that is unregistered or belongs to a suspended driver.

Drivers caught with a suspended licence may have their vehicle impounded and be given a court summons. Depending on the offence, different additional penalties apply upon conviction, which could include an expensive fine, an even longer licence suspension, or even jail time. And that's not the only potential consequence.

"When someone drives with a suspended licence or in an unregistered vehicle, they may not have insurance coverage if they cause a collision," said Penny McCune, Chief Operating Officer of the Auto Fund. "Uninsured drivers can find themselves on the hook for tens of thousands of dollars resulting from damages and injury benefits to the other people involved."

Driving an unregistered vehicle will result in a \$580 fine and could lead to your vehicle being impounded.

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