

2024  
**ANNUAL  
REPORT**

SOCIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES





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**MESSAGE FROM MAYOR AALBERS**

I am pleased to welcome you to the 2024 Social Programs and Services Annual Report. This year, the Social Programs and Services team worked alongside many local organizations, volunteers, and other City departments to address key social priorities, helping ensure Lloydminster remains an inclusive and supportive community for all.

Throughout the year, the team worked on many initiatives. They launched the Cenovus Energy Block Party Trailer and introduced new programs like Level Up and Welcome Home. Housing needs remained a priority, with the completion of a Housing Needs Assessment & Strategy and a Point in Time Homelessness Count, both providing valuable data to guide future initiatives. These projects continue to strengthen our community and build the foundation for future opportunities.

While the work continues, we are grateful to everyone who has contributed to these efforts, your support has been pivotal. As you review this report, we hope it inspires continued collaboration and support for these important initiatives.

On behalf of the City of Lloydminster, my fellow Council colleagues, and the Social Programs and Services team, I extend our sincere appreciation to the dedicated staff, committee members, and organizations whose efforts help us achieve our shared goals.

Sincerely,

**Gerald S. Aalbers**  
Mayor, City of Lloydminster



Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast  
April 13, 2024



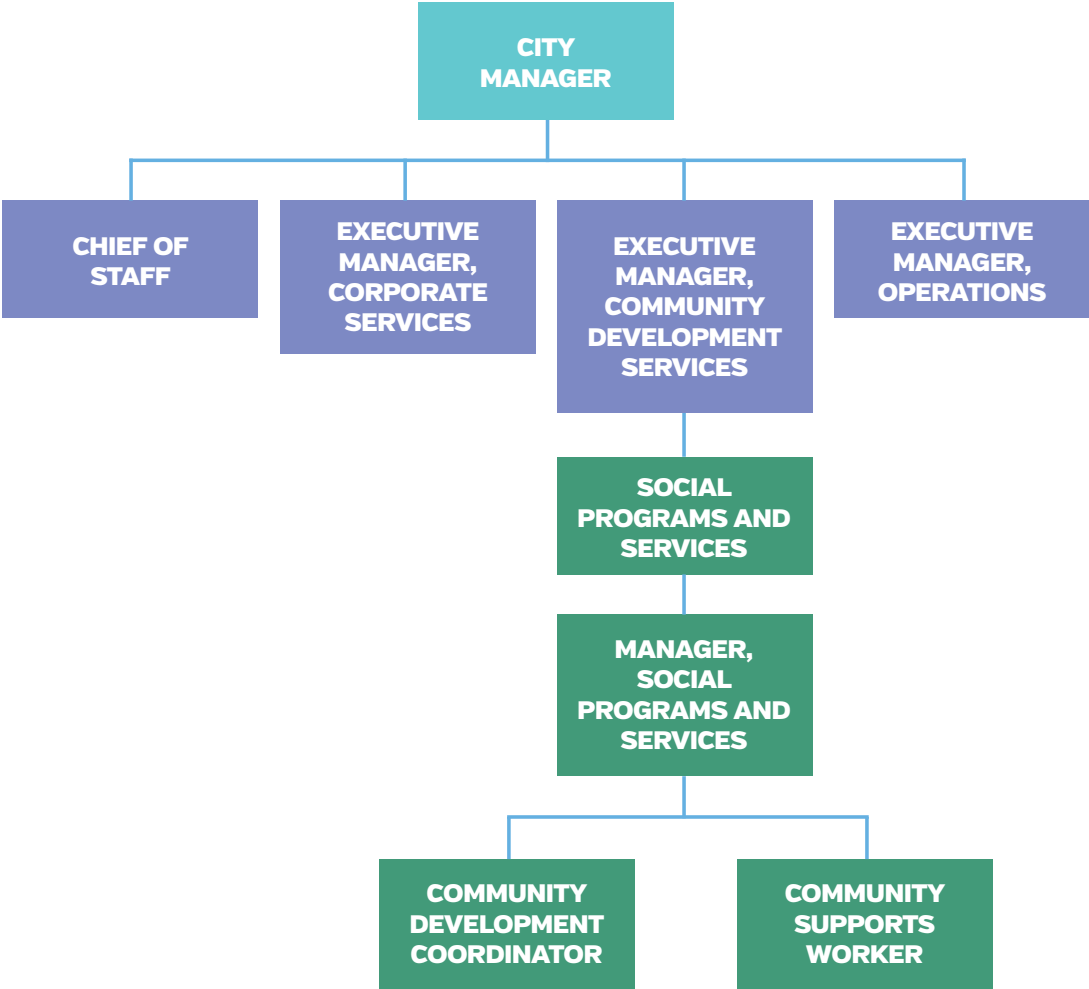
National Seniors Day, October 3, 2024  
Legacy Centre

# WHO WE ARE

The City of Lloydminster’s Social Programs and Services department builds connection, resiliency, and capacity for the residents of Lloydminster through innovative programs and community partnerships. We develop the social fabric of our community through grant funding, direct programming, and a diverse network of relationships with volunteers, service

providers, and community members. We support other City of Lloydminster departments by providing information about community social issues and resources. We are proud to serve Lloydminster as community builders, facilitators, and connectors.

## ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



# WHAT WE DO

## DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS AND FUNCTIONS

### SOCIAL EQUITY AND CAPACITY BUILDING

### SOCIAL COHESION AND CONNECTION

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT

CONNECTION TO RESOURCES	PROGRAMS FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES	NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORTS	WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS	ENGAGEMENT AND RESEARCH	GRANT ADMINISTRATION	PARTNERSHIPS
Information and Referral	Seniors Taxi Program	Cenovus Energy Block Party Trailer	Citizenship Ceremonies	Needs Assessments and Data Collection	Family and Community Support Services Grant	Lloydminster Youth Council
Lloyd Supports: Community Directory	Recreation Access Program	Neighbourhood Block Party	Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast	Contact point between NPO's and City Departments	Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant	Volunteer Connector
FCSS Monthly Newsletter	Welcome Home	Neighbourhood Connector	Seniors Events	Social Policy Framework	Safe and Healthy Communities	Youth Graffiti Clean Up
Community Resource Fairs		Neighbourhood Grant	Youth Workshops		Miscellaneous Provincial and Federal Grants	Interagency Committees



Neighbourhood Block Party, May 2024



# PARTNERSHIPS AND INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

## LLOYDMINSTER YOUTH COUNCIL

The City of Lloydminster renewed its partnership agreement with the Lloydminster Youth Council in October 2024. The agreement is in effect for three years, with the City providing an annual budget of \$11,000 and 60 hours of administrative support to the Youth Council. This partnership aims to support the Youth Council’s vision of building a community of future leaders by promoting youth involvement within the City of Lloydminster.

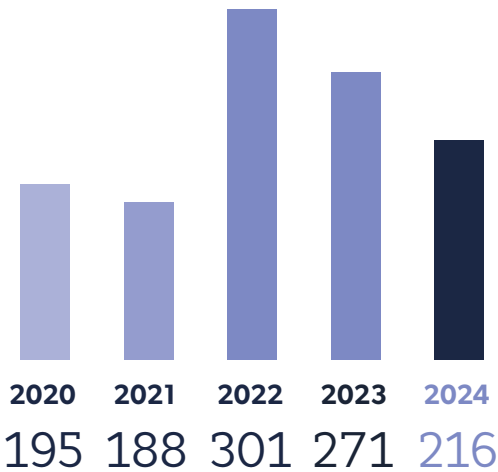
### PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS 2021-2024

- 30+ events and campaigns
- 2,000+ participants

## ANIMATOR PROJECT

The Rural Mental Health Project (RMHP) + Network (RMHN) focuses on building the capacity of rural communities through education, promotion, and prevention activities related to mental health, mental health disorders, addiction, and community mental wellness. The Social Programs and Services team has received training from the RMHP to be community animators. Working with the Lloydminster Public Library (LPL), the team was successful in receiving a Community Grant to support stronger community connections to resources. LPL hosted community outreach dinners and provided free training to residents, helping to support vulnerable individuals.

## INFORMATION AND REFERRAL



Although the number of inquiries has dropped by 55 compared to 2023, inquiries are more complex and often require multiple referrals and additional support.

### MOST FREQUENT INQUIRES IN 2024:

1. Access to Health and Social Services
2. Income Inequality
3. Community Supports
4. Housing and Homelessness
5. Access to Recreation

# 2024 IN REVIEW



Housing Needs Conference, January 30, 2024  
Lloydminster Exhibition Grounds

## WORKSHOPS

- Seniors Information Fair
- Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast
- Early Years Family Playtime
- Emergency Preparedness for Seniors
- LEAP Food for Thought Breakfast
- Canada Day Reaffirmation Ceremony
- Citizenship Ceremony
- Level Up Series
- National Seniors Day Lunch n' Learn
- National Child Day
- Unconscious Bias for Youth
- Housing Needs Assessment Conference

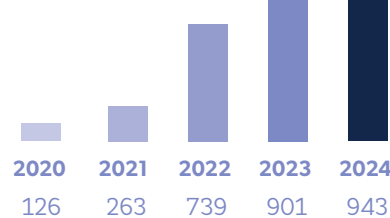
## RECREATION ACCESS PROGRAM

The Recreation Access Program (RAP) is an income-based program providing eligible Lloydminster residents access to City-operated recreation and cultural facilities at a reduced cost.

### PARTICIPANT USAGE

- 943 cards issued
  - 404 Adults (18+)
  - 539 Children and Youth (2-17)
- 4,668 drop-ins
- 233 memberships

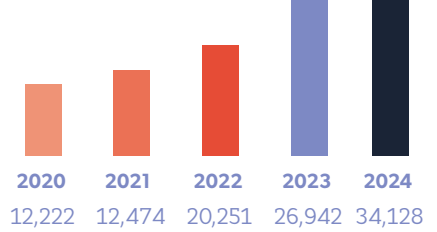
### RAP Approvals



## SENIORS TAXI PROGRAM

- Provides one-way non-stop transit support for seniors (65-plus) for \$5/trip.
- For a complete list of our partners and vendors, visit [Lloydminster.ca/SeniorsTaxi](http://Lloydminster.ca/SeniorsTaxi).
- The price of the vouchers will increase to \$5.50 effective January 1, 2025.

