#### **TOWN OF DRUMHELLER**

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

#### **AGENDA**

TIME & DATE: 4:30pm, Monday March 13th, 2023

LOCATION: Council Chambers, 224 Centre St and ZOOM Platform and

Live Stream on Drumheller Valley YouTube Channel

- 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>
- 2. OPENING COMMENTS
- 3. <u>ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA</u>
- 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
  - 4.1 Agenda for March 13<sup>th</sup> 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting

**Proposed Motion:** Move to adopt the agenda for the February 13, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.

#### 5. <u>MEETING MINUTES</u>

5.1 Minutes for February 13, 2023, Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.

Committee of the Whole Meeting – February 13, 2023 - Minutes

**Proposed Motion:** Move to approve the minutes for the February 13, 2023, Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.

#### **COUNCIL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

#### 6. DELEGATIONS

6.1 Destination Development - Co-creating a Destination Development Plan for Drumheller and Area

Presented by twenty-31 and Travel Drumheller

Presentation

6.2 Drumheller and District Chamber of Commerce Annual Update Executive Director, Heather Bitz

Presentation

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

#### 7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

#### CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- 7.1 Manager of Community Development and Social Planning
- 7.1.1 Drumheller Valley Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)Community Development and Social Planning Department Update (CDSP)

**Presentation** 

**EMERGENCY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES** 

INFRASTRUCTURE DEPARTMENT

#### 8. CLOSED

8.1 Land Transactions, Third Party Business; Development and Planning

FOIP 16 - Disclosure harmful to business of a third party

FOIP 23 (1) - Local public body confidences

FOIP 24 (1) - Advice from Officials

**Proposed Motion:** That Council close the meeting to the public to discuss land transaction, third party business, development and planning, as per FOIP 16 – Disclosure harmful to business of a third party; FOIP 23 (1) – Local public body confidences, FOIP 24 (1) – Advice from Officials

#### 9. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Proposed Motion: Move to adjourn the meeting.



#### **TOWN OF DRUMHELLER**

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#### **MINUTES**

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MTBsm-DezXU

IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Heather Colberg Chief Administrative Officer: Darryl Drohomerski

Councillor Patrick Kolafa Director of Corporate and Community Services: Mauricio Reyes
Councillor Stephanie Price Director of Emergency and Protective Services: Greg Peters

Councillor Tom Zariski Director of Infrastructure: Dave Brett

Councillor Tony Lacher Flood Resiliency Project Director: Deighen Blakely

Communication Officer: Bret Crowle Legislative Services: Denise Lines

Online Legislative Services: Denise L
Councillor Crystal Sereda Reality Bytes IT: David Vidal

Councillor Lisa Hansen-Zacharuk

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called to order 4:30pm

#### 2. OPENING COMMENTS

Freedom to Read Week

Family Day – Unplugged. February 20th for more details check drumheller.ca

#### ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

#### 4. <u>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</u>

#### 4.1 Agenda for February 13<sup>th</sup> 2023 Committee of the Whole Meeting

M2023.36 Moved by Councillor Kolafa, Councillor Price;

to adopt the agenda for the February 13, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting as

presented.

Carried unanimously

#### 5. <u>MEETING MINUTES</u>

5.1 Minutes for January 16, 2023, Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.

Agenda attachment: Committee of the Whole Meeting – January 16, 2023 - Minutes

M2023. 37 Moved by Councillor Lacher, Councillor Hansen-Zacharuk; to approve the minutes for the January 16, 2023, Committee of the Whole meeting as presented.

Carried unanimously

#### 6. <u>COUNCIL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES</u>

6.1 Drumheller and District Seniors Foundation Minutes – December 2022

Agenda attachment: Minutes

M2023.38 Moved by Councillor Zariski, Councillor Price; to accept as information the minutes from the Drumheller and District Seniors Foundation December 2022 meetings as presented.

Carried unanimously

#### 7. <u>REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION</u>

#### OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

7.1 Chief Administrative Officer

Time Stamp: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MTBsm-DezXU

7.1.1 For Discussion: The Drumheller Public Library – Bylaw Update

Questions:

Should the library restart the paid membership program?

Would the Board consider adding that verbiage "abide to Alberta Health Regulations" to the Bylaw.

Agenda attachments: Bylaws Changes

#### 7.2 Flood Resiliency Project Director

Time Stamp: https://www.youtube.com/live/MTBsm-DezXU?feature=share&t=684

#### 7.2.1 Briefing Note: Midland Berm Alignment Optimization

As stated in the briefing note submitted by D. Blakely, following the tender and award of the Midland Berm project in the summer of 2022, the Flood Office also began additional work to assess the cost of the upstream section of the berm, which runs parallel to 25<sup>th</sup> Street NW, to determine if there was an opportunity to make use of the existing CN Rail embankment versus building a new section of berm to save on construction costs. The Flood Office has determined there would be a significant cost savings to proceed with this option, with minimal increase in risk, so are moving forward with this change.

Agenda attachment: Briefing Note

#### 7.2.2 For Information Only: Tree Clearing Tender Award Spring 2023

Tree clearing work is scheduled to commence late February completed by April 15, 2023 ahead of the start of the migratory bird nesting season.

Agenda attachment: For Information only - RFD

#### 7.3 Economic Development Manager

Time Stamp: https://www.youtube.com/live/MTBsm-DezXU?feature=share&t=1337

#### 7.3.1 Briefing Note: Short Term Rental (STR) By

Discussion items:

Process items to consider include: a demerit system to assist with enforcement issues; a fines and penalty schedule; would it be possible to limit the number of dwellings per community; parking; how does this help support our local tourism industry; is the municipal property assessment process affected, residential vs commercial properties. A draft of the bylaw is scheduled to be presented at the March 6, 2023 Regular Council meeting.

