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## ***Media Advisory: In Loving Memory Of...***

**Saskatoon** – On Tuesday, August 21, members of the SEIU-West Young Workers Committee (YWC) are holding a “memorial service” for our public services at Kinsmen Park in Saskatoon to demonstrate the high level of cuts and public service closures in Saskatchewan.

“Cutting good jobs that support our local economies while slashing education, public transportation, support services, and health care hurts our communities,” said Janell Kachuik, member of the SEIU-West YWC. “Our government is making decisions that are causing young people to fear for their future in this province.”

The organizing groups are primarily made up of young people who are fed up by the practice of governments cutting our public services. Some participants are joining from outside Saskatchewan due to the common struggles shared across this country.

“Over the past several years, we have seen a rapid decline of our public services in Saskatchewan,” said Bryce Kovatch, member of the SEIU-West YWC. “As young workers, we are gathering to mourn the loss of our dearly departed provincial transit system, the social services that support people in need, and many other valuable public services. This satirical memorial serves as an opportunity to come together to demand better for our communities.”

<b>Who</b>	Janell Kachuik and Bryce Kovatch, SEIU-West Young Workers Committee Co-Chairs Bilan Arte, Canadian Labour Congress Young Worker Representative Nicole White, Student and Community Activist Barbara Cape, President, SEIU-West
<b>What</b>	<i>In Loving Memory Of: Our Public Services</i> gathering – community BBQ follows
<b>Date</b>	Tuesday, August 21, 2018
<b>Time</b>	12:00pm
<b>Location</b>	Kinsmen Park - 619 25 St E, Saskatoon

SEIU-West represents more than 13,000 working people in the province of Saskatchewan. They include members who work in health care, education, municipalities, community-based organizations, retirement homes and other sectors. They are joined by one colour – purple – and one union – SEIU-West. Purple works in our communities!

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