

**Agenda for the
Regular Meeting of the Vauxhall Town Council
Monday October 19, 2026
6:00p.m. – Vauxhall Council Chambers**

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
1. Call to Order	
2. Adoption of Agenda	For Adoption
3. Minutes Council Minutes a.) Regular Meeting of Council October 5, 2026	For Adoption
External Minutes b.) Municipal Planning Commission Meeting October 13, 2026 c.) Vauxhall Regional Fire Authority Meeting July 8, 2026 d.) Barons-Eureka-Warner Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Board Meeting September 2, 2026	Receive <u>all</u> as Information
4. Bylaw (s) a.) The Waste Management and Recycling Bylaw No.1021-26	2 nd , 3 rd and Final Reading
5. Financials a.) Cheque Listing for the month of September 2026 b.) AMSC Mastercard as of October 6, 2026	For Adoption Receive as Information
6. New Business a.) Police Funding Model	Receive as Information
7. Reports a.) Upcoming Events and Meetings	Receive as Information
8. Information and Correspondence a.) R.C.M.P Report – September 2026 b.) Bylaw Report c.) 2027 Southern Alberta Summer Games – Media Release d.) FCSS – Report to Municipalities	Receive <u>all</u> as Information
9. Adjournment	

A regular meeting of Council of the Town of Vauxhall was held in
Council Chambers
on Monday October 5, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

MAYOR:	Kimberley Cawley
DEPUTY MAYOR:	Marilyn Forchuk
COUNCILLORS:	Paul Ballard Shelley Deleeuw Russell Norris Jimmy Wolf
ABSENT:	Henry Zacharias

ALSO PRESENT:

Chief Administrative Officer:	Cris Burns
Asst. CAO/Office Manager:	Mindy Dunphy

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Cawley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Adoption of
Agenda

RES: 26:189

MOVED by Councillor Norris to adopt the agenda as presented.
CARRIED

Minutes

RES: 26:190

MOVED by Councillor Wolf to adopt the following minutes as
information.

- Regular Meeting of Council September 21, 2026

CARRIED

External Minutes

RES: 26:191

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

- Municipal Planning Commission Meeting September 28, 2026
- Vauxhall & Regional Water Commission Meeting June 29, 2026

CARRIED

Bylaw 1021-26
The Waste Management
and Recycling Bylaw

RES: 26:192

MOVED by Councillor Ballard that Bylaw 1021-26 a bylaw of the Town of Vauxhall in the Province of Alberta to provide for the terms, conditions, and rates for the waste management and recycling services provided by the Town of Vauxhall, be given first (1st) reading as amended.

CARRIED

- removal of recycling costs to all Commercial

Economic Development

RES: 26:193

MOVED by Councillor Ballard to investigate an opportunity for a grant for a part-time intern program for Economic Development resources.

CARRIED

Policing

RES: 26:194

MOVED by Councillor Ballard to investigate options for a part-time or full-time Community Officer, or to coordinate policing services with Taber Police.

CARRIED

Reports

RES: 26:195

MOVED by Councillor Deleeuw to accept the following as information.

- Council Activity Report – September 2026
- Action List September 2026
- Action List in Progress 2026
- Upcoming Events and Meetings

CARRIED

Information and
Correspondence

RES: 26:196

MOVED by Councillor Norris to accept the following as information.

- Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation – Thank you letter
- VDCC Bi-Weekly Newsletter – September 30, 2026

CARRIED

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

MAYOR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, October 13, 2026

A Municipal Planning Commission meeting of the Town of Vauxhall was held in Council Chambers on October 13, 2026, at 5:15 p.m.

PRESENT:

CHAIR: Henry Zacharias

VICE CHAIR: Marilyn Forchuk

COUNCILLOR: Russell Norris

DEVELOPMENT OFFICER: Cris Burns
Tanya Strydom

ORRSC STAFF: Hailey Winder (Zoom)

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Zacharias called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m.

Adoption of
Agenda

RES: MPC26:47

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOVED by Councillor Norris to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

Adoption of
Minutes

RES: MPC26:48

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

MOVED by Vice Chair Forchuk to adopt the Municipal Planning Commission meeting minutes of September 28, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

2026D – 25 Jacob Penner

600 2 Street North (Site 4, Block A, Plan 7510128)

Use: Single-Wide Manufactured Home – permitted use

Land Use District: MHP – Manufactured Home Park

RES: MPC26:49 **MOVED** by Vice Chair Forchuk to refuse the application 2025D-25 development permit with the following reasons:
CARRIED

Refused for the following reasons:

1. The development application 2026D-25 has been determined to be complete.

Adjournment 5:25 p.m.

CHAIR
HENRY ZACHARIAS

DEVELOPMENT OFFICER
CRIS BURNS

Municipal District of Taber

Meeting Minutes

Vauxhall Regional Fire Authority July 8, 2026 - 07:00 PM

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Vauxhall Regional Fire Authority, held in the Vauxhall Fire Hall, on Wednesday, July 8, 2026.

Present

Murray Reynolds	MD of Taber Councillor (Chair)
Henry Zacharias	Town of Vauxhall Councillor
Jim Wolf	Town of Vauxhall Councillor (Chair)
Nathan Cote	MD of Taber Regional Fire Chief
John Martens	MD of Taber District Chief
Martin Kondor	MD of Taber Councillor

Absent

Cris Burns	Town of Vauxhall CAO
Arlos Crofts	MD of Taber CAO
Bryce Surina	MD of Taber Community Services Director
Brandon Bougie	MD of Taber Regional Deputy Fire Chief

1 Call To Order

Chair Murray Reynolds called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

Resolution 2 Acceptance of Agenda

No: Moved by: Councillor Martin Kondor
VRFA-2026-11 That; the agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution 3 Adoption of Minutes

No: Moved by: Councillor Henry Zacharias
VRFA-2026-12 That the minutes of the regular meeting of the Vauxhall Regional Fire Authority held on April 8, 2026 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4 New Business

Resolution 4.1 VRFA Report

No: Moved by: Councillor Martin Kondor
VRFA-2026-13 That; the VRFA Report and additional discussion be accepted for information.

CARRIED

Resolution 4.2 Financial Report

No: Moved by: Councillor Henry Zacharias
VRFA-2026-14 That; the Financial Report be accepted for information.

CARRIED

- 4.2.1 It was explained to the committee that we are continuing close communication with Corporate Services Department on the MD of Taber planned ERP Software completion. June 26, 2026 update is expecting complete financial summary information to be available in August to facilitate committee reporting and mid year partnership invoicing. August financial summary will be emailed to Committee Members as an interim update.

5 Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be October 7, 2026 7:00 p.m.

Resolution No:
VRFA-2026-15

6 Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Jimmy Wolf
That the meeting adjourn at 7:21 p.m.

CARRIED

Chairman

Director



Report for Council

MD of Taber Regional Fire Services Report For RFA Meeting of Oct 7, 2026

Items of Note

- We have been working on a Share Point site to share our new Emergency Management Plan, forms, documentation, and calendar with our partners. The site is functional and has been shared.
- The MDTRFS has purchased and built a new Command Truck. It is functional and in service.
- DC Bougie has completed an NFPA 1001 Level 1 course. The evaluation was hosted on Octo 2-3, 2026.
- August 4, 2026 at 18:30 we hosted an Appreciation Barbecue for the firefighter located in the North half of the MD of Taber. It will be hosted at the Hays Fire Hall. It was a successful event with many Councillors, Firefighters and their families joining for the event.
- Sept 2, 2026 annual pump testing was completed for all of our engines. Both of the Vauxhall engines passed the annual test.
- Sept 28, 2026, testing was completed for the Next Generation 911 system. Our dispatch center will be switching to NG911 soon and testing was completed.
- Oct 5, 2026 at 3:00 we will be hosting a training session for our elected officials with the AEMA for declaring a State of Local Emergency.
- We have applied for an Alberta Community Partnership grant for Investigation of Fire Services/Emergency Management Regional



Report for Council

Commission Options, Opportunities and Implementation. All 4 Municipalities have submitted a letter of support for the application.

