

# SAPRAE CREEK NEWS



October  
2025

## Help shape your community - join an RMWB board or committee!

Wood Buffalo needs your energy and perspective for important projects and initiatives across the region!

Get involved, gain valuable experience and network with like-minded residents by applying to join a Council-appointed board or committee by Oct. 26.

There are more than 70 vacancies among nearly 20 Municipal boards and committees. Apply for an open position at [rmwb.ca/boards](http://rmwb.ca/boards), or at your local municipal office.

### What are the benefits of serving on an RMWB board or committee?

Joining a board or committee is a great opportunity for professional growth – members work alongside other community leaders and help advise Mayor and Councillors on important matters that impact your community.

### Are meetings accessible for rural and Indigenous residents?

Distance doesn't have to be an obstacle – you can attend most board and committee meetings remotely by video call. Rural board and committee members will also be reimbursed mileage expenses for driving to attend meetings in person.

### Which board and committee positions are currently open to apply for?

- Advisory Committee on Aging
- Assessment Review Board
- Combative Sports Commission
- Communities in Bloom
- Community Identification Committee
- Community Standards Appeal Committee
- Development Advisory Committee
- Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee
- Fort McMurray Airport Authority
- Homelessness Initiatives Strategic Committee
- Regional Advisory Committee on Inclusion, Diversity & Equity
- Regional Recreation Corporation Board
- Public Art Committee
- Regional Library Board
- Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
- Vehicle for Hire Committee
- Waterfront Advisory Committee
- Wood Buffalo Housing and Development Corporation

For questions or to get help applying for a vacancy, contact Pulse at 780-743-7000 or toll-free at 1-800-973-9663.



### Visiting Fort McMurray? RMWB Transit has introduced significant changes

On August 22, a new and improved Transit system replaced all routes with high-frequency core routes, neighbourhood routes and Transit On Demand. If you're visiting Fort McMurray and planning to use RMWB Transit, plan ahead and review the new routes and schedules.

There are no changes to **rural transit** or **fares**.

#### Highlights:

- 2 high-frequency core routes with longer hours & shorter wait times.
- 7 neighbourhood routes during high-ridership times.
- Book a ride when neighbourhood routes aren't available using RMWB Transit On Demand.
- Main Street Terminal is closed and two new stops have been added on Franklin Avenue.

#### Plan ahead:

- Check the new routes & schedules at [rmwb.ca/transit](https://rmwb.ca/transit).
- Learn more about Transit On Demand at [rmwb.ca/OnDemand](https://rmwb.ca/OnDemand).
- School route information is available at [rmwb.ca/SchoolTransit](https://rmwb.ca/SchoolTransit).

# Nominate someone for Council's Excellence Awards!

**ONLINE NOMINATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL DECEMBER 3**

Shine a light on outstanding people in your community by nominating them for Council's Excellence Awards. Submit a nomination and learn more at [rmwb.ca/excellence](https://rmwb.ca/excellence)

## COUNCIL'S EXCELLENCE AWARDS INCLUDE FOUR CATEGORIES:

### CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Honours an individual or group with outstanding contributions and achievements to the community, as a volunteer or professional who has improved the quality of life in the RMWB.

### EVERYDAY HERO

Recognizes an individual or group dedicated to improving the lives of those around them, demonstrating selflessness through acts of kindness and making a positive impact in the region. Residents may be nominated for selfless actions related to a single event.

### INDIGENOUS ADVOCATE

Honours an individual or group of individuals who has made significant contributions to Indigenous communities in the region.

### YOUTH

Recognizes a youth or group of youths whose exceptional achievements have improved quality of life in the region or brought positive recognition to the region. Candidates must be between 15-34 years old as of December 31, 2024.

## ELIGIBILITY AND SUPPORT

Any nominee must have lived in Wood Buffalo for a minimum of 12 consecutive months.

A nomination guide, as well as information on other eligibility requirements, is available at [rmwb.ca/excellence](https://rmwb.ca/excellence) and at rural municipal offices.

If you need assistance submitting a nomination, contact Pulse at 780-743-7000 or 1-800-973-9663.





## The 2026 Community Investment Program (CIP) is open for applications!

CIP grants help local non-profits, community groups, social profits, athletes and teams bring programs, events, projects and services to life. What impact will you make with CIP funding this upcoming year?

