

# DRAPER ROAD NEWS



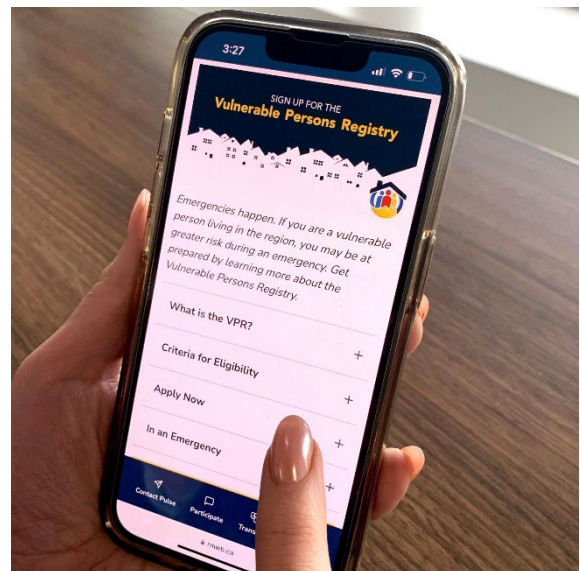
## August 2025

# SIGN UP FOR THE **Vulnerable Persons Registry**



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

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



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

**Youth in Rural Communities: Your Voice Matters. Apply to MACOY today!**





The Mayor's Advisory Council on Youth (MACOY) wants diverse voices at the table, and that includes **you**.



Join MACOY and help shape a stronger, more inclusive future.

**Let's make sure every corner of the region is represented—starting with you.**

No matter where you live —from Fort Chipewyan to Fort McMurray to Conklin – your perspective matters. When you join MACOY, you'll:

-  Speak up for youth in your community.
-  Build leadership skills and gain valuable experience.
-  Share ideas on real issues like mental health, education, recreation and the environment.
-  Help plan community projects and initiatives.

**Applications are open until Aug. 18.**

Apply at [rmwb.ca/macoy](https://rmwb.ca/macoy)



# 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](http://rmwb.ca/FireSmart) or by calling Pulse. Details on how to apply for a rebate will be provided during the assessment.

**Draper & Sapræ Creek**

# RURAL SUMMER CAMP

**Register for three action-packed  
days of free summer camp fun!**

Water balloon fights, fish scale art, capture the flag and more!



**Aug. 12 - 14 (Tuesday - Thursday)**



**9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**



**Up to 20 participants at each camp**

**Free to attend. Open to youth aged 6 - 14.  
Spaces are limited - register early!**

**To register, contact:**  
**[breanna.wallace@rmwb.ca](mailto:breanna.wallace@rmwb.ca) | 587-941-1819**



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# 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.

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## RMWB 2025 Elections

# ARE YOU OR SOMEONE IN YOUR COMMUNITY INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR COUNCIL IN 2025?

You can learn more about what's involved in becoming an elected official, ask questions and connect with election staff who are here to support you through the process

### RURAL RESIDENTS CAN:

- Book a virtual or phone conversation by emailing [elections@rmwb.ca](mailto:elections@rmwb.ca) or calling **780-743-7001**
- Stop by your local municipal office for info and materials

*Learn more about running for Council at [rmwb.ca/candidate](https://rmwb.ca/candidate)*



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## Candidate nominations open for 2025 municipal election

*New rules in place for campaigning, find more information at [rmwb.ca/elections](https://rmwb.ca/elections)*

Candidate nominations are now open to all eligible residents interested in running for the position of RMWB mayor, councillor or school board trustee.

### New rules are in place for 2025 municipal election

Changes to the [Local Authorities Elections Act](#) require candidates to submit a notice of intent to appear on the official register of candidates before accepting campaign donations and incurring expenses. In addition, all candidates must complete the nomination process to appear on the ballot.

The general election for the RMWB and all municipalities in Alberta will be held on Oct. 20, 2025.

### Call for candidate nominations

Nominations are now being accepted from candidates for the upcoming 2025 municipal election. Prospective candidates must file their notice of intent and complete the nomination process by **noon on Monday, Sept. 22, 2025**.

Find the notice of intent form, nomination forms, required documentation and additional information for interested candidates at [rmwb.ca/elections](https://rmwb.ca/elections).

Potential candidates with questions or in need of assistance, can contact the Elections Office through Pulse at 780-743-7000 or email [elections@rmwb.ca](mailto:elections@rmwb.ca) and a Legislative Services staff member will assist.



## Save time at the polls and register to vote before Aug. 15

Register online in advance of the municipal election on Oct. 20 at [voterlink.ab.ca](https://voterlink.ab.ca)

Save time at the polls and register to vote in advance of the upcoming municipal election on Oct. 20.

All voters in Alberta need to be registered to vote in the upcoming municipal elections. Residents should check if they are already registered – or still need to register – at Election Alberta’s Voterlink website at [voterlink.ab.ca](https://voterlink.ab.ca).

Those who are not already registered when it is time to vote will need to complete the full registration process at the polls.

### Register to vote before Aug. 15

All voters wishing to register online in advance must do so before Aug. 15, which is when the RMWB must send voter data to the Province. If you are an eligible voter and you do not register online before Aug. 15, you will still be able to vote after you fill out the registration forms at the polls.

### Register of voters now required by Province

In line with recent changes from the Province, the Local Authorities Elections Act now requires municipalities to create a permanent register of local voters.

