

Helping students thrive one meal at a time.

For students, a school day is full of opportunities: a lesson that sparks curiosity, a friendship that builds confidence, a teacher's encouragement that helps them keep going. But when a student is hungry, it can be much harder to focus on those moments. Introducing our new **School Meal Initiative**, designed to support local schools in a practical, meaningful way by helping provide free meals that nourish students and strengthen communities.

The School Meal Initiative is a community-driven program that provides funding for free meal experiences such as pancake breakfasts, BBQs, hot lunch days, or support for existing school meal programs.

Schools play a central role in the program too. They use the funding to purchase food and collaborate with local teams on planning and execution. Where schools already have nutrition or lunch programs in place, the initiative can help support and strengthen those efforts. This makes the program flexible, responsive, and focused on meeting students where they are.

The initiative has the potential to reach K–12 or elementary schools across many communities. The program reflects Innovation's commitment to being present where members, families, and students live, learn, and grow.

When students have what they need to focus, grow, and learn, the benefits go far beyond the lunch table.



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INDIGENOUS CONNECTIONS

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

SEPTEMBER 30

We will be closed to honour the [**National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**](#). Our call centre will be open to serve you from 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM (SK Time).

Also known as Orange Shirt Day, September 30th honours the survivors of residential schools and acknowledges the lasting impacts on Indigenous Peoples and communities.



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\$10,000 No Essay Scholarships

Need help with post-secondary education costs? Discover an easy way to apply for financial support with our \$10,000 No Essay Scholarships.

That's right—no essays, no transcripts, and no long application process. Eligible students can enter for a chance to receive a \$10,000 scholarship to help cover education-related expenses like tuition, books, housing, and more.

Who can apply?

The scholarships are open to Canadian residents, excluding Quebec, who are enrolled full-time in a degree, diploma, or certificate program at an accredited post-secondary institution. Applicants must be at least the age of majority, or have consent from a parent or

guardian if they are under the age of majority. Innovation membership is not required to apply. Students simply need to complete the online application and follow us on Instagram or Facebook before the applicable deadline.

How to enter

- Complete the short No Essay Scholarship application form.
- Follow us on Instagram or Facebook.
- Submit your application before the deadline.

Application deadlines

The next entry deadline is approaching fast: September 30th! Visit our scholarships page to learn more and complete your application.

[Scholarships](#)



Refer a Friend for \$50!*

It's your last chance to refer friends and family members to Innovation for \$50!*. If your friend opens a No-Fee Chequing Account, you get \$50 and so do they.* [Learn more >](#)

Offer Deadline: September 30, 2026

Join us for GoGreen!



GoGreen is back! On Friday, September 18, we're proud to partner once again with Stark & Marsh and the City of Swift Current for this community event focused on making Swift Current cleaner, greener, and more vibrant.

Volunteers will help with a variety of projects, including tree and shrub planting, landscaping, pathway cleanup, flower bed maintenance, mulching, and other environmental enhancements. As a thank you, they'll receive

a complementary BBQ lunch. Whether you can lend a hand for the morning or afternoon shift, every effort helps create a visible, lasting impact in our community.

Can't volunteer but still want to support a great cause? Join us for a BBQ lunch at Market Square from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. For \$10, you'll receive a burger, chips, and a drink, with all proceeds supporting the Canadian Mental Health Association Swift Current Branch. The BBQ is complimentary for volunteers.

Since 2009, GoGreen has helped plant more than 4,500 trees and shrubs. Together, we can continue building community pride and creating greener public spaces for future generations.

[Volunteer Today](#)

Exciting Events

Hodgeville 80th JULY 30

July marked the 80th anniversary of a credit union being in Hodgeville!

To celebrate, we offered cake, coffee, and prizes at our advice centre.

Thank you to Hodgeville and area for your support! We're truly honored to be part of your community.

Edmonton Pancake Breakfast & Car Show

JULY 17

We were thrilled to kick-off the Edmonton exhibition with a free pancake breakfast and car show at Queen Mary Park Hall in Edmonton.

Thank you to everyone who could attend!

Tony Cote First Nation Summer Games

JULY 26 - 31

We were honored to sponsor the 2026 Tony Cote First Nation Summer Games in July in North Battleford.

The games were created to increase Indigenous participation in organized sports.



Member Rewards: \$1 Million Distribution

You earned \$1 million last quarter through our Member Rewards program! That includes a \$10 youth dividend. Thank you for being a member!

[Learn more >](#)



RESPs: Did You Know...?

A Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP) is a simple way to save for your child's future education. Contributions grow tax-sheltered and the funds can help cover tuition, books, housing, and other education expenses.

The Government of Canada can help your savings grow through the **Canada Education Savings Grant**, matching 20% of annual contributions up to **\$500 per year** and **\$7,200 per child**. A \$2,500 contribution could earn an additional \$500 in grant money.

What counts as post-secondary education?

RESP funds may be used for many college, trade, apprenticeship, vocational, technical, and other qualifying programs.

What if my child doesn't attend post-secondary school?

There are a number of options for you:

- **Wait.** The plan can remain open for up to 35 years.
- **Transfer to Another.** You can transfer a plan to one of their siblings.
- **Close the Account.** You'll receive your original contributions back with no tax

owed. The government grants are returned to the government. Any investment growth may be taxable but you can transfer eligible amounts to an RRSP to avoid taxation.

How much money do I need to get started?

You don't have to contribute a large amount to get started. Even smaller contributions can grow over time and may qualify for government matching.

The most important step is opening the account so your savings and available grants can begin working for your child's future.



Fraud Prevention: Cloned Websites

Phishing scams are becoming more convincing, and one tactic to watch for is a cloned web page. In this type of scam, fraudsters copy the look of a trusted website — including logos, colours, images, and wording — to trick people into entering personal or financial information.

Things to Look For

- The website address is often slightly different. It could include extra words, missing letters, or unusual punctuation.
- The link to the site is sent by text, email, social media, or an online ad.

How to Protect Yourself

- Type the website address directly into your browser.
- Use a saved bookmark.
- Access your account through a trusted app.
- Check that the website is secure by looking for “https” at the beginning of the address and that there is a padlock icon beside the URL.

If you think you may have entered information on a suspicious page, contact us right away.