The deadline to apply is **October 14, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.** Applicants are encouraged to review the 2026 CIP Policy, which highlights key changes and this year's funding priorities, before submitting.

👉 **Tip:** Booking a one-on-one meeting with the CIP team is strongly recommended to make your application process smoother.

Learn more and apply online at [rmwb.ca/CIP](https://rmwb.ca/CIP).



# WHERE ARE SUPPORTS NEEDED?

Your feedback is shaping a 10-year strategy to strengthen safety and social well-being, identifying community priorities in supports for seniors and Elders, programs for youth and children, transportation, and cultural services.

## Stay involved and informed

- Participate online at [rmwb.ca/socialwellbeing](https://rmwb.ca/socialwellbeing)
- Complete a paper survey or quick poll at your local municipal office
- Chat at an upcoming rural community open house



Feedback will help show where supports are strong, where gaps exist, and how to improve access and connection.

[rmwb.ca/socialwellbeing](https://rmwb.ca/socialwellbeing)



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# RMWB 2025 Elections

## It's time to vote!

### ELECTION DAY:

**Monday, October 20, 2025**  
9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

### ADVANCE VOTING:

**Starts October 3, 2025**  
9 a.m. to 8 p.m.



### IF YOU LIVE IN

**Draper, or  
Saprae Creek  
Estates**

### YOU ARE IN

**Ward 3**

### YOU CAN VOTE FOR:

- Mayor (1 position)
- Ward 3 Councillor (1 position)

### WHERE TO VOTE:

#### Advance Voting (Oct. 15 & 16)\*

- Vista Ridge, 1 Spruce Valley Drive,  
Saprae Creek Estates

*\*During advance voting, you can vote at any location, not just in your ward. Find more dates and locations at [rmwb.ca/election](https://rmwb.ca/election).*

#### Election Day (Oct. 20, 2025)\*\*

- Vista Ridge, 1 Spruce Valley Drive,  
Saprae Creek Estates

*\*\*On Election Day, you can only vote WITHIN YOUR WARD.*

### WHO CAN VOTE?

- ✓ 18+ years old
- ✓ Canadian citizen
- ✓ Live in the RMWB
- ✓ Bring accepted ID

Find candidate info & more details at [rmwb.ca/election](https://rmwb.ca/election)



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## Step Into the Unknown at igNIGHT 2025!

From Oct. 1-5, between 6-10 p.m. nightly, kiyām Community Park will transform into a glowing landscape of art, performance and imagination. This free, family event will fill the park with illuminated exhibits and live performances.

Explore glowing art installations, enjoy fire and dance shows, music, storytelling and family activities all created by talented local and visiting artists.

### Event Details:

- 📅 Oct. 1–5, 2025
- 🕒 6–10 p.m. nightly
- 📍 kiyām Community Park
- 💡 Free & open to all ages

Learn more at [rmwb.ca/igNIGHT](https://rmwb.ca/igNIGHT).

## Start preparing for the RMWB election on Oct. 20

Advance voting for the municipal and school trustee elections will start in less than 60 days in the RMWB.

Preparations are well underway at the Municipality and it's time for you and all residents to start preparing as well.

Find everything you need to know about the municipal and school trustee elections – including voting options, job opportunities, reasons why you should vote, and a list of candidates – at [rmwb.ca/election](https://rmwb.ca/election).



**Key Election Dates**

Oct. 3 – 17 – Advance voting days for Ward 1

Oct. 15 and 16 – Advance voting days for Wards 2, 3 and 4

Oct. 20 – Election Day

**Learn about your choices in this election with candidate profiles**

The RMWB will be featuring candidate profiles for Mayor and Councillor on its election webpage in late September to help voters inform themselves on their choices. While candidates will have the opportunity to add profile information to the RMWB website, it is optional and many candidates have their own websites and social media accounts.

**Changes to election laws mean hand-counted ballots, slower results**

Every municipality in Alberta – including the RMWB – will be hand-counting ballots for the Oct. 20 election instead of using vote tabulators. This is because of changes to election laws made by the Government of Alberta.

