

JANVIER NEWS



April 2025



Some municipal service fees and rates are increasing April 1

In November, RMWB Council approved increases to several user rates and fees as part of the annual update to the user fees, rates and charges bylaw. These include:

- Utilities (water, sewer, garbage + curbside)
- Transit
- Landfill
- Cemeteries
- Development and building permits and services

The increases will help offset the cost of delivering these services.

Rural transit fare increasing April 1, 2025

Rural transit cash fares for adults and children are increasing by 11%, effective April 1.

- **Adult fares (ages 13 – 64):**
 - Current fare: \$12
 - New fare: \$13.50 (11% increase).
- **Child fares (ages 5 – 12):**
 - Current fare: \$6
 - New fare: \$6.75 (11% increase).

Utility rates increasing by 10-15%

Utility rates for municipal water, wastewater, and certain solid waste services are increasing by 10 to 15%. The changes vary depending on the size of the property's water meter and between rural, urban, and commercial services.

New fee structure in place for some administrative services

Additional new fees cover certain ambulance services and community backyard rink applications.

To view the updated rates and learn more about user fees and charges, visit rmwb.ca/userfees



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF **WOOD BUFFALO**

Janvier

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY



Date

April 16, 2025
6:00PM – 8:00PM



Location

Janvier Municipal
Janvier Drive, Chard, Alberta,



Key Topics

- Regional Emergency Services
- Bylaw - Animal Control and Land Use Bylaw
- Rural Water Sewer Services (RWSS)
- Legislative Services – Council Appointed Committee Recruitment
- Community Services – CIPAC, Community Investment Program and Street Banner Program
- RCMP



Next Meeting

October 2025



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 or call 780-788-4040 and ask for the Community Policing Coordinator.

Apply to join the Municipal Policing Committee by April 21

Interested in helping your community represent local policing priorities and concerns to local RCMP leadership?

Applications are needed to fill seven voting positions on the newly created Municipal Policing Advisory Committee.

The Municipal Policing Committee will have the authority to:

- Oversee the administration of the municipality's police service agreements.
- Represent public interests and concerns to local RCMP leadership.
- Collaborate with local detachments to plan yearly priorities and strategies.
- Develop community safety plans.
- Ensure service delivery reflects and addresses local needs.
- Regularly report on the implementation of programs and services that support police service priorities.

The RMWB is looking for qualified candidates for seven voting positions: five ward representatives and two public-at-large members.

Representation is needed from communities in each ward in the region, including First Nations within the Wood Buffalo or Fort Chipewyan RCMP detachment boundaries.

The RMWB is also recruiting for two public-at-large positions, seeking applications from the following groups: Black, Indigenous and persons of colour (BIPOC), immigrants, LGBTQ2S+, persons with disabilities, religious minorities, seniors, women, and youth.

Establishing this 11-member committee has been mandated by the Government of Alberta for all communities policed by the RCMP, as part of changes made last year to the Police Governance Regulation.

Rural and Indigenous residents strongly encouraged to apply

Many committee meetings can be attended remotely by video call, making it easier for rural residents to participate. Rural committee members will be reimbursed mileage expenses for driving to attend meetings in person.

Access the Boards and Committees portal and submit your application by April 21 at rmwb.ca/boards.

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

Census 2025

April 1- June 30, 2025

The Municipality is launching the 2025 Municipal Census on April 1.

The main purpose of Census 2025 is to produce a population count which helps the RMWB, and its many community partners, including the business and social-profit sectors plan for the services that make Wood Buffalo a place to proudly live, work and explore.

Participating in census is easy; there are several ways to count yourself in.

Online

Residents have multiple convenient ways to complete the 2025 municipal census, with the online option being especially quick and easy! Residents will receive their personal identification number (PIN) letters by regular mail, each containing a unique PIN located in the top-right corner, specific to their household.

To complete the census, go to rmwb.ca/census where you'll find a direct link to the census portal.

Enumerators will be in your neighbourhood soon

In certain rural communities, enumerators will also offer instant enumeration when delivering PIN letters. Enumerators will be wearing RMWB branded T-shirts and hats along with badges to identify them as census workers.