This means that to vote in the upcoming general election on Oct. 20, you must be listed on the Register of Electors and show valid ID at the voting station. Election officials will use the register and your ID to confirm your eligibility to vote.

Do you have questions about the RMWB election on Oct. 20? Find more information at [rmwb.ca/election](https://rmwb.ca/election) or contact Pulse at 780-743-7000.

**Save time in October.**  
**Register to vote today.**

## The new Roads and Transportation Bylaw was passed on July 8, 2025

The [Roads and Transportation Bylaw No. 25/020](#) will enhance community safety and is aligned with current Provincial legislation and enforcement standards. This provides the Municipality with updated enforcement, education, and compliance tools.

While e-scooter use has previously been prohibited in public spaces in the region, the new bylaw clarifies these laws and addresses the increase of public safety concerns related to e-scooters.

The new bylaw also provides clarity on the fines and penalties for illegal use. E-scooter use is illegal in public spaces, which includes:

- Sidewalks
- Paths
- Trails
- Roads

After an education-focused period, a \$500 fine may be issued for illegal use, or possible impoundment. Any enforcement action is intended to ensure the safety of everyone who uses our sidewalks, pathways, and trails in Wood Buffalo.



More information at [rmwb.ca/goodneighbour](https://rmwb.ca/goodneighbour)

## Show & Shine with Public Works on Aug. 12 & 13

*Family-friendly event features big equipment, activities and a sensory-friendly hour*

Get ready to honk, beep and explore at the Show and Shine with Public Works, a fun and **free event** for the community to see the big machines that keep your region running.

Get an up-close look at snowplows, fire trucks and other mighty vehicles and enjoy family-friendly activities including barricade painting, a plant walk with guided signs and more.

### Event details:

- **Dates:** August 12, 2025, and August 13, 2025
- **Time:** 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
  - **Sensory Friendly Hour:** Offered on Wednesday, August 13 from 9 – 10 a.m. for families who prefer a quieter, low-stimulation environment.
- **Location:** [24 Silin Forest Road](#)
- Admission is **free** and no registration is required.
- Attendees are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to support the Wood Buffalo Food Bank.

Don't miss this exciting summer event! For questions, contact Pulse [online](#) or by phone at 780-743-7000 or toll free at 1-800-973-9663.



**BEEP!  
BEEP!  
BEEP!**

**HERE COME THE  
BIG RIGS**

Tuesday, August 12  
Wednesday, August 13  
9 a.m. to noon

📍 North Operations Centre, 24 Silin Forest Road

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**SHOW  
& SHINE**  
WITH PUBLIC WORKS

**FREE ENTRY**

## 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.





# WOOD BUFFALO

## RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

### 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.

### 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.*

# Join the Volunteer Fire Department

We need paid on-call members!



## What we do:

We respond to fire emergencies, helping people and protecting property.

## What you have:

- Valid Class 5 license. (Q endorsement is even better)
  - Time for weekly training and ability to respond

Interested?

Contact: Regional Emergency Services: 780-792-5500

# 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.

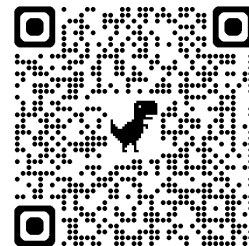
- Build your knowledge, confidence, and experience.
- No experience required. Training will be provided.



**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 large 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.





**Refresh your community and pick up the trash from winter**

*Get involved with the Adopt-A-Trail program or host a Community Cleanup event!*

How can I register?

- Online at [rmwb.ca/cleanup](https://rmwb.ca/cleanup).
- By calling Pulse
- At your local municipal rural office.

Registration for both programs will close Sept. 15, and all cleanup supplies must be returned by Sept. 30.

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





## IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

<b>PULSE</b> (MUNICIPAL SWITCH BOARD)	1-800-973-9663 780-743-7000	PULSE@RMWB.CA	RMWB.CA/PULSE
<b>COMMUNITY CONTACTS:</b>		<b>SOCIAL MEDIA:</b>	
<b>RCMP</b>	780-788-4000	 @WOODBUFFALORURALCOMMUNITYCONNECTION   @RMWOODBUFFALO   @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 September Newsletter submissions: **August 25th, 2025**



# COMMUNITY EVENTS & PROGRAMS CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4	5	6	7	8 Anzac Days ALL DAY Anzac Rec Centre 	9 Micisowin Farmers Market Holy Trinity Parking Lot 11:00am- 3:00pm
10 5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Acden Show&Shine 11:00am- 4:00pm	11	12 Saprae/Draper Rural Summer Camp 930am- 330pm Vista Ridge	13 Saprae/Draper Rural Summer Camp 930am- 330pm Vista Ridge	14 Saprae/Draper Rural Summer Camp 930am- 330pm Vista Ridge	15 	16 Micisowin Farmers Market Holy Trinity Parking Lot 11:00am- 3:00pm
17	18	19	20	21	22 	23 Micisowin Farmers Market Holy Trinity Parking Lot 11:00am- 3:00pm
24 2025 Annual Rubber Duck Drop Syncrude Athletic Park 12:00pm- 3:00pm	25	26	27	28	29 Rib Fest Centrefire Place 	30 Micisowin Farmers Market Holy Trinity Parking Lot 11:00am- 3:00pm
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