

# Torch Run a triumph

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This year's Saskatchewan Law Enforcement Torch Run was a complete triumph to say the least with between \$70,000 to \$75,000 raised for Special Olympics.

Locally, the North Battleford Region has a total of over \$5,000. Participation in the Torch Run has increased every year. In Saskatchewan, the run began six years ago with around \$13,000 raised for Special Olympics. Last year the run raised over \$52,000.

The run is a province-wide event attracting approximately 500 runners who co-operatively raise this money. Each area of the province planned a run and there was a combined total of 135 kms in the local area.

One hundred per cent of every dollar is turned over to Special Olympics. The torch the runners carry is turned over at the opening of the Special Olympic games.

This run helps raise the level of awareness about mental handicaps and the rewards that fitness and sports can bring to mentally handicapped children and adults.