

2025

SOCIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

ANNUAL REPORT





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Message from **MAYOR AALBERS**

I am pleased to welcome you to the 2025 Social Programs and Services Annual Report. This year, the Social Programs and Services team worked alongside local organizations, volunteers, and other City departments to address key social priorities and support the well-being of residents across Lloydminster.

Throughout the year, the team advanced several initiatives focused on connection and accessibility. Senior programming grew with an enhanced Seniors Information Fair featuring breakout sessions, the launch of the Seniors Supports Directory to increase awareness of local resources, and the introduction of an Intergenerational Block Party to encourage meaningful connections between youth and older adults. Housing and seasonal supports also remained a priority, including the continued Mobile Warming Van Project, which provides outreach during colder months. The City also hosted the FCSSAA Directors Network Conference in April and a Housing Symposium in May, creating opportunities for partners to share information and strengthen collaboration.

While the work continues, we are grateful to everyone who contributes their time and expertise to these efforts. As you review this report, we hope it highlights the importance of ongoing collaboration in supporting our community.

On behalf of the City of Lloydminster, my fellow Council colleagues, and the Social Programs and Services team, thank you to the staff, committee members, volunteers, and partner organizations whose work supports these shared priorities.

Sincerely,

Gerald S. Aalbers
Mayor, City of Lloydminster



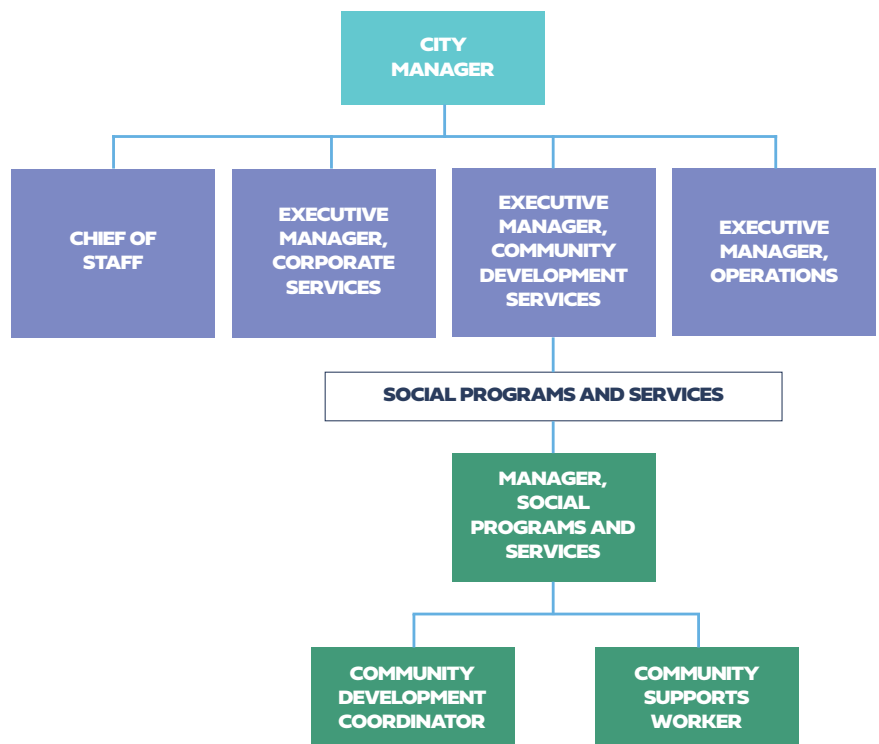
WHO WE ARE

The City of Lloydminster's Social Programs and Services (SPS) 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.

The purpose of this report is to provide Lloydminster residents with a clear and transparent view of the work that we do and how their dollars are invested in the community.

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 Ceremony	Needs Assessments and Data Collection	Family and Community Support Services Grant	Lloydminster Youth Council
Directories: Seniors Supports and Lloyd Supports	Recreation Access Program	Neighbourhood Block Party	Volunteer Appreciation	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	Intergenerational Block Party
		Neighbourhood Grant	Youth Workshops		Leveraging Provincial and Federal Grants	Interagency Committees



Connected Neighbours 2022



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SOCIAL EQUITY AND CAPACITY BUILDING

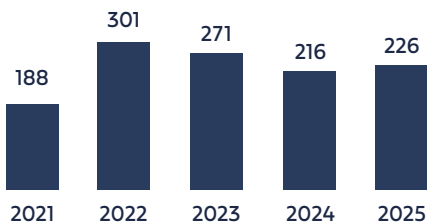


Connection to **RESOURCES**

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

Information and Referral is a service offered by the department to help residents navigate local, provincial, and federal resources. The service is available by phone at 780-875-6184, by email at fcss@lloydminster.ca, or by appointment at City Hall.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL INQUIRIES 2021 TO 2025

