



July 17, 2018

Nathalie Baudais
Senior Transportation Engineer
City of Saskatoon
222 Third Ave N
Saskatoon, SK S7K 0J5

Dear Ms. Baudais:

Re: Letter of Support for Vision Zero

The Saskatoon Police Service is a strong advocate for traffic safety. Our members witness needless loss of life and personal injury on a daily basis.

The Service has long advocated for the need to rethink the culture of traffic safety with the realization that even the best enforcement plan has its limitations. Enforcement is an important part of the equation to save lives, but it is just one part.

We believe that not a single loss of life is acceptable and, for that reason, we are happy to endorse the City of Saskatoon's aspirations to become a "Vision Zero" city.

Vision Zero is a bold plan aimed at zero road user deaths or serious injuries. Without a bold plan, that goal will not be achievable.

The Saskatoon Police Service looks forward to partnering with other stakeholders in the pursuit of Vision Zero.

Yours truly,

Troy Cooper, M.O.M. MBA
Chief of Police
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VIA EMAIL

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Dear Ms. Baudais,

Re: Vision Zero Support

Representatives from our school division attended planning sessions for Vision Zero and we very much support the work that this group has undertaken. Safer travel within our city will ensure our students arrive safe each day. Our school division transports 5,100 students daily and 11,000 students walk, bike, drive, or take public transit. Safety of our students is always a top priority for our Board of Education.

Thank you to City Council for supporting such a great initiative.

Sincerely,



Laurier Langlois,
Manager, Corporate Services
Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools

cc: Mr. Joel Lloyd – Superintendent of Administrative Services

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Dear Ms. Baudais,

RE: Vision Zero Support

Medavie Health Services West (M.D. Ambulance Care Ltd.) will be honoured to support the “**Vision Zero**” initiative. Of course our system continually deals with injuries and deaths as a result of motor vehicle collisions. Any assistance we can contribute to decrease these occurrences is time and energy well spent.

Please utilize Mr. Weeks as your primary contact with Medavie Health Services West.

Please ensure all literature both written and electronic reflect our new brand of **Medavie Health Services West**.

Feel free to reach out at any time should you require anything further.

Best Regards,



Gerry Schriemer
Chief of EMS
Medavie Health Services West

c. Bill Weeks
Andrew Williamson

July 13, 2018

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council:

We are pleased to provide this letter of support on behalf of the Office of the Medical Health Officers in the Saskatchewan Health Authority, Saskatoon Area for the Vision Zero initiative.

For a number of years, a representative from Population and Public Health in the former Saskatoon Health Region (now Saskatchewan Health Authority) has been a member of the Traffic Safety Committee as transportation safety of all modes is important to the health of the population. As of January 2019, this committee is being disbanded as the transportation safety focus turns to a Vision Zero process and our staff has engaged in the Vision Zero starter and planning sessions.

In 2016, the Saskatoon Health Region released an Unintentional Injury Report that reported in Saskatoon and area:

- Falls are the leading cause of unintentional injury in Saskatoon and area.
- Vehicles involved in over 80% of pedestrian injury hospitalizations.
- Transportation-related injury is the second leading cause of hospitalization in Saskatchewan.
- Approximately half of all transport-related deaths, hospital discharges and emergency department visits are due to motor vehicle collisions.
- Equity is a major concern especially in motor vehicle collision and pedestrian injuries as those in the lowest income quintile have the highest hospitalization rates.
- In 2012, the difference in rates of motor vehicle injury hospitalizations between those living in the lowest and highest income levels was greatest in Saskatchewan compared to any other province in Canada.

The aforementioned report includes recommendations from the Chief Medical Health Officer. Along with the recommendation to address community environments to decrease risk of injuries due to falls, it was recommended that municipalities, including the City of Saskatoon, should adopt a Vision Zero goal for deaths and serious injuries among all transportation modes.

On behalf of the Medical Health Officers and our practitioners involved in this work, we are excited to partner further with the City of Saskatoon on the Vision Zero initiative. Creating a transportation system that is safe for all modes of transportation as well as all ages, abilities and income levels is imperative. A process such as Vision Zero that integrates policy-level interventions, infrastructure, enforcement and education are part of a comprehensive strategy to accomplish this goal.

Sincerely,



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