

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT
of SPIRIT RIVER NO. 133**

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www.mdspiritriver.ab.ca
Facebook: Municipal District of Spirit River

OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm
(Closed for lunch from 12pm to 1pm and closed all statutory holidays)

January 12,2026 Newsletter

The next Council Meeting is scheduled for **Jan.14,2026 at 10am** and will be held in the Council Chambers located in the MD Office in Spirit River. Council meetings are recorded live for online public viewing, or you may attend in person. Please refer to our Facebook page or the MD website for your live link to log into these meetings.

Anyone wishing to review our Council Meeting minutes can visit the MD of Spirit River #133 website under Council and Council Meeting Minutes.

Public Works

In the event of Emergency Call out of Municipal Equipment please call: David Johnson 780 864-9600.

REMINDER , PLEASE NOTIFY US BEFORE YOU BURN. THOSE WHO DO NOT ADVISE OF CONTROLLED BURNS ARE SUBJECT TO A \$ 500.00 FINE. THESE RULES APPLY YEAR ROUND!
When calling for a burn notification please call the office Monday through Friday before 4:15pm. MD Office at (780) 864-3500





R360 ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS CANADA
LANDFILL IS OPEN TO MD RATEPAYERS ONLY

MD residents will be asked to show their Landfill Usage Card upon entering the landfill site.

Regular Landfill Take in days:

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9am-5pm

Saturday 10am-4pm

Closed: Monday, Tuesday & Sunday

R360 LANDFILL will no longer be accepting any chemical jugs or containers.

If you have any questions, please contact the landfill at 780-765-3745

Or the MD of Spirit River office at 780-864-3500



LANDFILL CARDS:

Attention MD Residents,
Landfill cards that have been issued with an expiration date do not need to be renewed unless you are renting your land. If you own your property and your Landfill Card has an expiration date on it, please disregard this expiration date. Your Landfill card will remain active until you have either reached your load limit, you have sold your land, or if you have lost your Landfill privileges. If you are renting in the MD of Spirit River and your Landfill Card has expired, please stop by the office for renewal.



The Municipal District of Spirit River #133 has several positions available. Please see our employment section on our website for more details!

Current Employment Opportunity

The Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133 is seeking a full-time Municipal Clerk 2 – Reception and Accounts Receivable to provide front-line administrative and financial support in a busy municipal office. Reporting to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) and Director of Corporate Services, this position is responsible for reception services, assisting the public, processing payments and invoices, maintaining records, and supporting accounts receivable functions. The role also assists with website and social media updates, permits, contracts, banking, and coordination with multiple municipal

departments. The successful candidate will be organized, detail-oriented, personable, and committed to delivering excellent customer service.

Why Work with Us

The Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133 provides a supportive and professional work environment where your contributions have a direct impact on the community. These roles offer valuable experience in municipal administration, finance, and customer service, with exposure to a wide range of departments and services. We value teamwork, professionalism, and public service, and we are committed to providing a safe, respectful, and inclusive workplace.

**we are
HIRING!**

**MD 133
SPIRIT RIVER**
780 868-3500

Municipal Clerk 2
Reception & Accounts Receivable

We are looking for a dynamic, forward-thinking individual fueled with progressive ideas to join us in achieving our goals for the future.

**JOIN OUR
TEAM**

We would like to remind MD of Spirit River residents that the MD provides snow plowing services to the following residents at the corresponding rates:

- ✓ Seniors – \$125.00+ GST
- ✓ Handicapped Persons – \$125.00+ GST
- ✓ Spouses of Seniors and/or Handicapped Persons – \$125.00+ GST
- ✓ Dependants of Seniors and/or Handicapped Persons – \$125.00+ GST

Additionally, seniors can access financial assistance to cover the cost of snow removal, through the provincial government.

To access the snow plowing hold harmless agreement form, special needs assistance for seniors information booklet, financial assistance application, and the policy, go to <https://mdspiritriver.ab.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Hold-Harmless-2021.pdf> and scroll down the page just passed Dust Control.

Seniors are welcome to stop by the office or contact us at (780) 864-3500 for assistance with the application.