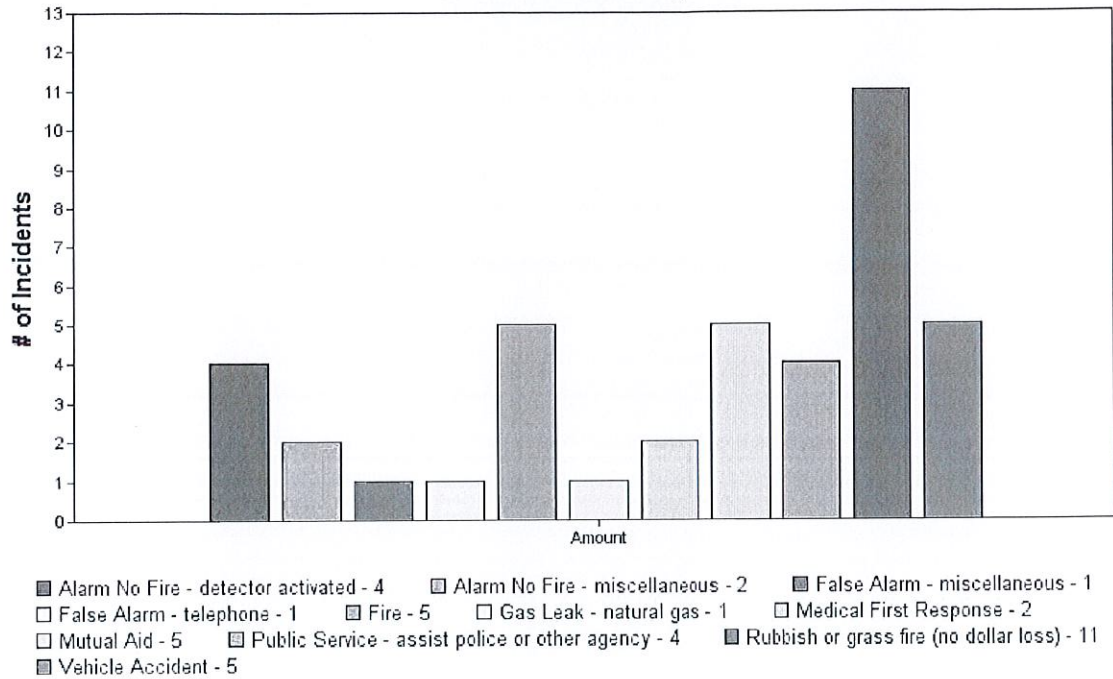
- 2 Fire Code Inspections were completed.
- Current membership for Station 5 Vauxhall is 23 members.
- Incident Reporting.
2026 Year to Date Station 5 (Vauxhall) has responded to 41 calls for service.
11 of the 41 calls for service were in the Town of Vauxhall.

- 4 – Alarm No Fire – Detector Activated
- 2 – Alarm No Fire – Miscellaneous
- 1 – False Alarm – Miscellaneous
- 1 – False Alarm - Telephone
- 5 – Fire
- 1 – Gas Leak – Natural Gas
- 2 – Medical First Response
- 5 – Mutual Aid
- 4 – Public Service assist other agency
- 11 – Rubbish or grass fire
- 5 – Vehicle Accident



Report for Council

Totals by Type
From Jan 1 26 to Aug 31 26



**Barons-Eureka-Warner Family & Community Support Services (FCSS)
Minutes of Board Meeting – Wednesday, September 2, 2026
Coaldale Hub (2107-13th Street)**

Attendance

In-person

Degenstein, Dave – Town of Milk River, Board Chair
Chapman, Bill – Town of Coaldale, Vice-Chair
Deleeuw, Shelley – Town of Vauxhall
Firth, Carly – Town of Taber
Glendinning, Ian – Village of Warner
Harasem, Lori – Town of Coalhurst
Heggie, Jack – County of Warner
Norris, Nikole – Village of Stirling
Prince, Kyle – Village of Barons
Sayers, Mark – Lethbridge County

Staff:

Morrison, Zakk – Executive Director
Florence-Greene, Evelyn -- Finance and HR Coordinator

Online

Feist, Teresa – Town of Picture Butte
Foster, Missy – Village of Barnwell
Jensen, Melissa – Town of Nobleford
Payne, Megan – Village of Coutts

Absent

Stewart, Pam – Town of Raymond
Torrie, David – M.D. of Taber

Call to Order

D. Degenstein called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

J. Heggie moved the Board to approve the agenda as amended.
Carried

2. Delegation

a) FCSS Reaching Home Grant Project – Becky Fitton, Community Services Supervisor.

B. Fitton provided an update on the FCSS Reaching Home Grant Project.

The Board discussed the information provided.

The Board thanked B. Fitton for the presentation.

BC 7m

M. Sayers moved the Board to accept the FCSS Reaching Home Grant Project update presentation for information.

Carried

Becky Fitton left the meeting at 4:47 p.m.

3. Minutes

K. Prince moved the minutes of June 3, 2026, FCSS Board meeting be approved as amended.

Carried

4. Correspondence

a) Correspondence Received

The following correspondence was presented for information:

- June 2, 2026 – Honouring 60 Years of Prevention, Partnership & Community.
- June 3, 2026 – CVITP Certificate of Appreciation
- June 11, 2026 – CFS Minister Letter – FRN Grant Funding Approval
- June 11, 2026 – FCSSAA AGM 2026 – Call for Resolutions
- June 22, 2026 – FCSSAA Advocacy Bulletin June 2026
- June 25, 2026 – FCSS 60th - Template Media Release
- June 29, 2026 – FCSSAA Board Meeting Highlights
- June 30, 2026 – FCSS 60th Store
- June 30, 2026 – Alberta Municipalities FCSS Toolkit
- June 2026 – FCSSAA News
- July 2026 – FCSSAA News

C. Firth moved the Board to receive the correspondence as presented for information.

Carried

5. New Business

a) Proposed BEW FCSS Budget 2026

The Board discussed the proposed 2026 Budget amendment for Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS.

S. Deleeuw moved the Board to approve the amendment for the 2026 Barons-Eureka-Warner FCSS Budget as presented.

Carried

b) Policy Updates

Z. Morrison discussed the proposed change in the Human Resources Policy.

BC 7/14

J. Heggie moved the Board to approve the recommendations outlined in the Human Resources Policy Updates (revised) Memo dated September 2, 2026.

Friendly amendment that the Executive Director be named as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Carried

Z. Morrison discussed the notable changes to the Information Management Policies.

M Sayers moved the Board to receive the updated Information Management Policies for information.

Carried

c) Proposed Delegations – RCMP and Taber Police Services

The Board discussed whether local police services should be invited as a delegation to provide an update on local issues.

Motion

C. Firth moved that the Board direct Administration to invite representatives from local Police/RCMP detachments to attend the 2027 All-Councils Meetings to discuss opportunities for collaboration.

Carried

d) Municipal Requests 2027

B. Chapman moved the Board to approve a 0% increase per capita for the 2027 Municipal requisition based on the population list as provided by the Municipalities.

Carried

6. Reports

a) Executive Director

Z. Morrison reviewed the Executive Director's report.

The following was highlighted:

Annual Evaluation

- Executive Director Workplan 2024-2026.
- Executive Director 2016-2026 10-Year Summary document.

Reports

- FCSS Annual Report completed and submitted April 28, 2026.
 - Status – Approved.

Contracts

- Bookkeeping services.

The Board discussed the Executive Director Report.

J. Heggie moved the Board to approve the Executive Director's Report as presented.

Carried

BC 7M

b) Financial Report

Z. Morrison reviewed the Financial Report.

The Board discussed the Financial Report.

K. Prince moved the Board to approve the July 2026 Financial Report including:

- Financial statement for July 2026.
- Monthly accounts for May 2026:
- Monthly accounts for June 2026:
- Monthly accounts for July 2026:
- ATB Mastercard Statement May 13, 2026, to June 11, 2026; and
- ATB Mastercard Statement June 12, 2025, to July 14, 2026; and
- ATB Mastercard Statement July 15, 2026, to August 13, 2026.

Carried

7. Closed Session

a) Executive Director Annual Evaluation

B. Chapman moved the Board in-camera, based on the Governance Policies - Board Meeting in Absence of the Public, at 5:36 p.m.

