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## Public Safety on Agenda for Saskatchewan's East Central Hometowns

Municipal leaders from 19 hometowns in east central Saskatchewan gathered in Yorkton September 28 to discuss the matters important to their hometowns.

Topics relating to public safety, including policing, dominated the conversation at the East Central Regional Meeting hosted by the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA). The meeting included a presentation from RCMP Assistant Commissioner, Curtis Zablocki.

"Safety is essential to providing the best quality of life for our residents," said Randy Goulden, East Central Regional Director and councillor for the City of Yorkton. "Our hometowns work to proactively prevent crime, but adequate police staffing is needed to assist with these efforts."

Representatives from Saskatchewan's east central hometowns also received updates on topics including cannabis legalization, vehicle for hire regulations, and multi-material recycling.

The East Central Regional Meeting is one of seven regional meetings being hosted by SUMA from September 26 – October 4.

"Regional meetings are an opportunity for municipal officials to discuss challenges and share ideas with fellow leaders from their region," said SUMA President Gordon Barnhart.

Leaders who attended the East Central Regional Meeting represented:

Calder	Canora	Churchbridge
Esterhazy	Grayson	Invermay
Kamsack	Langenburg	Lemberg
MacNutt	Melville	Melville Beach
Rama	Saltcoats	Springside
Sturgis	Togo	West End
Yorkton	-	

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