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THORSBY AND WARBURG NP RELOCATING

Thorsby and Warburg Nurse Practitioner relocating to new Nurse Practitioner clinic in Leduc.

Primary Care Network Leduc, Beaumont, Devon July 24, 2025

The Leduc Beaumont Devon Primary Care Network (LBDPCN) is pleased to announce the opening of a third Nurse Practitioner (NP) clinic, which will be located in Leduc. This new clinic is located within the central PCN office (4710-50 street, Leduc), and is part of a larger strategy to meet the growing demands of unattached patients in the city.

After a prolonged recruitment process, Michelle Williams, the current NP for the Thorsby and Warburg locations, has been selected as the successful candidate for the Leduc clinic. Michelle has dedicated over five years to Thorsby and Warburg, assisting in the establishment of a highly unique, independent NP practice that has become a model for other practices around the province. After much thoughtful consideration, Michelle made the difficult decision to work closer to home and, with full support from the LBDPCN, is looking forward to assisting in establishing the new clinic. Congratulations Michelle!

Patients currently under Michelle's care have received a letter informing them of her transition. All existing patients are welcome to remain attached and continue seeing Michelle at the Leduc location/virtually. Future patients and patients on the waitlist are also eligible for services in Leduc. To schedule an appointment with Michelle in Leduc, please call the NP clinic at 825-320-3000. Michelle's existing patients can continue to book appointments by calling the NP clinic at 825-320-3000. The office will contact patients on the waiting list once Michelle has transitioned fully to Leduc and her capacity allows her to accept more patients.

To assist with the relocation, the LBDPCN has created a

staged transition timeframe:

As of September 2, 2025, Michelle will be located:

- Mondays in Thorsby
- Wednesdays in Warburg
- Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays in Leduc

As of November 3, 2025, Michelle will be entirely transitioned to Leduc.

In the interim, the LBDPCN is actively <u>recruiting a Nurse Practitioner</u> to fill Michelle's current role in Thorsby and Warburg. If successful with recruitment, the new NP will work with Michelle to assess the entire caseload/panel, and patients will be given the option of location. Patients who prefer to explore other options can utilize the services at <u>www.AlbertaFindADoctor.ca</u> to find a family physician or nurse practitioner who is accepting patients.

NP services in these communities have been made possible through the Primary Care Network Nurse Practitioner Support Program. We also thank the communities and councils of Thorsby, Warburg, AHS and Leduc County for providing infrastructure and supportive funding; this is an invaluable joint initiative enhancing the health of our communities. We look forward to continued partnerships.

For more information about Nurse Practitioners, please visit the LBDPCN website - <u>Nurse</u> Practitioners



NEWSPAPER OFFICE CLOSURE

CE Media / Community 39 will be closed for the week of August 4-8, 2025.

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Sudoku Answers from July 25 Issue

The object of the puzzle is to fill the remaining squares, using all the numbers 1–9 exactly once in each row, column, and the nine 3 × 3 subgrids.





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UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS (Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

<u>August Summer Programs</u> - Contact your local FCSS, Library or Recreation Complex for more information.

<u>August 2</u> - Mulhurst Daze. Parade 10am, Car Show, Beer Gardens, Concession, Bouncy Castles at the Community League 11am-5pm, Farmer's Market 11am-3pm

<u>August 2</u> - Loonie Toonie Movie Night at the Thorsby Lions Campground. Outdoor movie starts approx 9:45pm. Bring your lawnchair or blanket. \$2. Weather permitting.

<u>August 3</u> - Mulhurst Daze Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Mulhurst Legion. 8 - 11 am at the Mulhurst Community Hall.