Carried

Z. Morrison and Evelyn Florence-Greene left the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

J. Heggie moved the Board back to regular session at 5:58 p.m.

Carried

M Sayers moved the Board to approve the Executive Directors performance evaluation for 2026.

Carried

K. Prince moved the Board to approve a 2% salary increase, not to be placed on the grid, but above the current level 7 of the Executive Director's grid, retroactive from April 1, 2026.

Carried

8. Round Table

The Board shared municipal updates.

N. Norris left the Board meeting at 6:22 p.m.

9. Date of Next Meeting

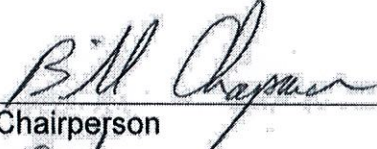
The date of the next regular Board meeting will be October 7, 2026, at the Coaldale HUB (2107 – 13th St.) in person and online (via Teams) starting at 4:30 p.m.

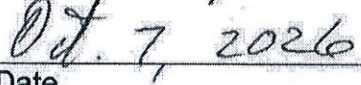


10. Adjournment

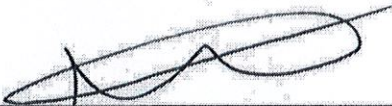
M. Sayers moved the meeting to adjourn at 6:28 p.m.

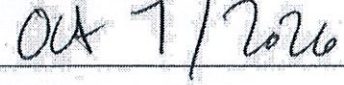
Carried



Chairperson


Date



Chief Executive Officer


Date



Town of Vauxhall Council Memo

7a.

Events 2026

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>
2026-11-21	5:30pm	Ribfest	Vauxhall Rodeo Grounds Multipurpose Building	
2026-12-05	10am - 3pm	Farmers Market	Vx Community Hall	

Meetings 2026

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>
2026-11-02	6pm	Council Meeting	Vx Council Chambers	All
2026-11-16	6pm	Council Meeting	Vx Council Chambers	All
2026-11-18	6pm	JEDC	Reeve's Room	Cllr. Deleeuw Cllr. Zacharias
2026-12-21	6pm	Council Meeting	Vx Council Chambers	All

Taber RCMP



MD OF TABER

MONTHLY REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2026

**JURISDICTIONS OF TABER VAUXHALL RCMP-GRC
TABER MD, BARNWELL, VAUXHALL**

MD OF TABER - SEPTEMBER 2026	
RCMP CALLS FOR SERVICE	
MD of Taber	96
Barnwell	6
Vauxhall	7
TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE	109
Impaired Driving, 24 & 30 DAY SUSPENSIONS, IMMEDIATE ROADSIDE SUSPENSIONS	
MD of Taber	2
Barnwell	
Vauxhall	0
TOTAL IMPAIRED/SUSPENSIONS	2
CRIMINAL CODE VIOLATIONS (reported/cleared, insufficient or unfounded)	
MD of Taber	15
Barnwell	3
Vauxhall	0
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE VIOLATIONS	18
NON-CRIMINAL	
911 Hangups in MD of Taber	9
Barnwell	0
Vauxhall	0
TOTAL 911 HANG UPS	9
Criminal Record Checks for Detachment Area	25
General Public Fingerprints for Detachment Area	1

MD OF TABER PATROLS	
Barnwell	27
Vauxhall	29
HAMLETS	#
Enchant	9
Grassy Lake	27
Hays	8
TOTAL HAMLET PATROLS	44
PARKS /CAMPGROUNDS	
MD Park	1
Forks	0
Enchant	2
Chin	2
Hays	0
Grassy Lake	0
TOTAL PARK / CAMPGROUND PATROLS	5
TOTAL PATROLS in MD of Taber	105
VIOLATION TICKETS	
MD of Taber	4
Barnwell	0
Vauxhall	0
VIOLATION TICKETS WRITTEN BY TABER RCMP	4
ITU (Coaldale/Redcliff/Brooks) VIOLATION TICKETS	0
TOTAL VIOLATION TICKETS	4



Taber Provincial Crime Gauge

2026 vs. 2025
January to September

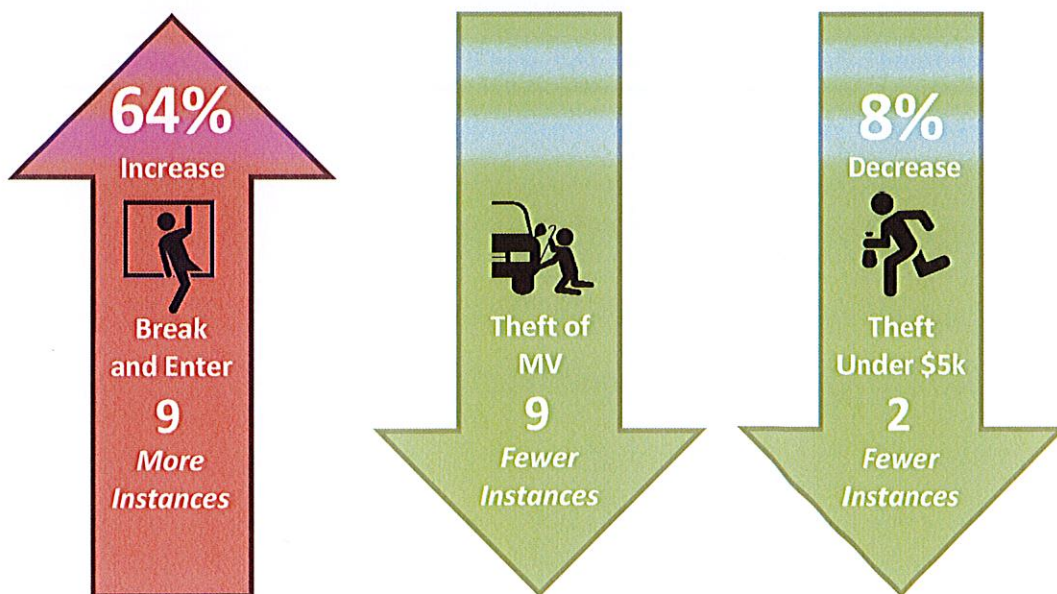
Criminal Code Offences



**Total
Criminal Code
Offences:**

28% Decrease
When compared to
January to September, 2025

Select Property Crime



Detachment Commander's Comments

- The Detachment laid charges in three criminal investigations during the month of September.
- Property Crime in September was as follows: one break and enter to a worksite, one Mischief where the victim did not wish to pursue charges, two vehicles that sustained damage, one theft of copper wire from a pivot, one theft of a truck, and one theft from a motor vehicle.
- Cst. LeBlanc completed a presentation on Fraud Awareness with the Hays Seniors Club.
- Cst. Turco completed SAFE plans on all the schools with the start of the new school year.
- Each school has been assigned a Police Officer, and those officers have stopped to introduce themselves to the schools they are assigned.
- Cpl. Noss assisted with the Terry Fox run for the Vauxhall Schools.

**Taber (Provincial) Crime Statistic Summary – January to September****2026/10/05*****Taber (Provincial) – Highlights***

- **Break & Enters** are showing a 64.3% increase when compared to the same period in 2025 (January to September). There were 9 more actual occurrences (from 14 in 2025 to 23 in 2026).
- **Theft of Motor Vehicles** decreased by 60.0% when compared to the same period in 2025 (January to September). There were 9 fewer actual occurrences (from 15 in 2025 to 6 in 2026).
- **Theft Under \$5,000** decreased by 7.7% when compared to the same period in 2025 (January to September). There were 2 fewer actual occurrences (from 26 in 2025 to 24 in 2026).

