



Saskatchewan Animal Enforcement Agency Now Delivering Animal Welfare Enforcement Services

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Animal welfare enforcement services in Saskatchewan are now being delivered by the Saskatchewan Animal Enforcement Agency (SAEA), following the transition of services previously provided by Animal Protection Services of Saskatchewan on March 31, 2026. Members of the public can call the same contact number at 306-382-0002 or visit their website at www.saskanimalenforcementagency.com to report suspected animal cruelty or abuse.

The transition supports the Government of Saskatchewan's continued commitment to protecting the safety and welfare of animals across the province. SAEA is responsible for enforcing *The Animal Protection Act, 2018* throughout Saskatchewan, excluding the City of Regina, where animal welfare services continue to be provided by the Regina Humane Society.

"Our government's partnership with the Saskatchewan Animal Enforcement Agency ensures that animal welfare enforcement continues without interruption," Agriculture Minister David Marit said. "This new agency brings a strong, long-term approach that supports effective and compassionate enforcement that protects communities and animals across Saskatchewan."

"The Saskatchewan Animal Enforcement Agency is here to serve the people and animals of Saskatchewan through professional, transparent, and accountable enforcement of *The Animal Protection Act, 2018*," SAEA CEO Lavan Thirukketheesawaranathan said. "In the communities we serve, including urban companion animal settings, rural livestock operations, and First Nations communities, we prioritize education and voluntary compliance while taking decisive action when animals are in distress. We are committed to building strong relationships with our communities and partners, and to collaborating with other agencies and animal welfare organizations so we can work together toward the Ministry of Agriculture's goals of fair, consistent, and financially responsible enforcement. In partnership with the ministry, we are strengthening animal welfare, supporting Saskatchewan's agricultural community, and upholding the public's trust."

For concerns regarding animal cruelty and neglect, contact SAEA or the local police force for the jurisdiction. For animal welfare concerns within the City of Regina, contact the Regina Humane Society. For concerns regarding animal control, dangerous animals and stray animals, contact your local municipal or rural municipal office.

SAEA was selected through a public, competitive procurement process. The group brings strong internal governance framework with civilian board oversight to ensure accountability and enforcement. The board of directors have experience in law enforcement, finances and business management and includes two elders from First Nation communities to advise on First Nation related issues.

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