Previously, unofficial election results could be known by election night through the use of vote tabulators. Tabulators have been used for decades in Alberta. Using hand-counting, it's expected that the 2025 election count will take at least three days to complete.

Still have questions about the 2025 municipal election? Contact Pulse with your questions at [rmwb.ca/pulse](https://rmwb.ca/pulse) or 780-743-7000.





INCLUSION



# Burger DAY



October 3rd, 2025



In celebration of Canada's Autism Awareness Month in October, all A&W locations in Fort McMurray will donate \$1 to the Autism Society of the RMWB for every Teen Burger™ sold.

To pre-order OR any inquiries,  
please call: 780.531.0746



# WAYPOINTS OUTREACH TEAM

## WE WILL BE IN:

- Conklin October 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> at the Multiplex from 10am-3pm
- Janvier October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Multiplex and Health Centre from 11am-3:30pm
- Anzac October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Recreation Centre from 10am-3pm
- FMFN 468 October 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> at the Health Centre from 10am-4pm
- Fort McKay October 9<sup>th</sup> at the Family Support Centre from 11am-4pm

**HAVE YOU BEEN IMPACTED BY FAMILY AND/OR SEXUAL VIOLENCE? ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SUPPORT AND WAYS TO COPE IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT?**

**To book an appointment please call our systems navigator at  
+1 (780) 750-8650  
or email at  
system.navigators@waypointswb.ca**

**WE OFFER FREE  
COUNSELLING AND  
SUPPORT SERVICES**



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[www.waypointswb.ca](http://www.waypointswb.ca)



WAYPOINTS

**100-130 Prospect Drive  
Fort McMurray, AB, T9K 2Z5**

# YOUR AMBULANCE EXPERIENCE MATTERS

From paramedics at the  
scene to the hospital doors  
— **tell us about your care.**

**[rmwb.ca/EMScare](https://rmwb.ca/EMScare)**



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## FireSmart rebate program helping homeowners pay for upgrades



The **FireSmart Home Rebate Program** is available for all communities in the region.

Residents will be eligible to receive rebates until program funds have been exhausted, limited to one rebate per address and one rebate per homeowner.

### Eligible home upgrades:

- Roof replacement - up to \$2,000 (e.g., repairing old/damaged asphalt shingles)
- Roof upgrade - up to \$2,000 (e.g., replacing wood shake shingles with asphalt shingles)
- Deck upgrade - up to \$1,000 (e.g., replacing wood decking with a fire-resistant material)
- Window upgrade - up to \$1,000 (e.g., replacing single-pane windows with multi-pane windows)
- Fence/gate upgrade - up to \$1,000 (e.g., replacing wooden fences or gates that attach to the home with a fire-resistant material)
- Siding upgrade - up to \$4,000 (e.g., replacing vinyl siding with stucco)
- New home construction - eligible for a siding or decking upgrade rebate



### How to receive a rebate:

#### STEP 1 - Get a free Home Assessment

Ask for a free FireSmart Home Assessment at [rmwb.ca/FireSmart](https://rmwb.ca/FireSmart) or by calling Pulse. Details on how to apply for a rebate will be provided during the assessment.

## Rural Water Sewer Service

### Why connect?

Say goodbye to water deliveries and septic pick-ups! Once connected, deliveries and pick-ups will no longer be required at your property.

Flexible payment plan: **\$105 at 0% interest** spread out over 25 years through your bi-monthly utility bill.

Applications can be picked up and submitted at your local municipal office.

The cost will significantly increase after the connection window closes (end of construction season).

The Municipality will no longer coordinate or subsidize water delivery and septic pick-ups.

### Eligibility

Ownership-You must be registered on Title

Tax-Account-your account must be in good standing

Utility Account- your account must be in good standing.

Historical Indigenous Residential Land Ownership Policy:

Approved by Council on October 8, 2024

May be eligible for the transfer of land from the RMWB to an Indigenous person having historical and continuing connection to a parcel of land

If a resident has resided on and used a parcel of land long-term, they may be eligible.

## Getting Started!

1. Choose your certified contractor
2. Complete your application form.
3. Submit your application fee.

### Have questions?

Visit [rmwb.ca/rwss](https://rmwb.ca/rwss) or connect with us through **Pulse** at 780-743-7000.