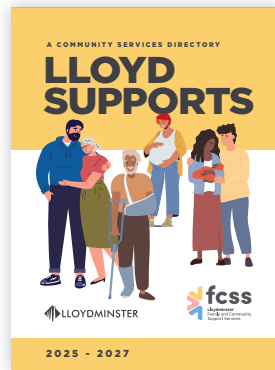


MOST FREQUENT INQUIRIES WERE:

1. Financial
2. Housing
3. Others (i.e., City Services)
4. Health
5. Transportation

FCSS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

The FCSS Monthly Newsletter is a great way to learn about FCSS programs and services including grant opportunities, events, workshops and more! To-date, there are 1,457 subscribers. To sign up for our community newsletter, visit [Lloydminster.ca/Newsletter](https://lloydminster.ca/Newsletter).



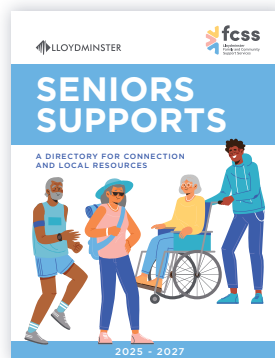
LLOYD SUPPORTS DIRECTORY

The 2025-2027 Lloyd Supports: A Community Services Directory is a tool that connects residents with local and provincial information and resources. It aims to increase awareness of available supports within the community and assists individuals in identifying and accessing relevant services.

The directories are distributed to residents and community partners for free. To order your copies, please visit Lloydminster.ca/LloydSupports.

→ 10,000 copies available

→ Next update comes out in 2027.



SENIORS SUPPORTS DIRECTORY

The 2025-2027 Seniors Supports Directory is a pilot project of the SPS department aimed at increasing seniors' awareness of resources and services available in the community to help improve their quality of life.

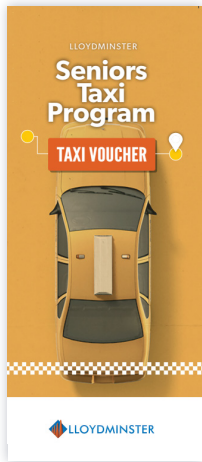
As of December 31, 2025, more than 600 copies of the Seniors Supports Directory have been distributed throughout the community.

To order your copies, visit Lloydminster.ca/SeniorsSupports.

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Programs for INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES



SENIORS TAXI PROGRAM

- Provides one-way, non-stop transit support for seniors (65-plus) at a subsidized rate. Vouchers were priced at \$5.50 in 2025. 2026 fees increased to \$6.50 per trip.
- Welcomed two new transportation service providers and one new vendor location. For more information, visit Lloydminster.ca/SeniorsTaxi.
- The average rate per trip in 2025 was \$13.82.

Year	Vouchers Sold	Vouchers Redeemed
2021	12,474	8,135
2022	20,251	17,900
2023	26,942	24,194
2024	34,128	33,127
2025	42,145	43,447

Revenue \$231,797.50
Expense \$600,491.00
Net \$368,693.50



RECREATION ACCESS PROGRAM

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

PARTICIPANT USAGE

- 858 cards issued.
374 Adults (18+) & 484 Children and Youth (2-17)
- 4,372 drop-ins
- 241 memberships

RAP APPROVALS 2021 TO 2025

Year	Number of Approvals
2021	263
2022	739
2023	901
2024	943
2025	858

WELCOME HOME PROGRAM

The Welcome Home Program is an initiative offered to new residents of Lloydminster who have moved to the community 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 team had a total of eight Welcome Home referrals in 2025.

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SOCIAL COHESION AND CONNECTION



Neighbourhood SUPPORTS

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 2025, the SPS department processed 18 Neighbourhood Block Party requests, with 15 reserving the Cenovus Energy Block Party trailer and three opting for the party kits. Block parties were supported by 174 community volunteers contributing 501 hours. Altogether, 1,334 residents participated in Block Parties in 2025.

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 neighbourhood 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. Five Neighbourhood Connectors were active in 2025, 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. The department issued six grants for 2025 which resulted in three neighbourhood BBQ's, games and activities for youth, neighbourhood beautification, and planning for two projects where Grade 8 students built proposals for making stronger neighbourhoods. 140 volunteer hours have been contributed and 312 residents have participated.

WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

2025 boasted many engagements and workshops, all offered free to the community. A total of over 17 workshops were held, with 1,482 participants in attendance.