August 8 to 11 - Winfield Ugetuk Days hosted by the Winfield Ag Society. Bull Bash, Pancake Breakfast, Parade, Family zone, market, supper and more. www.winfieldagsociety.com

<u>August 9</u> - Winfield Legion will be selling Hamburgers and refreshments for lunch starting at 11am. Cash Raffle Draw for \$2500 will be drawn at 1pm. Come watch the parade with us

<u>August 9</u> - Community Garage & Bake Sale at the Warburg Alliance Church (4628 - 55 Avenue) from 9-5. Call Dave at 780-298-2744 to reserve a table.

<u>August 10</u> - Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Winfield & District Historical Society from 8-11am. Everyone welcome!

<u>August 15 to 17</u> - Calmar Days. Movie night, pancake breakfast, parade, petting zoo, fitset ninja, caricatures, food trucks, fireworks and more.

<u>August 16</u> - Highway 39 Garage Sales - check out all along Highway 39. Garage sales on Highway 39 from Leduc to Drayton Valley including Calmar, Thorsby & Warburg

<u>August 17</u> - Dance to No Hitchiker Band at Winfield Community Centre from 1-4pm. Admission by donation. Lunch contribution appreciated. Everyone Welcome.

<u>August 21</u> - Fireside Finds Market at the Thorsby Lions Campground from 4-7pm

<u>August 23</u> - Buckin' at the Brook - Bull Riding, live music, food trucks and more at Sunnybrook. Gates open at 4pm. Tickets available www.showpass.com/buckin-at-the-brook-2/

<u>August 23</u> - Annual Car/Truck Show in Thorsby presented by Wilde Mechanical (4813 - 50 Avenue). Mega Trucks, Car Crushing, Tug-a-war and more. 10am - 5pm.

<u>August 23</u> - Pancake Breakfast at the Thorsby Seniors Centre hosted by the Thorsby Lions Club from 9am - noon.

<u>August 24</u> - Pancake Breakfast at Sandholm Hall (corner 616X and Hwy 778) from 8am to 11am. EVERYONE WELCOME! For information call 780-389-2381

<u>August 28</u> - Pop Up Market - Warburg Community Park from 4-8pm. Vendors contact Warburg FCSS 780-848-2828.

<u>September 7</u> - Dance to No Hitchiker Band at Winfield Community Centre from 1-4pm. Admission by donation. Lunch contribution appreciated. Everyone Welcome.

<u>September 16</u> – Breton Community Information Night and Chili Cook Off, Learn about activities, groups & services in Breton & area, with tasting & judging the best Chili around. Contact Breton FCSS for more info.

<u>September 27 – Roper Romp – Ladies Night</u>, hosted by the Breton Agricultural Society, Trivia, Comedians, Music, and additional entertainment. Tickets available at Breton ATB, 780-696-4890 or contact <u>bretonagsociety@gmail.com</u>

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Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

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Monday, August 4 at 1:00 pm Thorsby Seniors Center / Admission \$7.00

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In loving memory of Michael Hubscher



Michael Gordon Hubscher December 14, 1982 - July 13, 2025

With broken hearts, we share the passing of Michael Gordon Hubscher, a deeply loved son, brother, and friend, who left us far too soon on July 13, 2025, at the age of 42.

Michael was born on December 14, 1982, and lived his life in Edmonton, Alberta. He was a kind, generous soul—someone who gave effortlessly, loved deeply, and brought quiet strength to those around him. With a gentle heart and a sharp mind, he was the kind of person you could always count on—whether you needed help with a project or just someone to talk to.

Michael had a lifelong passion for anything fast and finely made. He adored Mustang Cobras, cherished his motorbikes, and was endlessly fascinated by the world of Star Trek. More than just hobbies, these were gateways into the kinds of conversations Michael loved—ones filled with curiosity, imagination, and thoughtful insight. He had a unique way of looking at the world, and when he spoke about the things he loved, he invited others into that world. His insights often made people pause, reflect, and see things from a new perspective.

He is lovingly remembered by his mother Darlene (Vince), his father Dale (Brenda), and his brother Dustin (Annie), along with extended family and many close friends whose lives he touched with his kindness, quiet charm, and intellect. Michael built a life filled with loyalty, compassion, and a deep appreciation for the things that brought him joy—models, machines, and meaningful moments of connection with those he loved.