### Vouchers Sold



Revenue	\$170,640.00
Expense	\$415,081.00
Net	\$244,441.00



### YOUTH GRAFFITI CLEANUP

The Youth Graffiti Cleanup is a summer project of the Social Programs and Services department that facilitates youth volunteering in the community. Each year, a graffitied building in Downtown Lloydminster is revitalized through the creation of a mural. This year, the department pivoted from creating a mural to removing the graffiti. The location of this year’s cleanup project was the back facade of NextGen Automation at 4809 50 Avenue.

It took two sessions, three youth participants, and two community members to complete the project. This project would not have been successful without the support of our partners such as the Lloydminster Community Youth Centre, Lakeland College Men’s Soccer Team, Home Depot, and NextGen Automation.

### WELCOME HOME PROGRAM

The Welcome Home Program is a new initiative of the Social Programs and Services (SPS) Department for people who have moved to Lloydminster within the last 18 months and would like to know more about local services and opportunities.

### HERE’S WHAT PEOPLE CAN EXPECT FROM THE PROGRAM:

- Welcome Info Meet-up: Meet an SPS team member who will guide you through local services and help you navigate Lloydminster’s unique bi-provincial characteristics.
- A Welcome Home Package with essential resources and useful information.
- Ongoing Support: The team is here to offer ongoing information and referral to help you stay informed and connected.

The program was launched in October 2024.

### VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

With the financial support of Volunteer Alberta, the City of Lloydminster was able to host a Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast. The volunteer breakfast was held at the Legacy Centre on April 13, with a total of 172 attendees from various organizations.

Volunteer Appreciation Week is dedicated to all volunteers who play an important role in making our community a great place to live. Whether an individual volunteers once a week or once a year, this is a way for the city to recognize their impact and contribution.

### NEIGHBOURHOOD BLOCK PARTY

The Neighbourhood Block Party encourages residents living on the same street or within an apartment building to initiate a gathering where they can build relationships and connect over food, fun, and play.

In July 2024, the City of Lloydminster launched the Cenovus Energy Block Party Trailer. The trailer comes equipped with different hosting equipment such as a 36” Propane BBQ, generator, sound system, picnic tables, handwashing station, coolers, 10x10 tents, and outdoor games and activities.

In 2024, the department processed 23 Neighbourhood Block Party requests, with 16 reserving the trailer and seven opting only for the party kits. Altogether, the events drew approximately 1,342 participants.

The City of Lloydminster extends its gratitude to Cenovus Energy for their generous donation to the Cenovus Energy Block Party Trailer.



### NEIGHBOURHOOD CONNECTOR

The Neighbourhood Connector Program supports volunteers to activate their neighbourhoods by getting to know their neighbours, building connections, and supporting initiatives. The main goal of this program is to bring neighbours together and reduce isolation by increasing friendships, sharing resources, and creating a sense of community. Four Neighbourhood Connectors were active in 2024, hosting neighbourhood events such as block parties and winter celebration events.

### NEIGHBOURHOOD GRANT

The Neighbourhood Grant Program provides financial support to residents that want to work with their neighbours to build stronger social connections. Up to \$500 is available to support projects ranging from block parties, fitness classes, clean ups, little libraries, or neighbourhood gardens.



## CITIZENSHIP AND REAFFIRMATION CEREMONY

A Citizenship Ceremony is a formal event where individuals who met the requirements of the Canadian Citizenship are invited to take the Oath of Citizenship. The citizenship ceremony is the last step that participants take to become Canadian Citizens. In collaboration with Catholic Social Services, a citizenship ceremony was held on August 22 at the Lloydminster Centennial Civic Centre Auditorium. 49 participants attended the oath taking ceremony and received their Canadian citizenship.

A Reaffirmation Ceremony is a special event where Canadian born citizens or naturalized citizens voluntarily reaffirm their commitment to Canada by reciting the Oath of Citizenship. 84 new and existing citizens residing in Lloydminster signed up to take the Reaffirmation Oath of Citizenship at the July 1 Canada Day celebration at Bud Miller All Seasons Park. Many Canada Day attendees also participated in the oath and enjoyed a variety of cultural performances.

## SOCIAL POLICY FRAMEWORK

The Social Policy Framework (SPF) was developed to identify and address community needs. The issues facing our community are complex and require a thoughtful and collaborative approach to be resolved. The Social Policy Framework was developed to create a common understanding of how community, business, and government can address community issues collectively. The Framework provides a common vision, values, and roles that provide everyone with the opportunity to contribute.

### SEVEN COMMUNITY PRIORITIES SERVE AS A STARTING POINT FOR THE SPF:

- Access to Health and Social Services
- Income Inequality
- Transportation
- Safety and Security
- Mental Health
- Access to Recreation
- Housing and Homelessness

### UPDATES

- The Social Policy Framework Leadership Team were appointed by Council in July 2024.
- The Housing Working Group was established in July 2024.
- More working groups to be established in 2025.

## HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Housing and Homelessness was one of the seven community priorities identified in the 2022 Community Social Needs Assessment. As part of the City of Lloydminster’s 2022-2025 Strategic Plan, the City conducted a Housing Needs Assessment.

- January 30, 2024: The City of Lloydminster hosted a Housing Needs Assessment Conference. 92 participants attended representing businesses, non-profits, and the public.
- March 18, 2024: The Housing Needs Assessment and Strategy was adopted by Council.

To view the report, visit [Lloydminster.ca/LloydNeeds](https://lloydminster.ca/LloydNeeds).