2025 WORKSHOPS

- Seniors Information Fair
- Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast
- Lunch n' Learn: Fraud Prevention
- LEAP Food for Thought Breakfast
- Citizenship Ceremony
- Level Up Series
- National Seniors Day Lunch n' Learn
- National Child Day
- Intergenerational Block Parties
- Housing Symposium
- Mental Health First Aid Training

YOUTH WORKSHOPS

Level Up is a series of workshops aimed at equipping youth with essential life skills as they transition into adulthood. Topics included "Understanding Yourself and Others", "Building Healthy Relationships", "Volunteerism and Community Involvement", and "the Power of Professionalism". The department hosted four Level Up workshops at the Lloydminster Public Library which garnered a total of 38 attendees.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

The City of Lloydminster was able to host a Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast with the financial support of Volunteer Alberta. The volunteer breakfast was held at the Legacy Centre on April 26, 2025, with a total of 150 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.

SENIOR EVENTS

The Social Programs and Services Department hosts different senior events throughout the year at the Legacy Centre. These events are designed to support seniors by increasing their awareness of local resources, equipping them with the right information to help improve their quality of life, and reducing social isolation through interaction.

- Seniors Information Fair held on March 13, 2025, had 100 seniors in attendance.
- Scam and Fraud Prevention Lunch n' Learn held on March 24, 2025, garnered 84 attendees.
- The Lloydminster Elder Abuse Prevention (LEAP) Breakfast held on June 12, 2025, had 85 seniors in attendance.
- National Seniors Day held on October 2, 2025, had 125 seniors in attendance.

Across these four senior events, there had been a total of 394 seniors in attendance.

CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

A Citizenship Ceremony is a formal event where individuals who have met the requirements for Canadian Citizenship are invited to take the Oath of Citizenship. This ceremony is the last step required in becoming a Canadian citizen. In collaboration with Catholic Social Services, a citizenship ceremony was held on June 19, 2025 at the Legacy Centre. A total of 79 participants from 13 different countries attended the oath taking ceremony and received their Canadian citizenship.



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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & INVESTMENT



ENGAGEMENT and Research

SOCIAL POLICY FRAMEWORK

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

UPDATE

- Two new working groups have been activated in 2025, which are the Access to Health and Social Services and Mental Health Working Group.

MENTAL HEALTH WORKING GROUP

The Mental Health Working Group is comprised of 15 community volunteers, working in the field of mental health, and one member of City Administration. The committee is working to coordinate and promote community-wide mental health training.

UPDATE

- Mental Health First Aid: The committee hosted three mental health first aid trainings with 70 participants receiving their certificate.

NETWORK

The Network is a local interagency group which is comprised of several non-profit organizations operating in Lloydminster. The group meets on the third Tuesday of every month at City Hall. Each meeting begins with a presentation from a local service provider, who shares information about their organization's programs and services. The remainder of the meeting is allocated for roundtable discussions of upcoming events and projects, as well as opportunities to ask questions or request support from the group.

The purpose of The Network is to promote collaboration among organizations and to increase service providers' awareness of available resources, enabling them to better support their clients and the community.

HOUSING WORKING GROUP

The Housing Working Group is comprised of eight community volunteers, working in the field of housing and homelessness, and one member of City Administration. The committee was established to address urgent housing needs and support individuals experiencing housing instability, as identified through the 2022 Community Social Needs Assessment.

UPDATE

- Shelter Standards: The committee drafted a Shelter Standards document that outlines a set of expectations, guidelines, and minimum requirements for the delivery of shelter services in Lloydminster. The document was presented during a Governance and Priorities Council meeting on June 16, 2025. The next step is to present the document at a City Council meeting and have it adopted as a Best Practice for Emergency Shelters.
- Housing Symposium: The committee hosted a Housing Symposium on May 7, 2025, at the Nissan Hall, Lloydminster Exhibition Grounds with 200 participants in attendance. The symposium aimed to promote collaboration, increase awareness, and educate the community regarding the state of housing in Lloydminster. 88% of the participants surveyed indicated that because of the symposium, they feel more equipped and motivated to take action and contribute to housing solutions in the community.
- Myth-buster Campaign: A video campaign was led by the committee to counter common misconceptions about housing and homelessness. The video clips posted in social media garnered more than 10,000 views and continues to grow everyday.

GRANT ADMINISTRATION

In 2025, the Social Programs and Services Department administered 48 grant agreements representing over \$800,000 in municipal, provincial, and federal investment in the community.

