

**Agenda for the  
Regular Meeting of the Vauxhall Town Council  
Monday June 16, 2025  
6:00p.m. – Vauxhall Council Chambers**

<b><u>Agenda Item</u></b>	<b><u>Action</u></b>
<b>1. Call to Order</b>	
<b>2. Adoption of Agenda</b>	For Adoption
<b>3. Council Minutes</b>	
a.) Regular Council Meeting June 2, 2025	For Adoption
<b>External Minutes</b>	Receive <b><u>all</u></b> as Information
b.) Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce meeting May 15, 2025	
c.) Jets Stadiums Society meeting June 10, 2025	
<b>4. New Business</b>	
a.) Administrative Office-Chambers	For Adoption
b.) CAO Report	Receive <b><u>all</u></b> as Information
c.) Memorandum of Understanding – Taber Regional Economic Development Collaboration	
<b>5. Financials</b>	
a.) AMSC Mastercard as of June 6, 2025	Receive <b><u>all</u></b> as Information
b.) Bank Reconciliation as of April 30, 2025	
c.) Bank Reconciliation as of May 31, 2025	
<b>6. Policy(s)</b>	
a.) Recreation Policy No. 28-2017 – Discussion	For Adoption
<b>7. Reports</b>	Receive <b><u>all</u></b> as Information
a.) Action List In Progress 2025	
b.) Upcoming Events and Meetings	
<b>8. Information and Correspondence</b>	Receive <b><u>all</u></b> as Information
a.) Martin Shields/Card	
b.) Vauxhall Public Library Financials as of December 31, 2024	
c.) VDCC Bi-Weekly Newsletter	
d.) FCSS Report to Municipalities	
<b>9. Adjournment</b>	

A regular meeting of Council of the Town of Vauxhall,  
was held in Council Chambers  
on Monday June 2, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

# **PRESENT**

MAYOR: Kimberley Cawley

DEPUTY MAYOR: Marilyn Forchuk

COUNCILLORS: Shelley Deleeuw  
Kimberly Dorin  
Russell Norris  
Henry Zacharias

ABSENT:

# **ALSO PRESENT:**

Asst. CAO/Office Manager: Mindy Dunphy  
Administrative Assistant: Tanya Strydom

# **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Cawley called the meeting to order at 5:57 p.m.

Adoption of  
Agenda

**RES: 25:158**

**MOVED** by Councillor Norris to adopt the agenda as amended.

**CARRIED**

**Additions: 4c) Budgets**

Minutes

**RES: 25:159**

**MOVED** by Mayor Deputy Forchuk to adopt the following minutes as presented.

- Regular Meeting of Council May 20, 2025

**CARRIED**

External Minutes

**RES: 25:160**

**MOVED** by Councillor Norris to accept the following minutes as information.

- Oldman River Regional Services Commission meeting April 17, 2025

**CARRIED**

Councillor Dorin arrives in Chambers at 6:01 p.m.

# **No Motion**

CAO – Report (May – June 2025)

Jets Stadium Society – Invitation

Budgets  
**RES: 25:161**

**MOVED** by Councillor Deleeuw to approve the 2025-2028 Operating Budget as presented to include the additional year.  
**CARRIED**

Budgets  
**RES: 25:162**

**MOVED** by Deputy Mayor Forchuk to approve the 2025-2030 Capital Spending Plan as presented to include the additional year.  
**CARRIED**

Reports  
**RES: 25:163**

**MOVED** by Councillor Deleeuw to accept the following as information.

- Council Activity Report
- Upcoming Events and Meetings

**CARRIED**

Information and  
Correspondence  
**RES: 25:164**

**MOVED** by Councillor Zacharias to accept the following as information.

- Canada Day
- VDCC Bi-Weekly Newsletter
- FCSS – Seniors' Week

**CARRIED**

**Adjournment**

Meeting Adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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**MAYOR**

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**ASSISTANT CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**





## **VDCC Regular General Meeting Minutes**

**When: May 15, 2025 @ 6:30 pm**

**Where: Vauxhall Public Library (in person) & Zoom**

In attendance : John DeGroot, Shelley Deleeuw, Joy Bexte, Shelley Mehlhaff, Melissa Golby, Bonnie Krizsan, Rodney Lee, Lynda Unruh, Chantal Claassen, Paul Ballard

1. Call the Meeting to order – Meeting called to order at 6:37
2. Additions to the Agenda and Agenda approval - Bonnie Krizsan moved to adopt the agenda with the addition of 8 d) Insurance policy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Joy Bexte, carried
3. Review March 13, 2025 minutes and approve –Minutes were presented and accepted with the following changes that Ron Huvenaars was in attendance and spelling of Dallen be corrected. Moved by John DeGroot, 2<sup>nd</sup> Joy Bexte , carried
4. Administrative Report – Please see attached.
5. Financial Report – Please see attached profit and loss. Chantel Claassen moved to accept the Profit and Loss report as is, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bonnie Krisan, carried. Lynda reported the accounts receivable are \$1750.00. Joy Bexte moved that Lynda issue another notice of accounts due by May 15<sup>th</sup>, any outstanding accounts at June 15<sup>th</sup> will be personally contacted. 2<sup>nd</sup> Shelley Deleeuw, carried
6. Correspondence
  - a. Letter from member – After discussion the board has decided to forward the letter on to the MD of Taber with our support and will share with the members the letter and encourage anyone in agreement with the letter to also submit a letter to their MD Councilor.
  - b. ICC WCF Global economic Survey – Will not participate.
7. Old Business - Nothing
8. New Business
  - a. Introduction of new Admin Assistant – Lynda Unruh has accepted the position
  - b. Canada Day Breakfast
    - i. Location – The board has decided to host the breakfast at the Vauxhall Community Center as it worked very well last year.
    - ii. Volunteers - A google sheet will be sent to all the members to sign up for a shift to help. It was noted that last year we ran out of syrup, juice, coffee, forks and sausages.



- c. Scholarship – Shelley Deleeuw moved that the criteria for the scholarship be amended to a graduating student from a Vauxhall school. 2<sup>nd</sup> Joy Bexte, carried
- d. Insurance Policy- Joy moved that we pay the annual fee for our liability policy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Chantal Claassen, carried

7      Next Meeting Date – June 12<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm

Adjournment - Joy Bexte moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 – there will be no board meeting with it.

Admin Report - Not much to report just starting to get organized and getting a feel of what the position expectations are. Please feel free to contact me any time, I usually check the email every day or two so my response might not be immediate unless you call or text. I hope to get around to all the business to drop off membership certificates and introduce myself in the next month, I apologize for not being at your full disposal but once school is out at the end of June, I will be more accessible. I would like to put together a package for prospective new members – this is my first goal for the summer months. Shelley and I have started a list and will be approaching businesses in the upcoming months.

**Jets Stadiums Society**  
**AGM**  
June 10<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm  
@Vauxhall Public Library

1. Call the meeting to Order
2. Additions to the agenda and approval
3. Report from the President
4. Financial Report
5. Election of Officers
6. Date for next AGM    *MARCH 18*
7. Adjournment

**Jets Stadiums Society**  
General Meeting  
June 10<sup>th</sup> 7:30 pm  
@Vauxhall Public Library

1. Call the meeting to order
2. Additions to the agenda and approval
3. New Business
  - a. Review user groups responsibilities
  - b. User Fees and booking of diamonds
4. Adjournment



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2025-06-10

Accrual Basis

**Jets Stadium Society**  
**Profit & Loss**  
**November 2023 through October 2024**

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	Nov '23 - Oct 24
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Casino	35,638.88
Gouvernement Subsidies/Programs	112.00
Total Income	35,750.88
Expense	
Banking s/C	241.54
Facilities and Equipment	
Rent, Parking, Utilities	652.77
Total Facilities and Equipment	652.77
Operations	
Office Expenses	395.28
Wages	4,104.76
Total Operations	4,500.04
Other Types of Expenses	
Insurance - Liability, D and O	63.00
Other Costs	200.00
Total Other Types of Expenses	263.00
Payroll Deductions	2,145.39
Repair and Maintenance	
Sprinkler Repair	394.09
Repair and Maintenance - Other	10,960.66
Total Repair and Maintenance	11,354.75
Total Expense	19,157.49
Net Ordinary Income	16,593.39
Net Income	16,593.39

**Jets Stadium Society**  
**Profit & Loss**  
 November 2022 through October 2023

	Nov '22 - Oct 23
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Government Subsidies/Programs	3,938.00
MD and Town Funding	5,000.00
<b>Other Types of Income</b>	
Miscellaneous Revenue	3,613.74
<b>Total Other Types of Income</b>	3,613.74
<b>Total Income</b>	12,551.74
<b>Expense</b>	
Banking s/C	369.91
Business Expenses	
Business Registration Fees	55.00
<b>Total Business Expenses</b>	55.00
Contract Services	
Outside Contract Services	27,000.00
<b>Total Contract Services</b>	27,000.00
Facilities and Equipment	
Property Insurance	1,660.49
Rent, Parking, Utilities	1,308.77
<b>Total Facilities and Equipment</b>	2,969.26
GST Expense	396.78
Operations	
Office Expenses	245.00
Wages	5,014.67
<b>Total Operations</b>	5,259.67
Other Types of Expenses	
Insurance - Liability, D and O	55.00
<b>Total Other Types of Expenses</b>	55.00
Repair and Maintenance	
Sprinkler Repair	1,075.00
Repair and Maintenance - Other	5,618.24
<b>Total Repair and Maintenance</b>	6,693.24
<b>Total Expense</b>	42,798.86
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	-30,247.12
<b>Net Income</b>	-30,247.12