## POINT IN TIME COUNT

A Point in Time (PiT) Count is a strategy used to determine the extent of homelessness in a community at any given night, or at a single point in time. Through the use of survey and enumeration, communities can get a better understanding of the complexities behind homelessness.

The City of Lloydminster conducted a PiT Count on October 23, 2024. During this night, there were approximately 246 individuals experiencing homelessness.

### KEY FINDINGS FROM THE SURVEY REPORT:

- 91% of surveyed participants expressed a desire to transition into permanent housing.
- The primary barriers to securing housing are tied to the cost of living, with 46% of participants citing low income and 42% reporting high rent as significant challenges.
- Additionally, 69% of surveyed participants had lived in Lloydminster for one year or more prior to the PiT Count.

*The next PiT Count will take place in October 2026.*

To view the report, visit [Lloydminster.ca/LloydNeeds](https://lloydminster.ca/LloydNeeds).



Housing Working Group Committee, October 9, 2024



Citizenship Ceremony, August 22, 2024  
Centennial Civic Centre Auditorium



Seniors Information Fair, March 18, 2024  
Legacy Centre

# PROGRAMS & GRANTS

## CITY OF LLOYDMINSTER FUNDED PROGRAMS

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
City of Lloydminster	Recreation Access Program	An income-based program designed to remove some of the financial barriers associated with using City of Lloydminster recreation and cultural facilities.	4,668 drop-ins and 233 memberships purchased.	-	943 cards issued
City of Lloydminster	Seniors Taxi Program	An essential transportation service for seniors in our community that reduces social isolation and allows seniors an affordable way to meet their needs and be active members of our community.	The City of Lloydminster sold 34,128 taxi vouchers for \$170,640.00 while it received 33,127 redeemed taxi vouchers for a total bill of \$415,081.00 from cab companies. The City subsidized the remaining \$244,441.00 to help support seniors with the rising cost of transportation.	\$244,441.00	33,127 vouchers redeemed
City of Lloydminster	Reaffirmation Ceremony	A formal ceremony open to all residents where participants repeat the oath of citizenship and demonstrate their commitment to Canada.	Ceremony supported the Canada Day celebration with Indigenous, Highlander, East Indian, Chinese, and Mariposa performers.	\$3,000.00	84
City of Lloydminster	Citizenship Ceremony	The final step to complete the naturalization process.	This is the first in-person citizenship ceremony to be hosted in Lloydminster since 2020.	\$398.27	49
City of Lloydminster	Reaching Home	Locally produced video featuring one family's settlement journey into our community.	Lina's Story can be accessed at: <a href="http://www.lloydclip.ca/news">www.lloydclip.ca/news</a>	\$3,000.00	N/A
City of Lloydminster	Neighbourhood Grant Program	The Neighbourhood Grant Program helps residents work together to activate community resources in their neighbourhood for the benefit of everyone.	Nordic Walking Group: 4-7 Weekly Northside Block Party: 70 Neighbourhood Yoga: five per session	\$2,000.00	N/A
City of Lloydminster	Point in Time Count	A community-level measure to estimate the number of people experiencing homelessness in a community on a single night. Process includes survey and enumeration.	On the night of October 23, 2024, approximately 246 individuals experienced homelessness in the City of Lloydminster.	\$3,261.52	N/A

*\*Disclaimer: Costs for City of Lloydminster led programs are unaudited and do not include staffing cost.*

### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

I am a third-generation veterinarian, proud to continue my family's legacy while running my own business. As a hometown Lloydminsterite, I'm grateful to call this vibrant city my hometown. Being part of the Community Services Advisory Committee allows me to better understand the inner workings of our city and contribute to its growth. I truly value the diverse perspectives on the committee, as they challenge me to broaden my knowledge and consider different viewpoints that I might not traditionally look at. The organizations within this community continue to impress me and I'm proud to be just a small part of that.

**Kent Weir**



# MEET THE COMMITTEE

## 2024 COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Community Services Advisory Committee is comprised of seven community volunteers and one City Councillor. The committee reviews grant applications and makes recommendations to City Council on the allocation of funds from the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Grants, the Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant, and the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant. The committee distributes more than \$500,000 annually to non-profit organizations in the community.



### ALISON WEAVER

I'm a full-time farmer with my husband and son. I hold a diploma in agriculture and a certificate in leadership from the University of Saskatchewan. I have always been involved in the community with the 4-H program, Grace United Church and the Lloydminster Public School Division. I hope that everyone works together to create a community that collaborates, is welcoming and inclusive to all.



### DAVID LOPEZ

As a lifelong resident of Lloydminster, I have a deep-rooted commitment to the success of our community. As a husband and proud father of two boys, I am passionate about creating a bright future for our families. As a small business owner, I understand the challenges and opportunities local businesses face and work tirelessly to support a thriving local economy. An active Rotary member, I exemplify the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self", volunteering with numerous organizations to address key community needs, from supporting local charities to improving public spaces. I am dedicated to building a stronger, safer Lloydminster. With a passion for fostering economic growth, advocating for families, and ensuring every resident has a voice at City Hall, I am committed to making our city a better place for all.

*Councillor Lopez is the appointed member of City Council to sit on the Community Services Advisory Committee.*



### IFE ANTONIO

I am currently in grade 10 at Holy Rosary High School and enjoy engaging in community involved activities. I am the chair of the Lloydminster Youth Council and partake in clubs within my school. Being a part of the Community Services Advisory Committee allows me to be a representative for youth in the Lloydminster area and I enjoy hearing from our diverse board filled with many different perspectives that allow us to be successful and for myself to engage in such a valuable learning opportunity.