A Celebration of Michael's Life will be held at a later date. Details will be shared with family and friends when arrangements are finalized.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Michael's memory may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or to a charity of your choice.

Though we grieve his absence, we are forever grateful for the time we had. Michael's spirit lives on in every act of kindness, every roar of a classic engine, every thoughtful conversation, and every star that lights the night sky.

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PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

(Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

MONDAYS

Bus To Drayton Valley (Aquasize or Walmart) Must preregister. Contact Warburg FCSS 780-848-2828

<u>Crib</u> at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Monday at 1:00pm

Mom Group (Warburg) on Monday mornings from 9:30am - 11am in the Village of Warburg office basement.

<u>TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)</u> - Mondays at 9am, Thorsby Seniors Centre. Jane 780-789-3789 or Cheryl 780-848-7673

TUESDAYS

Family Bingo - Tuesday nights at the Mulhurst Legion Hall. Games start at 6:30 pm

<u>Music Jam Session</u> on 4th Tuesday of the month at the Calmar Seniors Centre 1-4pm. 4916 - 50 Ave

<u>Drop-In Pickleball</u> at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9am - Noon in the Fieldhouse (\$3)

<u>Pickup Basketball</u> (16+) on Tuesday at 7pm at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex. (\$5)

Quilting at the Warburg Seniors Centre on Tuesdays from 9:30am-2pm. \$2. Contact Nancy 780-848-7756

<u>Seniors Bowling</u> - Tuesdays at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex at Noon - 4pm (\$5)

<u>Seniors Coffee & Craft</u> every third Tuesday at the Thorsby Seniors Centre from 1-3pm. Open to all seniors.

WEDNESDAYS

Busy Brushes on Wednesdays from 10 - 2pm at the Warburg Cultural Center. \$5/class. Call Linda 587-590-0378.

Bus Trips from the Warburg Cloverleaf Manor - 2nd Wednesday of the mth - Walmart. Last Wednesday of the mth - Doctors/Appointments.(\$8). Call 780-848-7717 for more info.

<u>Cards</u> at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 1pm every Wednesday (\$2)

English Language Conversation Circle every Wednesday at 6pm at the Thorsby Municipal Library.

<u>Soup & Sandwiches</u> at the Thorsby Seniors Centre starting at 11:30am on the 2nd Wednesday of the mth except December.

<u>Warburg Treasure's Thrift Shop</u> is Open Wednesdays from 10am - 4pm at the Warburg Community United Church.

THURSDAYS

Bingo at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday at 7pm.

Floor Curling at the Warburg Pioneer Centre at 1pm on Thursdays (\$2).

<u>Drop-In Pickleball</u> at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9am - Noon in the Fieldhouse. (\$3)

<u>Sew Heavenly Quilters</u> meet at 10am on Thursdays at the Warburg Cultural Centre. (\$10).

<u>Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store</u> - Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am-3pm. 780-996-5131.

FRIDAYS

<u>Community Socials</u> are held the last Friday of each month at the Mulhurst Legion #246 at 7pm.

Fun with Friends Story time at the Thorsby Municipal Library

every Friday from 10:30am - 11:30am. Age 0-5 with caregiver

<u>Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store</u> - Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am-3pm. 780-996-5131.

SATURDAYS

<u>Farmer's Market</u> at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall every Saturday 11-3pm. Contact Carol 587-920-2065.

<u>Pie & Coffee</u> from 1pm - 4pm at the Warburg Museum on the first & third Saturday of every month. Or arrange a tour through Susie 780-848-2507 or Joan 780-621-7174

<u>Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store</u> - Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am-3pm. 780-996-5131.