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Accrual Basis

# Jets Stadium Society

## Balance Sheet

As of 31 October 2024

	31 Oct 24
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
Jets Stadium Society	3,236.32
Jets Stadium Society Casino	21,840.76
Total Chequing/Savings	25,077.08
Total Current Assets	25,077.08
Fixed Assets	
Equipment	10,000.00
Total Fixed Assets	10,000.00
Other Assets	
GIC Investment	3,875.34
Total Other Assets	3,875.34
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>38,952.42</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
GST/HST Payable	-613.64
Total Other Current Liabilities	-613.64
Total Current Liabilities	-613.64
Total Liabilities	-613.64
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	53,219.79
Unrestricted Net Assets	-30,247.12
Net Income	16,593.39
Total Equity	39,566.06
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>38,952.42</b>



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Accrual Basis

**Jets Stadium Society**  
**Profit & Loss**  
**1 November 2024 through 10 June 2025**

	1 Nov '24 - 10 Jun 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Gouvernement Subsidies/Programs	4,243.41
Other Types of Income	45.27
Total Income	4,288.68
Expense	
Banking s/C	128.30
Facilities and Equipment	
Rent, Parking, Utilities	442.55
Facilities and Equipment - Other	309.04
Total Facilities and Equipment	751.59
Operations	
Office Expenses	250.00
Total Operations	250.00
Other Types of Expenses	
Insurance - Liability, D and O	3,909.00
Total Other Types of Expenses	3,909.00
Payroll Deductions	1,402.64
Repair and Maintenance	
Sprinkler Repair	356.86
Repair and Maintenance - Other	4,182.88
Total Repair and Maintenance	4,539.74
Total Expense	10,981.27
Net Ordinary Income	-6,692.59
Net Income	-6,692.59

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Accrual Basis

## Jets Stadium Society

## Balance Sheet

As of 10 June 2025

	10 Jun 25
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
Jets Stadium Society	5,610.53
Jets Stadium Society Casino	12,149.20
Total Chequing/Savings	17,759.73
Accounts Receivable	
Diamond Maintenance	47.53
Diamond Rentals	300.00
Total Accounts Receivable	347.53
Total Current Assets	18,107.26
Fixed Assets	
Equipment	10,000.00
Total Fixed Assets	10,000.00
Other Assets	
GIC Investment	3,875.34
Total Other Assets	3,875.34
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>31,982.60</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
GST/HST Payable	-890.87
Total Other Current Liabilities	-890.87
Total Current Liabilities	-890.87
Total Liabilities	-890.87
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	53,219.79
Unrestricted Net Assets	-13,653.73
Net Income	-6,692.59
Total Equity	32,873.47
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>31,982.60</b>



## Town of Vauxhall Council Memo

4a.

### Town of Vauxhall Request for Decision

**Date:** June 11, 2025  
**Information provided by:** Administration  
**Topic:** Administrative Office-Chambers  
**Background:**

Regular Council  
Meeting Dates

**RES: 24:217 MOVED** by Councillor Norris to hold the Regular Meetings of Council on the first and third Monday of every month at 6:00pm. December, July and August will be one meeting held on the third Monday of the month. If the date falls on a Statutory holiday the meeting will be held on Tuesday immediately following the holiday until the next Organizational Meeting of Council in 2025.

Municipal review - changes

**RES: 25:75 MOVED** by Councillor Deleeuw to hold the Regular Meetings of Council at the Administrative Office Council Chambers until next Organizational Meeting of Council in 2025.

### **Proposed Motion**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ to hold the Regular Meetings of Council at the New Administrative Office Council Chambers located at 127 4<sup>th</sup> St. N starting July 2025 until the next Organizational Meeting of Council in 2025.



# Municipal Indicators

Find out more about how each municipal indicator is calculated and what the results mean

Each indicator is intended to measure a specific aspect of the municipality's governance, finances, or community.

Each indicator has a defined benchmark. The benchmarks established by Municipal Affairs for each indicator are rules of thumb that provide a general indication of acceptable risk; however, a municipality may have unique circumstances or alternative strategies that justify a different result. Should a municipality flag an indicator, Municipal Affairs allows stakeholders to provide an explanation as to result. This explanation is then published next to the indicator result on the Municipal Indicators' Dashboard.

Indicator and Description	Expected Result	What It Means	Suggested Follow Up for Exceptions
<b>1 - Audit Outcome</b>  An audit report in the municipality's audited annual financial statements.	The audit report does not identify a going concern risk or denial of opinion.	The municipal auditor was able to complete the audit and express an opinion and did not identify a specific concern about the ability of the municipality to meet its financial obligations.	Follow auditor recommendations to resolve denial of opinion issues. Consider obtaining professional financial consulting services or requesting a viability review to address going concern issues.
<b>2 - Ministry Intervention</b>  Interventions authorized by the Minister of Municipal Affairs in accordance with the <i>Municipal Government Act</i> , such as a viability review, or where directives were issued pursuant to an inspection.	The municipality was not the subject of a Municipal Affairs intervention.	Municipal Affairs is not undertaking a formal intervention with respect to the municipality. The Minister typically intervenes only when requested by a council or through a petition, and only issues directives in cases where significant concerns are evident.	Complete Minister-directed processes and actions.

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Indicator and Description	Expected Result	What It Means	Suggested Follow Up for Exceptions
<b>3 - Tax Base Balance</b>  The proportion of the total municipal tax revenue generated by residential and farmland tax base, regardless of whether it is municipal property taxes, special taxes, or local improvement taxes.	The municipality's residential and farmland tax revenue accounts for no more than 95 per cent of its total tax revenue. Summer Villages are excluded from this indicator to better reflect their geographical and economic conditions.	The municipality can rely in some measure on its non-residential tax base to generate a portion of its tax revenues. These properties are typically taxed at a higher rate than residential and farmland properties.	Ensure taxes on residential and farmland properties are sufficient to meet budgeted expenditure requirements.
<b>4 - Tax Collection Rate</b>  The ability of the municipality to collect own-source revenues, including property taxes, special taxes, local improvement taxes, and grants-in-place-of-taxes.	The municipality collects at least 90 per cent of the municipal taxes (e.g. property taxes, special taxes) levied in any year.	The municipality is able to collect its tax revenues and use those funds to meet budgeted commitments and requisitioning obligations.	Review tax collection and recovery policies and processes.
<b>5 - Population Change</b>  The change in population of the municipality over the past ten years based on the Municipal Affairs Population List.	The population has not declined by more than 20 per cent over a ten-year period. Summer Villages are excluded from this measure because of the small permanent population.	The population of the municipality is stable or growing.	Consider how services and infrastructure can be scaled down to accommodate reduced demands.

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Indicator and Description	Expected Result	What It Means	Suggested Follow Up for Exceptions
<b>6 - Current Ratio</b>  The ratio of current assets (cash, temporary investments, accounts receivable) to current liabilities (accounts payable, temporary borrowings, current repayment obligations on long-term borrowings).	The ratio of current assets to current liabilities is greater than one. This indicator is not typically measured if the municipality's total assets exceed current assets by a factor of two or more, as these municipalities typically have significant financial resources including long-term investments, but manage with minimal current assets.	The municipality is able to pay for its current financial obligations using cash or near-cash assets.	Consider increasing revenues or reducing costs to provide additional working capital.
<b>7 - Accumulated Surplus/Deficit</b>  The total assets of the municipality net of total debt, excluding equity in tangible capital assets (tangible capital property less debts related to tangible capital property).	<p>The municipality has a positive (above zero) surplus.</p> <p>An accumulated deficit is a violation of Section 244 of the <i>Municipal Government Act</i>. Municipalities in a deficit position are required to recover the shortfall in the next year.</p>	The municipality has more operational assets than liabilities, which generally provides the municipality with cash flow to meet ongoing obligations and manage through lean periods of the year where costs may exceed revenues.	Consider increasing revenues or reducing costs to provide additional surplus and maintain working capital.
<b>8 - On-Time Financial Reporting</b>  Whether the municipality successfully submitted its completed annual financial statements and financial information return to Municipal Affairs by the legislated due date.	The municipality's financial statements and financial information return for the preceding calendar year are received by Municipal Affairs no later than May 1st or the approved extension date.	The municipality is preparing its audited financial reports on a timely basis. Financial reporting is an important aspect of municipal accountability to its residents and businesses.	Consider additional resources to complete year-end accounting on a timely basis.

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Indicator and Description	Expected Result	What It Means	Suggested Follow Up for Exceptions
<b>9 - Debt to Revenue Percentage</b>  The total amount of municipal borrowings, including long term capital leases, as a percentage of total municipal revenues.	The municipality's total borrowings represent less than 120 per cent (160 per cent for municipalities with a higher regulated debt limit) of its total revenue.	The municipality has maintained reasonable levels of borrowing debt.	Review anticipated funding sources for debt repayments to ensure borrowing commitments can be met.
<b>10 - Debt Service to Revenue Percentage</b>  The total cost of making scheduled repayments (including interest) on borrowings as a percentage of total municipal revenues.	The municipality's total costs for borrowing repayments do not exceed 20 per cent (28 per cent for municipalities with a higher regulated debt limit) of its total revenue.	The municipality has assumed a reasonable level of borrowing repayment obligations.	The municipality has assumed a reasonable level of borrowing repayment obligations.
<b>11 - Investment In Infrastructure</b>  The total cost of annual additions (through purchases or construction) to tangible capital assets (vehicles, equipment, buildings, roads, utility infrastructure, land) relative to the annual amortization (depreciation) on all tangible capital assets - measured as a five year average.	The municipality's average capital additions exceed the average amortization (depreciation).	<p>The municipality is replacing its existing tangible capital assets and investing in new assets and infrastructure at a rate exceeding the estimated wear or obsolescence of its existing assets.</p> <p>This measure does not account for the effects of inflation; typically, replacement costs for new assets exceed the historic cost of existing assets.</p>	Review asset replacement activities over past years and anticipated capital additions in future years to ensure average annual additions exceed average annual amortization. Consider conducting a study of municipal infrastructure to ensure that future service requirements can be met.

