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### **Saskatoon Co-op and UFCW Local 1400 Announce New Five-Year Collective Agreement**

SASKATOON, SK – Saskatoon Co-operative Association Ltd (Saskatoon Co-op) and the United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1400 (UFCW1400) are pleased to announce the successful ratification of a new collective bargaining agreement. With over 70% majority of UFCW 1400 members voting in favour, the agreement marks a significant milestone in the ongoing relationship between the co-operative and the union.

Negotiations for the new contract began in March 2024 and concluded in September 2024, demonstrating both parties' commitment to collaboration and mutual growth. The agreement reaffirms Saskatoon Co-op and UFCW 1400's dedication to their valued team members and the communities they serve.

"This agreement not only highlights the strength of our relationship with the union but also signals the growth and opportunities that lie ahead for our co-operative," said Gerald Hiebert, CEO of Saskatoon Co-op. "We are excited about what this means for our team members, our customers, and the future of our retail operations."

Saskatoon Co-op remains committed to fostering a positive and supportive work environment, and this new agreement represents the shared dedication to excellence, progress, and community building that defines the relationship between Saskatoon Co-op and UFCW 1400.

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#### **About Saskatoon Co-op**

Saskatoon Co-op is a different kind of business. Established in 1936, our co-operative offers a diverse range of products and services, including food and pharmacy, fuel, home and building solutions, liquor, agricultural and commercial goods. We proudly serve lifetime membership benefits to over 120,000 members in our communities with 40 retail locations in Colonsay, Dalmeny, Hepburn,



Martensville, Rosthern, Saskatoon, Vonda, Waldheim, Warman, and Watrous. To find out more, visit [www.saskatooncoop.crs](http://www.saskatooncoop.crs).

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### **About UFCW Local 1400**

UFCW Canada Local 1400 is Saskatchewan's largest private-sector union, with members working across the province in the food processing, food retail, service, hospitality, health care, financial and other sectors. To find out more about UFCW 1400, visit [ufcw1400.ca](http://ufcw1400.ca).