SUNDAYS

<u>Gospel Music Jam</u> at New Life Christian Fellowship on the 1st Sunday of the month from 2 - 4pm. Call 780-789-4171. *Will resume the first Sunday of October.*

*PLEASE NOTE: All events are subject to change particularly over the summer months. Please email us at media@community39.com or call 780-434-7446 to add an event or if we have incorrect information.

COMMUNITYINFORMATION

<u>Leduc County Family Resource Network (FRN) Building Drop-In Hours:</u> Located in the modular beside the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Open Tuesdays from 2pm – 8pm and Thursdays from 9am – 4pm.

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UPDATE

Submitted by Gail O'Neil

Ph: 780-848-2391 / Fax: 780-848-2296 warburglibrary@yrl.ab.ca the Library is also on FB and Instagram

OPEN Monday - Thursdays 10am - Spm Friday - Sunday CLOSED

The Village of Warburg Library Board is looking to renovate the library wall behind the circulation desk, the job details are fixing drywall, primer, paint, creative ideas for the wall.

For more information or a job bid package sent to you, call 780-848-2391 or email warburglibrary@yrl.ab.ca and staff will email a package to you.

Packages can also be picked up at Warburg Library or The Warburg Village office during regular business hours. Library's hours Monday to Thursday 10am-5 pm (exceptions holidays), Village Office hours 8:30am-5pm (exceptions holidays)

Warburg Library is closed Holiday Monday August 4, regular hours resume Tuesday August 5, 10am-5pm.

Monday August 11- The Library's operating system Polaris will be unavailable until 2 pm.

Services Impacted

The following will be unavailable during this time:

- Polaris desktop application
- Leap
- TRACpac and the TRACpac app
- Notifications (almost overdue notifications will not be delivered, but all others will after the upgrade is complete)
- eResources authentication (including OverDrive, cloudLibrary), including ME Libraries, Library Wireless network.

Monday, August 11: Craft day 11am-12pm. Tuesday, August 12: Pinwheels 2-3pm. Thursday August 14: Straw Rockets 1-2 pm. Monday, August 18: Clyde scopes 11am-1pm.

Tuesday, August 19: The Happiness Kit arrives on the book van run and will be available Wed 20 to try it out and we have it till September 2.

Thursday, August 21: Paint with Mary Ann in the central park. 2-3:30pm. Cost \$15 per registrant.

Monday, August 25: Last day of the Summer Reading program 1-3pm, Staff will check on reading logs and give out prizes! Snacks and beverages will be served and Patrons can play with the Happiness kit.

Tuesday, August 26: Community Awareness, Warburg School, 4:30pm-6:30pm.

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TIPS From TOPS!

From Pearl Elson

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Summer Health Hacks

June's arrival ushers in many perks of summer. However, one of the few down sides to summer is it can be easy to let wellness routines fall by the wayside. Remember: Health is a year-round focus. So, use this mini checklist to stay healthy during these warmer months.

Smart Skincare

A tan whether from a tanning bed or the sun, is evidence of skin damage, not health. Protect your skin. There's no such thing as a safe tan, explains Dr. Alexis Young-a dermatologist at Hackensack University Medical center. Young affirms that as little as "15 minutes of unprotected exposure" is enough to initiate the process that can lead to premature aging, wrinkles and skin cancer.

In fact, the latter is currently the most common cancer in the United States and the UV Index Scale is a tool created and monitored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to help people stay better informed about the level or sun exposure across the country. Be sure to check the daily UV risk online when planning to be outdoors for an extended period. Here are a few other summer skin care tips:

- Apply a water-resistant broad spectrum with an SPF (or higher) at least 30 minutes before going outside. Then reapply every 2 hours you remain outside. Also put more on if you get sweaty or wet from swimming.
- · Wear protective clothing like vizors or hats with wide brims, UV sport shirts or jackets, and protective eyewear.

Food Safety

Consider this a brief reminder to make sure the food being served at the next barbeque is adequately cooked-then properly stored. You may feel like no picnic is complete without potato salad or devilled eggs. But any item that contains dairy or eggs should be covered and kept on ice after everyone has been served.