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Indicator and Description	Expected Result	What It Means	Suggested Follow Up for Exceptions
<b>12 - Infrastructure Age</b>  The net book value of tangible capital assets as a percentage of the total original costs. Net book value is the original purchase cost less amortization (depreciation).	The net book value of the municipality's tangible capital assets is greater than 40 per cent of the original cost.	The municipality is replacing existing assets on a regular basis. If the municipality is adding new services or expanding facilities and infrastructure, it would be expected that the ratio would be higher than 40 per cent.	Consider conducting a study of municipal infrastructure to ensure that future service requirements can be met.
<b>13 - Interest in Municipal Office</b>  The number of candidates running in a municipal election relative to the total number of councillor positions up for election.	The number of candidates exceeded the number of councillor positions.	The ratio of candidates to total council positions measures the willingness of electors to run for municipal office.	Consider increased focus on community engagement.



Municipality	Year	AUDIT OUTCOME	MINISTRY INTERVENTION	TAX BASE BALANCE	TAX COLLECTION RATE	POPULATION CHANGE	CURRENT RATIO	ACCUMULATED SURPLUS/DEFICIT	ON-TIME FINANCIAL REPORTING - DATE RECEIVED	DEBT TO REVENUE PERCENTA...	DEBT SERVICE TO REVENUE P...	INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTUR E	INFRASTRUCTUR E AGE	INTEREST MUNICIPAL OFFICE
Town of Valleyview	2019	No Concern	No	48.07%	95.49%	-1.11%	3.90	\$4,817,811	February 27, 2020	8.98%	3.62%	1.38	53.18%	3.00
Town of Vauxhall	2024	No Concern	No	75.92%	97.10%	-0.16%	3.53	\$3,577,252	April 30, 2025	7.51%	1.99%	1.60	41.09%	1.00
Town of Vauxhall	2023	No Concern	No	72.51%	97.31%	-0.16%	2.62	\$3,255,014	April 30, 2024	9.98%	2.15%	0.85	37.11%	2.00
Town of Vauxhall	2022	No Concern	No	62.80%	97.94%	-0.16%	2.24	\$2,716,761	April 29, 2023	11.13%	2.03%	0.74	36.83%	N/A
Town of Vauxhall	2021	No Concern	No	64.15%	98.27%	-0.16%	1.92	\$2,228,618	April 27, 2022	14.82%	2.35%	0.90	39.24%	1.14
Town of Vauxhall	2020	No Concern	No	66.23%	99.97%	14.31%	1.81	\$1,825,070	April 29, 2021	18.01%	2.53%	1.25	40.01%	N/A
Town of Vauxhall	2019	No Concern	No	65.98%	99.02%	14.31%	1.78	\$1,522,185	May 04, 2020	21.11%	2.68%	1.45	40.94%	N/A

# Town of Vauxhall

## 2019

AUDIT OUTCOME

**No Concern**

MINISTRY INTERVENTION

**No**

TAX BASE BALANCE

**65.98%**

TAX COLLECTION RATE

**99.02%**

POPULATION CHANGE

**14.31%**

CURRENT RATIO

**1.78**

ACCUMULATED SURPLUS/DEFICIT

**\$1,522,185**

ON-TIME FINANCIAL REPORTING (Date Received)

**May 04, 2020**

DEBT TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

**21.11%**

DEBT SERVICE TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

**2.68%**

INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE

**1.45**

INFRASTRUCTURE AGE

**40.94%**

INTEREST IN MUNICIPAL OFFICE

**N/A**

# Town of Vauxhall

## 2020

### AUDIT OUTCOME

**No Concern**

### MINISTRY INTERVENTION

**No**

### TAX BASE BALANCE

**66.23%**

### TAX COLLECTION RATE

**99.97%**

### POPULATION CHANGE

**14.31%**

### CURRENT RATIO

**1.81**

### ACCUMULATED SURPLUS/DEFICIT

**\$1,825,070**

### ON-TIME FINANCIAL REPORTING (Date Received)

**April 29, 2021**

### DEBT TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

**18.01%**

### DEBT SERVICE TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

**2.53%**

### INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE

**1.25**

### INFRASTRUCTURE AGE

**40.01%**

### INTEREST IN MUNICIPAL OFFICE

**N/A**

# Town of Vauxhall

## 2021

AUDIT OUTCOME

**No Concern**

MINISTRY INTERVENTION

**No**

TAX BASE BALANCE

**64.15%**

TAX COLLECTION RATE

**98.27%**

POPULATION CHANGE

**-0.16%**

CURRENT RATIO

**1.92**

ACCUMULATED SURPLUS/DEFICIT

**\$2,228,618**

ON-TIME FINANCIAL REPORTING (Date Received)

**April 27, 2022**

DEBT TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

**14.82%**

DEBT SERVICE TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

**2.35%**

INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE

**0.90**

INFRASTRUCTURE AGE

**39.24%**

INTEREST IN MUNICIPAL OFFICE

**1.14**

Town of Vauxhall

2022

AUDIT OUTCOME

No Concern

MINISTRY INTERVENTION

No

TAX BASE BALANCE	TAX COLLECTION RATE	POPULATION CHANGE	CURRENT RATIO
62.80%	97.94%	-0.16%	2.24
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS/DEFICIT	ON-TIME FINANCIAL REPORTING (Date Received)	DEBT TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE	DEBT SERVICE TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE
\$2,718,761	April 29, 2023	11.13%	2.03%
INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE	INFRASTRUCTURE AGE	INTEREST IN MUNICIPAL OFFICE	
0.74	38.83%	N/A	



# Town of Vauxhall

## 2023

AUDIT OUTCOME

**No Concern**

MINISTRY INTERVENTION

**No**

TAX BASE BALANCE

**72.51%**

TAX COLLECTION RATE

**97.31%**

POPULATION CHANGE

**-0.16%**

CURRENT RATIO

**2.62**

ACCUMULATED SURPLUS/DEFICIT

**\$3,255,014**

ON-TIME FINANCIAL REPORTING (Date Received)

**April 30, 2024**

DEBT TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

**9.98%**

DEBT SERVICE TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

**2.15%**

INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE

**0.85**

INFRASTRUCTURE AGE

**37.11%**

INTEREST IN MUNICIPAL OFFICE

**2.00**

Town of Vauxhall

2024

AUDIT OUTCOME

No Concern

MINISTRY INTERVENTION

No

TAX BASE BALANCE

75.92%

TAX COLLECTION RATE

97.10%

POPULATION CHANGE

-0.16%

CURRENT RATIO

3.53

ACCUMULATED SURPLUS/DEFICIT

\$3,577,252

ON-TIME FINANCIAL REPORTING (Date Received)

April 30, 2025

DEBT TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

7.51%

DEBT SERVICE TO REVENUE PERCENTAGE

1.99%

INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE

1.60

INFRASTRUCTURE AGE

41.09%

INTEREST IN MUNICIPAL OFFICE

1.00

# Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Taber Region Economic Development Collaboration

Between The Town of Taber, The MD of Taber, The Town of Vauxhall,  
and the Village of Barnwell.

This Memorandum of Understanding, made and entered into by and between the Town of Taber the Municipal District (MD) of Taber, the Town of Vauxhall, and the Village of Barnwell collectively referred to as "the Parties,"

Whereas, the Parties wish to establish a framework for collaboration to enhance economic development opportunities and regional prosperity;

Whereas, the Parties recognize the benefits of sharing resources, knowledge, and efforts to achieve common goals;

Whereas, the Parties commit to a partnership based on mutual trust, respect, and transparency;

**Now, therefore, the Parties hereby agree as follows:**

## 1. Objective

The objective of this MOU is to formalize the collaboration between the Parties for economic development initiatives, including but not limited to business retention and expansion, investment attraction, regional marketing, workforce development, tourism development and more.

## 2. Governance

An Administrative Taskforce shall be established, consisting of an equal number of representatives from each Party to oversee the operations of the partnership.

**Meetings:** The Taskforce will meet quarterly or as needed to establish or discuss ongoing projects, coordinate efforts, and review progress.

**Decision Making:** Decisions will be made on a consensus basis. In the absence of consensus, a majority vote will determine the outcome, with each Party having an equal number of votes. In the event of an impasse the parties commit to seek further discussion and negotiation. If the impasse is not resolved by further discussion, the parties commit to seeking outside advice from reputable parties within the economic development industry who have experience and who can bring fresh perspectives to the conversation or who can offer mediation based on industry specific experience and knowledge of best practices. An outside advisor will be solicited based on the selection of the group through a majority vote of the parties. The parties commit to engaging with an outside advisor in this situation and seeking to resolve the impasse.



**Voting Rights:** Voting rights may be extended by the parties to additional partners by consensus and can be revoked by consensus only. This is to ensure that the partners remain in full alignment as to the functional extension of their partnership to additional entities. Entities may alternatively be invited to participate on an advisory basis, contributing to the work with influence but without a vote.