2025

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Community Services Advisory Committee is comprised of seven community volunteers and one City Councillor. The committee reviews grant applications and make 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.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

The Community Services Advisory Committee is a diverse group of individuals coming from different backgrounds who share a common goal of supporting organizations that allow our community to grow and thrive. We look at a wide range of programs and intentionally allocate funds where we see the best fit. I look forward to the learned experience for not only myself but all of our members. The beauty of our group is that each individual brings a unique level of experience and expertise in different ways. In Lloydminster and the surrounding area, I have seen a wide range of organizations wanting funding and although we try our best to assign the funds, the best applications include plans for inclusivity, a well-written grant with ample information and, sustainable, long-term ideas that we can confidently get behind.

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Community Services Advisory Committee Chairperson 2025

Meet the MEMBERS



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.



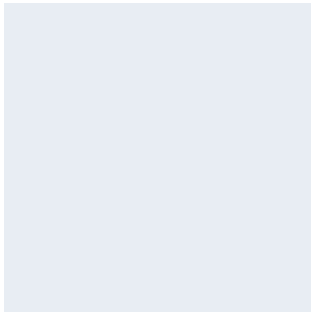
DAVID LOPEZ

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 an 11th grade student at Holy Rosary High School. I serve on the Lloydminster Youth Council, and an Influential Generation: A Conversation about Vaping, and other impactful volunteering opportunities that have allowed me to represent and advocate for youth in Lloydminster. I got involved in community development because I want to be apart of the active change that steers us closer to an empowered and empathetic community. Making sure that everyone feels a sense of belonging is key to a functional environment and I want to be a part of the improvement and preservation of the community well-being we see in Lloydminster.



JENNIFER SHYMANSKI

I have been a resident of Lloydminster for over 15 years, working in the oil and gas industry as an oilfield dispatcher. I hold a bachelor's degree from the University of Saskatchewan and I am 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.

We would like to acknowledge our outgoing member, Linda Kappel, for her service, dedication, and commitment to supporting the residents of Lloydminster. Linda served the committee for two years. We wish her well in her future endeavours.



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.



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 and have 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.

PARTNERSHIPS

2024-2025 LLOYDMINSTER YOUTH COUNCIL

The Lloydminster Youth Council is comprised of Grades 8 to 12 students either residing in Lloydminster or attending school in Lloydminster. The Lloydminster Youth Council was founded in March 2016 by a group of adult allies who wanted to provide opportunities for youth excellence and empowerment. The Lloydminster Youth Council is governed by the Mentorship Advisory Committee who oversees the direct operations of the Lloydminster Youth Council and provides mentorship and guidance to the youth council so they can succeed in their goals.

The Lloydminster Youth Council is comprised of four executive positions (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Media + Marketing) and the youth council members. In October 2024, 14 youths were sworn in at Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor and City Council in attendance.



PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

The Lloydminster Youth Council entered into a second-term partnership agreement with the City of Lloydminster in August 2024. The 2024-2027 partnership agreement provides the Lloydminster Youth Council with an annual funding of \$11,000 for three years and 60 hours of administrative support from the City of Lloydminster. Administrative support includes professional development opportunities such as facility tours and introduction to different city departments and functions.

Aside from the City of Lloydminster, the Lloydminster Youth Council also has an existing Memorandum of Agreement with Lakeland College. Through this partnership, the Lloydminster Youth Council can host their weekly meetings at the local college, at no-cost.

EVENTS

The Lloydminster Youth Council puts on different community events geared towards youths and families. Below is a list of activities the Lloydminster Youth Council hosted.

- Winter Skate in December 2024
- Border Idol in April 2025
- Easter Eggstravaganza in April 2025
- Pecha Kucha in May 2025
- Splash into Summer in May 2025

AN INFLUENTIAL GENERATION

The Lloydminster Youth Council are also committed to raising social awareness and community issues through An Influential Generation Podcast where they discuss topics relevant to youths such as use of artificial intelligence (AI) in school, life transitions, and their experiences of inclusion and exclusion.

VOLUNTEERING

In addition to hosting events and recording podcasts, the Lloydminster Youth Council are also passionate about volunteering in the community. Below is a list of volunteering opportunities that the Youth Council undertook in 2025.

- Building hamper boxes at The Salvation Army for their Christmas Food Hamper Program.
- Playing with the animals at Border Paws Animal Shelter.
- Packing groceries at the Lloydminster Co-op Marketplace for Kindness Wins.
- Visiting and playing with seniors at Pioneer Lodge.



VOLUNTEER CONNECTOR

Volunteer Connector is an online platform that connects volunteers with local and provincial opportunities. There are currently 23 non-profit organizations in Lloydminster that are registered on Volunteer Connector.

For residents who want to volunteer and for non-profits that needs volunteers, visit Volunterconnector.org.

