



# SAINT JOHN LEARNING EXCHANGE

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## OVERVIEW OF FUNDED PARTNER

The Saint John Learning Exchange focuses on empowering individuals to build better futures by reaching education and employment goals through alternative, progressive, and individualized learning, employment, and personal development plans.

## IMPACT

### Survival & New Beginnings

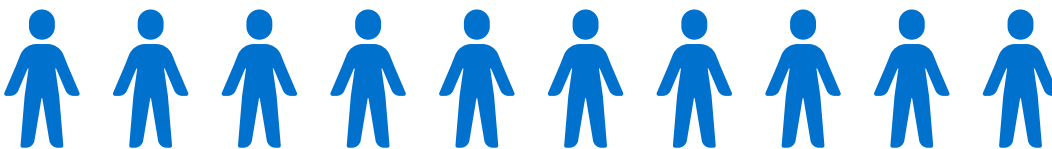


I started WESLinks in 2021 but my journey began almost a year earlier with WEN. I joined to get out of the house & stayed because I found my place. After surviving flesh-eating disease & a stroke I moved from Saskatoon in 2016. I left my work, home, and First Nations community. I am a proud Mohawk woman & grew up with the Dene, Cree & Dakota people. I was raised by a Mohawk woman & Afro-Canadian man & never felt like I really belonged to either culture.

I hoped I would find it here & I found a life filled with acceptance. I feel like part of a family when I walk through SJLE's doors. I've completed Self-Esteem, Power-Up, Soft Skills, & WESLinks & am working with WorkLinks. I'll take Stress Management in Spring. I cannot tell you how much of a difference the people & programs have made in my life. Even though I still struggle with health, I have the drive to return to working with people living on society's margins. I'll be there to support & motivate those forgotten for far too long.

## Moving People from Poverty to Possibility

**100%** of outcomes set with United Way were met or exceeded in 2021.



## 2021 Outcomes

# 76

Individuals have obtained full-time or part-time employment.

# 367

Hours of coaching with learners regularly attending programming.

# 118

Learners achieved a milestone goal (e.g., GED, post-secondary education, employment, etc.)

## Your Local Love

United Way Funding

# \$100,000

# People Served

# 383

# Program Interactions

# 9,621



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