### **3. Roles and Responsibilities**

- a) Resource Sharing: The Parties will share access to and responsibility for maintaining resources such as land databases, marketing materials, and staff expertise.
- b) Financial Contributions: The Parties will contribute to the funding of joint projects within their means and as will be mutually agreed upon at meetings of the Taskforce with reference to their financial controllers.
- c) Reporting: Individuals engaged in managing projects on behalf of the parties will provide quarterly progress reports on their work to the Taskforce which will collectively ensure that these reports are then provided to the councils for each of the four partners for review and consideration. The objective of these reports will be to ensure transparency and accountability and to build trust between the Parties.
- d) Project Management: The Taskforce will evaluate proposed projects and collectively decide who amongst the Parties whom will lead on individual projects. The individuals assigned to manage projects will be responsible for advancing those tasks and reporting on their outcomes. The Parties will provide support to the managing partner as needed, requested, and agreed upon. The full scope of projects may be divided up amongst the Parties as resources allow and are agreed upon.
- e) Financial Management: Each of the Parties will be responsible for the staff costs associated with their participation in the partnership. Financial management of costs associated with any individual project will be bore by the managing partner. For example, if Taber agrees to lead on a project which requires \$5000 from each of the Parties, Taber will invoice that amount to the Parties as a fee for service. The Parties will pay that amount to Taber, and then Taber will be responsible for reporting on the responsible use of those funds to the Parties.
- f) Operations: The Administration Taskforce will develop an annual operations plan outlining the core activities and objectives of the partnership with SMARTER goals so that progress can be tracked and reported on meaningfully. The CAOs of the Parties will review and approve the operations plans and support the plan with any necessary resources from other administration departments as required. The Taskforce will assign projects to members of their parties for project management as agreed upon.

#### **4. Duration**

This MOU is effective upon signing and will remain in effect unless terminated by any party. It may be amended upon mutual agreement of the Parties.

#### **5. Expansion of the Partnership**

Additional partners may be added to the joint initiative by mutual agreement of the Parties.

#### **6. Amendment**

This MOU may be amended at any time by mutual written consent of the Parties.

#### **7. Termination**

Any of the Parties may exit this MOU upon six months' written notice to the other Parties. In the event of a Party exiting, the remaining Parties may amend the MOU to reflect the new partnership. If all Parties exit the agreement and the MOU is effectively terminated, then ongoing projects will be concluded or transferred in a manner agreed upon by both Parties.

#### **8. Dispute Resolution**

In the event of a dispute arising from or in connection with this MOU, the Parties will first attempt to resolve the dispute through friendly negotiations. If the dispute cannot be resolved internally, it will be submitted to mediation by an agreed-upon mediator.

#### **9. Signatures**

This MOU shall be executed by duly authorized representatives of the Parties as of the date first above written.



**For the Town of Taber:**

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Mayor Andrew Prokop  
Signature & Date

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CAO, Derrin Thibault  
Signature & Date

**For the Town of Vauxhall:**

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Mayor Kimberley Cawley  
Signature & Date

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CAO, Cris Burns  
Signature & Date

**For the MD of Taber**

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Reeve Tamara Miyanaga  
Signature & Date

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CAO, Arlos Crofts  
Signature & Date

**For the Village of Barnwell:**

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Mayor Kent Bullock  
Signature & Date

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CAO, Angie Jensen  
Signature & Date

## TOWN OF VAUXHALL ARENA SIGNAGE

**Purpose:** To establish and regulate yearly advertising in the Vauxhall Arena.

**Policy Statement:**

1. All interested businesses and organizations shall have equal opportunity to advertise in the Vauxhall Arena, on a first come, first serve basis.
2. The Town of Vauxhall must provide prior approval of all advertising in the Arena, including the location of same.
3. All signage must be professionally made and all costs associated with design, painting, set-up fees and installation are the responsibility of the Advertiser.
4. Maintenance and upkeep of the signage shall be the responsibility of the Advertiser unless previously arranged between the Advertiser and Town of Vauxhall.
5. The Town of Vauxhall will not be responsible for damaged or stolen signage.
6. Advertising fees are due and payable on an annual basis to retain the right to keep the signage posted. The Town will invoice in January of each year and rental will be payable net thirty (30 days) or a penalty will be imposed per the Town Rate Bylaw.
7. A signed Advertising Agreement must be in place prior to placement of the signage in the Arena. Fees are identified in Schedule "A". Advertising Agreement is identified as Schedule "B" of this policy unless another agreement is negotiated and mutually agreed upon.

## TOWN OF VAUXHALL ARENA SIGNAGE

### Schedule "A"

#### Advertising Fees

Banner	3' x 6'	\$250.00 per banner first 2 years \$150.00 per banner thereafter
Ice Logo		
	Centre Ice	\$750.00 per ice season
	Blue Line to Centre	\$500.00 per ice season
	Blue Line to Goal Line	\$350.00 per ice season
Puck Board - Single Panel Only		
	Centre ice to Blue line	\$500.00 per 3'x 8' panel per season
	Blue line to Goal line	\$350.00 per 3'x 8' panel per season

NOTE: Puck Boards will be negotiated as per Schedule "B" signed contract

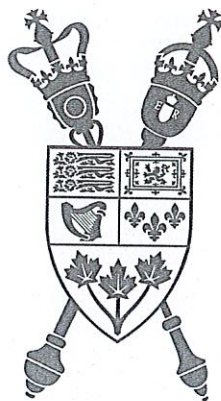
## Events 2025

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Events</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Councillor(s) attending (if applicable)</b>
2025-06-19	6pm	BBQ & Pig Roast-Vx	Vx Community Hall	
2025-07-01	All Day	Chamber Breakfast/Derby	Vx Community Hall/Derby Grounds	
2025-07-05	9am-2pm	Vauxhall's Garden Walk	Various Locations	
2025-08-1-3	TBD	3rd Annual Vauxhall Cowboy Days	Vx Rodeo Grounds	
2025-08-06	5:30pm-7:30pm	Farmers Market	Vx Community Hall	
2025-08-20	5:30pm-7:30pm	Farmers Market	Vx Community Hall	
2025-09-17	5:30pm-7:30pm	Farmers Market	Vx Community Hall	
2025-09-22	8am-noon	Last Day to File a Nomination	Administrative Office	
2025-10-20	10am-8pm	Municipal Election Day	Vx Community Hall	
2025-11-12 to 14	Full Days	Alberta Municipal Convention and Trade Show	Calgary TELUS Convention Centre	
2025-12-06	10am-3pm	Farmers Market	Vx Community Hall	

## Meetings 2025

Date	Time	Meeting	Location	Councillor(s)Member
2025-06-23	5:15 PM	MPC	Vauxhall Chambers	DM Forchuk & Cllr. Zacharias & Cllr. Norris
2025-07-09	7:00 PM	RFA	Fire Hall	DM Forchuk & Cllr. Zacharias
2025-07-21	6:00 PM	Council Meeting	Council Chambers	All
2025-08-13	6:00 PM	JEDC	MD Office-Reeves Room	Mayor Cawley & Cllr. Deleeuw
2025-08-18	6:00 PM	Council Meeting	Council Chambers	All
2025-09-15	3:00 PM	Water Commission Meeting	Council Chambers	Cllr. Norris
2025-09-17	7:00 PM	Vx Public Library	Library	DM Forchuk & Cllr. Deleeuw
2025-10-08	7:00 PM	Vx Public Library	Library	DM Forchuk & Cllr. Deleeuw
2025-11-12	6:00 PM	JEDC	MD Office-Reeves Room	Mayor Cawley & Cllr. Deleeuw





PARLIAMENT | PARLEMENT  
CANADA

Mayor Cowley  
+  
Council

I have appreciated  
the opportunity to work  
with your community  
this past decade!

Martin Sheld



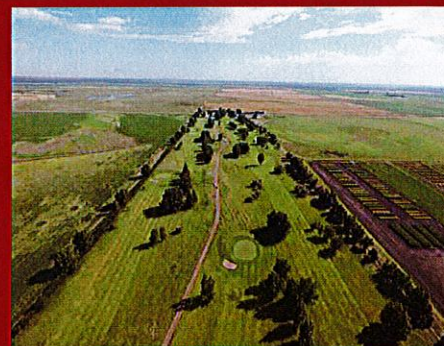
## Friday May 30th, 2025

**This Bi-weekly Newsletter is available to members and non-members of the Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce and features information of importance to, and about local business and upcoming events!**

### MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

## VAUXHALL GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

The Vauxhall Golf and Country Club was first started in 1928 when a group of citizens built the course in town. The ninth hole was approximately where the Jets stadium bleachers are. In 1955 a new 9-hole layout was built where the current golf course now stands. Sand greens were converted to grass greens in 1990. In 1991 the old Vauxhall Fire Hall was turned into the maintenance shop to make way for a new clubhouse.




Today the club has just over 100 members and draws green fee players from all over southern Alberta. Our course is affordable, challenging and fun for all skill levels, with excellent greens and a great atmosphere. The beverages are always cold and the clubhouse staff are eager to serve you and make you feel welcome.



**Town of Vauxhall**  
*Cordially invites you to our*  
***Annual Seniors'***  
***Breakfast***  
**June 4**

**8:30 A.M. TO 9:30 A.M.**  
**Vauxhall Community Hall**

In honour of the seniors of our community the  
Town would like to show their appreciation  
and invite you, the seniors, to a delicious  
breakfast prepared for you by the staff of the  
Town.