### JENNIFER SHYMANSKI

I have been a resident of Lloydminster for over 15 years, working in the oil and gas industry as an oilfield dispatcher. Holding a bachelor's degree from the University of Saskatchewan. Also, an active volunteer with Lloydminster Youth Justice. I see the Community Services Advisory Committee as an opportunity to serve Lloydminster and its many wonderful community organizations.



### KENT WEIR

I graduated from the University of Saskatchewan in 2007 with a Bachelor of Science in agriculture and my Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. I currently own and operate Weir Veterinary Services with my father, Doug. My favourite part of being on the committee is learning about all the cool programs that are happening in our community, which I had no idea existed prior to my involvement. I have also enjoyed the different perspectives the various members of the committee bring forward at each meeting.



**KRISTINE KNOUREK**

Creative. Driven. Compassionate. These words best sum me up, and I’m humbled to build community in my personal and professional roles. A resident of Lloydminster for over 20 years, I hold a Bachelor of Commerce and work as the regional manager of business development with Synergy Credit Union. Serving alongside devoted leaders on the Community Services Advisory Committee is an honour as we strive to connect local non-profit organizations with much-needed resources so they can continue their exemplary work.



**LINDA KAPPEL**

My husband and I have lived in the Lloydminster area for over 40 years. I co-owned and operated a successful oilfield business for 15 years, where I developed strong organizational, people, and financial management skills. I want to contribute my time and skill sets to help better the community so my children, grandchildren, and other young families will feel safe enough to want to make Lloydminster their hometown.



**NATHANI KARKANIS**

I look forward to continuing my role with the Advisory Committee! I work with Alberta Children Services Specialized Services Unit altogether serving families since 2015 in varying capacities. Throughout my career, I’ve had the privilege of working in Lloydminster and surrounding communities that have given me insight into the needs of our city. Through my involvement in the committee, I will advocate for priority needs by sharing insights and work towards further resourcing the city.

We would like to acknowledge our outgoing member, Amy Levesque, for her service, dedication, and commitment to supporting the residents of Lloydminster. Amy served as a community member for five years. We wish her well in her future endeavours.

The committee would like to take a moment to honour the memory and legacy of Councillor Glenn Fagnan who passed away in June 2024. Councillor Fagnan was the appointed City Council representative to sit on the Community Services Advisory Committee in 2024. Councillor Fagnan was a strong advocate and ally of our local non-profit organizations and his dedication and unwavering commitment to serve is unparalleled.



## FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES (FCSS)



A large portion of the Social Programs and Services department's funding comes from Family and Community Support Services (FCSS). As part of an agreement with the Province of Alberta, the City of Lloydminster receives \$486,536.33, which matches a minimum contribution of \$121,634.08 for a total of \$608,170.41 spent on preventative social programs and services. This 80/20 partnership is calculated based on Lloydminster's Alberta population, but FCSS programs operate freely on both sides of the border. Of this, \$385,000 goes back into the community in the form of grants.

### FCSS 2024 FUNDED PROGRAMS

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
City of Lloydminster	Youth Graffiti Clean Up	A summer project that facilitates youth volunteering in the community. This year, the team pivoted and instead of creating a mural, the focus was on the removal of the graffiti.	100% of youths surveyed indicated that as a result of volunteering with the Youth Graffiti Cleanup, they feel what they have to offer is more appreciated by the community.	\$230.73	8
City of Lloydminster	Seniors Information Fair	Provides seniors with access to valuable information on various topics including health, safety, housing, recreation, and other relevant areas.	99% of the participants surveyed indicated that the Seniors Information Fair helped them to be more aware of community supports and resources.	\$425.00	120
City of Lloydminster	National Seniors Day Celebration	In partnership with the Lloydminster Learning Council Association, seniors were invited for a free meal followed by an informative presentation by Patricia Morgan on "Understanding Loneliness: What to do for Yourself and Others."	100% of the participants surveyed indicated that the presentation has helped them to believe that they have the ability to improve their life.	\$6,359.33	120
City of Lloydminster	National Volunteer Week – Breakfast	An appreciation event to recognize the contributions that volunteers make in our community and the organizations they represent.	100% of the participants surveyed indicated that as a result of the Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast, they felt recognized for their volunteerism.	\$5,398.32	172
City of Lloydminster	LEAP Food for Thought Breakfast	In partnership with the Lloydminster Elder Abuse Awareness Prevention (LEAP) committee and Lloydminster Sexual Assault Services, this event hosted a senior's breakfast followed by an educational presentation on setting healthy boundaries in relationships by Shamille Sarcauga.	95% of the participants surveyed indicated that as a result of the presentation, they have a better understanding of what a healthy relationship looks like.	\$598.90	90
City of Lloydminster	National Child Day and Early Years Family Playtime	In partnership with the Lloydminster & Area Early Years Coalition, these events highlighted the importance of child-led play and provided parents and caregivers with an opportunity to participate with their children.	96% of families surveyed indicated that the events helped them to understand the importance of families playing together.	\$1,234.05	360
City of Lloydminster	Level Up	A series of workshops aimed at equipping youths with essential life skills as they transition into adulthood.	100% of the youths surveyed indicated that the workshops helped them be better prepared for the future.	\$501.77	28
City of Lloydminster	Unconscious Bias for Youth	A workshop presented by Imagine Institute of Learning provided attendees with a better understanding of how unconscious bias works and how it impacts perception and decisions.	100% of the youths surveyed indicated that as a result of this workshop, they work better with others on a team.	\$3,251.36	25
City of Lloydminster	Information and Referral	A service aimed at raising awareness of community services available to residents.	The department received 216 requests for information and referrals.	-	216 inquiries
City of Lloydminster	Neighbourhood Block Party Program	Supporting residents to host neighbourhood block parties to build positive relationships.	100% of the participants surveyed reported that as a result of the Neighbourhood Block Party Program, they are more connected with others in their neighbourhood.	\$1,920.56	1,342
City of Lloydminster	Neighbourhood Connector	A program that runs on volunteers called Neighbourhood Connectors that are trained to improve relationships and overall quality of life in their neighbourhoods.	There are four neighbourhood connectors that are actively putting on different events and activities in their neighbourhood.	\$124.08	4
City of Lloydminster	Welcome Home Program	A program for new residents in the community that is geared towards providing them information about local resources and ongoing support in settling in Lloydminster.	Program Coordinator completed eight welcome home referrals.	\$90.00	8