Taber (Provincial) – Criminal Code Offences Summary

Crime Category	% Change 2025 – 2026 (January to September)
Total Persons Crime	34.9% Decrease
Total Property Crime	20.9% Decrease
Total Criminal Code	28.3% Decrease

From January to September 2026, when compared to the same period in 2025, there have been:

- 22 fewer **Persons Crime** offences;
- 28 fewer **Property Crime** offences; and
- 67 fewer **Total Criminal Code** offences;

Taber (Provincial) – September, 2026

- There were 1 **Thefts of Motor Vehicles** in September: 0 cars, 1 trucks, 0 minivans, 0 SUVs, 0 motorcycles, 0 other types of vehicles, and 0 vehicles taken without consent.
- There were 1 **Break and Enters** in September: 0 businesses, 0 residences, 0 cottages/seasonal residences, 1 in some other type of location, and 0 unlawfully being in a dwelling house.
- There were a total of 0 **Provincial Roadside Suspensions** in September (0 alcohol related and 0 drug related). This brings the year-to-date total to 7 (7 alcohol related and 0 drug related).
- There were a total of 4 files with the **Spousal Abuse** survey code in September (September 2025: 4). This brings the year-to-date total to 23 (2025: 42).
- There were 108 files with **Victim Service Unit** referral scoring in Taber Provincial: 1 accepted, 7 declined, 2 proactive, 1 requested but not available, and 97 files with no victim.



**Taber Provincial Detachment
Crime Statistics (Actual)
January to September: 2022 - 2026**

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

October 5, 2026

CATEGORY	Trend	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	% Change 2022 - 2026	% Change 2025 - 2026	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Robbery		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Sexual Assaults		2	3	5	6	4	100%	-33%	0.7
Other Sexual Offences		1	1	3	5	1	0%	-80%	0.4
Assault		14	25	12	28	19	36%	-32%	1.3
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	1	0	2	1	N/A	-50%	0.3
Extortion		1	2	2	2	2	100%	0%	0.2
Criminal Harassment		1	1	5	8	4	300%	-50%	1.3
Uttering Threats		10	4	5	11	10	0%	-9%	0.7
TOTAL PERSONS		29	37	32	63	41	41%	-35%	5.0
Break & Enter		20	8	16	14	23	15%	64%	1.2
Theft of Motor Vehicle		6	9	17	15	6	0%	-60%	0.6
Theft Over \$5,000		4	4	2	11	15	275%	36%	2.9
Theft Under \$5,000		22	17	15	26	24	9%	-8%	1.3
Possn Stn Goods		5	9	5	13	8	60%	-38%	1.0
Fraud		24	16	25	20	11	-54%	-45%	-2.2
Arson		0	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Mischief - Damage To Property		24	15	12	22	13	-46%	-41%	-1.5
Mischief - Other		5	3	15	13	5	0%	-62%	1.0
TOTAL PROPERTY		110	81	107	134	106	-4%	-21%	4.5
Offensive Weapons		1	4	5	3	4	300%	33%	0.5
Disturbing the peace		4	3	2	3	4	0%	33%	0.0
Fail to Comply & Breaches		14	21	22	28	9	-36%	-68%	-0.3
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		7	10	5	6	6	-14%	0%	-0.6
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		26	38	34	40	23	-12%	-43%	-0.4
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		165	156	173	237	170	3%	-28%	9.1



**Taber Provincial Detachment
Crime Statistics (Actual)
January to September: 2022 - 2026**

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

October 5, 2026

CATEGORY	Trend	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	% Change 2022 - 2026	% Change 2025 - 2026	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		1	0	2	1	1	0%	0%	0.1
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		0	0	2	1	1	N/A	0%	0.3
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		1	0	4	2	2	100%	0%	0.4
Cannabis Enforcement		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Federal - General		5	5	7	7	2	-60%	-71%	-0.4
TOTAL FEDERAL		6	5	11	9	4	-33%	-56%	0.0
Liquor Act		2	3	1	2	1	-50%	-50%	-0.3
Cannabis Act		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Mental Health Act		29	24	37	51	42	45%	-18%	5.3
Other Provincial Stats		46	55	62	71	77	67%	8%	7.8
Total Provincial Stats		77	82	100	124	120	56%	-3%	12.8
Municipal By-laws Traffic		1	1	4	2	1	0%	-50%	0.1
Municipal By-laws		28	21	26	18	11	-61%	-39%	-3.7
Total Municipal		29	22	30	20	12	-59%	-40%	-3.6
Fatals		3	2	3	2	1	-67%	-50%	-0.4
Injury MVC		10	13	10	14	21	110%	50%	2.3
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		87	106	78	82	66	-24%	-20%	-6.6
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		14	13	18	16	13	-7%	-19%	0.1
TOTAL MVC		114	134	109	114	101	-11%	-11%	-4.6
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		13	14	7	5	7	-46%	40%	-2.1
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Provincial Traffic		641	632	647	460	466	-27%	1%	-52.2
Other Traffic		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Criminal Code Traffic		9	9	19	8	10	11%	25%	0.1
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		12	8	27	13	13	8%	0%	0.7
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		101	75	50	12	3	-97%	-75%	-25.9
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		32	43	43	39	28	-13%	-28%	-1.2
Persons Reported Missing		6	3	7	8	4	-33%	-50%	0.1
Search Warrants		0	0	3	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		21	24	24	42	23	10%	-45%	2.2
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		1	2	1	1	10	900%	900%	1.7



**Taber Provincial Detachment
Crime Statistics (Actual)
September: 2022 - 2026**

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

October 5, 2026

CATEGORY	Trend	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	% Change 2022 - 2026	% Change 2025 - 2026	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Robbery		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Sexual Assaults		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Other Sexual Offences		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Assault		0	4	0	1	4	N/A	300%	0.5
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Extortion		0	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Criminal Harassment		0	0	0	1	1	N/A	0%	0.3
Uttering Threats		0	0	0	3	2	N/A	-33%	0.7
TOTAL PERSONS		0	4	1	5	8	N/A	60%	1.7
Break & Enter		0	1	5	3	1	N/A	-67%	0.4
Theft of Motor Vehicle		1	2	2	1	1	0%	0%	-0.1
Theft Over \$5,000		0	2	0	2	1	N/A	-50%	0.2
Theft Under \$5,000		3	3	0	4	2	-33%	-50%	-0.1
Possn Stn Goods		2	2	1	3	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
Fraud		3	0	1	3	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
Arson		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Mischief - Damage To Property		3	3	2	1	3	0%	200%	-0.2
Mischief - Other		0	1	2	2	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
TOTAL PROPERTY		12	14	13	19	8	-33%	-58%	-0.3
Offensive Weapons		0	1	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.0
Disturbing the peace		0	1	0	2	1	N/A	-50%	0.3
Fail to Comply & Breaches		2	0	0	3	1	-50%	-67%	0.1
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		1	1	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.3
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		3	3	1	6	2	-33%	-67%	0.1
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		15	21	15	30	18	20%	-40%	1.5



**Taber Provincial Detachment
Crime Statistics (Actual)
September: 2022 - 2026**

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

October 5, 2026

CATEGORY	Trend	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	% Change 2022 - 2026	% Change 2025 - 2026	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Cannabis Enforcement		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Federal - General		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
TOTAL FEDERAL		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Liquor Act		1	1	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.3
Cannabis Act		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Mental Health Act		1	3	5	8	7	600%	-13%	1.7
Other Provincial Stats		3	5	6	12	4	33%	-67%	0.9
Total Provincial Stats		5	9	11	20	11	120%	-45%	2.3
Municipal By-laws Traffic		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Municipal By-laws		5	1	0	0	1	-80%	N/A	-0.9
Total Municipal		5	1	0	0	1	-80%	N/A	-0.9
Fatals		1	0	0	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.1
Injury MVC		1	2	4	3	2	100%	-33%	0.3
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		12	15	12	17	6	-50%	-65%	-1.0
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		4	2	3	2	1	-75%	-50%	-0.6
TOTAL MVC		18	19	19	23	9	-50%	-61%	-1.4
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Provincial Traffic		54	42	96	44	34	-37%	-23%	-3.8
Other Traffic		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Criminal Code Traffic		0	2	4	0	2	N/A	N/A	0.2
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		2	3	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.7
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		11	6	4	0	0	-100%	N/A	-2.8
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		8	4	6	4	6	-25%	50%	-0.4
Persons Reported Missing		1	0	2	0	1	0%	N/A	0.0
Search Warrants		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		3	1	6	4	4	33%	0%	0.5
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0



2027 SOUTHERN ALBERTA SUMMER GAMES

MEDIA RELEASE

CYPRESS COUNTY AND REDCLIFF TO HOST THE 2027 SOUTHERN ALBERTA SUMMER GAMES

October 8, 2026

The Southern Alberta Recreation Association (SARA) is pleased to announce that Cypress County and the Town of Redcliff have been selected to host the 2027 Southern Alberta Summer Games.