 **Vauxhall**  
Public Library  
**FUNDRAISER**

Lunch include:  
A hotdog, chips,  
and a pop  
**\$10.00**

**NOTE: Only cash will be accepted**

Join us for a lunch fundraiser  
to help raising funds for the  
**VAUXHALL PUBLIC LIBRARY**



Wednesday,  
June 11th from 11:00-2:00  
at Vauxhall Public Library

**CONTACT INFO**  
**(403) 654-2370**  
**[help@vauxhalllibrary.ca](mailto:help@vauxhalllibrary.ca)**



The little extra of the month

SeaFoam Motor Treatment

473 ml  
SEA SF16CA



-35%  
**10.69**  
/ea.  
~~16.49~~  
JUNE 1 TO JUNE 30, 2025



REWARDS

100 AUTO PARTS

**D & R Auto Parts**  
410 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave N  
Vauxhall, Alberta  
403-654-2288



**AUTO PARTS**

**AUTO PARTS** FROM JUNE 1 TO JUNE 30, 2025

**-20%**  
**17.19**  
/ea.  
~~21.49~~  
BodyPro Mag & Rim Cleaner  
1L BPR 30601

**-20%**  
**25.69**  
/ea.  
~~32.11~~  
BodyPro Plastic & Rubber Wet Shine  
1L BPR 30396

**-20%**  
**13.79**  
/ea.  
~~17.24~~  
BodyPro Waterless Wash & Wax  
500 ml BPR 32270

view the flyer and other promotions scan here

**AUTO PARTS** FROM JUNE 1 TO JUNE 30, 2025

**Armor All Glass Wipes**  
25 Wipes  
ARM 10850

**Armor All Protectant Cleaning Wipes**  
30 Wipes  
ARM 10859

**your choice**  
**-30%**  
**9.49**  
/ea.  
~~14.14~~

**Armor All Leather Wipes**  
30 Wipes  
ARM 10855

**Armor All Cleaning Wipes**  
Orange scent, 25 Wipes  
ARM 10825

To view the flyer and other promotions scan here





VAUXHALL & DISTRICT  
GROWING PROJECT

# BBQ & PIG ROAST FUNDRAISER

For the  Canadian  
Foodgrains  
Bank

At the Vauxhall  
Community Hall

THURSDAY | JUNE 19TH  
STARTING AT 6 PM

Admission by Donation\*

\*E-transfer Available

\*Tax Receipt Available



# VAUXHALL AG SOCIETY RODEO GROUNDS

To use the rodeo arena you must become a member of the Vauxhall Ag Society.  
Invoices will be sent monthly and will need to be paid in full to keep future bookings.

## MEMBERSHIPS

Riding Pass Waiver Form must be completed & fees paid prior to use of facilities.

### ANNUAL FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

#### IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS LIVING IN

##### SAME RESIDENCE

\$200

### ANNUAL INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

\$75

#### DROP IN FEE

\$20

## ARENA RENTAL

### ARENA ONLY

\$25/HR

### ARENA & EQUIPMENT

Includes bucking chutes, roping chute, sound system, timer, barrels, poles

\$50/HR

### DAILY RENTAL

\$250/DAY

## BOOKINGS

View booking calendar on website  
[www.vauxhallagsociety.com](http://www.vauxhallagsociety.com). Please  
check calendar on website for conflicting  
dates before submitting form

### CALL OR TEXT

BRAD LEESON

403-330-1322

PETRA KLEMPNAUER

403-331-8282

TAMI PLUMB

403-633-4867

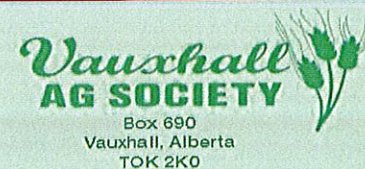
Please text or call prior to  
riding as part of our safety  
policy.



*Vauxhall & District*  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**The VDCC would like to welcome its newest member**

**The Bow River Gas Co-op**



Box 690  
Vauxhall, Alberta  
T0K 2K0

**The Vauxhall Ag Society Rodeo Grounds Committee  
would like to Thank the following supporters this far  
on our Rodeo Arena Multi-Use Building fundraising**

Community Foundation Lethbridge & Southwestern Alberta

Taber Charity Auction

Richard & Anna Feguson & Family

Van Der Stoel Farms

Jerone & Maureen Van Der Stoel Farms

Jerone & Maureen

TFS Feedlots Ltd

Southwood Stock Farms

(Ryan & Jana VanHal & Family)

Malcom & Carol Jones

RWE Solar

Canadian Natural Resources Limited

Bonnefield Financials Inc.

Jules Nelis

Vauxhall Stock Grazing Assoc.

Prairie Haven Whitetails Ltd

(Rick & Gloria Meier & Family)

Doug Leong

Hays Stock Grazing Co-op Ltd.

DeGroot Farms

(John & Sandra DeGroot & Family)

Silver Wolf Services Ltd

(Stuart & Linda Braaten)

Vauxhall Cowboy Days Committee

Cindy Kurek

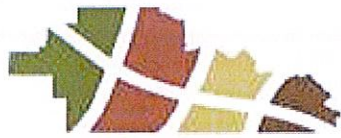
Those who donated at the Vauxhall Farmers Market



**Have any questions, please call 1-403-331-8282**

**Email: [vauxhallag@gmail.com](mailto:vauxhallag@gmail.com)**





*Vauxhall & District*  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## **\$500.00 Scholarship Award**

**Deadline – July 30, 2025**

### **SELECTION GUIDELINES**

Recipient must be:

Grade 12 Vauxhall High School Graduate

Accepted into a course of study in his/her first year, preferably a business course, or one at similar caliber at a recognized post-secondary learning institution in the year of award.

Further criteria for selection guidelines:

- ✓ Non-academic involvement
- ✓ Volunteerism in the community
- ✓ General leadership qualities and activities (extra-curricular/sports)
- ✓ General service qualities and activities
- ✓ Academic achievement

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

Visit the VDCC website at <https://www.vauxhallchamber.ca>  
or use this link

[https://www.vauxhallchamber.ca/files/ugd/9b200b\\_e35b967ecc4142b1a6730698bd536a05.pdf](https://www.vauxhallchamber.ca/files/ugd/9b200b_e35b967ecc4142b1a6730698bd536a05.pdf)

# **MEETING** *Time*

The next VDCC Regular  
General Meeting will be  
held June 12<sup>th</sup>.

You are welcome to join  
us at the Vauxhall Public  
Library meeting room @  
6:00 pm





# 2025 SR SPURS GAME SCHEDULE

May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Away Spitz Stadium	Spurs Vs Lethbridge Lakers	5:30 PM Double Header
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	Home Jets Stadium	Spurs Vs Lethbridge Miners	1:00 PM Double Header
June 4 <sup>th</sup>	Away Jeffries Stadium	Spurs Vs Medicine Hat AA	5:30 PM
June 7 <sup>th</sup>	Away Lloyd Nolan Stadium	Spurs Vs Lethbridge Miners	1PM Double Header
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Home Jets Stadium	Spurs Vs Fort Macleod	5:30 PM Double Header
June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Home Jets Stadium	Spurs Vs Fort Macleod	1 PM Double Header
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Away Jeffries Stadium	Spurs Vs Medicine Hat	6:00 PM Double Header
June 25 <sup>th</sup>	Home Jets Stadium	Spurs Vs Havre	5:00 PM Double Header
June 28 <sup>th</sup>	Away Conrad Montana	Spurs Vs Conrad	5:00 PM Double Header
June 29 <sup>th</sup>	Away Centene Stadium	Spurs Vs Great Falls	12:00 PM Double Header
July 1 <sup>st</sup>	Home Jets Stadium	Spurs Vs Alumni	EVENTS ALL DAY IN VAUXHALL Game 6:00PM
July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Home Jets Stadium	Spurs Vs Lewiston	2:00 PM Double Header
July 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup>	Away Gillette Wyoming	Tournament	GAMES ALL WEEKEND
July 9 <sup>th</sup>	Away Great Falls Montana	Spurs Vs Great Falls	2:00 PM Double Header
July 20 <sup>th</sup> or 21 <sup>st</sup> ate TBD	Home Jets Stadium	Spurs Vs Conrad	1:00 PM Double Header
July 24 <sup>th</sup> - 27 <sup>th</sup>	Away Lewiston Montana	Districts	GAMES ALL DAYS
July 30 <sup>th</sup> - Aug 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Away Conrad Montana	States	GAMES ALL DAYS

# WANTED

## WE ARE LOOKING FOR SPONSORS

### 3rd Annual Vauxhall Cowboy Days August 1-3, 2025 Vauxhall Ag Society Rodeo Grounds

Be part of an action-packed weekend celebrating rodeo and Western heritage. With hundreds of attendees, this is a fantastic opportunity to showcase your business.

#### BUCKLE SPONSOR - \$500+

- Recognition on social media
- Logo in the rodeo program
- Business name announced during the rodeo

#### EVENT SPONSOR - \$1,000+

Includes all benefits of the Buckle Sponsor plus your choice of **ONE** of the following premium advertising opportunities:

- Beer Cart Sponsor - Sign on our beer carts, seen by hundreds
- Barrel Cover Sponsor - Logo on the barrels for the Barrel Racing Jackpot
- Bleacher Sign Sponsor - Sign placed on the bleachers, a prime viewing spot

#### SUPPORTING SPONSOR

We welcome all contributions - financial, goods, services, or other support. Every bit helps make Cowboy Days a success! Let us know how you'd like to be involved!

All sponsors are responsible for the cost and design of their signs.

#### FEATURED EVENTS

Bronc riding, junior bulls, mutton busting, calf riding, barrel racing jackpot, Little Big Rancher family rodeo, rough stock events, quick loop team roping jackpot, and **Canada's ONLY Big Loop Horse Roping event!**

Your support makes this event possible and helps keep our Western heritage alive. Contact us today to secure your sponsorship!

On behalf of the Vauxhall Cowboy Days Committee & Vauxhall Ag Society,

Brad & Judy Leeson 403-634-0817	Lisa Egeland 403-795-2051
Cody & Tami Plumb 403-633-4867	Jo Lien Jones 403-634-3133
Shyan Carswell 403-331-7417	Tracy Iwan 403-308-5964
Brandi Doerken 403-634-2916	<a href="mailto:vauxhallcowboydays@outlook.com">vauxhallcowboydays@outlook.com</a>







# CANADA DAY!

8 a.m. – 10 a.m. Pancake Breakfast  
417 4<sup>th</sup> Street (Vauxhall Community Hall)  
(Sponsored by Vx & District Chamber of Commerce)

11 a.m. – Canada Day Parade

12 p.m. – 4 p.m. Show & Shine  
2 Ave. (Business Center)

1 p.m. – Demolition Derby  
North of Community center (Gates open 12:30)  
Concession, Beer Gardens & Live Music  
(Sponsored by Vx Agricultural Society)

12 p.m. - Jr Spurs Baseball Game (DH)  
6 p.m. Alumni Game  
Jets Stadium



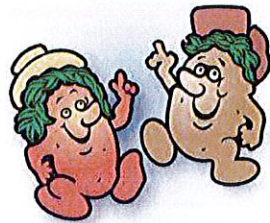
At Dusk – Fireworks



TOWN OF  
**Vauxhall**







TOWN OF  
**Vauxhall**  
POTATO CAPITAL OF THE WEST

## **The Nomination Period for the General Municipal Election for Town of Vauxhall is Now Open!**

The next municipal election will be Monday, October 20, 2025. A person may file a nomination to become a candidate for a general election within the period beginning on January 1st 2025 and ending at 12 noon on nomination day. Located at the Vauxhall Administration Office - 223 5th St Vauxhall. AB  
Monday to Friday (except STAT holidays)

8am – 12pm and 1pm – 4:30pm.