Call Pulse to complete the census by phone

Residents can also complete their census by phone by contacting Pulse at 780-743-7000 or toll-free at 1-800-973-9663. Pulse will connect you with the census team, who are available to assist with any questions, help retrieve your PIN and even complete the enumeration process over the phone.

Bring your creative vision to life in the region



The Arts, Culture and Heritage Grant provides up to \$5,000 for projects that create, inspire and preserve within the cultural landscape of the region.

Apply early!

Individuals and groups may apply for a maximum of \$5,000. The deadline for grant applications is Dec. 31, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. MST or until the total \$50,000 funding is exhausted, whichever comes first.

Apply early through the Community Investment Program (CIP) Grant Portal as funding is awarded in order of completed applications received.

What projects are eligible?

Projects must align with one or more [Wood Buffalo Culture Plan](#) priorities. The eligibility list varies and ranges from performing arts to heritage restoration to landscape design.

Projects that have received grant support in previous years include:

- Palette Town, a video showcasing the potential for art in Wood Buffalo.
- Rock the Rails, an annual skateboard and BMX competition that also features local musical acts.
- Lavender Skies: Exploring Queer Creativity in Wood Buffalo, a local art show at the Kirschner Family Community Art Gallery at MacDonald Island Park.
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Get started today by visiting rmwb.ca/CIP.

2025 Street Banner Program explores Wheels in Motion

Artists and creatives 12 years of age and older residing in the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo are invited to showcase their artistic talent in the 2025 Street Banner Program!



Selected designs will receive a **\$600 design fee**, a screened banner and the opportunity to be displayed throughout the region!

All submissions will be showcased at the **Kirschner Family Community Art Gallery at MacDonald Island Park**.

This year's theme, **Wheels in Motion**, invites you to celebrate pathfinding and transportation in the region. Art paper for Street Banner submission can be pick up at the Municipal Office or by contacting the PULSE line at 780-743-7000.

Showcasing rural art in rural communities

Rural designs will also be selected for rural communities. Designs must meet guidelines and criteria. Selected rural designs will receive a full-sized banner.

Submit your artwork by May 1

Learn more at rmwb.ca/banner.

Subscribe to the artist roster

Join the artist roster to receive emails about upcoming artist calls, programs, events and information sessions at rmwb.ca/PublicArt.

Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo



Coffee Connect



Janvier
RM Office



11:30 AM
- 2:00 PM



April:
1, 8, 15, 22, 29

The RMWB Rural Relations staff will be at
the Janvier Municipal Office from
11:30 am until 2:00 pm to assist with paperwork, address
community needs, and fill service gaps.

Residents are encouraged to stop by for support,
questions, or a friendly chat.

*Stop by for a fresh cup of coffee and
a friendly chat!*



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
OF WOOD BUFFALO

Wood Buffalo Senior Social

Come join us in Janvier for lunch, bingo,
and door prizes!

TUESDAY

**APRIL
29**

12-3 PM

TO REGISTER:

JANVIER: 780-559-2230

CONKLIN: 780-559-2235

ANZAC: 780-334-2298

**FORT MCMURRAY/FORT
MCKAY: 780-792-1892**

**PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL
17TH**

Transportation Available

Join the Volunteer Fire Department

We need paid on-call members!



What we do:

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

Who you are:

- Reliable and dedicated - with time for weekly training and the ability to respond.

Learn more:

Call 780-743-7000 (toll free 1-800-973-9663) and someone from the fire department will contact you.

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.





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

Get involved.

We need committed volunteers to help! Please contact us.



Wood Buffalo Victim Services provides victims of crime and trauma with support, information and referrals based on their needs. The intent is to ease the crisis and help them return to stability.

Why should victims of crime and trauma contact us?

Our support workers are empathetic listeners. They will give you information to help you make decisions that are best for you and your circumstances. Part of our role is to make sure you are treated fairly. You have rights under the *Alberta Victims of Crime Act*.

Please call or email to speak to a support worker. We can arrange to meet in your community.