Agenda attachment: Briefing Note

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

#### **EMERGENCY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES**

#### 7.4 Director of Emergency and Protective Services

Time Stamp: https://www.youtube.com/live/MTBsm-DezXU?feature=share&t=2142

#### 7.4.1 Request for Direction: Program for the Implementation of Paid Parking

Discussion items:

A request for proposal will be posted for Paid Parking options.

There are paid parking options that include passes for residents.

It is important that the process is simple and easy to follow.

The process of enforcement will need research and development.

Agenda attachment: RF Direction

#### INFRASTRUCTURE DEPARTMENT

#### 8. <u>CLOSED</u>

8.1 Land Transaction and Development; Personnel

FOIP 16 – Disclosure harmful to business of a third party

FOIP 23 (1) - Local public body confidences

FOIP 24 (1) – Advice from Officials

M2023.39 Moved by Councillor Zariski, Councillor Price;

close the meeting to the public to discuss land transaction and development and personnel as per FOIP 16 – Disclosure harmful to business of a third party; FOIP 23 (1) – Local public body confidences, FOIP 24 (1) – Advice from Officials. Time 5:28pm

Carried unanimously

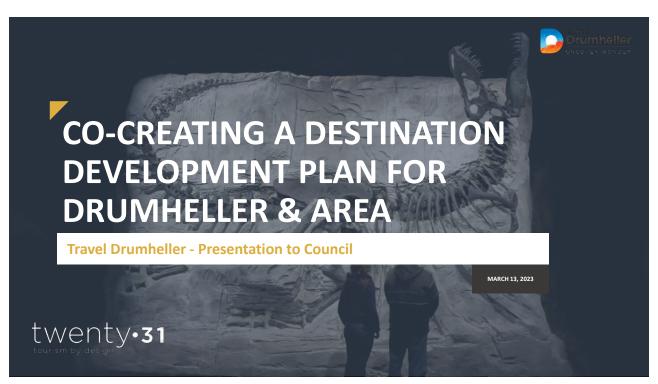
M2023.40 Moved by Councillor Price, Councillor Lacher;

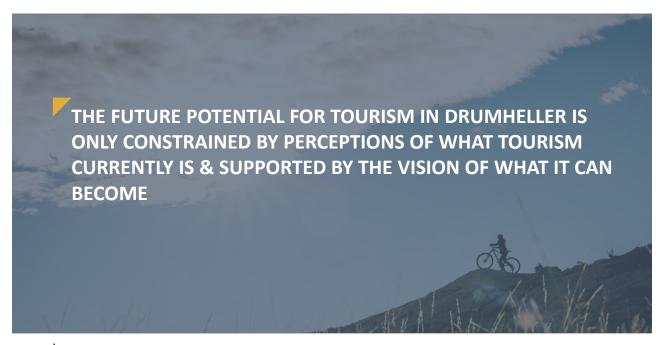
to open the meeting to the public. Time 7:54pm

Carried unanimously

#### 9. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

M2023.41	Moved by Councillor Zariski, Councillor that Council adjourn the meeting. Time 7	
	Carried unanimously	
		MAYOR
		CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER





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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

#### STEERING COMMITTEE

- Andi Dzilums, Travel Alberta
- Tyler Eddy, Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology
- Julia Fielding, Travel Drumheller
- Reg Johnston, Town of Drumheller
- Dr. Sarah Newstead, Atlas Coal Mine National Historic Site
- Alison Roppel, Community Futures Big Country
- Ryan Semchuk, Canalta Hotels
- Jody Sunstrum, The Sunny Spot

#### TRAVEL DRUMHELLER STAFF

- Julia Fielding
- Heather Little
- Michelle Stewart
- · Lorainne Coursol

#### DRUMHELLER TOWN COUNCIL

- Heather Colberg, Mayor
- Lisa Hansen-Zacharuk, Councillor
- Patrick Kolafa, Councillor Tony Lacher, Councillor
- Stephanie Price, Councillor
- Crystal Sereda, Councillor Tom Zariski, Councillor

#### TOWN OF DRUMHELLER STAFF

- Dave Brett, Director Infrastructure

- Scott Gamble, Project Coordinator Ending Working Poverty
- April Harrison, Manager Community Development & Social Planning
- Greg Peters, Director Protective Services
- Mauricio Reyes, Director Corporate Services

#### ADDITIONAL CONSULTATIONS

- Nora Bird Hamilton, R.A Hamilton & Associates Inc.
- Wendy Benzon, Drumheller Nordic Wellness
- Catherine Bonneville, Drumheller Airport
- Patrick Bonneville, Drumheller Airport
- Craig Burrows, Professional Disc Golf Association
- Sandra Chambers, Fossil World Discovery Centre
- Brooke Christianson, Canalta Hotels
- Simen Christoferson, Canalta Hotels
- Katy Delves, Alberta Environment and Protected Areas
- Devan Dekeyser, Horseshoe Canyon Campground/Dinosaur Trail RV Resorts & Cabins
- Neil Dobell, Dinosaur Trail Golf Course
- Marty Eberth, RTM Co-op Society
- Dustin Edwards, Barney's Adventure Park
- Carson Elliot, Alberta Transportation
- Joel Fabrick, Badlands Photography
- Lynn Fabrick, Dry Canyon Collectables Wendy Gerbrandt, Community Futures Wild Rose Bernie Germain,
- Bernie and the Boys
- Valerie Given, East Coulee School Museum
- Darren Helgeson, Cactus Coulee Fun Park