Filing the nomination form may be done in person, by mail, or courier. If sent by mail or courier, the form must be received before close of nominations at 12 noon on Monday September 22, 2025.

If you are interested in running for office but would like more information, please view the Nomination Package found on the Town of Vauxhall website.

Copies of the nomination package are also available for pick up at the Administrative Office.

## Vauxhall's Garden Walk

Want to show off a garden you love?

Be apart of Vauxhall's Garden Walk!

When: July 5, 2025

Time: 9:00am – 2:00pm

Rain or shine.

Your garden doesn't need to be perfect; it doesn't need to be professionally landscaped, all you have to do is be proud of your little spot of earth!

To register your garden, contact the Administrative Office  
(403) 654-2174 or email [info@town.vauxhall.ab.ca](mailto:info@town.vauxhall.ab.ca)

No entry fees. Register by June 6, 2025

More details to follow with interest.

We'd love it if you shared your garden!





# 3rd Annual Cowboy Days

Vauxhall, Alberta

August 1st-3rd  
2025

Free Camping with Admission

Beer Gardens

Food Trucks

Vendor Market

Trophy Buckles In A  
Major Events!

Bronc Riding (BB&S)  
\$6000 Added

Junior Bulls 17&Under  
\$3000 Added

Ranch Bronc Riding  
\$1000 Added

Friday August 1st

Barrel Racing Jackpot- 6pm



Home of Canada's  
First Big Loop



Vauxhall Cowboy Days & Rugged Rodeo Inc. for more information

Saturday August 2nd

Little Big Rancher  
Family Fun Rodeo-9am

Big Loop Horse Roping-4pm

Rough stock Events-7pm

Monkey On A Rope

Mutton Busting

Calf Riding 10 & Under

Sunday August 3rd

Pancake Breakfast-10am

Team Roping & Team

Tying Jackpot-  
12pm



## 29th Annual Kiwanis GOLF TOURNAMENT



12:00 P.M.  
Registration

1:00 P.M.  
Shotgun Start

**SAVE**  
THE DATE

THURSDAY  
JUNE 12  
2025

**18 Hole  
Texas Scramble  
\$200/golfer**

Includes 18 holes of golf/  
power carts/driving range/food &  
beverage holes/dinner and prizes

**NOON TO 12:45 P.M.  
Mulligans Sold  
at the site**

### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

#### Diamond Sponsor: \$5,000+

- Official designation in the event as a main Sponsor incl on all media releases, social media and print materials
- 4 x 8 signage placed for recognition
- Involvement with Prize Distribution
- Speaking opportunity during the meal or contribute to swag bags.
- 18 Hole round of golf for eight (8) players

#### Platinum Sponsor: \$2,500+

- Official designation in the event as a Platinum Sponsor incl all media releases, social media and print materials
- Logo on signage at tournament
- 18 Hole round of golf for four (4) players

#### Gold Sponsor: \$1,500+

- Official designation in the event as a Gold Sponsor incl all media releases, social media and print materials
- Logo on signage at tournament

#### Silver Sponsor: \$1,000+

- Official designation in the event as a Silver Sponsor incl all media releases, social media and print materials

#### Bronze Sponsor: \$500+

- Official designation in the event as a Bronze Sponsor incl all media releases, social media and print materials

#### General Sponsor: \$200+

- Official designation in the event as a General Sponsor incl all media releases, social media and print materials

#### Food/Beverage Sponsor:

- Official designation in the event as a Food/Beverage Sponsor incl all media releases and print materials
- Logo on signage at the tournament

#### Prize Sponsor/Hole in One:

- Official designation in the event as a Prize Sponsor incl all media releases and print materials
- Logo on signage at the tournament

- Your logo and a link to your organization on our website
- Prime level recognition in the tournament itinerary
- Opportunity to involve your volunteers at the event, with on-site sample product or marketing material

- Your logo and a link to your organization on our website
- Prime level recognition in the tournament itinerary
- Opportunity to contribute to swag bags for players

- 18 Hole round of golf for three (3) players
- Recognition in tournament itinerary
- Opportunity to contribute to player swag bags

- Logo on signage at the tournament
- 18 Hole round of golf for two (2) players
- Recognition in tournament itinerary

- Logo on signage at the tournament
- 18 Hole round of golf for one (1) player
- Recognition in tournament itinerary

- Logo on signage at the tournament
- Recognition in tournament itinerary

- Business banners/signage may be placed at food/beverage location
- Recognition in tournament itinerary

- Business banners/signage may be placed at Hole in One locations
- Recognition in tournament itinerary

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South Country



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### Key Responsibilities:

- Provide exceptional customer service in person and over the phone
- Operate cash register and handle customer transactions accurately
- Stock, face, and price products on shelves
- Maintain clean and organized aisles and work areas
- Load and unload merchandise for customers and suppliers
- Support in receiving deliveries and restocking inventory
- Practice good housekeeping and safety standards
- Educate customers on the benefits of membership in South Country Co-op
- Follow all safety procedures and company policies
- Other duties as assigned

### Qualifications:

- Must be at least 15 years of age and completed Grade 9
- Retail or hardware/building materials experience is an asset
- Experience in Agro or farming settings is considered an advantage
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Proven ability to work well within multi-generational teams
- Must be able to lift up to 50 lbs regularly and perform physical tasks safely
- Demonstrated attention to detail and accuracy
- Flexible and adaptable to new technology and tools
- High degree of integrity, work ethic, and professionalism
- Friendly, positive attitude and a willingness to learn
- Able to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing
- Demonstrated tact and diplomacy in customer and team interactions

### Work Schedule:

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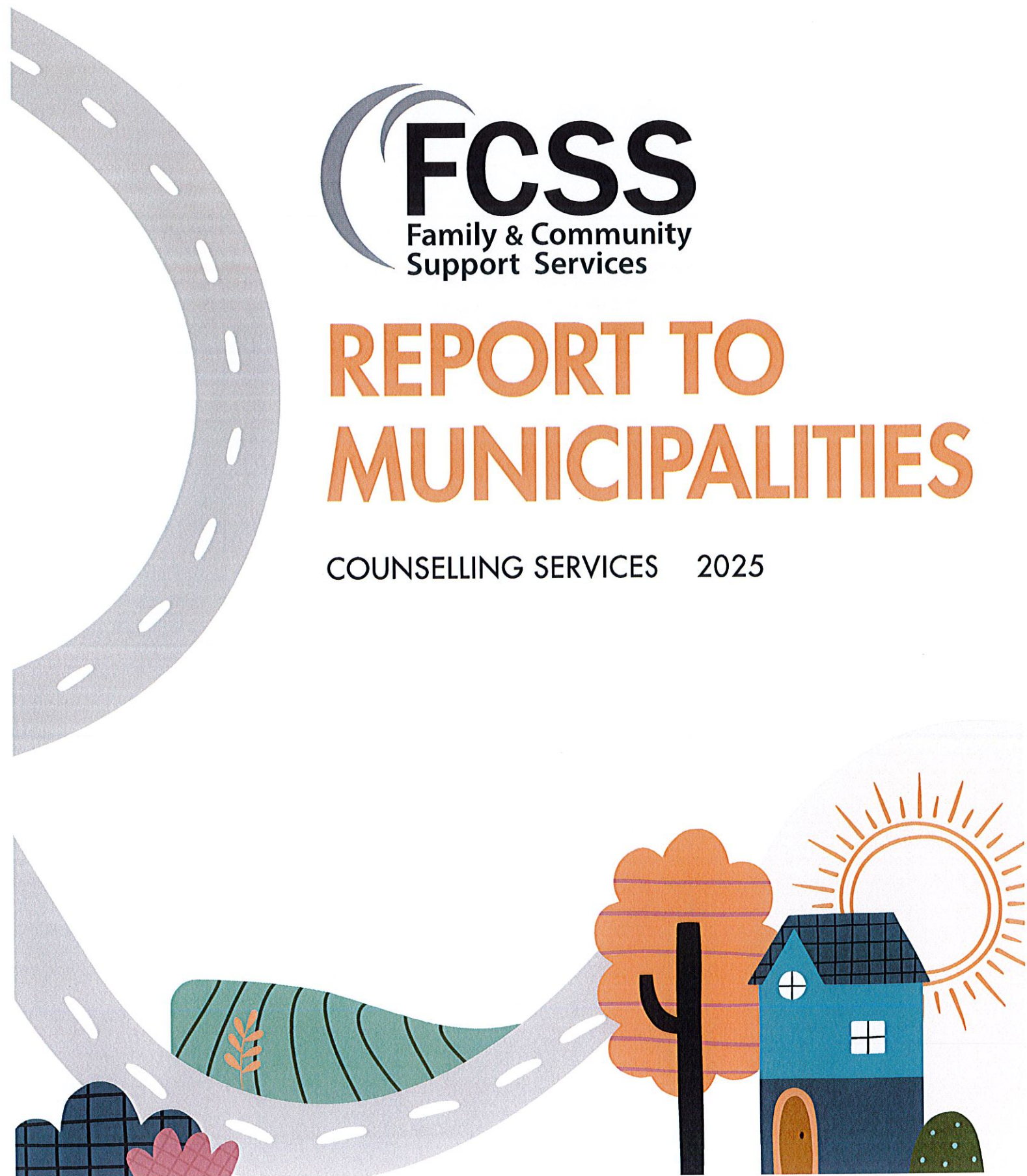
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# REPORT TO MUNICIPALITIES

COUNSELLING SERVICES 2025





# Introduction

*The Counselling Services team provides accessible and evidence-informed services to individual, couples, and families through:*

## EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

To empower individuals and families by providing emotional support, solution options, and coping strategies to strengthen resiliency.

## COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS

To work with community agencies and groups as equal partners with the intention to co-create solutions that meet the needs of the community and strengthen the vitality of communities.

## YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

To provide structured group support programs designed to create a positive, supportive, safe environment for youth to learn, grow, and develop their own potential well-being.

From May 1, 2024 - April 30, 2025 the Counselling Services department prioritized the following goals and sub-goals to align with the 2023 Strategic Plan.

### GOAL 1: Timely and Relevant Direct Service Delivery

- 1.1 Addressing Social Isolation
- 1.2 Mental Health Supports and Counselling

### GOAL 2: Enhance Community Spirit

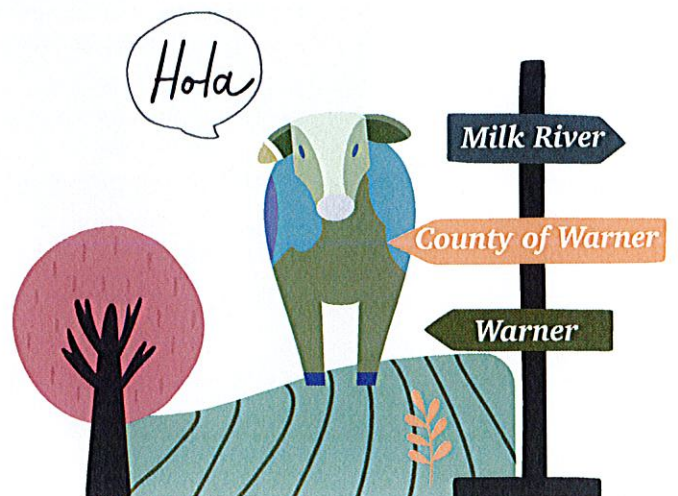
- 2.1 Community Awareness and Engagement
- 2.2 Volunteering
- 2.3 Cultural Programming

### GOAL 3: Entry Point for supports

- 3.1 Information and Referral
- 3.2 Community Capacity

### GOAL 4: Capture Impact

- 4.1 Information Study and Research



## ► COUNSELLING SERVICES AT A GLANCE

### REGISTERED SERVICES

**690** CLIENTS

**425** NEW CLIENTS

**3,502** SERVICE HOURS

**3,642** SERVICE VISITS

#### \* Benchmark Data

Clients . . . . . **636**

New Clients . . . . . **402**

Service Hours . . . . . **2,653**

Service Visits . . . . . **3,600**

### NON-REGISTERED SERVICES

**208** SERVICE HOURS

**972** SERVICE VISITS

Non-Registered services includes: Events, Presentations, and Entry point supports.

#### KEY:

**Client:** A resident who is registered with BEW FCSS.

**New Client:** A resident who registered for the first time between May 1, 2024 – April 30, 2025.

**Registered Service:** Registration and demographic information is collected.

**Non-Registered Service:** No registration or demographic information is collected.

**Service Hours:** Number of service hours received by clients.

**Service Visits:** Number of times clients received services.

\*Data used in this report was collected between May 1, 2024 – April 30, 2025. Benchmarks were established based on the first four years of data collected using the Outcome Tracker Data Management System.

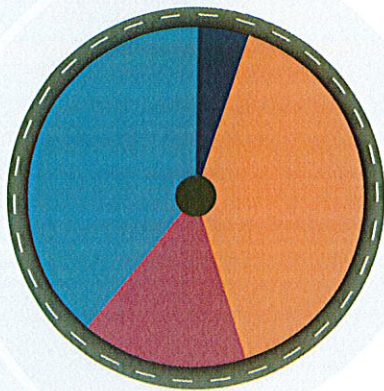




## ► HOW WE SERVE

**92.5%** IN-PERSON

## ► WHO WE SERVE

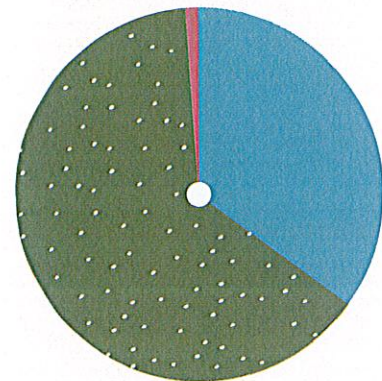


### AGES:

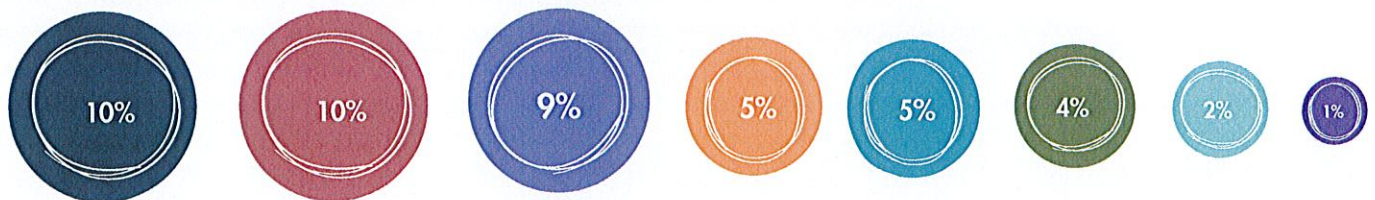
Children (0-5) 2%  
 Youth (6-17) 29%  
 Adult (18-54) 59%  
 Seniors (55+) 10%

### GENDER:

Females 66%  
 Males 32%  
 Non-binary or Transgender 2%



## CLIENT SELF IDENTIFY AS:



LGM 10%  
 Newcomer 10%  
 Agriculture 9%  
 Indigenous 5%  
 Persons with Disability 5%  
 2SLGBTQ+ 4%  
 First Responder 2%  
 Francophone 1%



## Goal 1

# Timely and Relevant Direct Service Delivery

*Deliver accessible and evidence-informed services to meet community needs throughout the lifecycle of residents.*

## Goal 1.1

### ► ADDRESSING SOCIAL ISOLATION

The Counselling Services team is dedicated to providing programming experiences that encourage vulnerability and acceptance which ultimately fosters togetherness, individual and community emotional healing, and builds resiliency in those who participate.

*“Loneliness doesn’t come from being alone, but from being surrounded by people who can’t understand you. A deep feeling of isolation comes when you realize that even the person standing next to you is unreachable.”*

– Anonymous

**80** SERVICE HOURS

**440** SERVICE VISITS

*Taming Worry Dragons*



*Thrive*





## Goal 1.2

### ► MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS

#### One-On-One

The purpose of one-on-one counselling is to provide a safe and confidential space for a person, a couple, or a family to explore their thoughts, feelings, and behaviors. This service supports residents to better understand themselves, address specific challenges, develop coping strategies, work towards positive changes and improve relationships with others.

**2,862** SERVICE HOURS      **2,699** SERVICE VISITS

#### Group Programs

The purpose of group support programs is to provide children, youth, and adults with a safe space to learn coping strategies and life skills by sharing experiences with others facing similar challenges, allowing them to gain support .

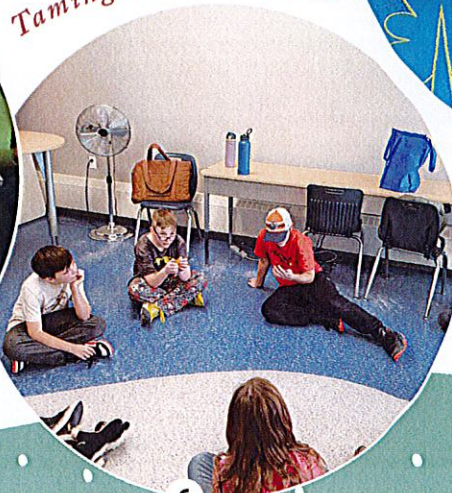
**85** SERVICE HOURS

**256** SERVICE VISITS

*Seniors' Drumming Group*



*Taming Worry Dragons*



*Rainbows*





## Goal 2

# Enhance Community Spirit

*Recognize the uniqueness of each municipality with an inclusive approach.*

## Goal 2.1

### ► COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND ENGAGEMENT

#### EVENTS

- Livestock Expo (booth shared with Kindred – Rapid Access Counselling)
- Panel For Mental Health: Youth and Anxiety
- Community Collaboration
- Cancer Support Group - Coaldale
- Panel for Mental Health on Youth and Anxiety

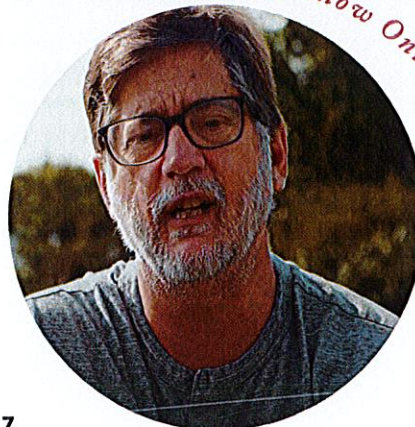
#### PRESENTATIONS

- Alberta Rural Municipality Administrators Association
- Youth Employment Program – Taber
- AgKnow Online Videos
- 5 Love Languages
- Baby and Me
- Circle of Rhythm Drumming
- Caregiver Café
- Immigrant Mental Health
- Alzheimer's Support Group

*Livestock Expo with Kindred- Rapid Access*



*Fess and AgKnow Online Videos*





## Goal 2.2

### ► VOLUNTEERING

This reporting period, Counselling Services provided eight-month counselling practicums for three counselling psychology students attending Yorkville University. Their volunteer efforts provided direct services to residents in our region.