# Be BearSmart

## DO N'T FEED BEARS

These items have odours that could attract a bear to your property. Keep your yard clean and store what you can in the house or garage.

- garbage ■ birdseed ■ pet food ■ compost
- fruit-bearing trees and shrubs ■ jerry cans
- motor oil ■ anti-freeze ■ rubber ■ vinyl
- insect repellents ■ air fresheners
- scented candles ■ BBQs ■ cooking oil
- food odours coming from open windows
- food and drinks ■ pop cans and other empties
- rabbits, chickens, other small domestic animals
- grain and livestock feed

*Doing this can help prevent problems with other kinds of wildlife, too.*

**[www.bearsmart.alberta.ca](http://www.bearsmart.alberta.ca)**

If the presence of a bear is a safety concern, contact the nearest Fish and Wildlife office at 310-0000 or, if after regular business hours, call Report a Poacher at 1-800-642-3800.

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BearSmart

*Alberta*  
Government





**Individual \$10**

**Tiger (under 6) \$5**

**Family \$30**

**Open Daily**

**9am-6pm**

**Check in at Guest Services**

**VISTA  
RIDGE**



# Remember to have your bins out by 7:30 a.m. on your collection day

Stay on track with ease —check the [garbage and recycling calendar](https://rmwb.ca/collectioncalendar) for all collection dates visit [rmwb.ca/collectioncalendar](https://rmwb.ca/collectioncalendar).



## What you need to know

- ✓ **Set your bins out on time** – Place them at the curb by **7:30 a.m.** on collection day.
- ✓ **Remove them the same day** – Bins **must not** be left on the street overnight.

## Winter bin placement tips

Make sure your bins are placed in a clear, accessible spot. Bins blocked by snow, ice, or other obstacles may not be collected.

- ❄ Place bins **in front** of snowbanks, never on top or behind.
- ❄ Keep **one-foot** in-between bins and keep them **3 feet** from vehicles.
- ❄ Ensure bins are **firmly closed**.

Thank you for helping keep the community clean and running smoothly!



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## RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

For more details, visit [rmwb.ca/garbage](https://rmwb.ca/garbage) or contact Pulse at 780-743-7000, 1-800-973-9663, or [rmwb.ca/pulse](https://rmwb.ca/pulse).

### What is it?

- A voluntary program that offers a safe, respectful way to promote healing after harm has occurred.
- Allows offenders to take responsibility for their actions and allows the community to see its role in contributing to reconciliation.
- Provides an opportunity for everyone involved to have a voice and determine actions and outcomes to ensure accountability.

### Learn more:

Restorative Justice Contact Information:

- Phone: 780-788-4253
- Toll Free: 1-888-788-4250
- Email: [restorative.justice@rmwb.ca](mailto:restorative.justice@rmwb.ca)

### Get involved.

*We need committed volunteers to help! Please contact us.*

## Community Policing - presentations available

The Wood Buffalo Community Policing Unit has a great list of presentations they can bring to communities when requested.

### Available presentations

- A Career in the RCMP – Gr 7-Adult
- ATV Safety – Gr 10-Adult
- Being a Good Citizen – ECDP-Gr 6
- Being a Mountie - ECDP-Gr 6
- Bicycle Safety - ECDP-Gr 6
- Bullying (includes Cyberbullying) – ECDP-Gr 9
- Consent – Gr 7-Adult
- Crime Scene Investigations – ECDP-Adult
- Drug Awareness
  - For Teens (cannabis, alcohol, vaping and opioid awareness) - Gr 7-12
  - For Adults (includes clandestine drug labs, methamphetamines, opioids)
- Fraud & Identity Theft - Adult
- Halloween Safety – ECDP-Gr 6
- History of the Force – Gr 4-Adult
- Online Safety (includes Cyberbullying) – ECDP-Gr 6
- Online Safety (include Cyberbullying, Social Media & the Law) – Gr 7-Adult
- Personal Safety – ECDP-Adult
- Police & Canadian Law (for New Canadians) – Gr 10-Adult
- Property Crime Prevention – Adult
- Restorative Justice – Gr 9-Adult
- Senior Safety – Adult
- Sexting – Gr 7-Adult
- Traffic
  - Impaired Driving (Alcohol & Drugs) – Gr 9-Adult
  - Distracted Driving – Gr 9-Adult
  - Winter Driving – Gr 9-Adult
- Unhealthy Relationships/Dating Violence – Gr 7-Adult
- Youth Criminal Justice Act – Gr 7-Adult



**Want a presentation?** Contact us if you'd like a presentation for your group, class or community at [communitypolicing@rmwb.ca](mailto:communitypolicing@rmwb.ca) or call 780-788-4040 and ask for the Community Policing Coordinator.