Community visit dates for March

- **Fort Chipewyan** - April 3 - Court/Restorative Justice
- **Fort McKay** - April 3 and April 22
- **Conklin** - April 7 and April 22 at the CRDAC office and school
- **Janvier** - April 9 and April 23
- **Anzac/FMFN 468** - April 10 and April 17

Wood Buffalo Victim Services

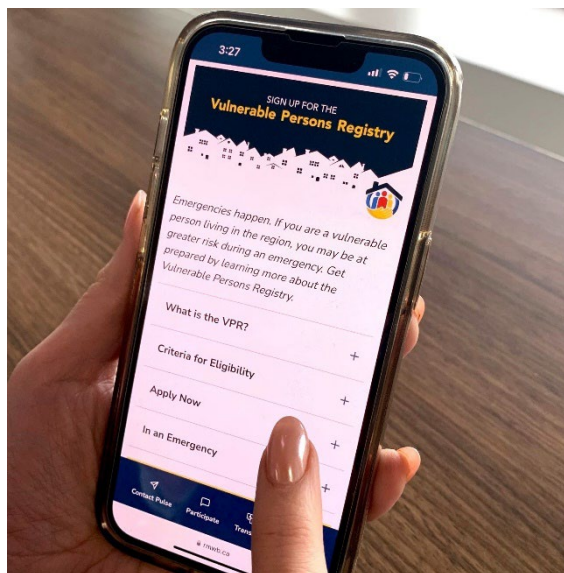
Phone: 780-788-4250

Toll Free: 1-888-788-4250

Email: victim.services@rmwb.ca



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



Did you know that you can drop off residential garbage and recycling, including household hazardous waste, for free at the Janvier Waste Transfer Station?

Help protect the environment and keep Janvier clean by disposing of items properly. All dropped off items are brought to the Municipal landfill for proper disposal or recycling.

Everyone, including First Nation communities, are encouraged to use the facility! It is located at the end of MacDonald Avenue in Janvier.

Hours of Operation (April 1 – Oct 31, 2025)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday: 9:00 – 5:00 p.m. Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. 	

The following items are **not allowed** to be dropped off at the Janvier Waste Transfer Station:

- Commercial waste
- Ammunition
- Explosives
- Radioactive waste
- Biological, biomedical or pathological waste
- Animal carcasses or deceased pets
- Asbestos
- Oilfield waste
- Waste containing free liquids
- Vehicles and vehicle parts

Learn more about garbage and recycling services at rmwb.ca/garbage.

If you have any questions, connect with Pulse at 780-743-7000 or toll-free at 1-800-973-9663

Community events & programs



Northeast Alberta FASD Network enhances regional capacity to prevent FASD and support those impacted by it through coordinated planning, collaboration, education, and service delivery.

- **Assessment and diagnosis:** Diagnosis is the first step to getting the help that individuals with FASD need.
- **Rural outreach:** Our Outreach program is designed to assist and support individuals affected by FASD as well as their Families/caregivers. Through a strength-based approach clients are prepared to achieve greater success.

NEAFAN team is available in:

Janvier Multiplex Building – April 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

*Please refer to the community Events and programs Calendar for date and time for information or to schedule an intake appointment, please contact:

FASD Rural Outreach Worker: Kenisha
Boothe
9916 Manning Avenue Fort McMurray AB
Phone: 780-799-1748
Email: Kenisha.booth@mcman.ca

FASD Rural Outreach Worker: Alyssa
Nicolle
9916 Manning Avenue Fort McMurray AB
Phone: 587-919-5237
Email: Alyssa.nicolle@mcman.ca

- **Quality Counselling**
- **A Safe Place**
- **Available to everyone!**
(Children, Youth, Adults, Couples, Individuals)



We will have two counsellors on site at the
JANVIER MUNICIPAL OFFICE
on **APRIL 9TH** and **APRIL 23RD**, 2025
10:00AM-2:00PM
Walk-ins welcome!

**"Your present circumstances don't determine where you
can go; they merely determine where you start."**
-Nido Qubein



Scan the QR code for more information
or visit legacycounsellingcentre.org



EXPERIENCE HOPE, RESTORATION & HEALING!



The Hub in JANVIER

Triple P - Positive Parenting Program

This program will increase your skills in managing your child's or teen's behavior, in a group setting. Parents will discuss and share ideas about parenting, and receive practical information that they can incorporate into everyday interactions with their children

upcoming

Wednesdays

APRIL

2, 9, 16, 23, 30

1 PM - 2 PM

Janvier Health Centre

Programming for
parents/caregivers with children 0-6

Wood Buffalo

In Wood Buffalo, the Family Resource Network offers inclusive and accessible, community-based programs that serve the entire family unit ages 0-18.