The announcement was made during SARA's Annual General Meeting on October 7, where the motion to award the 2027 Games to Cypress County and Redcliff was carried. The Games will take place **July 14–17, 2027**.

The SARA Board was impressed by the proposed list of events and activities presented by the host communities and looks forward to supporting them as they prepare to welcome athletes, coaches, volunteers, and spectators from across Southern Alberta.

More information, including the event schedule, registration details, and additional Games information, will be released in the new year. Follow the @SouthernAlbertaSummerGames social media pages for updates and announcements.

SARA looks forward to an exciting 2027 Games and to celebrating sport, recreation, and community across Southern Alberta!



southernalbertasummernames.ca



[@SouthernAlbertaSummerGames](https://www.facebook.com/SouthernAlbertaSummerGames)



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – 12:00 PM | OCTOBER 8, 2026



REPORT TO MUNICIPALITIES

COMMUNITY SERVICES 2026



Introduction

FCSS provides timely, accessible and evidence-informed prevention services that enhance the well-being of individuals, seniors, youth and the community, while strengthening volunteerism and community connections.

Throughout 2025 and 2026, FCSS staff prioritized the following community services goals and sub-goals to align with the FCSS Strategic Plan.

GOAL 1: Timely and Relevant Direct Service Delivery

- 1.1 Addressing Social Isolation
- 1.2 Life Skills and Personal Development
- 1.3 Collaborative Youth Programming

GOAL 2: Enhance Community Spirit

- 2.1 Community Awareness and Engagement
- 2.2 Volunteering

GOAL 3: Entry Point for supports

- 3.1 Information and Referral
- 3.2 Community Capacity Building

GOAL 4: Capture Impact

- 4.1 Information Study and Research



Services At a Glance

► REGISTERED SERVICES

2,690 CLIENTS

332 NEW CLIENTS

9,006 SERVICE HOURS

5,740 VISITS

► NON REGISTERED SERVICES

Non-Registered Services include entry point supports that help individuals and families access appropriate programs and resources.

117 SERVICE HOURS

412 VISITS

KEY:

Client: A resident who is registered with BEW FCSS.

New Client: A resident who registered for the first time between September 1, 2025 – August 31, 2026.

Registered Service: Registration and demographic information are 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.

Barnwell

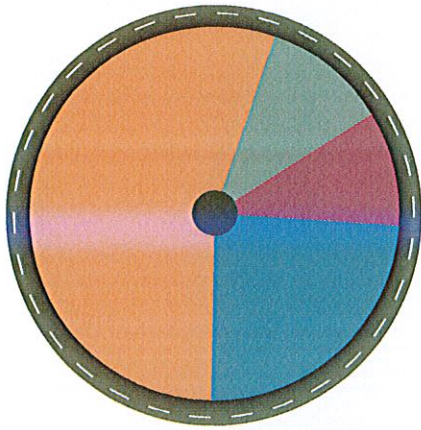
Stirling

Raymond

► HOW WE SERVE

82% IN-PERSON

► WHO WE SERVE

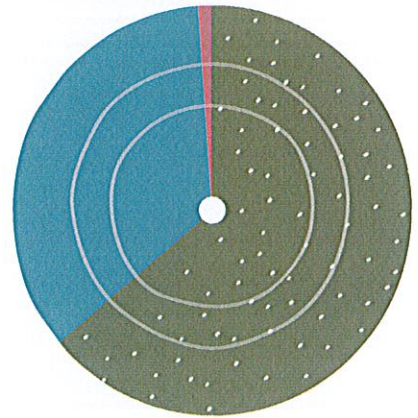


AGES:

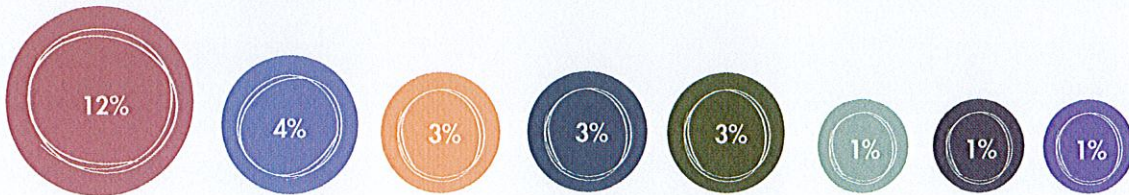
Children (0-5)	11%
Youth (6-17)	10%
Adult (18-54)	24%
Seniors (55+)	55%

GENDER:

Females	64%
Males	35%
Non-binary or Transgender	1%



CLIENTS SELF IDENTIFY AS:



LGM	12%
Agriculture	4%
Newcomer	3%
Indigenous	3%

Persons with Disability	3%
2SLGBTQ+	1%
First Responder	1%
Other	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 AMONG SENIORS

ACTION: Design and deliver programs to increase the number of social connections (community and natural) to population groups (i.e., newcomers, seniors, men, single/working parents, etc.) that require additional support.

874 SERVICE HOURS

806 SERVICE VISITS

Did you know?

Social connection provides protection against chronic disease and serious illness.

World Health Organization, 2025



Raymond Seniors Week

Seniors Week Events June 2026:

BEW FCSS collaborated with local and provincial partners to coordinate 23 Seniors' Week events across BEW municipalities. Activities were designed to promote social connection, lifelong learning, and intergenerational engagement. These celebrations provided meaningful opportunities for older adults to connect with their communities and celebrate the valuable contributions seniors make throughout the region.

SENIORS' PROGRAMS

Speaker Series, Coffee Chats, and Social Drop-Ins

These programs are designed to increase opportunities for socialization and ongoing education, and empower seniors to age well in place, maintain social connections, and learn how and where to access necessary community, health, and support services.

“ It was a great day! Loved the drumming!! ” – Senior Client

Seniors Expo: Coalhurst

The Seniors Expo provided an opportunity for rural seniors to learn about the availability of local services, supports and resources, and empowers them to age well in place, maintain social connections, and access necessary community, health, and support services.

“ I liked the meeting of old friends. ” – Senior Client

NEW PROGRAM: Passport to Wellness

A four-week registered program designed to engage seniors in maintaining and improving their well-being through fun and educational program sessions that are centred around five themes of preventative, holistic health, and wellness.

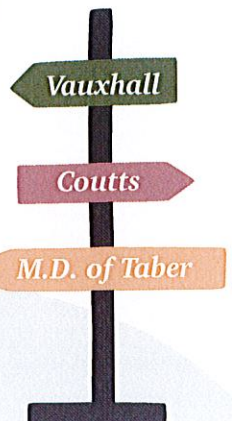
“ Great afternoon, well worth the trip. thank you FCSS for providing transport. ” – Senior Client



Celebration Drumming



Seniors Expo



Intergenerational Programs

FCSS intergenerational programming brings children, youth, and seniors together to build meaningful connections, share knowledge, and learn from one another. These relationships help reduce social isolation, strengthen a sense of belonging, and promote empathy, confidence, and understanding between generations. By creating opportunities for different generations to connect, FCSS helps build stronger, more connected communities.



Intergenerational Program

Goal 1.2

► LIFE SKILLS AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

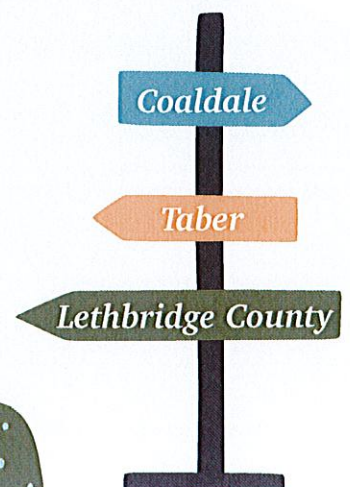
ACTION: Design and deliver programs to increase participation by decreasing barriers (i.e. evenings, weekends, childcare, etc.) for participation.

General Interest Courses

95% OF PARTICIPANTS ARE HIGHLY SATISFIED WITH THE COURSES.

1,152 SERVICE HOURS

460 SERVICE VISITS



Goal 1.3

► COLLABORATIVE YOUTH PROGRAMMING

ACTION: Design and deliver increased opportunities for youth through collaborative internal and external partnerships.