## WATER AND SEWER PROGRAM

**The 2025 summer construction season is underway - apply now!**

**Take the first step: Choose your contractor and start the conversation.**

Choose a certified contractor from the Alberta Municipal Affairs Private Sewage System Installer Certification List below. Ask the contractor for a quote to connect your home and discuss what this work will entail.

| Contractor                           | Contact information |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| B Mac Underground Services Ltd.      | 780-742-9848        |
| Call First Plumbing & Heating        | 780-880-4726        |
| Consun Contracting Ltd.              | 780-743-3163        |
| H Wilson Industries (2010) Ltd.      | 780-743-1881        |
| NC Transport & Equipment             | 780-713-1169        |
| Parker Drainage and Waterproofing    | 780-799-0723        |
| Qualipu Enterprises                  | 780-598-4933        |
| Rob Ryan Construction Inc.           | 780-799-6434        |
| SENA Constructors Inc.               | 780-747-9664        |
| Sureway Construction Management Ltd. | 780-743-4788        |
| Wellingdale Group Inc.               | 780-607-1431        |
| Wood Buffalo Plumbing & Heating Ltd. | 780-974-0521        |

**Then connect with us:**

Reach out to Pulse and an RWSS team member will follow up to answer your questions and assist with your application. All program details are available at [rmwb.ca/rwss](http://rmwb.ca/rwss).

### **Rural Water and Sewer Servicing Connection Updates as of July 2025**

Saprae Creek Estates - 227 homes have connected; 238 applications received of 268 eligible properties.

## What will my utility bill look like once I connect to piped sewer services?

Below is an example of what your bi-monthly utility bill will look like once your home is connected to piped sewer services.



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9909 Franklin Avenue, Fort McMurray, AB, T9H 2K4

**UTILITY BILL REPRINT**

DOE, JOHN

SAPRAE CREEK ESTATES

ACCOUNT#

BILLING PERIOD: 2024/04/30  
TO: 2024/06/30  
BILLING DATE: 2024/06/30  
PENALTY DATE: 2024/07/39

SRV ADDR: 062-LONG BRIDGE LANE

INV #: 5000001

| DATE              | DESCRIPTION           | CODE | READING | CONSUMPTION | AMOUNT        |
|-------------------|-----------------------|------|---------|-------------|---------------|
| 2024/06/30        | GARBAGE COLL SAPRAE C | A    |         |             | 66.72         |
| 2024/06/30        | RURAL WATER AND SEWER | A    |         |             | 65.00         |
| 2024/06/30        | SEWER CONSUMPTION     | A    | 3311    | 70          | 17.64         |
| 2024/06/30        | FIXED CHARGE SEWER    | A    |         |             | 28.86         |
| 2024/06/30        | WATER CONSUMPTION     | A    | 3311    | 70          | 29.96         |
| 2024/06/30        | FIXED CHARGE WATER    | A    |         |             | 56.28         |
| <b>AMOUNT DUE</b> |                       |      |         |             | <b>264.46</b> |

Please Note: All charges/payments shown are up to and including the 'Billing To Period' date of this invoice.

## Your bill explained

- 1** Includes curbside collection, waste disposal, recycling fees.
- 2** RWSS Program Bi-Monthly Connection Fee
- 3** \$0.63/m3 variable rate - based on the same water consumption, at a reduced rate
- 4** Fixed rate for sewer (\$14.43 per month) x 2 months
- 5** \$1.07 /m3 variable rate - based on water consumption on water meter.
- 6** Fixed rate for water (\$28.14 per month) x 2 months

These are 2024 rates from the Council approved Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw.  
This Bylaw is updated annually and its customary to see increases to utility rates as part of the updates.