- Cindie Hughes, Quality Hotel Drumheller
- Debra Jungling, Jungling Works Chris and Candace Lorenz, Heller Good Food
- Michael Love, Community Futures Big Country
- Pam MacDonald, Badlands Trail Society Paul Muir, Rosebud Theatre
- Vance Neudorf, Badlands Amphitheatre
- Andrew Neuman, Red Deer River Adventures
  - Shawn Pallesen, Tyrannosaurus Rest
- Lana Phillips, Bikes and Bites
- Aly Price, Pearl and Hart
- Debbie Schinnour, World's Largest Dinosau
- Crystal Sereda, Valley Brewing
- Shelby Sherwick, Kneehill County Bridget Unland, RTM Co-op Society
- Steve Wannstrom, Starland County
- Derrick Wilson, Alberta Transportation
- Jennifer Windl, Alberta Forestry, Parks and Tourism Greg Nelson, Alberta Forestry, Parks and Tourism

And, a big thank you to the many not mentioned here who have shared their insights and guidance along the way!

# APPROACH

#### DISCOVER

- 12+ STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOPS

#### **ASSESS & PRIORITIZE**

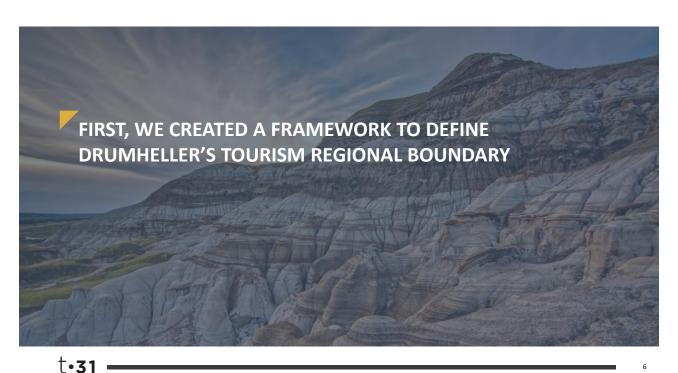
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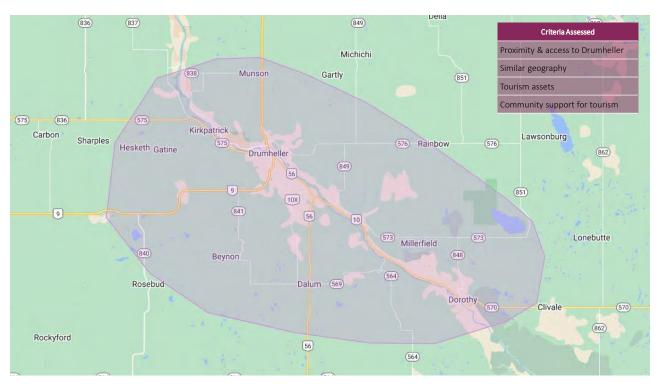
#### **RECOMMEND & SOCIALIZE**

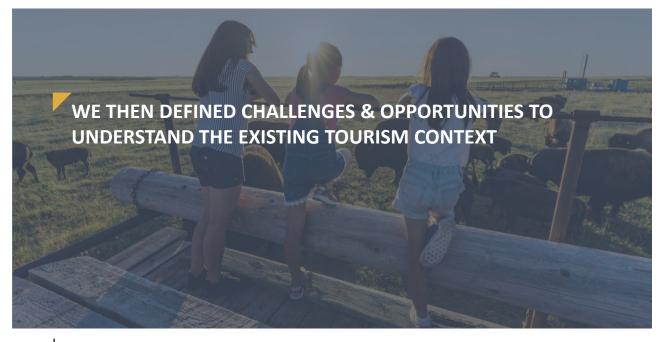
- DRAFTING OF STRATEGY

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# CHALLENGES

#### Short-term bottlenecks



accommodations

#### Longer-term, systemic















Negative resident

Leadership & industry sentiment towards tourism mindset shift towards yearround tourism

Under-utilized year-round tourism assets

Lack of labour availability; lack of qualified labour

Limited public transportation

Established brand perception of Drumheller

impacts of tourism

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# **OPPORTUNITY THEMES**

#### Short-term



Tourism leadership & advocacy



Tourism culture for Drumheller communities



Packaging & itinerary development



Nimble, highly targeted marketing campaigns to drive market



Travel trade channels

#### Medium-to-longer-term



Optimize under-utilized assets for tourism



Build year-round tourism products that will drive visitation



Develop downtown tourism vibe



Convert theater and film for tourism and room nights visitor/community amenities



Identify and support



Support tourism investment & entrepreneurship



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# **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- 1 We will work with the community to ensure that tourism and community goals are fully aligned and that there is mutual benefit derived from our actions.
- 2 We unite the entire tourism industry and its supporters through open communication, collaboration, and partnerships.
- 3 We welcome all visitors warmly, ensuring they leave feeling like they were our guest and not merely a customer.
- We commit to providing authentic experiences that communicate our unique rural history and that celebrates the people that call this place home.
- 5 We encourage an entrepreneurial environment that fosters creativity, bold action, and innovation.
- We strive to protect our one-of-a-kind natural and agricultural environment to ensure its enjoyment by current and future generations of residents and guests.