Our Systems Navigator will help connect your children and family to appropriate supports and ensure access to opportunities and resources for improved health, wellness and connection.

Our family-focused programming is free and available for all Wood Buffalo residents living in rural communities.

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QUESTIONS?
send us a text
780.713.9150

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WAYPOINTS OUTREACH TEAM

**WE WILL BE IN
JANVIER ON:**

**April 9th 10am-3pm for
Wellness Wednesdays**

&

**April 23rd 10am-3pm for
Wellness Wednesdays**

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

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or email at
system.navigator@waypointswb.ca**

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WAYPOINTS

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



A provincial non-profit organization dedicate to building strong, vibrant communities to enable youth on their path to rewarding careers.

ATC Career Fair

CAREERS will be attending the Athabasca Tribal Council Career Fair on April 8 at the Syncrude Sport and Wellness Centre. The event runs April 8 and 9, and is intended to empower Indigenous communities by building connections and offering meaningful employment prospects, fostering regional cultural and economic growth. ATC is excited to announce Carey Price, former NHL goaltender and inspiring youth speaker, as the keynote speaker.



Employers Looking for Summer Staff

Are you looking to hire a summer student this year? CAREERS is working with local high school students to find summer internships in a variety of fields. We can also provide financial support for hiring. The Youth Internship Incentive Program is designed to increase the number of employers supporting work-integrated learning internships in trades, technologies, and in-demand occupations. This financial incentive supports new employers to offer CAREERS internships, and existing employers to expand their ability to provide more internships, and employers to support more internships.

Outland Youth Employment Program – Applications Open

A national network of land-based education, training and work opportunities for high school aged Indigenous youth. OYEP is a six-week work experience providing training and education in a supportive space that replicates various work environments. Applications close May 31.

Check out our website: www.careersnextgen.ca

If you are interested in learning more about any of these programs, please contact Ali Grinham, who will be happy to meet with you in person, virtually, or by phone to provide the details on how to apply.

P: 587-442-7628 | E: agrinham@nextgen.org



JANVIER MUNICIPAL OFFICE

110 Opportunity Way, Chard AB T0P 1G0

PH: 780-559-2230 Fax: 780-559-2447




Office hours are:

Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

& 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

RURALNEWSLETTERS@RMWB.CA

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

PULSE (MUNICIPAL SWITCH BOARD)	1-800-973-9663 780-743-7000	PULSE@RMWB.CA	RMWB.CA/PULSE
COMMUNITY CONTACTS:		SOCIAL MEDIA:	
RCMP	780-788-4040	 @WOODBUFFALORURALCOMMUNITYCONNECTION  @RMWOODBUFFALO  @RMWOODBUFFALO	
FISH & WILDLIFE	780-743-7200		
JANVIER SCHOOL	780-559-2240		
ATCO	1-800-668-2248		
JANVIER DENE WOODBUFFALO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION			
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE	780-791-6247		
HEALTH LINK	811	DEADLINE FOR MAY NEWSLETTER SUMISSIONS: APRIL 25, 2025 INFOR.RR@RMWB.CA	
ALL EMERGENCIES	911		

COMMUNITY EVENTS & PROGRAMS CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1 Senior Luncheon AA-6:30pm	2	3 AA/NA-6:30pm	4	5
6	7 Food Bank Deadline	8 Senior Luncheon AA-6:30pm	9 Legacy Counselling	10 AA/NA-6:30pm	11	12
13	14	15 Senior Lunch/Bingo AA-6:30pm	16 Janvier Engagement 6-8pm	17 Food Bank Delivery Nistawoyou Luncheon 12-2pm AA/NA 6:30pm	18 Good Friday OFFICE CLOSED	19
20 	21 Easter Monday OFFICE CLOSED	22 Senior Luncheon AA-6:30pm	23 Legacy Counselling	24 AA/NA-6:30pm	25 Newsletter Deadline	26
27	28	29 Wood Buffalo Senior Social @ Mulitplex 12 – 3pm AA-6:30pm	30			