## Bring your creative vision to life in the region

## Emergency Social Services (ESS)

ESS provides individuals or families with supports when they are displaced due to an emergency. Registration centres or other evacuation sites are set up to register evacuees and provide immediate basic needs. This support is available to provide a safe place for evacuees to plan their next steps as they transition to recovery.

Registration centres may provide the following services:

- Food/water
- Shelter
- Clothing
- First Aid/emotional support
- Family reunification
- Animal care and rescue assistance



To learn more about ESS, or to join the ESS Team, scan the QR code below:

## VPR

Emergencies happen. If you are a vulnerable person living in the region, you may be at greater risk during an emergency.

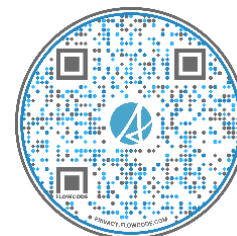


The Vulnerable Persons Registry (VPR) is a service that improves the safety of vulnerable residents living at home.

This is done by communicating directly with registrants during emergencies and by sharing key information to first responders about individuals on the VPR. Click [here](#) to find out more about the VPR.

## MAERS

The MyAlberta Emergency Registration System is available to all residents of Alberta as a tool to assist during an evacuation or emergency. Albertans can register themselves and their family members in advance of an emergency using their MyAlberta Digital ID. Click [here](#) or scan below to pre-register today.



## **NOTICE TO RURAL RESIDENTS**

### **Water and septic service reminders**

To allow water and septic delivery trucks access and to provide continuous service for all residents, please follow to the requirements below:

- 1) **Basement water tanks or water tanks that are not visible:** All customers must have their volume posted in a visible place so water delivery contractor can see proper date and amount of water required (displayed in litres).
- 2) **Hanging branches and wires on driveways:** Make sure that delivery vehicles have a minimum 15 feet of clearance. All low hanging branches must be trimmed to prevent damage to trucks, and low hanging wires are to be raised.
- 3) **Provide clear access:** All vehicles/obstacles must be removed on driveways during the delivery schedule and the ensure the water delivery vehicle is able to drive within **15.24 meters** of the delivery point for water.
- 4) **Ensure pets are contained:** For the safety of contractors and pets, all dogs are to be tied up or inside your home, for service provider to access your property.
- 5) **Keep access points clear of snow and ice:** During winter months, keep driveways and pathways to water and septic hook ups, clear of snow and ice and thaw receivers and caps for hose access.
- 6) **Maintain cam-lock/hoses:** The winterization and maintenance of the cam-lock fitting and hoses is the responsibility of the home-owner. All cam-locks and hoses are to be drained and water to be removed to prevent freezing and breakage of cam-lock.
- 7) **Safety of septic tanks:** All septic tanks will be equipped with a “stinger” and an approved lid on the tank.
- 8) **Driveways:** If your driveway is soft (spring thaw), it is the homeowner’s responsibility to contact the RMWB to suspend delivery or to add a proper hose with the required cam-lock and extend down driveway to location of delivery.

#### **For more information:**

refer to the Water Utilities Management Bylaw (Bylaw No. 07/035) Part X

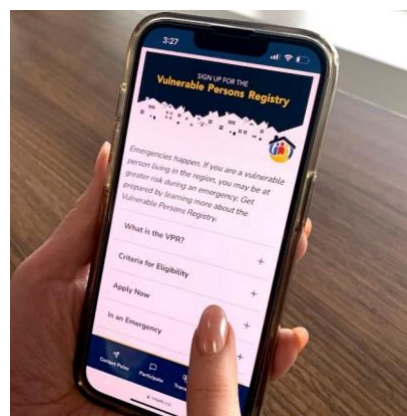
If you have questions or require any additional information, call the Pulse Line at 780-743-7000





Emergencies happen. If you are a vulnerable person living in the region, you may be at greater

Apply to be added to the Vulnerable Persons Registry (VPR) - a free, voluntary and confidential service for residents living at home who would be greater risk during emergencies.



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To sign up or learn more visit – [rmwb.ca/vpr](https://rmwb.ca/vpr)

Step up in an emergency

## ***Be the Helping Hand When It Matters Most - Volunteer with the Emergency Social Services team***

Join a team that helps residents during an emergency or disaster.