INTERGENERATIONAL BLOCK PARTY

The SPS department launched the Intergenerational Block Party in the summer of 2025. The team coordinated visits with three Independent Seniors Living facilities in Lloydminster and recruited youth volunteers from the Lloydminster Community Youth Centre to help set up the event using equipment from the Cenovus Energy Block Party trailer. Over the course of the summer, there were 19 youth volunteers and 109 senior participants who attended the block parties.

The goal of the program is to bridge the gap between youths and seniors, and to promote youth volunteerism.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES (FCSSAA) DIRECTORS NETWORK CONFERENCE

East Central FCSS hosted the Family and Community Support Services Directors Network conference in partnership with the City of Lloydminster on April 30, 2025 to May 2, 2025. 78 attendees from across Alberta gathered in Lloydminster to learn about preventative social services, network, and explore our community. This was the first time this annual conference has been hosted in Lloydminster.

INTERAGENCY COMMITTEES

Social Programs and Services participate in various interagency tables, committees, and initiatives where we build partnerships and community connections.

- Lloydminster & Area Early Years Coalition (LAEYC)
- Lloydminster Area Drug Strategy (LADS)
- Lloydminster Youth Council (LYC) Mentorship Advisory Committee
- Lloydminster Local Immigration Partnership (LLIP)
- Family Violence Prevention Month (SPARK Foundation of Lloydminster)
- Border City Connects
- Lloydminster Housing Authority
- Lloydminster Elder Abuse Prevention (LEAP) Committee
- Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) East Central Directors Network
- The Inter-City Forum on Social Policy (Alberta)
- Social Policy Framework
 - SPF Leadership Team
 - Housing Working Group Committee
 - Mental Health Working Group Committee

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.	4,375 drop-ins and 241 memberships purchased.	\$745.00 for marketing materials. The program does not operate as a subsidy but as an alternate fee structure.	858 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 42,145 vouchers for \$231,797.50 while it received 43,447 redeemed taxi vouchers for a total bill of \$600,491.00 from cab companies. The City subsidized the remaining \$368,693.50 to help support seniors with the rising cost of transportation.	\$368,693.50	43,447 vouchers redeemed
City of Lloydminster	Citizenship Ceremony	The final step to complete the naturalization process and become Canadian citizens.	79 residents representing 13 countries became citizens.	\$1,557.27	175
City of Lloydminster	Neighbourhood Grant Program	Program helps residents work together to activate community resources in their neighbourhood for the benefit of everyone.	Three neighbourhood BBQ's, games and activities for youth, neighbourhood beautification, and planning for two projects to be deployed by Grade 8 students.	\$3,000.00	322
City of Lloydminster	Social Policy Framework (SPF)	Community collaborations to address priority issues identified through social needs assessments.	Working group projects include the Housing Symposium and the Mental Health First Aid Workshops.	\$3,000.00	322
City of Lloydminster	Housing Action Plan	V3 Companies of Canada has been hired by the City of Lloydminster to enhance the capacity of the SPF Housing Working Group to address housing needs. This process involves identifying appropriate locations, funding options, builders, and partners to increase capacity.		\$25,697.88	N/A
City of Lloydminster	Warming Van Project	Mobile warming site activated at night when temperature reaches -30°C with windchill.	46 activations with an average of 32 individuals utilizing per night.	\$98,249.69	1,770

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



Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Funded Programs

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 Alberta's population, but FCSS programs operate freely on both sides of the border. Of this, \$385,000.00 goes back into the community in the form of grants.