Proper Hydration

Keep a water bottle close at hand when lounging or exercising outside. Symptoms of dehydration include fatigue, dizziness, and headaches. You can also stay more hydrated by eating more of certain types of produce. An estimated 20% or more of our daily water intake comes from food. This means that incorporating hydrating foods into your summer diet can help you meet your fluid needs while also providing vitamins and electrolytes. In fact, a balanced diet can provide up to about two cups of water per day just from food.

Many common fruits like watermelon, strawberries, cantaloupe, peaches, pineapple and grapes are made of 80-90 % water or more. Plus, there is an assortment of hydration-boosting veggies such as cabbage, celery, cucumber, green bell pepper, lettuce, tomato, and zucchini.

Another benefit is that most fruits and veggies have a lowcalorie density, which means fewer calories per bite.

Wellness-centered Travel

A vacation should not require sacrificing any progress you have made so far this year. Plan by picking locations and travel companions which support the healthy lifestyle you want to maintain. This might involve finding accommodation that is close to walking or biking trails; has a pool onsite; or provide access to a fitness center.

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A Message from MLA Andrew Boitchenko:

Advocating for Our Region and Alberta's Future

As the elected representative for Drayton Valley–Devon and Alberta's Minister of Tourism and Sport, I remain deeply committed to serving our constituency and advancing the priorities that matter most to our communities. It is a privilege to represent such a dynamic and resilient region, and I want to share a few key updates on the work we've been doing both locally and provincially.



Minister Boitchenko's New Role as Minister:

I'm honoured to take on the role of Alberta's Minister of Tourism and Sport. This new responsibility is an exciting opportunity to help grow two vital sectors that fuel our economy, celebrate our culture, and bring Albertans together. From supporting local tourism operators to investing in sport infrastructure and youth programs, I'm committed to making Alberta the best place to live, work, visit and play. Tourism showcases our province's natural beauty and supports small businesses, while sport fosters community, resilience, and well-being. As MLA for Drayton Valley–Devon, I'm especially proud to represent a region rich in outdoor adventure, local events, and community spirit—and I look forward to sharing our story with the world.

Updates in the Drayton Valley–Devon Constituency: This summer has been very busy with stakeholder meetings, constituent meetings, and many community events, especially with the additional role as a Minister.

On June 25th, we celebrated the Grand Opening of Kickstand Drayton Valley and it was a tremendous success. I couldn't be more proud of the incredible teamwork that brought this vision to life. Thank you to everyone who played a role in developing Kickstand into the vital community hub it is today. I'm especially grateful to my colleague and friend, Minister Rick Wilson, for joining us in celebration and for meeting with stakeholders in the community following the event to discuss support for the people of Drayton Valley. Our government is committed to prioritizing the health and wellness of Alberta's youth, and Kickstand is a key partner in that mission. With the support of the Mental

Health Association and the Drayton Valley Primary Care Network, this new centre is already making it easier for young people to access the mental, physical, and social support they need—right here in our community. I look forward to a brighter, healthier future for Drayton Valley and the surrounding area.

Additionally, what an incredible day it was to celebrate Canada Day right here in beautiful Drayton Valley—surrounded by friends, families, and neighbours. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to the organizers, volunteers, and community leaders who made the day's festivities such a success. It was a privilege to attend and bring greetings on behalf of the Alberta Government. As someone who immigrated to Canada as a teenager, this day holds deep meaning for me. From our vibrant local events to the hardworking people who make this community thrive, Drayton Valley truly embodies the Canadian spirit.



Calgary Stampede Highlights:

The Calgary Stampede was a whirlwind of events and meetings. I had the pleasure of serving pancakes at community breakfasts, spending an evening with Equal Voice celebrating women in politics and leadership, and hearing inspiring words from Premier Danielle Smith. I also had the opportunity of meeting with Westjet and discussing their exciting newly added routes and explored what comes next. At the Alberta Indigenous Opportunities Corporation event, I met with leaders and entrepreneurs, highlighting the strength of Indigenous partnerships in Alberta's tourism sector. These experiences reaffirmed the importance of community, culture, and collaboration in building Alberta's future.