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## **GOALS & OBJECTIVES**



#### **GOAL: ECONOMIC**

Increase total annual revenue & profitability from tourism

#### **Supporting Objectives**

Optimize number of experiences that are market ready to attract more visitors and to increase length of stay

Improve seasonality in winter and shoulder seasons to attract more and higher-yield visitors to optimize revenues

Improve awareness, interest, and action to visit across a larger and more diverse target markets

Further entice investors and entrepreneurs to invest in tourism assets and experiences in the region because of its high potential for return on investment (ROI) and low risk



#### GOAL: SOCIAL

Improve destination livability and appreciation of tourism among residents

#### **Supporting Objectives**

Establish tourism leadership presence when planning for broader social initiatives

Improve perception of tourism in community through continued community engagement and alignment

Support improvement in resident quality of life



#### GOAL: ENVIRONMENTAL

Ensure natural assets are protected & sustained for locals and visitors to enjoy for generations to come

#### **Supporting Objectives**

Build awareness with tourism stakeholders and visitors on responsibility to long-term sustainability

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# **GOALS & OBJECTIVES**



DESTINATION LEADERSHIP

implementation committee

social tourism research

D. Support tourism innovation,

B. Establish and communicate tourism

C. Conduct and share industry, market, and

ntrepreneurship, and investmen

F. Strengthen tourism partnerships with

E. Address labour issues through "build in

public-sector assets (e.g., Alberta Parks)

leadership role and strategy

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DESTINATION DEVELOMPENT



DESTINATION PROMOTION

Grow year-round tourism revenue

A. Build a Drumheller tourism marketing

B. Launch "value of tourism" community

C. Update campaigns targeting Albertans

D. Update campaigns targeting US drive

E. Strenathen online distribution and sales

collective that includes brand

campaigns



#### Focus on longer-term

- Develop and implement a sport tourism strategy, including support for development of new sporting facilities
- B. Develop and implement health and wellness tourism strategy
- C. Develop and implement culinary tourism
- strategy
  D. Advocate for town of Drumheller
- masterplan that includes tourism
- E. Address transportation challenges in and around Drumheller

Enhance Drumheller tourism products & experiences

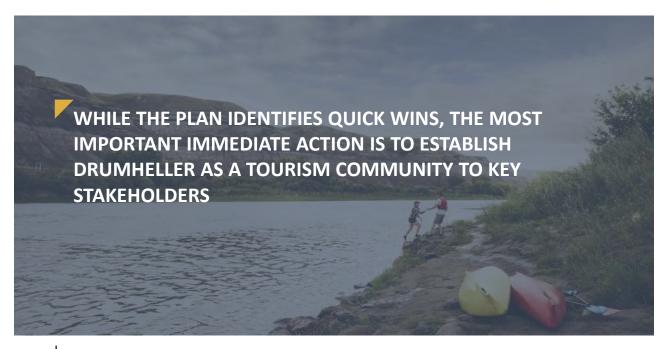
- A. Create more multi-day itineraries and experiences, especially shoulder/winter
- B. Consider development of existing/new tourism products and experiences
- C. Revitalize Town of Drumheller downtown
- core for tourism
- D. Enhance Drumheller creative industries experiences and infrastructure
- E. Optimize Drumheller region trail system to accommodate various traveller segments
- F. Identify and support enhancement of tourism/social infrastructure
- G. Support tourism stakeholder product and experience training
- H. Provide training and incentives to encourage more sustainable tourism

F. Support a visitor services program with focus on operators

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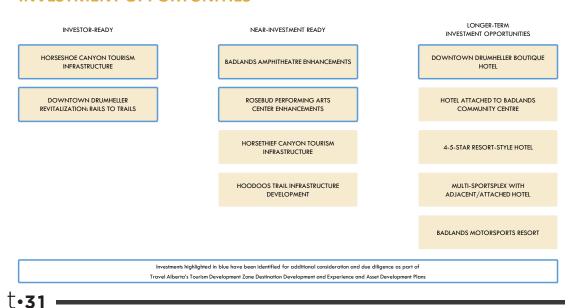
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# INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES







# Drumheller & District Chamber of Commerce

UPDATE TO TOWN COUNCIL MARCH 13, 2023

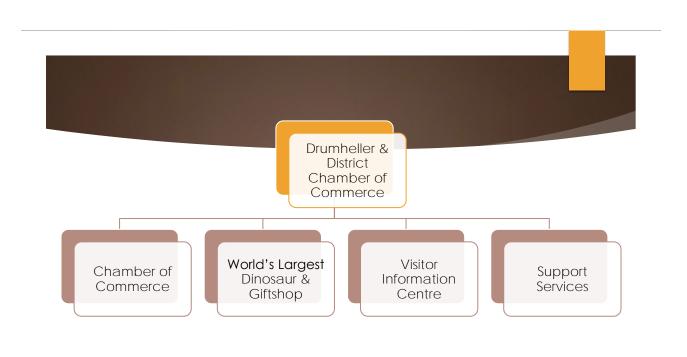
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# Our Mission

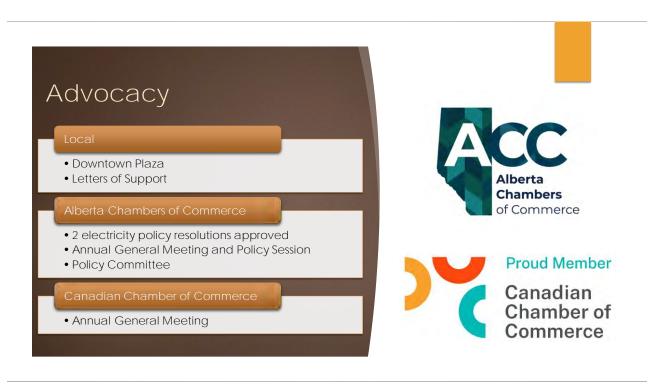
- Building a strong business community in the Drumheller area through:
  - Promotion of local business
  - Awareness of membership benefits and the DDCC
  - Advocacy on behalf of membership at the local, provincial and national levels
  - Providing opportunities for members to learn, share and network