\*Disclaimer: Costs for City of Lloydminster led programs in this report are unaudited and do not include staffing cost.

## FCSS 2024 GRANTS

For the 2024 FCSS Grant Cycle, the Community Services Advisory Committee received 17 grant applications with a total funding request of \$808,075.00. Of the 17 programs, 14 were funded for a total of \$385,000.00.

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lloydminster	Mentoring Matters	Multi-tiered mentoring programs including traditional matches, in-school mentoring, summer mentoring, and an after-school program.	100% of the youth participants felt supported by their mentor.	\$40,000.00	1,712
Catholic Social Services	Seniors Connection	Program Coordinator consults with seniors and community to learn seniors' specific prevention needs. Implement strategies to increase seniors' well-being, independence, and quality of life. Program strategies include presentations, outreach, information, and referral.	100% of the seniors surveyed reported the program made them feel a sense of independence.	\$30,000.00	1,797
Inclusion Lloydminster	Engaging Families, Creating Good Lives	Programs address the marginalization of individuals with developmental disabilities through family leadership activities, increasing community awareness and inclusion through information sessions and testimonials, and acting as a resource for other community providers.	100% of the families surveyed felt they had more information about what resources are available for their family.	\$10,000.00	212
Libbie Young Centre Inc.	Day Program	Day Program offers a variety of educational, recreation, and leisure activities that support and offer education on coping strategies, healthy habits, and other ways to manage mental illness and prevent illness relapse.	87% of the participants reported taking action to improve their lives.	\$32,000.00	12,480
Lloydminster & Area Brain Injury Society	Life Enrichment Program	Provide acquired brain injury (ABI) individuals in the community with tools, life skills, and resources to encourage and provide them confidence and independence to reintegrate back into the community.	77% of the participants indicated the program has helped them to feel good about themselves.	\$5,000.00	1,950
Lloydminster Interval Home Society	Family Violence Prevention Program	Provide education to help end the cycle of family violence and support to individuals to develop lifetimes of well-being and healthy relationships.	99% of the participants reported having a greater understanding of domestic violence in a relationship.	\$40,000.00	254
Lloydminster Interval Home Society	Lloydminster Community Youth Centre (LCYC) Outreach Program	Connecting vulnerable youths ages 12 to 18 years old with in-person emotional and practical support and opportunities for healthy relationship building.	76% of the youths surveyed indicated that as a result of the program, they feel better at handling whatever comes their way.	\$40,000.00	8,393
Lloydminster Native Friendship Centre	Engaging our People – Prevention/ Intervention Program	Employs a Community Intervention Advocate who provides prevention and early intervention support for individuals in both one-on-one or group settings, and cultural awareness information and workshops to local businesses, organizations, and schools.	100% of the participants reported that as a result of this program, they feel more positive about themselves.	\$40,000.00	518
Lloydminster Sexual Assault Services	Sexual Assault and Abuse Awareness Program	Delivers public presentation on prevention strategies and awareness target topics such as sexual violence, consent, boundaries, okay vs. not okay touches, fostering and demonstrating healthy relationships, treatment of others, self-esteem, goal setting, healthy coping, and mindfulness.	84% of the adults surveyed reported that as a result of this program, they have a better understanding of what a healthy relationship looks like.	\$20,000.00	1,139
Midwest Family Connections	First Steps	Provides support such as coaching, home visits, and lesson plans to increase parental knowledge of developmental milestones and positive parenting.	98% of the families surveyed reported having more confidence in their parenting skills.	\$45,000.00	1,448
Midwest Family Connections	Maternal Mental Health Initiative	Supports the mental health of new mothers. Provides the Mothers First resource package, consultations and presentations, and community events such as the Maternal Mental Health Celebration in May.	100% of the families surveyed reported they have more information about what resources are available for their family.	\$3,000.00	480
Residents in Recovery Society	Intensive Outpatient Day Programming and Support	Program supports vulnerable and marginalized individuals and families in the community through accessing services for outreach, mental health, and addiction support.	84% of the participants surveyed reported they feel better at handling whatever comes their way.	\$32,000.00	1,175
The Olive Tree Community Centre	Outreach Support Workers	Provides case management to The Olive Tree guests that struggle with isolation, poor mental health, substance abuse, and lack healthy support systems. Guests are connected to community supports and resources.	100% of the participants surveyed reported they feel more connected with others in their neighbourhood.	\$30,000.00	26,802
Walking Through Grief Society	Walking Through Grief Support	Provides one-on-one or group support with trained facilitators to educate on the grief process and skills to be more resilient to crisis in the future.	98% of the participants surveyed reported they feel more connected with others in the community.	\$18,000.00	4,752

\*Disclaimer: Engagement numbers are based on participant attendance per activity. Each session attended is counted individually.