**1,598** VOLUNTEER HOURS

*Kate Brohart*



**YORKVILLE**  
UNIVERSITY



*Kelli Bowles*



*Kimberley Shakespeare*





## Goal 2.3

### ► CULTURAL PROGRAMMING

The Counselling Services team is dedicated to ensuring that our staff have the ability to provide a safe and inclusive environment where everyone feels understood, respected, and valued. This is achieved by our staff developing an attitude of curiosity which invites clients to teach us of those things which are most valuable within their culture.

**475** SERVICE HOURS

**247** SERVICE VISITS

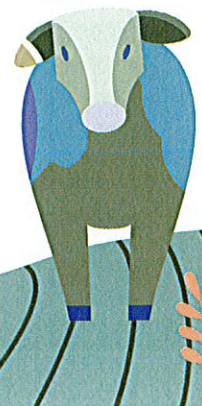
CONNECTING NEWCOMER FAMILIES  
THROUGH EXPRESSIVE ARTS



Hola

Nobleford

Barons





## Goal 3

# Entry Point for Supports

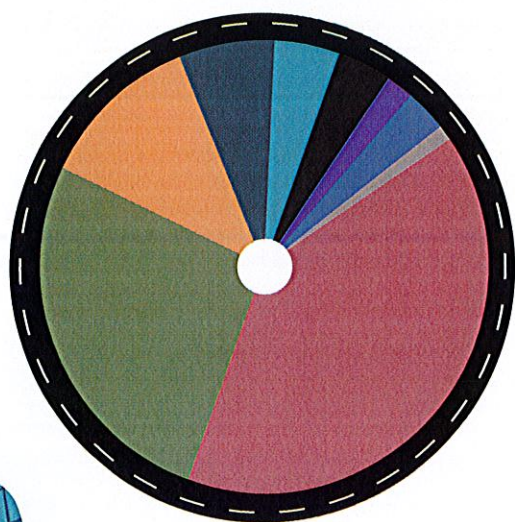
*Connect residents to supports at the earliest opportunity through a person-centred approach.*

## Goal 3.1

### ► INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

**ACTION** - Refer residents to additional local supports to increase their resources and skills.

The Counselling team provided **329** Entry Point Supports.



- 41% Referrals
- 27% Resources Provided
- 12% Documentation
- 7% Translation Support
- 5% System Navigation
- 4% Advocacy
- 2% Risk Assessment
- 2% Food Delivery
- 1% Paperwork Delivery

Coalhurst

Picture Butte

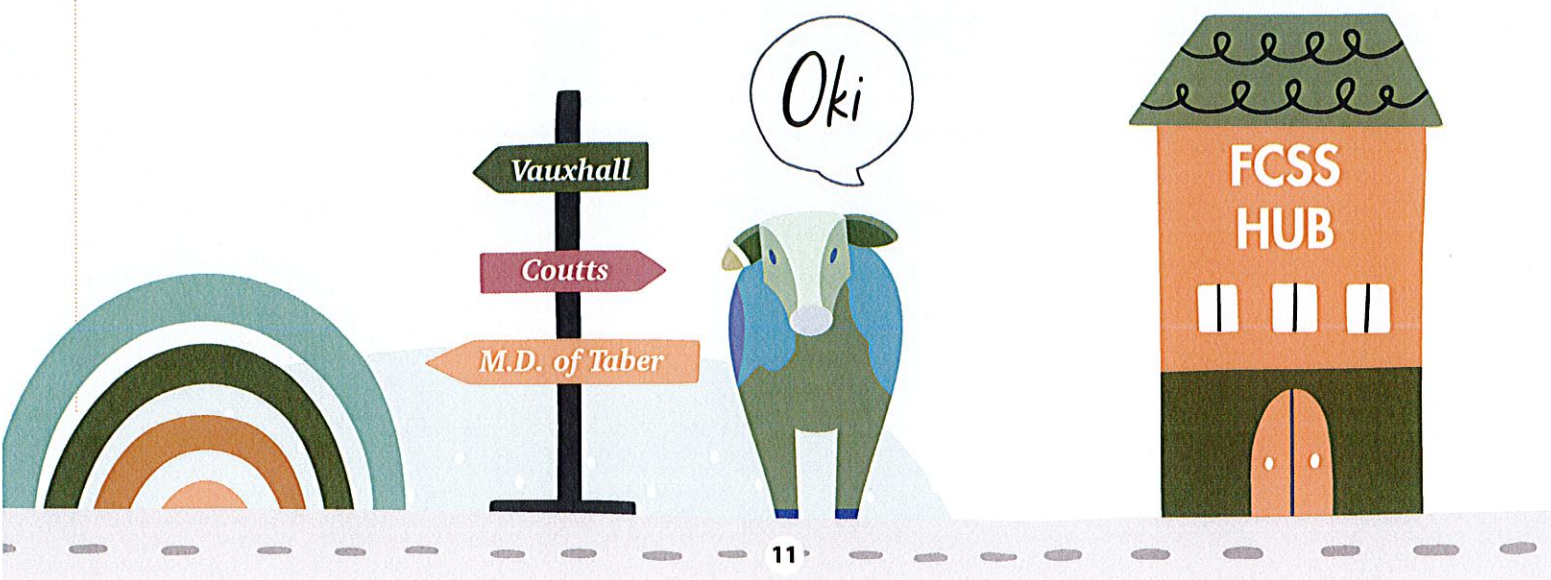




## ► COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING

The Counselling Services Team is dedicated to building and maintaining healthy relationships with the various community agencies within each of the 16 municipalities we serve.

- Local School Districts
- Taber and District Housing Foundation (Senior Facilities)
- Piyami Lodge
- Youth Employment Services - Taber
- Victim Services
- Local Medical Clinics in Taber, Raymond, and Coaldale
- Safe Haven Women's Shelter





## Goal 4

# Capture Impact

*Measure the positive impact of programs and services.*

## Goal 4.1

### ► INFORMATION STUDY AND RESEARCH

#### ONE-ON-ONE PRE AND POST SURVEYS

##### ADULT

##### Pre-Survey

##### Post-Survey

I am good at handling whatever comes my way

61%

84%

I am optimistic about my future

39%

80%

My relationship with my family is enjoyable

64%

81%

##### YOUTH

##### Pre-Survey

##### Post-Survey

I am better at solving problems

60%

76%

I know adults that I can go to when I need help

84%

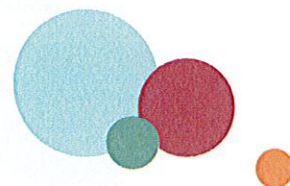
93%

I understand that it is ok to be myself

73%

76%

## GROUP PROGRAMMING PRE AND POST SURVEYS



### ADULT CLIENTS

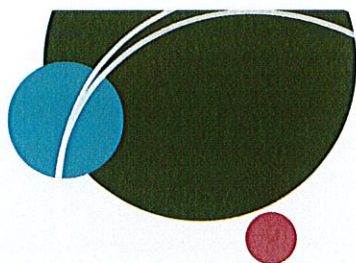
- 97%** of participants agree that they are able to better handle whatever comes their way, as a result of Counselling Services group programs.
- 96%** of participants agree that they are more optimistic about their future, as a result of Counselling Services group programs.
- 100%** of participants agree that their relationship with their family is more enjoyable, as a result of Counselling Services group programs.

### YOUTH CLIENTS

- 100%** of youth agree they are better at solving problems, as a result of Counselling Services group programs.
- 96%** of youth agree that they know adults that they can go to when they need help, as a result of Counselling Services group programs.
- 88%** of youth agree that they understand that it is ok to be themselves, as a result of Counselling Services group programs.







## CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

*“Art and Chat was a great opportunity to meet new people. I’m thankful for all the activities and the great way they were taught. I think learning how to work with clay was awesome, and the fact that I got to keep what we created was very special. But the activity that I loved the most was the one when we had to write a poem. It was lovely to write it but also to listen to what others wrote. Thank you! I recommend this group to anyone who needs to feel valued and cared for.”*

– Adult Participant

*“Thank you so much for the help you gave me. Without you I wouldn’t be comfortable telling anyone what’s going through my head. I appreciate you and your help.”*

– Youth Client

*“I just wanted to extend my sincere thanks for your guidance and support throughout my practicum. Your thoughtful feedback, encouragement, and willingness to share your knowledge made this experience incredibly valuable.....Thank you for allowing me to be a part of the wonderful organization that is FCSS. I will always remember this experience with great fondness and gratitude.”*

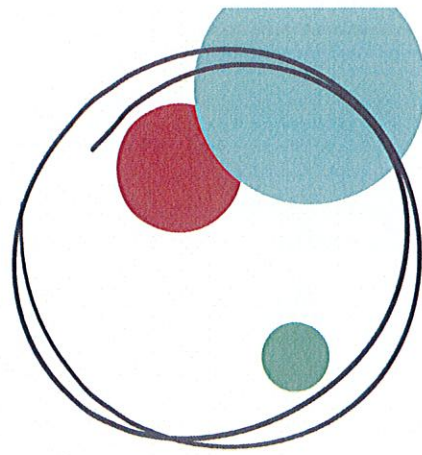
– Counselling Practicum Student

*“I appreciated the counselling staff for taking time out of their day to help us gain the knowledge and awareness in all the ways a person can seek help, it means a lot since some people may not have know about it beforehand.....Thankyou for representing your dedication and passion in helping others!”*

–Staff Member, Taber Youth Employment Program







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