Local Government Projects and Grants (non-exhaustive):

Yellowhead County

- Pave and rebuild Township Road 542 (between Highway 748 and Range Road 165) *Total Project Cost:* \$12,500,000 | *Grant Amount:* \$4,404,921
- Rehabilitate Township Road 542 Total Project Cost: \$12,500,000 | Grant Amount: \$2,382,792

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- Replace a public works vehicle *Total Project Cost:* \$105,000 | *Grant Amount:* \$105,000
- Rehabilitate 53 Avenue (including watermains, valves, hydrant, and curb stop connections) *Total Project Cost:* \$711,000 | *Grant Amount:* \$494,727

A Message from MLA Andrew Boitchenko:

Advocating for Our Region and Alberta's Future - continued

Provincial Updates:

- Alberta Eyes Exit from Federal Supply Management Premier Danielle Smith is exploring an "Alberta version" of the dairy and poultry supply management system to address low national quotas.
- Vaccine Hesitancy and Measles Resurgence MP Michelle Rempel Garner links Alberta's measles outbreak to declining vaccine trust post-COVID-19.
- New Grant to Combat Gender-Based Violence The Community Pathways to Justice grant offers up to \$1.25 million to support survivors of gender-based violence.
- Ensuring Fairness and Safety in Sport Starting September 1, the Fairness and Safety in Sport Act will ensure that women and girls have the opportunity to compete in biological female-only divisions, while also supporting meaningful participation for transgender athletes in the sports of their choice.
- Boosting Rural Health Care Access \$16M bursary and \$6M recruitment grants will support rural clinics and family medicine residents.
- Alberta, Ontario & Saskatchewan Forge Economic Alliance A new agreement will advance pipelines, rail, and trade infrastructure to connect Western Canada to Ontario and global markets.

If you're interested in receiving regular updates directly from me about the Drayton Valley–Devon riding and provincial news, please fill out your contact information using the Google Form. I'd also love to hear from you! What concerns do you have, and what would you like to see in the Drayton Valley–Devon riding?

Please answer in the Google Form below by using the link or scanning the QR code:

<u>Drayton Valley-Devon Constituency Updates</u>



As always, I encourage you to stay in touch. My constituency office is here to assist you with provincial matters, and I welcome your feedback and ideas. Together, we can continue building a stronger, more prosperous future for Drayton Valley–Devon and all of Alberta.

Thank you for your trust and God Bless!

Honourable Andrew Boitchenko Minister of Tourism and Sport MLA for Drayton Valley-Devon

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County of Wetaskiwin No. 10 News Release July 23, 2025

The County of Wetaskiwin is modernizing its waste management system by replacing paper Transfer Station cards with permanent plastic cards using Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) technology. This upgrade will make access to Transfer Stations more efficient by securely and automatically identifying cardholders.

Instead of receiving a paper card in the mail this year, residents must apply for a permanent card online at the C o u n t y o f W e t a s k i w i n w e b s i t e (www.county.wetaskiwin.ab.ca/tscard) or in-person at the County office starting August 1, 2025. Once the application is processed, permanent cards will be delivered by mail or available for pick up at the County office. This card does not expire and should be stored in a secure location. This card must be presented in order to access and use any County Transfer Station.

Landowners within the County are eligible for one free Transfer Station card. Additional and replacement cards will be issued at a cost of \$25.00.

Permanent Transfer Station cards will officially come into effect in September 2025. Paper cards will no longer be accepted at Transfer Stations after October 1, 2025.

"The County is pleased to move towards modern technology in this initiative," stated Reeve Josh Bishop. "The new RFID system will allow the County to provide reliable and cost effective waste management services to residents in the long-term."