4,777 SERVICE HOURS

1,587 SERVICE VISITS

Summer Day Camps

FCSS partnered with Big Brothers Big Sisters, Destination Exploration, and Family Ties Association to offer full-day summer programming for children ages 6-12 in our rural communities. Activities are fun, educational and contribute to healthy social, physical and brain development.

HIGHLIGHT: Colour the Community

When young artists are supported, they gain the chance to build skills, confidence and a stronger sense of identity. That is exactly what happened when local youth had the opportunity to collaborate alongside professional artists and create a beautiful and colourful full-scale mural inside the Community Centre where they live.



Summer Camp



Colour the Community



Do Crew

DO Crew and DO Crew Jr.

Children and youth grades 5-12 learn about leadership, cultivate new skills, and explore ways to give back to their communities through creative initiatives. Do Crew groups support local events, fundraisers, and their communities by providing snacks, facilitating activities, stocking food pantries, community clean-up, and presenting at municipal meetings. Do Crew members in high school, can gain school credit and recognition for their dedicated time and efforts championing civic-minded projects.



Enhance Community Spirit

Recognize the uniqueness of each municipality with an inclusive approach.



► COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND ENGAGEMENT

ACTION: Participate in community events (i.e., parades, celebrations, resource fairs, meetings, etc.) to increase the visibility of FCSS.

BEW FCSS attended events throughout the summer of 2026 to support local initiatives, participate in celebrations, connect with individuals and families within communities, and raise awareness of programming and services available through the organization.

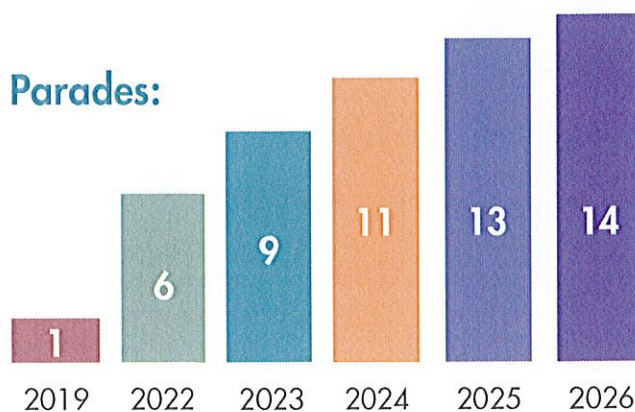
116 EVENTS

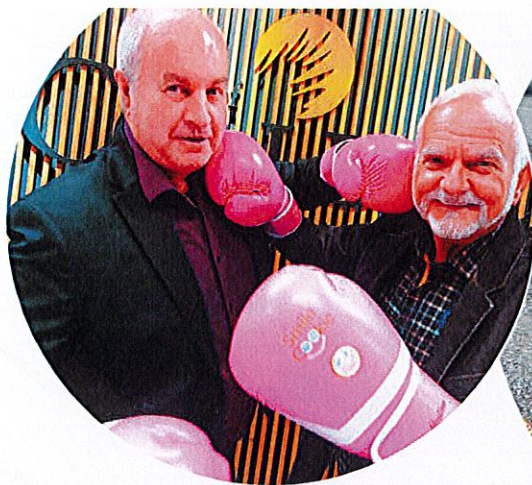
96% OF PARTICIPANTS ARE HIGHLY SATISFIED WITH FCSS EVENTS.

Summer Fun, Pop-up in the Park, Family Story Time, Community Socials



Parades:





Smile Cookie Week

Tim Horton's Smile Cookie Week

This was the first year of the Smile Cookie Knockout Challenge, fueling the friendly competition between rivaling towns, Taber and Coaldale. With the support and hard work of local businesses, Do Crew and community volunteers, and municipal and BEW FCSS staff, we raised money to support ongoing programming throughout the region.

OVER \$32,000 RAISED

Back to School and Clothing Fests

Free clothing, toys, household items and back to school supplies were made available to families in multiple locations within the BEW FCSS service area.

6 EVENTS

OVER 1,100 PARTICIPANTS



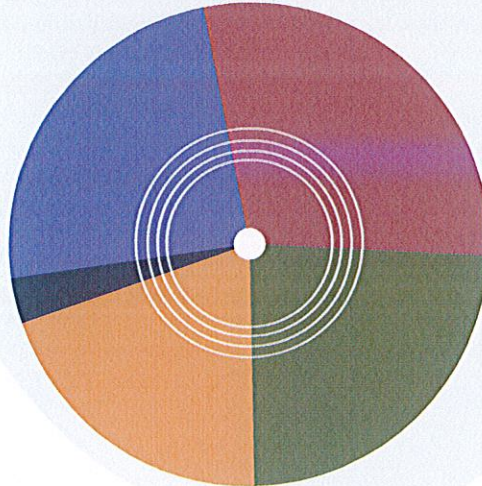
Clothing Fest

Goal 2.2

► VOLUNTEERING

2,716 VOLUNTEER HOURS

ACTION Engage community members and partners (i.e., post-secondary schools, public schools, disability services, etc.) to increase volunteer activity at FCSS.



VOLUNTEER HOURS

29%	Non-Registered Volunteer
24%	Meals on Wheels
24%	Tax Program
20%	Do Crew
3%	Other

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP)

In 2026, Deb, CVITP volunteer, filed 272 tax returns. This equates to about 300 volunteer hours! This has a profound impact in the local area and in her community by facilitating access to essential government benefits and credits. It significantly reduces poverty by enabling seniors, students and low-income households to receive money for food, housing and childcare, putting dollars back into local economies.



Income Tax Program

Do Crew Volunteer Spotlight

The Vauxhall Do Crew (Senior and Junior) hosted the third annual Penny Carnival, offering games, activities, fun prizes and a free lunch open to all members of the community. The Do Crew and FCSS staff collected 198 boxes of cereal for a Domino Relay activity and then donated them to the Vauxhall and Area Food Bank.



Did you know? Youth involved in community work early in life are much more likely to remain active, civic-minded volunteers as adults. *Statistics Canada, 2025.*

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK – CHEERS TO VOLUNTEERS

The purpose of the BEW FCSS 'Cheers to Volunteers' Award is to recognize the extraordinary contributions of an individual, group and youth who make a difference by volunteering their time and skills to provide services and programs in our communities.

INDIVIDUAL WINNER: Rita

“Volunteering has always been ingrained in my persona. I like the involvement and fulfilling the need to help. It is nice to meet new people and learn about their interests as well. Communities cannot grow without volunteers. Program development requires volunteers so that communities can become vibrant and fulfill the needs of their residents. I see Coalhurst as being one of those vibrant communities.”



Nobleford

Barons



GROUP WINNER: My City Care – Taber

“ My City Care creates lasting impact in our community. It offers a safe, neutral place for people to come who need help and they always leave better than they arrived. This group empowers others, intentionally seeks out ways to better our community and helps everyone feel like they belong. ”

- Cheer to Volunteers nominator

MYCITYCARE

YOUTH WINNER: Ernie and Nancy

This year, there was a tie for first place. These two volunteer every day at school in the kitchen, providing healthy snacks and lunches as part of a nutrition program for their fellow students.

“ I have always had a yearning to be involved and help others in any capacity, to not only ease the workload but to engage with other community members and get to know them. Experiences that have been the most impactful to me from volunteering have been the positive attitudes demonstrated by the volunteers beside me along with the cherishable memories created. ” - Ernie

“ I saw that there was help needed and helped out where I could. It was important for me to make sure kids were fed if they forgot lunches or didn't have snacks available. ” - Nancy



Goal 3

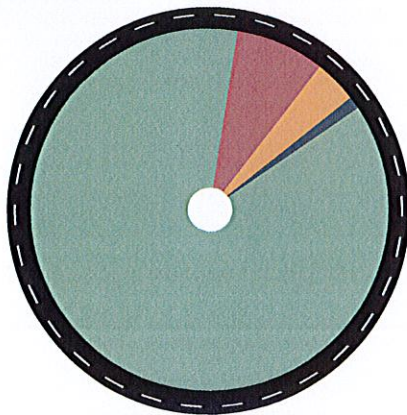
Entry Point for Supports

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

Goal 3.1

► INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

ACTION Serve as an entry point for residents, and information guide for partners and stakeholders, to learn more about local and government supports.