- President Deana Hannem, Dinosaur Valley Massage & Wellness
- ▶ Vice President Lisa Magee, ProPlan Financial/The Cooperators
- ► Secretary-Treasurer Christine DeMille (Wanderlust Boutique)
- Past President Martina Morrison (Riverside Value Drug Mart)
- Directors:
  - ▶ Mike Bell (Western GM Drumheller)
  - ► Tunji Bello (Riverside Physiotherapy)
  - ▶ Jeff Hall (MNP)
  - ► Lana Phillips (Bikes and Bites)
  - Shelley Rymal (formerly Sage Valley Marketing)
  - ▶ Brandi Schneider (Drumheller Registries)
  - ▶ Bob Sheddy (The Drumheller Mail)
  - ► Shannon Wade (Hi-Way 9)
  - ▶ Lisa Hansen-Zacharuk (Tow of Drumheller appointee)



# 245 members in 2022 (243 members - 2021) 25 new members in 2022 Relationship building Value-Added Program Highlights Chambers of Commerce Group Insurance Plan - 80 members Merchant discount programs - ATB, Elavon Fuel discounts - ESSO, Petro-Canada Shipping discounts - Purolator, UPS Marketing - Constant Contact, nine10 Payroll, HR & Legal services - Payworks, Peninsula, Legal Shield





- ▶ Building Enhancement Grant Program
- Drumheller DinoArts Association
- ► Celebration of Excellence
- ► Festival of Lights
- ▶ Drum Discovery
- ► Business Needs Assessment Survey
- ▶ Ribbon Cuttings
- ▶ Business Leader of Tomorrow Scholarships
- ▶ You're Hired Interview Competition
- ► Community Business Association
- Committee appointments

# Building Enhancement Grant Program

- **>** 2022
  - ▶ 12 business projects supported
  - > \$37,000 in funds dispersed
- **2023** 
  - > 31 applications received
  - ▶ 13 business projects supported
  - ▶ \$40,000 in partner funding



# World's Largest Dinosaur



- ▶ 2022 visitation: 141,199 people
- ▶ 5 year average: 108,068 people
- Legacy Fund + Capital Repair FundFuture maintenance
- ▶ WLD Giftshop
  - ▶ Drumheller Valley merchandise
  - ▶ Roots Canada

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## Visitor Information Centre

- ► First point of contact
- ≥ 2022 33,873 visitors counselled
- ► Virtual VIC project
- ▶ Digital VIC kiosk
- ► Fee-for-service agreement



# The Year Ahead...



Annual General Meeting

Lunch & Learns

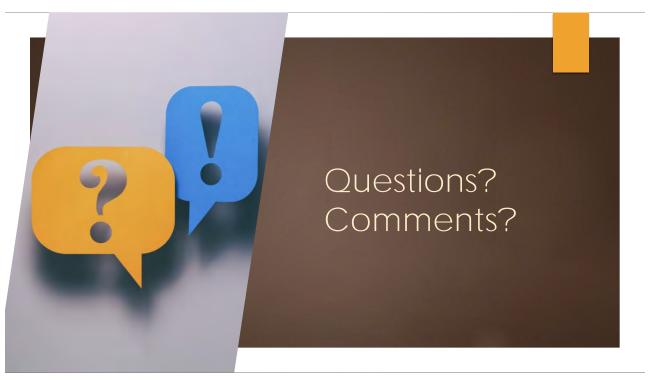
**Election Forum** 

Celebration of Excellence

Small Business Week

Jingle Mingle

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# The FCSS Role

Design & deliver local preventative social programming to improve the well-being of individuals, families & communities.

#### Services provided must do one or more of the following:

- Help people to develop independence, strengthen coping skills and become more resistant to crisis;
- 2. Help people to develop an awareness of social needs
- Help people to develop interpersonal and group skills which enhance constructive relationships among people;
- Help people and communities to assume responsibility for decisions and actions which affect them; and
- Provide supports that help sustain people as active participants in the community
- How do we decide what to focus on? CSNA & ongoing community engagement
- PLUS consideration of Provincial Prevention Priorities (new).



# Obligations of the Municipality (FCSS)

### The FCSS Regulation Section 2 states:

In providing for the establishment, administration and operation of a [FCSS] program, a municipality must do all of the following:

- a) Promote and facilitate the development of stronger communities;
- b) Promote public participation in planning, delivering, and governing the program and of services provided under the program;
- c) Promote and facilitate the involvement of volunteers;
- d) Promote efficient and effective use of resources;
- e) Promote and facilitate co-operation and co-ordination with allied service agencies operating within the municipality.

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# Current FCSS Programs - selected based on local needs

Social research to understand local needs e.g.