## SASKATCHEWAN LOTTERIES COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM



The Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant Program is a partnership among Sask. Sport Inc., Sask. Culture Inc., and the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association Inc. The grant program assists in developing sport, culture, and recreation programs by providing funds to non-profit community organizations operated by volunteers. The City of Lloydminster receives funds that are then distributed to local non-profit volunteer community groups to offer programs. Funds received are calculated based on Lloydminster's Saskatchewan population but go toward programs that operate on either side of the border.

For the 2023-2024 Saskatchewan Lotteries Grant Cycle, the committee received 18 grant applications with a total funding request of \$120,744.78. Of the 18 programs, 12 programs were funded for a total of \$81,414.00.

### SASKATCHEWAN LOTTERIES COMMUNITY 2023-2024 GRANT FUND

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
Friends of the Lloydminster Regional Archives (FLRA)	Saving and Sharing the Midwest's Televised History (Phase 10)	Project to preserve local broadcasts digitally and in a searchable database.	Preserved CKSA's news, sports, agriculture, and public affair programs from March 2014 to June 2015.	\$9,900.00	n/a
Libbie Young Centre Inc.	Summer Recreation Program	Recreational, cultural, and sport activities for persons living with mental illness.	Enhanced overall wellness of participants and promoted integration into the community.	\$6,805.01	30
Lloydminster Housing Authority – Hallsholme	Senior Exercise Program	Low-impact activities and games for older adults and seniors.	Improved living environment and promoted healthy lifestyles.	\$6,000.00	10
Catholic Social Services	Wintergration	Introducing Canadian winter sports and recreation activities to newcomers in the country.	Participants enjoyed and learned Canadian culture through different winter activities and sports.	\$8,190.45	626
Special Olympics Lloydminster	Special Olympics Lloydminster	Sports and fitness activities for people with intellectual and physical disabilities.	Having under-represented athletes of diverse ages and skills. Improved overall mental health and wellbeing of participants.	\$10,939.21	80+
Lloydminster & Area Brain Injury Society	Brain Fit	Recreation and physical activities for individuals with acquired brain injury (ABI).	Provided an opportunity for persons with acquired brain injury (ABI) to socialize and be integrated into the community.	\$500.00	20
Lloydminster Interval Home Society	Lloydminster Community Youth Centre (LCYC) Recreation and Sport Program	Provides drop-in recreational activities, emotional, and practical support such as positive mentorship, referrals, and links to community for vulnerable youths in Lloydminster.	Provided a safe space for youths and access to recreational activities that would otherwise be unavailable. Offered new activities that youths can enjoy and learn from.	\$10,000.00	6,053
Inclusion Lloydminster	Recreation Liaison	Builds the capacity of community sport, recreation, and culture programs to include child, youth, and adults with developmental disabilities and facilitates the connection of families to these programs.	Improvement in confidence, wellbeing, and recreation for children with developmental disabilities. Supported community providers to be equipped to offer inclusive programming.	\$10,000.00	24
Lloydminster Catholic School Division	Youth Sports Explorers & Free Family Physical Activity Events	Provides gym nights at no cost for students and their families. Promotes physical activity amongst families and community.	Offered a wide array of activities for families to enjoy together.	\$9,000.00	1,400
Catholic Social Services	Black History Month	Offers students an opportunity to learn about Black History including significant figures, events, and contributions.	Promoted diversity and inclusion which helped to broaden students' perspectives and understanding of different cultures and histories. Fostered a more inclusive and diverse learning environment.	\$3,980.13	1,600
Catholic Social Services	Summergration	Promotes a sense of belonging and connects diverse populations with others through sports and recreation activities.	Enhanced the wellbeing of participants of all ages.	\$4,814.00	473
Heart of Treaty 6	Reconciliation Reads Book Club	Provides an opportunity to gather and build relationships surrounding issues of Indigenous heritage, culture, and reconciliation.	Created a safe space for participants to discuss different worldviews based on reconciliation and celebrated Indigenous culture.	\$1,285.20	21

## SAFE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES GRANT



LLOYDMINSTER

Council approved the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant Policy no. 551-05 on August 15, 2022. The purpose of this policy is to ensure proper distribution of fees collected pursuant to the sections related to Tobacco Retailer Surcharge and Cannabis Retailer Surcharge in the Business Licensee Bylaw to non-profit organizations and City of Lloydminster led initiatives that support education, awareness, and cessation of addictive substances. Total funding for 2024 was \$42,000.00

For the 2024 Safe and Healthy Communities Grant Cycle, the Community Services Advisory Committee received four applications with a total funding request of \$31,750.00. The Community Services Advisory Committee allocated the excess funds of \$10,250.00 to deliver a speaker program in partnership with the school divisions.