412 ENTRY POINT SUPPORTS

TYPES OF SUPPORT PROVIDED

- 87% Referrals and Information
- 8% Paperwork and Documentation
- 4% Advocacy and System Navigation
- 1% Translation Support

BEW FCSS FACILITATED 214 FOOD DELIVERIES

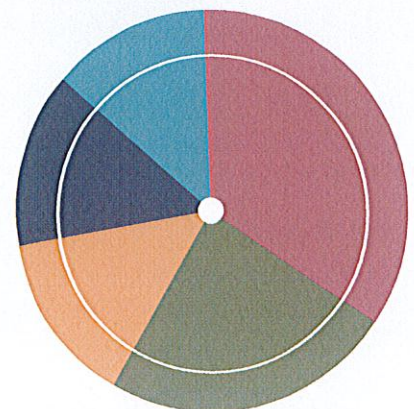
ACTION Support residents to navigate government (local, provincial, and federal) systems to receive assistance and entitled benefits.

2,203 SERVICE HOURS

2,887 SERVICE VISITS

NAVIGATION SUPPORT

- 35% Provincial Benefits
- 24% Income Tax
- 14% Housing
- 14% Other
- 13% Federal Benefits



COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM

The Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) is in partnership with the CRA. This tax season marked the tenth year that BEW FCSS offered the CVIPT to eligible individuals and families within the service region.

120 TAX CLINICS

5 SUPER TAX CLINICS

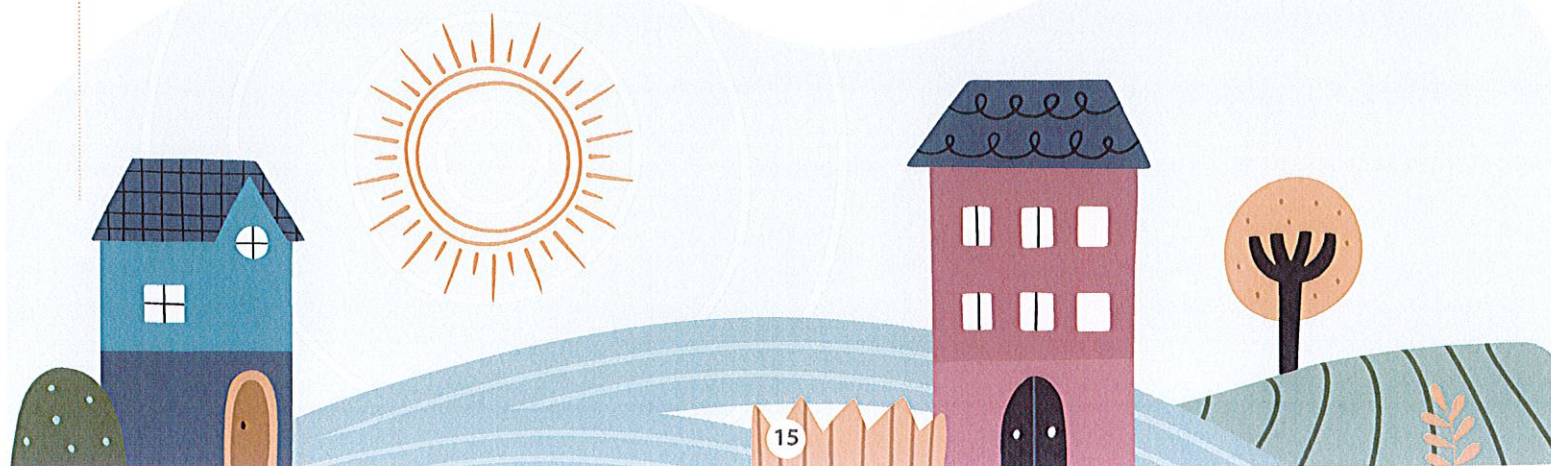
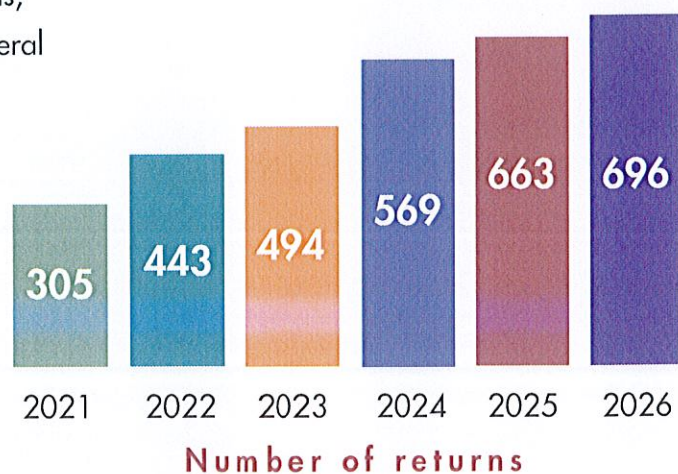
BEW FCSS hosted 5 Super Tax Clinics with representatives from Service Canada and Canada Revenue Agency available to provide in-person support to residents. Community members accessed support to file tax returns, update personal information, apply for federal programs, and more.



\$6,955,472

**BENEFITS RECEIVED BY
ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS**

*(Guaranteed Income Supplement, AISH,
Income Support, Alberta Seniors Benefit, WCB, GST,
Climate Action Incentive, Canada Child Benefit)*





► COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING

ACTION Create additional opportunities for residents to access supports through inter-agency coordination with intervention-based supports (i.e, poverty, homelessness, and family and sexual violence, etc.).

FCSS is committed to fostering and maintaining strong relationships with community agencies across all 16 municipalities we serve. By connecting and partnering with local organizations, we promote FCSS, expand opportunities for residents to access support, and ensure services are coordinated without unnecessary duplication.

Reaching Home

This 2-year project is funded by the Government of Canada's Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy, which is administered by the Rural Development Network. The program is funded from April 2026-March 2028.

New Case Manager: Amanda Royce

49 INDIVIDUALS SUPPORTED



Amanda Royce

17 INDIVIDUALS SUCCESSFULLY HOUSED

(*data from April 1 – August 31, 2026)

Support is provided to individuals and families living within the BEW FCSS area who are unhoused or at imminent risk of homelessness.

The Reaching Home Case Manager supports residents with housing attainment, basic needs, information and referrals, and system navigation. She promotes coordinated access and integrated service delivery through local partnerships.



Gouvernement
du Canada

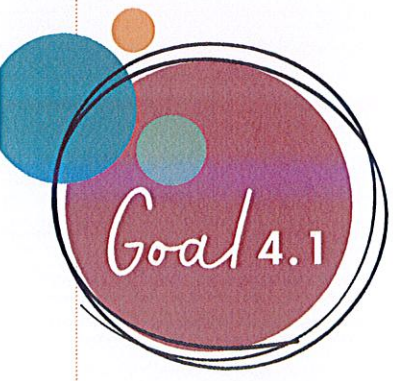
Government
of Canada



Goal 4

Capture Impact

Measure the positive impact of programs and services.



Goal 4.1

► INFORMATION STUDY AND RESEARCH

ACTION Increase the quality of program and service evaluation.

FCSS is committed to understanding and measuring the impact of the programs and services we provide. To capture this impact, we collect data through client evaluations, assessments, testimonials, and client impact stories. These findings are analyzed to assess program effectiveness and guide future planning and ensure our services continue to meet the needs of the families we serve.

COMMUNITY SERVICES EVALUATION RESULTS

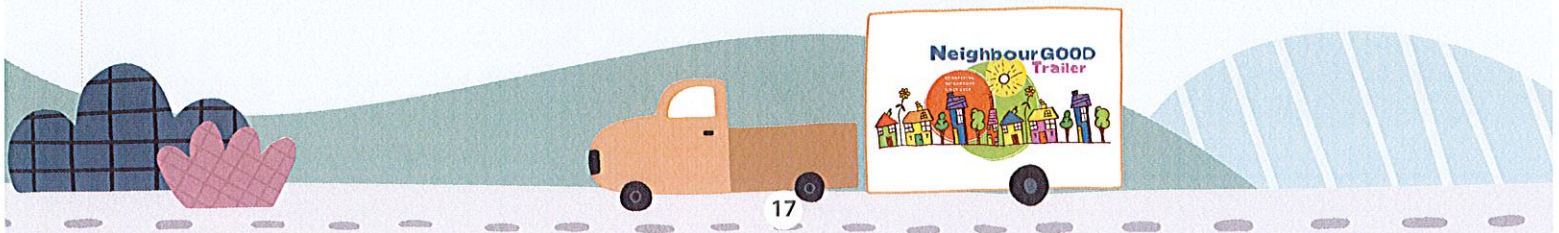
Intergenerational Groups and Community Outreach Services

92% of participants are highly satisfied with these programs.