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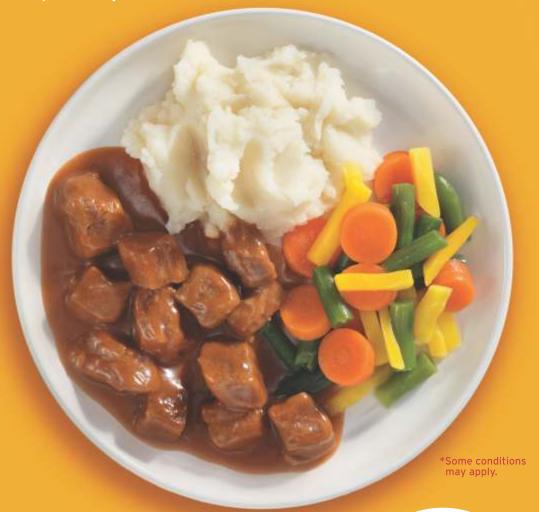






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Alberta News, July 25, 2025

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Alberta's rural communities are growing, increasing the need for reliable and effective infrastructure to support economic development and a high quality of life. That is why Alberta's government is providing \$114.6 million in grant funding to ensure rural communities have safe and efficient roads, bridges and community airports, as well as modern water and wastewater facilities to support their growing populations.

The funding will be distributed through the Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Program (STIP), the Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership (AMWWP) and Water for Life program. STIP provides grants to small and rural municipalities to maintain and improve local road bridges, community airports and local resource roads. AMWWP and the Water for Life program provide grants to municipalities to assist in the construction of high-priority municipal water supply and treatment facilities, as well as wastewater treatment and disposal facilities.

A total of 51 local road, bridge and community airport projects are receiving funding this year under STIP. They include a \$2.6-million grant for reconstruction of Range Road 150 in Newell County, west of Brooks. This road is an important part of the county's future truck route, providing connectivity for residents and commercial traffic between Highway 1 and Highway 542. STIP grants also include a \$2.5-million grant for airfield pavement rehabilitation at the CYLB airport in Lac La Biche County and a \$3.6-million grant to support the replacement of the Township Road 352 bridge over the Little Red Deer River, 23 kilometres west of Innisfail.

Additionally, a \$3.5-million grant will support an industrial rail extension project in Coaldale, which will allow local producers to transport southern Alberta-grown and manufactured goods to a global customer base in the agrifood processing sector.

Funding is being provided for 35 water and wastewater projects this year in small and rural communities across Alberta. Approved projects under the Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership include an \$8.9 million grant to the City of Brooks to design and build a mechanical membrane bioreactor wastewater treatment plant to replace the lagoon-based system, a \$2.4 million grant to the Wabasca Water Treatment Plant that will improve services at the existing facility while the community plans for a new water treatment facility, and a \$923,000 grant to the town of Sylvan Lake to drill three

new wells and upgrade an existing well to increase its water supply and ensure the community has reliable access to clean drinking water.

Projects funded under the Water for Life program include a \$1-million grant to the Bonnyville Regional Services Water Commission to support engineering for Phase 2 of the regional waterline extension from Bonnyville to Glendon, providing clean drinking water to many communities along this route. As well, a \$14.8-million grant is being provided to the Darwell Lagoon Commission for the Northeast Lagoon Extension project, which will help ensure long-term capacity, protect local watersheds and support future community growth. Additionally, a \$1.6-million grant will allow Mountain View Regional Water Services Commission to connect its regional water supply lines to the new reservoirs in the Towns of Didsbury and Carstairs, supplying water to these communities, including water for use in firefighting.