## SAFE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES 2024 GRANT

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
YLL My Home (Lloydminster & Area Drug Strategy)	Cessation and Buyback	Program supports “train the trainer” and hosting of cessation classes in addition to Quit Kits and support to stop smoking/ vaping. Buyback-youth can enter draw for prizes by turning in vapes to remove them from the secondary market.	Presentations to 40 Students. 180 Cessation Class participations. 6 Partnership to Assist in the Cessation of Tobacco (PACT) Trainers trained. 40 vapes removed from secondary market. 80 Quit kits distributed.	\$6,750.00	220
YLL MyHome (Lloydminster & Area Drug Strategy)	An Influential Generation (AIG)	Youths are trained and supported to present on topics related to smoking, vaping, and addictive substances.	19 youths were trained as AIG influencers. New AIG training videos and resources created. 83% of students surveyed indicated that the presentations were useful to them.	\$5,000.00	534
Residents in Recovery Society	Recovery Week	Series of workshops and presentations to demonstrate that recovery from addiction is possible, attainable, and sustainable.	Recovery Week included Naloxone training, Workplace Workshop, Family Workshop, Movie Night, Recovery Day, and International Overdose Awareness Day Vigil.	\$10,000.00	341
Lloydminster Interval Home Society	Luvin’ My Life	Opportunity for youth to create media campaigns to raise awareness on the risks associated with addictive substances.	Three youths worked with a local media creator to produce seven short videos focused on the consequences of consuming alcohol.	\$10,000.00	48,905 views



Neighbourhood Block Party Booking, July 2024

## BUILDING SAFER COMMUNITIES FUND



In March 2022, the Government of Canada announced the Building Safer Communities Fund (BSCF) to provide \$250 million to municipalities and Indigenous communities to support gun and gang violence prevention and intervention programs for gang members, children, young adults, and youth-at-risk.

This funding was intended to support local projects that addressed underlying social conditions that give rise to gun and gang violence.

### BUILDING SAFER COMMUNITIES FUND

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
YLL My Home (Lloydminster & Area Drug Strategy)	Violent Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) Training	Trauma-informed training that helps attendees become more effective in assessing and preventing violence when students may pose a threat to themselves or others. Also mitigates psychological and systemic response to trauma.	Three individuals from Lloydminster attended the Violent Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) "Train the Trainer" so that we have the ability to provide VTRA training locally.	\$121,206.28	Three trainers
	HEROES Program	The HEROES Program is a social-emotional skill building program that equips youth with tools proven to enhance their capacity for resilience.	Six programs started to be delivered in December. All other classroom and community programs will be offered starting in the new year.		45 HEROES Facilitators have been trained
	Building Resilient Youth Together (BRYT)	A collaborative community network to create a foundation and pathways for the youth in Lloydminster to be safe, feel a sense of belonging, connection, and purpose, and to be resilient and flourish.	Planning for the collaborative table has started, including work on engaging a facilitator and identifying members.		N/A
Midwest Family Connections	Roots of Empathy	An in-school program where a parent and their baby visit classrooms regularly and trained instructors help the children learn about development and emotional literacy.	Roots of Empathy is being delivered in five classrooms for Grades 1, 4, and 7.	\$81,700.00	134 Students



## TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES FUNDING

The Government of Saskatchewan provides funding to municipalities to support paratransit services for persons with disabilities. The City of Lloydminster works with Border City Connects (BCC) to access these funds and support their services for residents.



### TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES FUNDING

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
Border City Connects	Transit Assistance for People with Disabilities (TAPD) Operational Funding	Funding provided by the Government of Saskatchewan to support the ongoing operation of paratransit services for persons with disabilities.	The City of Lloydminster applied for TAPD Operating Funding then transferred it to Border City Connects to support the transportation of residents with disabilities.	\$27,415.00	21,652 trips completed by BCC for the year.
Border City Connects	Transit Assistance for People with Disabilities (TAPD) Capital Funding	Funding provided by the Government of Saskatchewan to support the purchase of new vehicles.	Border City Connects purchased a 2025 Ford E-450 StarTrans – Senator II.	\$55,000.00	N/A



## MUNICIPAL GRANTS



The City of Lloydminster provides grant funding to various community organizations to support ongoing services to residents. The following are funded programs administered through the Social Programs and Services Department.

### MUNICIPAL GRANTS

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
Lloydminster Youth Council	Lloydminster Youth Council	The City renewed its partnership agreement with the Lloydminster Youth Council for a three-year term. The council consists of youths living in Lloydminster or attending school in Lloydminster.	The Lloydminster Youth Council hosted a series of events, awareness campaigns, and volunteering opportunities in 2024.	\$11,000.00	15 youth council members. 200+ attendees.
The Olive Tree	Homebase	Homebase is a “Housing First” approach that houses people by providing support and systems navigation.	At the time of this report, Homebase was supporting 49 individuals and has successfully “graduated” eight clients who are now living independent of the program.	\$30,000.00	49
Border City Connects	Operational Funding	Funding provided by the City of Lloydminster that supports the ongoing operation of Border City Connects and the Storage of fleet vehicles.	The City of Lloydminster provided operational Funding to Border City Connects to support vulnerable residents.	\$12,600.00	21,652 trips completed by BCC for the year.



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