



# Literacy and Learning for Life Saskatchewan Literacy Network



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The Saskatchewan Literacy Network is very grateful for the 800 copies of *The Farmer's Wife* that we received from the Institute for Cross-cultural Exchange. We were pleased to share these books with literacy organizations and events all across Saskatchewan. Many of our partner organizations requested books so that they could distribute them through their family literacy programs. Books were provided to families through regional colleges, literacy networks, libraries, health centers, Frontier College, Open Door Societies, and the Saskatchewan Association for Community Living.

We received positive feedback about the books from our partners, from family literacy practitioners, and from participants and families. We also heard a story from one of our partners. They had a celebration event at the end of one of their programs and, at it, all the children were invited to choose books to take home. Families, including several newcomer families recently from Syria, were present. The partner noticed that almost all of the children of those families, on their own, quickly chose *The Farmer's Wife*. They were excited to see a book with someone on the cover who looked like people in their families, and they proudly showed their families what they chose. Without your donation, this wonderful opportunity for children to find books that they could easily identify with, and for any of the children to experience a story from a culture that may be different than their own, would not have been possible.

On behalf of the Saskatchewan Literacy Networks, and all the partnering organizations and participants who received these books, thank you for your generous donation and the thoughtful work you do in providing these valuable resources to our communities. We look forward to continuing to work together with you.

Sincerely,

Phaedra Hitchings  
Executive Director