For a list of private contractors, click: <https://mdspiritriver.ab.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Private-Snowplowing-Contractors-1.pdf>



SNOWPLOWING

REMINDER *to* RESIDENTS

Snow Removal Services

Magpie Trucking - Dwayne: 780-864-0872

Lefley Honey Co. Ltd. Jack: 780-831-0607 Kelly: 780-864-0281

Wild Horizon Ventures Ltd. - Keegan: 780-831-8136

RCZ Ventures- Rick: 780-864-7888

Whiterok Ranch - Darcy: 780-500-8824 or whtrok@gmail.com

Triple Y Trucking Ltd. - Brent Yanishewski : 780-814-4486

Burnt River Services Ltd. – 780-330-9900


Ryson Ventures Ltd. – Gary Fox 780-864-5436

Scott's Excavating Ltd. – Darryl 780-864-5957 or Myrne 780-864-0071

Bee Kay Welding – Bill 780-814-4022

NaR Environmental Ltd.– 780-864-7897 or nar.enviro@outlook.com

This is a list of private contractors. If you are a private contractor that would like to be added to this public list, please contact the MD of Spirit River office at mdsr133@mdspiritriver.ab.ca



Central Peace Family & Community Support Services
*serving the MD #133, Spirit River, Rycroft, and western Birch
Hills County*

Family and Community Support Services

Snow Angel is Needed

FCSS is looking for an individual or group who would like to volunteer shoveling snow for seniors and individuals that are unable to do it themselves in Rycroft. If you are willing to be a Snow Angel please call FCSS at 780 864 3500.

Meals On Wheels

Meals on Wheels prepares and cooks meals 2 day per week. These meals are delivered to clients' homes throughout the Municipalities of Spirit River, Rycroft and MD of Spirit River. The cost is \$14. You are eligible if you meet one or more of the following:

- 65 years old or older
 - Housebound and unable to shop for groceries.
 - Unable to cook for themselves due to physical limitation.
 - Client under 65 years needs a referral from a General Practitioner, Social Worker or Community Nurse.
 - Temporarily disabled such as after an accident, injury or surgery
 - Those in need will be considered and this will be verified by the FCSS Coordinator
- If you are interested, please call the FCSS office 780 864 3500



Working together to bring Government of Canada services to **you.**

Representatives from **Service Canada** will be in your community:

DATE: January 21, 2026
TIME: 10am-2:30pm
Location: Central Peace Medical Clinic, 4410 50th Street Spirit River AB

If you are unable to meet with us during this visit, you can request information and assistance through the Outreach Support Centre from 8:30-4:00, Mon-Fri: 1-877-631-2657

JOIN US to find out more about...

- Social Insurance Number : Apply for a SIN (bring proper ID)
- Receive a PAC access code to sign up for My Service Canada
- Canadian Dental Care Plan (CDCP): Help with applications
- Employment Insurance (EI): Client file information, help apply for EI
- Canada Pension Plan (CPP) and Old Age Security (OAS): Client file information, help with applications
- Canada Disability Benefit (CDB): Help with applications

*If you need a SIN, please bring: your birth certificate, certificate of Indian Status and any other forms of federal or provincial identification you may have.



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Employment Opportunity

**Central Peace Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)
is currently hiring a PROGRAM ASSISTANT**

Central Peace FCSS is looking for a creative and enthusiastic individual to fill the position of Program Assistant.

Reporting to the Program Coordinator, the successful candidate will carry out the following responsibilities:

- To assist the Program Coordinator with the planning, organizing, and evaluation of FCSS programs and services.
- To plan and organize programs that enhance the well-being of individuals, families, and communities.
- To assist with the planning and implementation of special events and celebrations.
- To serve as a community referral agent with the objective of connecting individuals with the appropriate resources.
- To collaborate with service agencies and businesses operating within the community to deliver social initiatives.
- To assist in the administrative functions of the FCSS department, including report writing, production of advertising and marketing materials, understanding and working with project budgets, and other duties as directed by the Program Coordinator. As well as acting in place of the Coordinator on occasion.