- Community Social Needs Assessment - Poverty Reduction Strategy

- Homelessness Assessment

#### Preventative Social programming

 Older Adult connection & engagement programs

- Youth positive development, skill development & leadership programs - Strengthening families program (i.e. Family Fun)
- Early Childhood development, e.g. Roots of Empathy

Community education & awareness programs

Information & Referral services

**Advocacy** 

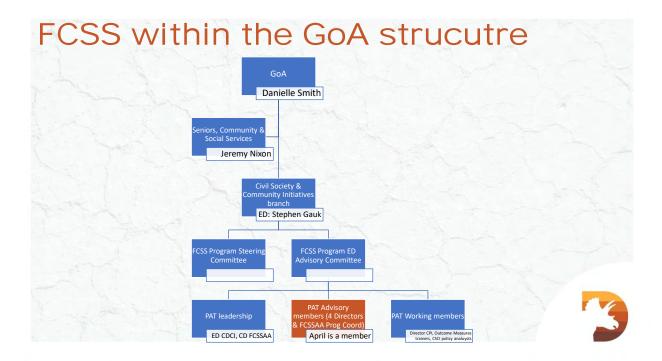
**Collective Impact initiatives** 

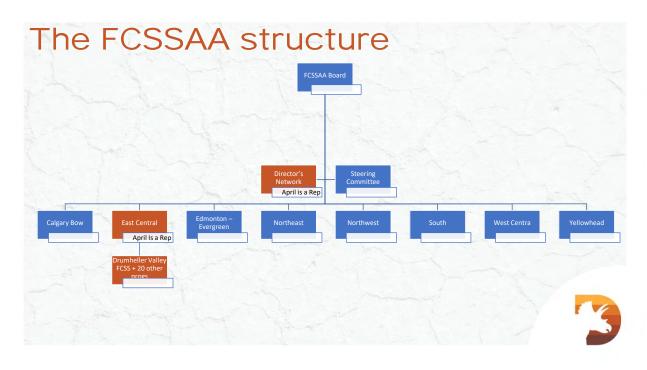
#### **Promoting volunteerism**

- Leaders of Tomorrow Award,
  - GFB program,
  - Volunteer Tax program,
  - Volunteer appreciation
  - Volunteer newsletter

## Community development initiatives e.g.

- WIC: block parties, block buddies, Welcome week, Welcome packs
  - Board development





# Updates from the province

- FCSS Accountability Framework approved Jan 2023
- 5 Provincial prevention priorities:
  - 1. Homelessness and housing insecurity
  - 2. Mental health and addictions
  - 3. Employment
  - 4. Family and sexual violence across the lifespan
  - 5. Aging well in community
- Does not negate the focus on LOCAL needs but must be considered in planning.
- New reporting system



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# Non-FCSS programs currently delivered by CDSP

#### **Ending Working Poverty Project**

#### **Crisis support**

e.g. for those that are homeless, experiencing family violence etc

#### Other

- Internal development Supporting the Housing Strategy

#### Poverty alleviation initiatives e.g.

- Community Counselling Program
  Good Food Box subsidy
  Recreation Fee Assistance Policy
  Home Support Program
  Hot Meals Program
  Tech Connect program
  Subsidised transportation (e.g. to medical appts, shelter)
  Giving Lane

#### **Emergency Social Services**

- ESS volunteer deve ESS prep (training) ESS delivery



# CSNA Engagement Phases

	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Sept
2022 CSNA Survey								
Community & Agency Workshops								
Family Day Public Consultation				20th				
Collaborative Agency Taskforce Workshop					1st			
Closing the Loop (Citizenlab activity)								
Council Presentation								
Implementation & Public Evaluation								Annually

# **Grant Writing & Administration**

#### Admin:

- FCSS year end new reporting system
  - Info graph
- Mental Health & addictions grant

#### Grant writing & sponsorship development:

- Home support program
- · Hot meals program
- Youth programs
- Poverty Reduction/alleviation
- CSNA priorities



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# RFAP & Drum life Pass

- New application form
- Encouraging external participation
- RFD to council



# Drumheller Valley FCSS Board

- Research
- RFD to council
- ToRs & Bylaw development
  - Collaboration



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# FCSS grant to external agencies

- CSNA priorities
- Application revision
- Evaluation Process
  - Board
  - Participatory budgeting



# Starland FCSS & County Partnership

- Increased contribution
- Introduced community counselling partnership



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# CDSP team development

- Strategic planning
- KPIs
- Program Logic models
- Outcome Measures
- Work plans
- Systems, tools & processes



# Collective Impact

- Coordinated Care
- Drug trends, stigma & opioid poisoning response information session & training – May 2, 2023
  - Turning Point



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# **Emergency Social Services**

- Providing services required to preserve the well-being of people affected by an emergency or disaster.
- · ESS plan
- Formalising partnerships
- Training
  - · Staff
  - volunteer





# Community Development 2022

#### Welcoming & Inclusive Communities

- Welcome Packs
- Block Parties
- Block Buddies
- Welcoming Week
- · Drum Discovery

#### Strengthening Families

· Family Fun Committee & Events

#### Volunteering

- · Volunteer Screening Forms & Process
- · National Volunteer Week
- · Volunteer Connector newsletter
- · Board Development Training
- Volunteer Programs: Good Food Box, Festival of Lights

#### Collaboration

- Interagency
- · Rural Mental Health Network
- · Good Food Box Steering Committee
- Kilo of Kindness

#### Subsidy Programs (Poverty alleviation)

 Community Counselling Program, RFAP, Good Food Box Subsidy

#### Information & Referral

- Spring & Fall Expo
- Good Neighbour Guide
- Website, Phone, Email and In-person inquiries

#### Research

· Community Social Needs Assessment



Our real estate agent...passed [a Welcome Pack] along to us and I still keep it handy and refer to it this day! I found it very helpful and informative, especially being new to Alberta so I appreciated it for sure!"