94% of participants agree these programs are easy to access.

79% of participants agree these programs helped them feel more connected to their community and know where to turn for help.

“ I loved being in the program. It helped me connect with other people in the community. ”



FCSS Youth Leadership Group Programs

96% of participants agree they felt valued in the program.

95% of participants agree the skills they learned will help them in the future.

89% of participants agree the skills they learned in this program will help them in the future.

“ I felt like I belonged and everybody was fun, kind and welcoming. ”

FCSS Youth Camps

83% of participants are highly satisfied with this program.

72% of participants agree they feel better about themselves, as a result of this program.

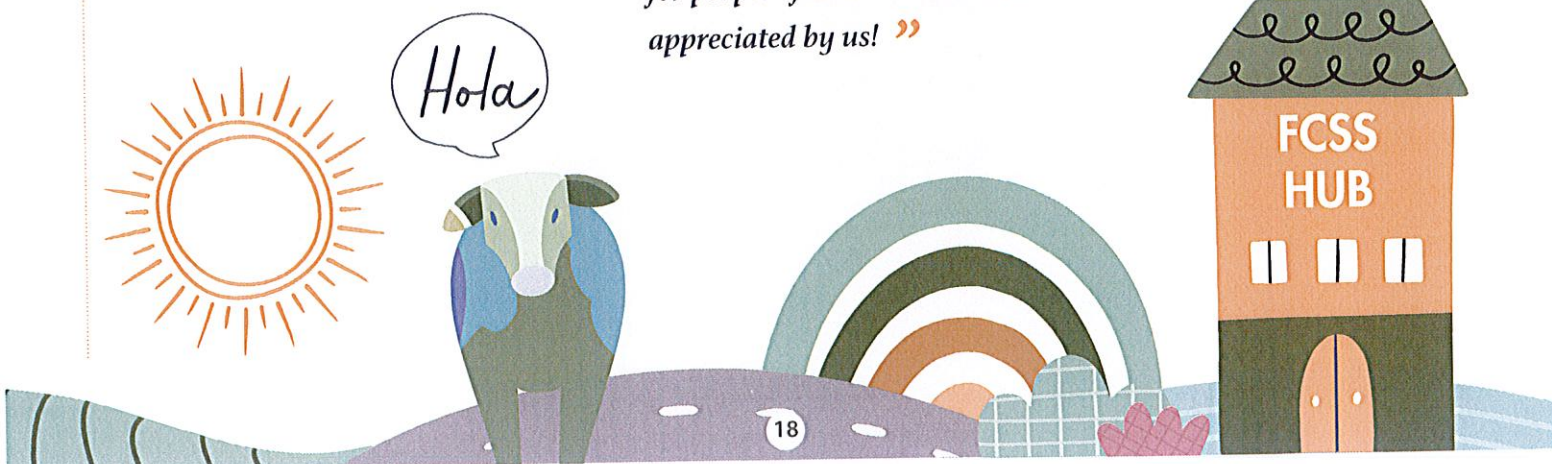
“ What an incredible camp and opportunity for the youth in our community. My daughter loved it and learned skills she will use for future art projects. Thank you so much! ”

Community Volunteer Income Tax Program

99% of participants are highly satisfied with the income tax program.

99% of participants agree this program was easy to access.

“ This is a service that is very much needed for people of lower income and is much appreciated by us! ”



CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

“ My favorite part would have to have been all the games and events. The key takeaway for me was that it doesn't take a lot of effort to get people to have fun. I feel like Do Crew got me out of my comfort zone and got me comfortable meeting new people (the transition from the small town of Vauxhall to the college in the city would have been a lot more stressful had I not done this) so thanks a tonne! ” – Do Crew Client



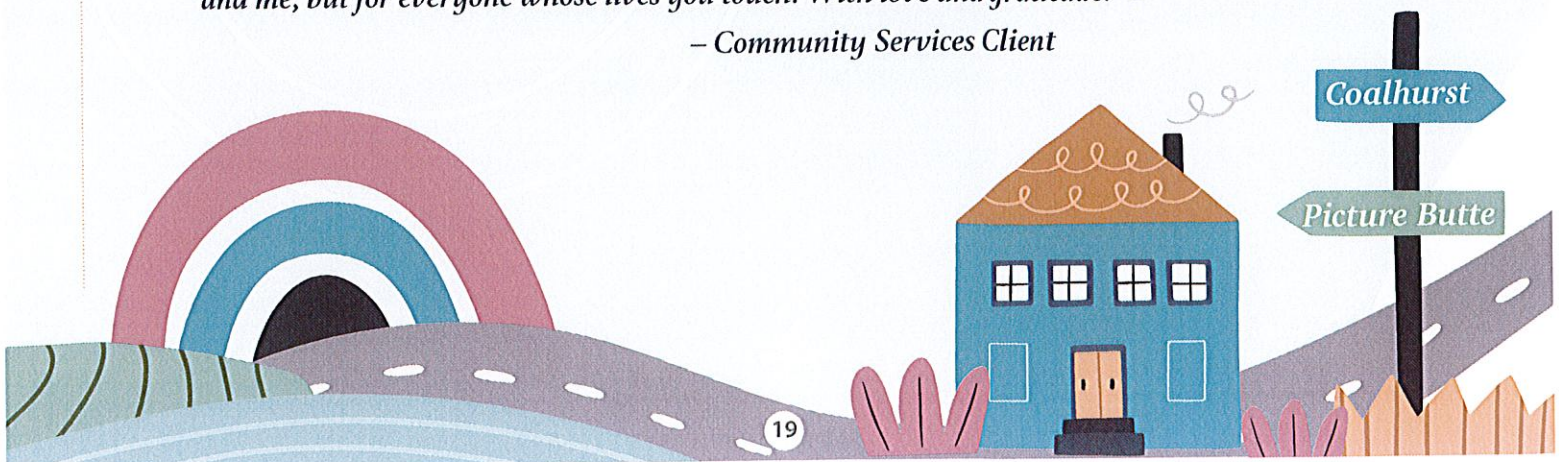
Do Crew Grads

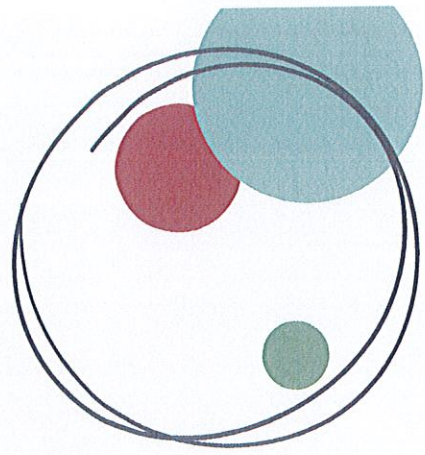
“ Having access to this program has allowed my family to save \$100's of dollars on personal hygiene items and food. These funds have been able to be allocated to doing new things with my children, joining sports/participating in activities they other wise wouldn't be able to. ”

– Meal Delivery Client

“ I'm writing with bittersweet news - my family and I will be relocating to the Village of Breton in northern Alberta at the end of this month. It's hard to say goodbye. My heart feels heavy as I think about leaving. Only half a year, kids have been receiving so much fun with FCSS I still vividly remember the day I first came to register, You welcomed me with such kindness and guided me through everything with patience and grace. That moment marked the beginning of a truly meaningful year working alongside you. I will miss Raymond FCSS deeply. Your support, your friendship have meant so much to me. Thank you for everything you've done, not just for my kids and me, but for everyone whose lives you touch. With love and gratitude. ”

– Community Services Client





www.fcss.ca