- Build your knowledge, confidence, and experience.
- No experience required. Training will be provided.

### **RMWB.ca/ESSVolunteer**

For more information call:

- [780-743-7000](tel:780-743-7000)
- Toll Free [1-800-973-9663](tel:1-800-973-9663)

#### **What we do:**

Emergency Social Services helps people during emergencies or incidents in the Municipality.

#### **Who we are:**

Volunteers, community partners, and municipal employees who work together under the Emergency Management Branch of Regional Emergency Services.



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# Walking Safety Tips



**Walk Facing Traffic:** If there is no sidewalk and you must walk on the side of the road, choose the side where you are facing oncoming traffic. This gives you the best chance to see traffic approaching closest to you and take evasive action if necessary.

**Cross Safely:** Look both ways before crossing any street. Make eye contact with any drivers who may be turning. Give them a wave. Make sure they see you.

**Walk Single File:** Unless you are on a sidewalk separate from the road, you should walk single file. This is especially important on a road with lots of curves. While it can be enjoyable to walk down the road two or three abreast chatting merrily, drivers don't expect it.

**Stay aware of bikes and runners:** Share the road and path with bikes and runners. Bike riders should alert you when approaching from behind with a bike bell or a "passing on the left/right." Listen for them.

**Be Visible:** Wear bright colors when walking in daytime. When walking at night wear light-colored clothing and reflective clothing or reflective vest to be visible.

**Hang Up and Eyes Up:** Chatting or texting while walking is as dangerous as doing that while driving. You are distracted and not as aware of your environment. You are less likely to recognize traffic danger, passing joggers and bikers or tripping hazards. Potential criminals can also see you as a distracted easy target.

**When walking your pet:** keep your pet on the side away from traffic so that they don't accidentally dart into the roadway.



## IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

|                                           |                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |               |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>PULSE<br/>(MUNICIPAL SWITCH BOARD)</b> | 1-800-973-9663<br>780-743-7000 | PULSE@RMWB.CA                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | RMWB.CA/PULSE |
| <b>COMMUNITY CONTACTS:</b>                |                                | <b>SOCIAL MEDIA:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |               |
| <b>RCMP</b>                               | 780-788-4000                   | <br>@WOODBUFFALORURALCOMMUNITYCONNECTION<br><br><br>@RMWOODBUFFALO |               |
| <b>FISH &amp; WILDLIFE</b>                | 780-743-7200                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |               |
| <b>HEALTH LINK</b>                        | 811                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |               |
| <b>ALL EMERGENCIES</b>                    | 911                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |               |

To submit information to the newsletter please email:

[Info.rr@rmwb.ca](mailto:Info.rr@rmwb.ca)

Deadline for the November Newsletter submissions:

October 25th, 2025



| SUNDAY                                                    | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY                                                 | THURSDAY                                                                                    | FRIDAY                                                                                      | SATURDAY                                                                            |
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|                                                           |        |         | 1<br>Seniors Expo<br>Mac Island<br>Park 9:00am-<br>4:00pm | 2                                                                                           | 3<br>    | 4<br>The Cottage<br>Keyano<br>College<br>Theatre<br>7:30pm                          |
| 5<br>KD Gala 10019<br>Macdonald ave<br>11:30am-<br>3:00pm | 6      | 7       | 8                                                         | 9                                                                                           | 10<br>   | 11<br>Micisowin<br>Farmers<br>Market<br>Stonebridge<br>hotel<br>11:00am-<br>3:00pm  |
| 12                                                        | 13     | 14      | 15                                                        | 16                                                                                          | 17<br>  | 18<br>Clearwater<br>Horse Club<br>Halloween<br>Walk<br>through<br>1:00pm-<br>5:00pm |
| 19                                                        | 20     | 21      | 22                                                        | 23<br>2025 Chamber<br>of Commerce<br>Business<br>Awards<br>Keyano arts<br>Centre<br>@6:00pm | 24<br> | 25<br>Graveyard<br>Gala<br>Centerfire<br>place<br>@8:00pm                           |
| 26                                                        | 27     | 28      | 29                                                        | 30                                                                                          | 31<br> |                                                                                     |