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
City of Lloydminster	Information and Referral	A service aimed at raising awareness of community resources available to residents.	The department received 226 requests for information and referrals.	N/A	226 inquiries
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.	100% of participants surveyed indicated that they are more aware of the resources and supports available in their community.	\$485.00	8 referrals
City of Lloydminster	Neighbourhood Block Party Program	A program to support residents to host neighbourhood block parties to build positive relationships.	100% of participants surveyed indicated that they felt more connected to their neighbourhood.	\$4,569.39	1,334
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.	Two new connectors were recruited in 2025. Work is underway to focus the program on interconnection between volunteers.	\$9.36	5 Connectors
City of Lloydminster	Intergenerational Block Party	A summer program where youth volunteers host block parties at independent seniors living facilities.	100% of youth volunteers reported that they felt what they have to offer is appreciated by the community.	\$1,168.13	109
City of Lloydminster	Level Up Series	A series of workshops aimed at equipping youths with essential life skills as they transition into adulthood.	100% of the participants surveyed felt more confident about preparing for their future as a result of attending the workshop.	\$107.48	38
City of Lloydminster	Seniors Information Fair	An event that provides seniors with access to valuable information on various topics including health, safety, housing, recreation, and other relevant areas.	100% of the participants surveyed indicated that they are more aware of community supports and resources.	\$575.00	100
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 on "Resilient Aging" by Patricia Morgan.	100% of participants surveyed indicated that they felt recognized and appreciated as a senior as a result of attending the event. 100% of participants surveyed indicated that they are more aware of strategies for resilient aging, including coping skills, community resources, and planning.	\$7,703.52	125
City of Lloydminster	National Volunteer Week – Appreciation Breakfast	An event recognizing and celebrating the valuable contributions volunteers make to our community and the organizations they represent. Guests will enjoy a catered breakfast buffet featuring a variety of hot and cold selections, providing a welcoming space to connect, reflect, and be thanked for their dedication and service.	98% of the surveyed participants indicated the event has helped them to feel recognized for what they do.	\$5,990.74	150
City of Lloydminster	LEAP Food for Thought Breakfast	In partnership with the Lloydminster Elder Abuse Prevention (LEAP) committee, the event featured a seniors breakfast followed by an educational presentation by Lloydminster RCMP on being street-smart in everyday life.	100% of participants surveyed indicated that they are more aware of what is happening in our community.	\$894.81	85
City of Lloydminster	Lunch n' Learn: Fraud Prevention	Attendees were invited for a free lunch followed by an informative presentation by Julie Matthews.	100% of participants responded positively, indicating that the presentation increased their awareness of common scams and fraud tactics and improved their confidence in identifying and avoiding potential scams.	\$2,691.85	84
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.	98% of participants surveyed indicated that as a result of these events they have more information on the resources available to their family.	\$0	416

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2025 FCSS Grants

For the 2025 FCSS Grant Cycle, the Community Services Advisory Committee received 17 grant applications with a total funding request of \$760,816.00. 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	Mentoring Matters	Multi-tiered mentoring programs including traditional matches, in-school mentoring, summer mentoring, and an after-school program.	100% of participants surveyed indicated positive child/youth development.	\$45,000.00	1,624
Catholic Social Services	Seniors Connection	Program Coordinator consults with seniors and community to learn seniors' specific prevention needs and implement strategies to increase seniors' well-being, independence, and quality of life. Program strategies include presentations, outreach, information, and referral.	100% of seniors surveyed indicated that as a result of the program they experienced increased autonomy.	\$30,000.00	713
Inclusion Lloydminster	Engaging Families, Creating Good Lives	Program addresses 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 participants surveyed indicated that as a result of the program they have more information on the resources available to their family.	\$10,000.00	175
Libbie Young Centre Inc.	Mental Health 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.	100% of participants surveyed indicated that as a result of the program they experienced an increased capacity to meet their needs.	\$32,000.00	2,488
Lloydminster & Area Brain Injury Society (LABIS)	Pathways to Empowerment	Program encompasses all organizational initiatives including Life Enrichment, Walking Program, and the Outreach Program. These programs provide opportunities for individuals with acquired brain injury and supports their well-being through increased social engagement.	100% of participants surveyed indicated that as a result of the program they experienced increased optimism.	\$7,000.00	588
SPARK Foundation of Lloydminster	Family Violence Prevention Program	Provide education to help end the cycle of family violence and support individuals in developing lifetimes of well-being and healthy relationships.	99% of participants surveyed indicated that as a result of the program they are more aware that family violence is a community issue.	\$40,000.00	1,356
SPARK Foundation of Lloydminster – Lloydminster Community Youth Centre (LCYC)	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.	88% of participants surveyed indicated an improvement in positive identity.	\$40,000.00	5,703
Lloydminster Native Friendship Centre (LNFC)	Engaging our People	Employs a Community Intervention Advocate who provides prevention and early intervention support for individuals in both one-on-one or group settings, cultural awareness information, and workshops to local businesses, organizations, and schools.	100% of the participants surveyed indicated that as a result of engaging with LNFC they have a better understanding of how to access the community resources they need.	\$40,000.00	679
Lloydminster Sexual Assault Services	Prevention and Education Division	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.	100% of the participants surveyed indicated that as a result of the program they found it easier to talk with their children about sensitive issues.	\$25,000.00	2,258
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.	100% of participants surveyed indicated an improvement in healthy functioning within the family. 92% of participants surveyed indicated an improvement in knowledge on how to access the resources they need.	\$45,000.00	264 families