(119 Welcome Packs distributed in 2022)

# 2022 Wins

- Drum Discovery "Toqued" 21 Ambassadors of the Valley
- Family Fun involved 492 participants over 8 programs
- Good Neighbour Guide with Communications Team
- Terms of Reference established with the Good Food Box & Family Fun
- Block Party Trailer launched August 2022: 113 participants
- Welcoming Week involved 158 people in inclusion discussions & activities
- Nonprofit Board Development Training had 47 attendees from 20 organizations
- Kilo of Kindness involved 3 schools and collected the equivalent of 790 lbs of food for the Food Bank; each school will continue independently from 2023
- Community Social Needs Assessment Survey revamped and launched

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# **Outcome Measures**



- I know more about how to access the community resources I need. (100% agreement)
- I am better able to serve the people in my community. (100% agreement)

#### Let's Connect

- · Block Parties: I am more connected with others in my neighbourhood. (100% agreement)
- Welcome Packs: I know more about how to access the community resources I need. (75% agreement)
- · Welcoming Week: Has helped me to feel a sense of belonging to my community. (93% agreement)
- Block Buddy Training: Helped me to feel that I can make a difference. (100% agreement)

#### Family Fun

- · My family has strengthened/made new connections with other families in my community. (94% agreement)
- My family enjoyed spending time together. (100% agreement)

#### Volunteering

- · Nonprofit Board Development: I am better able to serve the people in my community. (100% agreement)
- National Volunteer Week: I know more about where I can volunteer in my community. (89% agreement)
- Festival of Lights: Helped me to feel a sense of belonging to my community (100% agreement)
- Good Food Box: Helps me make a contribution to my community. (100% agreement)





# Community Development 2023

#### Welcoming and Inclusive Communities (WIC)

- Mental Health engagement session with recent immigrant community (January 25, 2023)
- Complete the Welcoming and Inclusive Communities Municipal Assessment and action plan for 2 focus areas
- Improve Welcome Pack Information: Good Neighbour Guide, Treaty 7 Introduction, Circle of Supports Guide, Business Connections
- Have 10 Block Parties hosted in 2023 and a Block Party Trailer Sponsorship process
- · Support Town of Drumheller engagement in National Truth and Reconciliation Day observance
- · Drum Discovery: Toque 20 Drum Discovery Ambassadors, and help develop a Level 2 training module

#### Volunteering

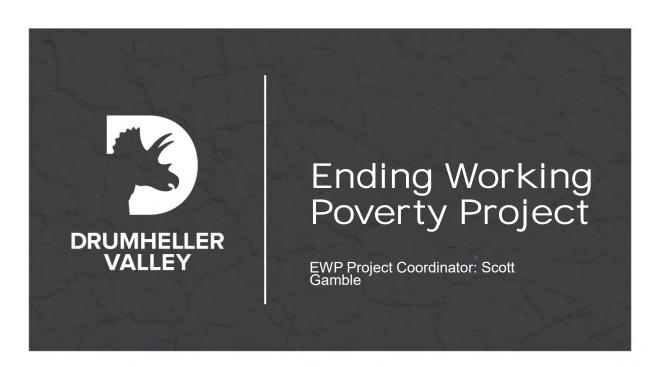
- Increase the number of volunteers reached in National Volunteer Week appreciation by 10%
- Increase Volunteer Connector subscribers by 15%
- · Complete volunteer screening process and documentation/forms
- · Have 50 participants take Nonprofit Board Development Training

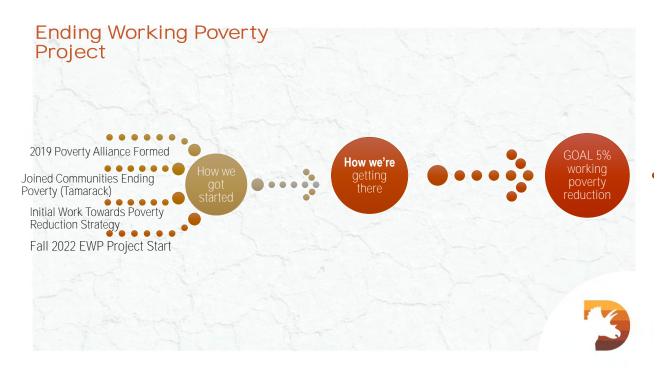
#### Community Social Needs Assessment Completion & Action

#### **Emergency Social Services**

- Complete AEMA ESS introduction and Registration & Reception Centre training
- · Work with CDSP manager to develop Drumheller ESS manual
- · Work with CDSP manager to implement & expand Drum Life Pass















Ending Working Poverty
Project

Advocacy, policy
and systems change

- Tamarack Provincial & National Tables
- Communication with provincial service providers
- Alberta Living Wage Network, Central Alberta Poverty Reduction Network
- TD Bankability / Tamarack working group









# Poverty Reduction Strategy - Update

- Fall 2022 Poverty Reduction Strategy RFP
  - 1. Poverty Profile
  - 2. Best Practices Analysis
  - 3. Strategic Plan
  - 4. Implementation Plan
- Submission costs beyond budgeted funds
  - Returned to Poverty Reduction Alliance
  - Decision to limit scope to stages 1 & 2
  - Alliance committed to creating strategy from the Profile and Analysis
- 2023 Capital Budget funds for Poverty Profile and Analysis
  - RFP closed February 28, 2023 contract to be issued imminently
  - Begins immediately -projected completion July 2023



# Poverty Reduction Strategy - Update

#### A stroke of luck!

- Tamarack | Communities Ending Poverty offers Coaching Group to help develop Poverty Reduction Strategy
  - · Led by national community development expert, Paul Born
  - · Cohort with two New Brunswick municipalities
- Collective Impact model
  - · Doing the plan as we create it.
  - Creating a community poverty reduction strategy, not just a municipal strategy



