

## Media Release

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## Regina Public Library launches Indigenous Voices collection featuring emerging and established Indigenous authors

Indigenous authors are the focus of Regina Public Library's newest collection of materials, now on display at several library locations in Regina.

The Indigenous Voices collection highlights works by and about Indigenous peoples and cultures from North America. It includes fiction and non-fiction titles for adults and young adults, ranging from graphic novels to memoirs.

The collection was developed in response to the Canadian Federation of Library Associations (CFLA-FCAB) <u>Truth and Reconciliation Report</u>, as part of RPL's ongoing efforts to create opportunities for Reginans to learn about, and take part in, Truth and Reconciliation activities.

"RPL is excited to highlight a collection of materials featuring authentic Indigenous voices," said Geoffrey Allen, Manager Collections. "It's part of our commitment to the reconciliation process. We hope that our community might either see themselves better represented in our collections or have the opportunity to read richly into the lives of others."

"The *Indigenous Voices* collection provides access to people of all ages to Indigenous authors, writers, illustrators, and knowledge keepers," said Wendy Sinclair, Indigenous Services Advisor. "This collection gives voice to the Indigenous perspective of history, culture, and people. The collection is for everyone who wishes to gain a better appreciation of Indigenous people's history and experiences, and for those who wish to read for Reconciliation."

Indigenous Voices materials will be housed at Central Library and George Bothwell, Glen Elm, Sherwood Village and Sunrise Branches. Additional Indigenous materials can be found in the library's main collections, at all RPL locations.

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