"Rural municipalities are the backbone of Alberta's economy, fuelling industrial growth across our province. The RMA welcomes these targeted investments in roads, bridges and water infrastructure as a vital step to maintaining safe and reliable rural transportation networks, and we look forward to building on this progress to address remaining priorities. A sustained, collaborative partnership between the RMA and the Government of Alberta will ensure a prosperous future not just for rural municipalities, but for all Albertans." Kara Westerlund, president, Rural Municipalities of Alberta

This funding is included in Budget 2025 and is part of the Alberta government's commitment to supporting rural and small municipalities in building and maintaining critical local transportation, and water and wastewater infrastructure.

Budget 2025 is meeting the challenge faced by Alberta with continued investments in education and health, lower taxes for families and a focus on the economy.

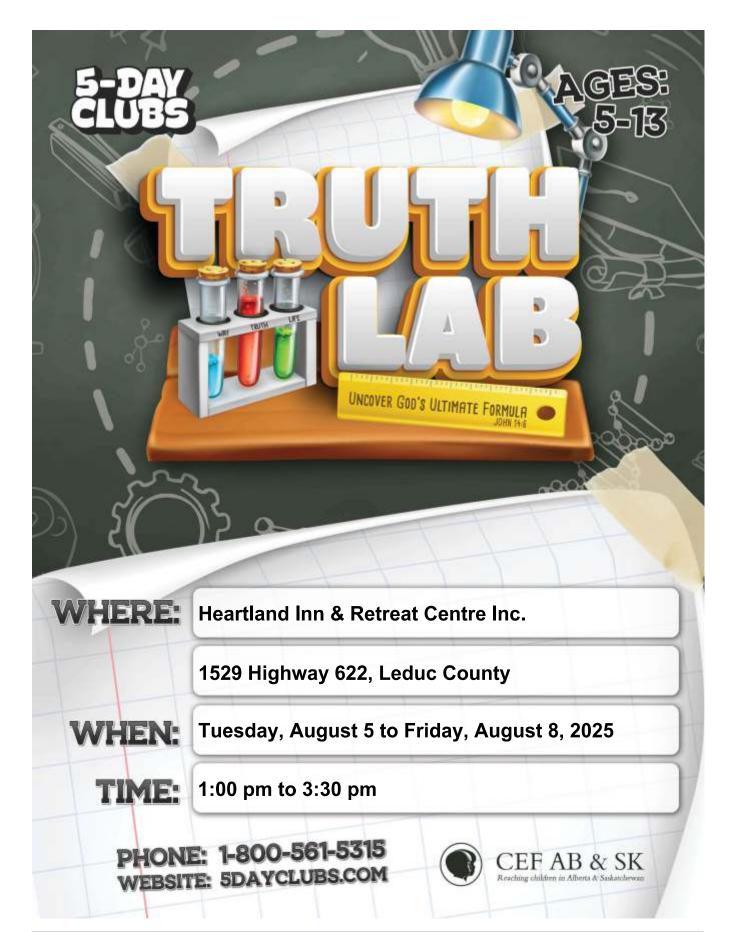
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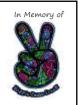
- 51 projects approved for 2025 will receive a total of \$41 million in funding under the following STIP components:
 - Local Road Bridge Program 38 projects receiving \$23.8 million in provincial funding.
 - Community Airport Program Five projects receiving \$3.7 million in provincial funding.
 - Local Municipal Initiatives Four projects receiving \$8.6 million in provincial funding.
 - Resource Road Program Four projects receiving \$4.9 million in provincial funding.

Water grants:

- The 35 water and wastewater infrastructure projects approved for 2025 will receive \$73.6 million:
 - Nine projects will receive about \$33.4 million under Water for Life program.
 - 26 projects will receive about \$40.2 million through AMWWP.



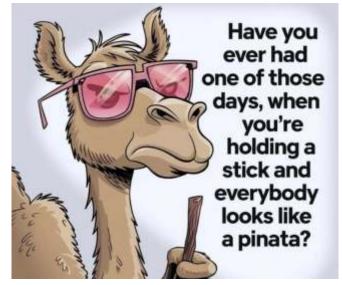
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