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Poverty Reduction Strategy - Update

### **Coaching Group Topics and Outline**

Framing the Approach →

Common Agenda →

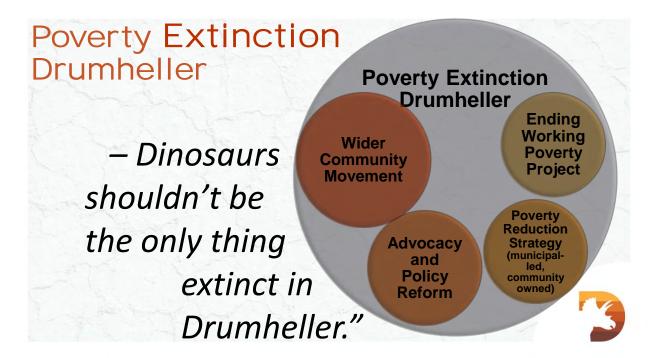
**Community Engagement** →

Writing the Strategy →

Implementing the Strategy  $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ 

Coaching completed approximately summer 2023







### The Role of the Seniors Program Coord.

#### FCSS funded thus provides:

- Information, referral, advocacy on specific issues, supports social research and facilitates collaborative responses to social needs.
- · Primary focus on older adults aged 55+.

#### Preventative Social Programs for older adults focus on:

- · Enhancing community connectedness
- · Reducing isolation
- · Promoting a sense of belonging
- · 1:1s Guiding clients to the correct services to meet their needs, some support with forms (where needed).
- Volunteer Tax Program
- 2023: Supporting safe aging in own home Home Support Program

#### MYTH BUSTING: The Seniors Program Coordinator is NOT:

- A social worker
- A therapist
- A financial advisor
- · An arm of the Provincial/Federal gov with access to their systems/benefits data



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# 2022 Older Adult Program participation

- Volunteer Tax Program: 378 returns (older adults & those on low income)
- Hot Meals Program: 12 approx.
- · Home Support Program: 24
- Tech program: 51
- Older Adults Week (Seniors Week): 100
- Older Adults Fair: 65
- Table talk series: 34
- Trip to the Handhills Turkey Supper: 18
- Seniors Christmas talk: 10
- Activity Kits: 130 in Nov & Dec only
- Christmas dinners in Morrin & Delia: 90 (approx)
- 1:1 Booked appointments: (April-Dec): 132
- 1:1 Walk-ins: (April-Dec): approx. 360



(approx)



# Older Adult Program Wins

- Scheduled & Walk in Appointments
  - + 1 evening per week
- Computer Tech Program
- Grant application
- Seniors Coalition
- · Advocacy on Seniors Behalf
- · Bringing People together
  - Drumheller
  - Starland County
- Communications of events and programs
  - Calendars
  - · Updated website
  - Email distribution list
- Building Community Relationships
  - Grace House
  - · Freson Brothers
  - Residents





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### 2022 Outcome Measures

Older adults have access to the resources they need (100% positive change)

Participants are more connected with others in their community (97% positive change)

Older adults are able to address their needs (100 % positive change)



# Aspects for Development

- Varied funding sources:
  - Grants home support
  - · Sponsorship package
  - · Fees, with subsidy, for some progs
- Volunteer recruitment
- Increasing awareness of programs
  - · 2023 program leaflet coming soon
  - Online
  - · Increasing email distribution list
  - Older adult newsletter
- · Encourage more peer lead programs
- Showcase artwork at the BCF gallery
- · Increase older adult capacity to access support/submit claims online



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# 2023 Older Adult Programs

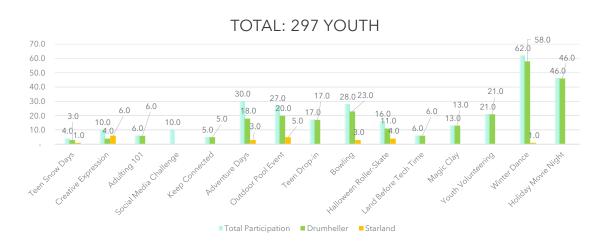
- 1:1 Client Sessions
- Volunteer Tax Program
- Monthly Activity Kits
- Peer led Activities
  - · Beginner Card Making
  - Felting Class
  - Acrylic Class
- Events & Activities
  - Older Adults Week June 6 11
  - Kananaskis trip?

- Programs in Community
   Partnership
  - Museum Walk
  - Youth & Older Adult Prog
  - Paleontology Student Program
  - Morrin & Delia Monthly visits
- Other
  - Monthly calendars
  - Program schedule coming soon.





### 2022 YOUTH PARTICIPATION









### Wins

- ✓ Great attendance building through the year
- √ Youth repeats and positive feedback from parents
- ✓ Excellent Outcomes Measures data showing positive impact
- √ Word of mouth
- ✓ Collab with communications dep. & agencies
- ✓ Improved Volunteer application/onboarding process & youth waiver
- ✓ Development of Program Logic Models
- ✓ Successful first community dance due to volunteer/agency support and FCSSAA input
- ✓ Cost offset by intro of sliding scale fees (\$2k)





# Aspects for Development

- > Increase volunteer support at events
- > Improve the volunteer onboarding process
- > E-newsletter
- ➤ Online database for waivers
- ➤ Grow 'drop in'
- ➤ Duke of Edinburgh Award Centre
- ➤ Grants/alternative funding sources







