

## **For Immediate Release: Accountability in Sport - Sexual Assault Services of Saskatchewan Applauds Roughriders' Response to Misconduct**

**April 20, 2026 (Regina, SK)** – The recent decision by the Saskatchewan Roughriders to release receiver Ajou Ajou following unwanted physical contact with multiple women in a Regina Restaurant reflects the importance of accountability and leadership in action. The organization's response, alongside the CFL's suspension under its Gender-Based Violence and Harassment Policy, demonstrates a clear commitment to upholding standards of respect and safety within sport and in our communities.

At a time when Saskatchewan continues to experience rates of sexual violence that are double the national average, strong leadership and consistent enforcement of policies are critical. Actions like this send a clear message: harmful behaviour will not be tolerated, and creating safe, respectful environments must remain a priority across all sectors.

Organizations and leaders -whether in sport, business, or community- play a vital role in shaping culture. When expectations are clear and accountability is upheld, we create environments where people feel safe, respected, and able to thrive.

At Sexual Assault Services of Saskatchewan (SASS), we are committed to supporting leaders in building and sustaining these cultures through our programs and initiatives, such as our *Enough Already* program. Leaders and workers can access information on workplace harassment, learn bystander intervention techniques, receive policy support, and take "Building a Harassment Free Workplace" training at [EnoughAlreadySK.ca](https://EnoughAlreadySK.ca).

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