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 participants surveyed indicated an improvement in knowledge on how to access the resources they need.	\$3,000.00	1,128
Residents in Recovery Society	Parental Engagement in Child(ren) Development	Program aims to promote healthy parenting and increase social development of children through sessions such as seeking safety, cultural parenting, "The Whole Brain Child", and anger management.	100% of participants surveyed indicated an improvement in healthy functioning within the family.	\$30,000.00	450
The Olive Tree Community Centre	Outreach Support Workers	Provides case management to The Olive Tree guests that struggle with isolation, poor mental health, substance use, and lack healthy support systems. Guests are connected to community supports and resources.	100% of participants surveyed indicated an improvement in social connection.	\$20,000.00	23,152
Walking Through Grief Society	Walking Through Grief Support	Provides one-on-one or group support with trained facilitators to educate on grief and the skills to be more resilient to crisis in the future.	100% of participants surveyed indicated an improvement in resilience.	\$18,000.00	600

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Engagement Numbers are based on the number of participants per activities.



2024-2025 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 received 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 2024-2025 Saskatchewan Lotteries Grant Cycle, the committee received 28 grant applications, for the first call and second call for applications, with a total funding request of \$176,953.50. Of the 28 programs, 16 programs were funded for a total of \$86,454.00.

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
Libbie Young Centre Inc.	Summer Recreation Program	Recreational, cultural, and sport activities for persons living with mental illness.	Provided participants with activities and experiences that they may not have had the opportunity to engage in without the program.	\$5,570.00	46
Lloydminster & Area Brain Injury Society (LABIS)	Brain Fit	Recreation and physical activities for individuals with acquired brain injury.	Adults living with brain injury are given the chance to socialize and re-integrate back into their community.	\$500.00	15
Heart of Treaty 6	2024 Interschool Powwow	Event serves as both a healing ceremony and a social gathering, providing a platform for cultural exchange where attendees can learn about Indigenous culture through song, dance, and storytelling.	Funding was used to support the purchase of flags and flagpole kits for the event.	\$1,793.40*	1,800
Lloydminster Catholic School Division (LCSD) #89	Youth Sports Explorers and Free Family Physical Activity Events	Provides gym nights at no cost for students and their families. Promotes physical activity amongst families and community.	A high number of youths who aren't involved in organized sports were able to participate and be exposed to new activities.	\$9,000.00	1,500
Special Olympics Lloydminster	Special Olympics Lloydminster	Sports and fitness activities for people with intellectual and physical disabilities.	Athletes experienced friendship and social interaction that are necessary for their overall mental health and well-being.	\$10,000.00	90
Border Rage Lacrosse	Senior Lacrosse	Competitive lacrosse experience for men aged 16-60.	Program provided opportunities for men of various ages and backgrounds to compete together as a team and build social connection.	\$5,000.00	40
Lloydminster Public Library	The Library Loves Lego	Drop-in Lego club targeted for youth participation.	Initial youth response was low. Program was expanded to include other age groups and saw significant growth.	\$5,000.00	61
Big Brothers Big Sisters	Kids Klub Summer	Provides safe and supervised activities during summer for attendees.	Participants benefited significantly from the summer tutoring and the partnership with SHINE to build mental health skills.	\$5,906.00	16
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.	Eight families and seven community members attended the Recreation Workshop.	\$10,000.00	32 (14 youths and 18 providers)
Catholic Social Services	Summergration: An Introduction to Canadian Sport Activities and Culture	Promotes a sense of belonging and connects diverse populations with others through sports and recreation activities.	Program saw increased participation and was able to incorporate new activities such as beach volleyball and mini golf.	\$5,000.00	694
Lloydminster and District Centennial Commemorative Association Inc.	Saving and Sharing the Midwest's Televised History (Phase 11)	Project to preserve local broadcasts digitally in a searchable database starting from 1988.	CKSA and Prime Time Local News records from June 2015 and January 2017 have been preserved.	\$5,684.17*	N/A



Lloydminster Area Drug Strategy (LADS)	RCMP Youth Camp	A three-day program designed to expose youths to skills building activities related to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). Youth engaged in physical activities, learned about the justice system, and Criminal Code.	The RCMP Youth Camp provided a direct working relationship between youth and RCMP to empower and motivate youth to set their goals and create future change in the community and themselves.	\$3,892.50*	26
SPARK Foundation of Lloydminster - Lloydminster Community Youth Centre (LCYC)	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.	The program helped build youth participants' confidence through practicing sports.	\$10,000.00	5,928
Focus Society for Support Services (FOCUS)	Invest in Our Youth	Recreation opportunities for low-income families and at-risk youths.	Youths feel more connected to Lloydminster.	\$5,607.93*	75
Lloydminster Border Blades Speedskating Club	2024-2025 Speedskating Season	Skating program offered to participants of all levels.	Offset of operational costs for the 2024-2025 season.	\$1,575.00*	2,248
Lloydminster Area Drug Strategy (LADS)	SOARING	Provides youths with opportunities to engage in healthy and fun recreation and build supportive connections with both youths and adults.	Youths and leaders made social connections and built confidence.	\$1,925.00*	104

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*The amount differs from City Council Motion No. 33-2024 due to funding reallocations. In some cases, not all allocated funds were used and these were allocated to other projects.



