

**MADE IN SASKATCHEWAN TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM  
(MIST)**

**INNOVATION CHALLENGE ON RURAL CRIME**



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# Housekeeping

- ▶ Saskatoon Information Session: Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 1:30pm at Philae Room, Galleria Building, Innovation Place Saskatoon
- ▶ Regina Information Session: Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 1:30pm at Innovation Place Common Boardroom, 2 Research Drive, Innovation Place Regina
- ▶ Live Webinar: Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 9:00am
- ▶ \* We are unable to post the webinar online. However, if you have questions, please email Kristina at: [kristina.risslingolson@innovationsask.ca](mailto:kristina.risslingolson@innovationsask.ca)

# What is an Innovation Challenge?

- ▶ A new approach to government procurement
- ▶ Ability to harness the ideas and expertise of startup companies
- ▶ Government and companies building partnerships based on skills and ideas

# Innovation Challenge

- ▶ During a 16-week residency, government and the selected participant will work side-by-side to develop and launch a solution to a challenge question
- ▶ The Challenge question is open to technology companies, technology startups, research organizations, individuals, teams, and/or members of the research community
- ▶ A way for new and innovative ideas for solving an issue to be integrated within government

# Benefits to Participants

- ▶ During the residency, companies will have:
  - A \$10,000 grant to off-set company/team expenses;
  - The full rights to commercialize the solution and sell into the growing government-technology market;
  - The potential for customer validation and the ability to reference the Government of Saskatchewan as a customer;
  - The opportunity to contract with the Province to continue to support, license, or maintain the solution they created;
  - A greater understanding of working with and selling to government entities; and,
  - Technology Start-up company support through Co.Labs

# Challenge Question

**How can technology be used as a solution to improve the safety and security of rural citizens and rural property?**

# Background

- ▶ The Ministry of Justice is responsible for promoting adequate and effective policing throughout Saskatchewan
- ▶ Safety = beyond confrontation / removing confrontation
- ▶ Security = the comfort [for the citizen] of knowing the solution is there
- ▶ Rural Saskatchewan residents have real and perceived concerns surrounding their personal safety and the security of their property
- ▶ The Ministry of Justice and Innovation Saskatchewan are looking for technology solutions to prevent and proactively deter issues from arising.



# How to Apply

- ▶ Expressions of Interest are to be submitted by October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- ▶ Submissions will be evaluated and those selected will be asked to submit a more detailed proposal
- ▶ To apply, visit [www.innovationsask.ca](http://www.innovationsask.ca)

# Q&A