2025 Safe and Healthy Communities Grant

Council approved the Safe and Healthy Communities Grant Policy No. 551-05 on Aug. 15, 2022. The purpose of the policy is to ensure the proper distribution of fees collected pursuant to sections related to the 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 2025 was \$34,000.00.

For the 2025 Safe and Healthy Communities Grant Cycle, the Community Services Advisory Committee received six applications with a total funding request of \$42,650.00. Of the six applications, four programs received funding for a total of \$33,250.00. The Community Services Advisory Committee allocated the excess funds of \$750.00 based on the discretion of the City Manager.

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
YLL My Home (Lloydminster Area Drug Strategy)	An Influential Generation	Youth delivered conversations and resources on the risks of vaping. 39 volunteers contributed 213 hours.	95% of youth participants indicated that as a result of the presentation they feel more confident in making informed decisions about their health.	\$5,570.00	725
YLL My Home (Lloydminster Area Drug Strategy)	Cessation and Buyback	Cessation support using Quit Kits, individual support, and PACT training. Buyback program provides youth with gift cards to remove vapes from secondary market.	535 received Cessation Support 60 QuitKits distributed 35 Buyback participants 1 new PACT trainer	\$4,410.00*	631
SPARK Foundation of Lloydminster	Luvin' My Lungs	Opportunity for youth to create media campaigns to raise awareness on the risks associated with addictive substance.	Videos developed by youth were viewed 26,305 times.	\$10,000.00	14
Residents in Recovery Society	Child and Family Transportation	This project provided transportation to families and clients in recovery to attend programming and weekend recreation.	N/A	\$2,520.00*	339
Residents in Recovery Society	Recovery Week	A weeklong event including an awareness vigil, naloxone training, addiction workshops, and guest speakers.	N/A	\$2,528.94**	55

Approved under Council Motion No. 354-2024 and Council Motion No. 189-2025.

*Project funds will be carried over into 2026.

**Project is a carryover from previous grant cycle.

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 to access these funds and support their services for residents.

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 applies for TAPD Operating Funding then transfers it to Border City Connects to support the transportation of residents with disabilities.	\$26,302.00	24,347 trips

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 address the underlying social conditions that give rise to gun and gang violence.

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.	On September 16, 2025, 11 Community Partners gathered for the official signing of the VTRA Protocol for Lloydminster and spent the day learning together.	\$12,500.00	N/A
	HEROES Program	A social-emotional skill building program that equips youths with tools proven to enhance their capacity for resilience.	57% developed a solidified capacity for community influence/support. 48% developed an enhanced capacity for self-management		100 youth attended the Fun & Free Connection Building Activities.
	Building Resilient Youth Together (BRYT)	A Collaborative Community Network to design the foundation and create pathways for the youths in Lloydminster to be safe, feel a sense of belonging, connection, and purpose, and be resilient and flourish.	Building Resilient Youth Together is advancing successfully. Program actively engaged youth groups to shape the foundation and design of pathways that ensure young people in Lloydminster are safe, connected, empowered with a sense of belonging, purpose, and resilience.		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 seven classrooms for Grades 1, 4, 5, and 7.	\$172,195.00	61 classroom visits

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.

AGENCY	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	OUTCOMES	FUNDING	ENGAGEMENT/ ATTENDEES
Lloydminster Youth Council	Lloydminster Youth Council	The 2024-2025 Lloydminster Youth Council consists of youths residing or attending school in Lloydminster. The City demonstrates its commitment to the Youth Council through financial and administrative support.	The Lloydminster Youth Council hosted a series of events, awareness campaigns, and volunteering opportunities in 2024-2025.	\$11,000.00	14 youth council members. 5 Events
The Olive Tree Community Centre	Homebase	Homebase is a "Housing First" approach that houses people by providing support and systems navigation.	17 clients have graduated and are now living independently of the program.	\$60,000.00	132
Border City Connects	Operational Funding	Funding provided by the City of Lloydminster supports the ongoing operation of Border City Connects and the storage of fleet vehicles.	The annual payment was increased from \$12,600.00 to \$27,600.00 in 2025.	\$27,600.00	24,347 trips



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