Qualifications for this position include:

- Strong skills in networking and advocating for programs to other professionals and volunteers in the community.
- The ability to relate effectively to people of diverse economic, social and ethnic backgrounds.
- Patience and flexibility in an ever changing environment.
- Good communication and organization skills.
- Professionalism is a must in attire and attitude.
- Respect and confidentiality is required in dealings with FCSS programs, clients and board members.
- Firm understanding of Social Media for the use of networking and advertising. i.e. Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.
- Proficiency in Excel, Microsoft Word, and Publisher is an asset.
- Data entry and website editing and design are valuable skills.
- Experience working in the human services field is an asset.

Wage & Work Hours:

Successful candidate will receive \$22-25 /hour based on experience and education. This is a part-time position of 20 hours/week.

Date Posted: September 5, 2025 until a suitable candidate is found
We thank all applicants in advance for their interest, however, only those applicants who will be interviewed will be contacted.

Please submit cover letter along with resume and references in a sealed envelope marked "Personal & Confidential" to the attention of:

Central Peace FCSS Attn: Human Resources
Via mail to: Box 389, Spirit River AB T0H 3G0
Via email to: mbremont@mdspirriver.ab.ca
Or drop off at the MD of Spirit River office: 4202- 50 St, Spirit River

SPIRIT RIVER/SEXSMITH BUS PILOT PROGRAM

STARTING JANUARY 2025



The MD 133 Spirit River transit bus will be **adding a stop in Sexsmith!** This service will run each **Tue/Wed/Thur** as a pilot program for the next 2 months, in partnership between the MD of Spirit River and Sexsmith FCSS.

Seats are \$25.00 each. Pick-up will be at **Sunset Homes (9702-97 Ave)** in Sexsmith between **9:30am and 9:45am**. Passengers will be taken to Grande Prairie for appointments and shopping and then returned to the same drop-off location around **3:00pm**.

Passengers 16 and younger must have signed parental/guardian permission to ride. *Medical appointments are priority bookings!* The bus runs with min. 1 passenger - **24hr advance booking required.**

Subsidies are available for those requiring assistance. Please contact Naomi Robinson to apply: **780-568-4345** or fcss@sexsmith.ca.



Book a seat by calling:
780-864-3500



Starting July 2025

AFSC ON LOCATION

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month

8:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

AVAILABLE BY REMOTE COMMUNICATION

Monday to Friday

8:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

To reach us call 780-864-3896

Or 1-877-899-2372

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AFSC.ca


Stand on Fertile Ground

STAY CONNECTED AND INFORMED! This is a friendly reminder to download the Voyent App! And register to sign up for emergency alerts in our area, such as wildfires. If you see smoke or fire, please call 911.

HOW TO REGISTER

Step 1: Watch the short video: Registration tutorial - Voyent Alert! for tips @ www.youtube.com/watch?v=zSXaklw5tsI

Step 2: Learn about registering for the Central Peace Fire & Rescue* Alerting System @ www.voyent-alert.com/community/#registration

Step 3: Register:

- For Mobile App Users, download and install the Voyent Alert! app from the Apple or Google Play app stores.
 - For Email, Phone, or SMS (Text message) Users, register online to receive alerts
- Once downloaded, register for your account by selecting your region on a map and receive immediate emergency alerts.

YOU CAN ALSO ADD NEIGHBOURING MUNICIPALITIES

Birch Hills County, County of Grande Prairie, City of Grande Prairie, and Saddle Hills County, just to name a few, also use the Voyent Alert! notification system. You can choose to receive alerts from Voyent Alert! for any or all of these communities.

* The Central Peace Fire & Rescue covers the MD of Spirit River, the Town of Spirit River, and the Village of Rycroft

VOYENT ALERT!

REMINDER

REGISTER NOW!

Download on the **App Store**

GET IT ON **Google Play**

Urgent Wildfire Evacuation Alert

Issued: Jul 17 2024 8:15AM MDT
Issued by: Central Peace Fire & Rescue
Locations: Municipal District Of Spirit River No 133, Spirit River

Due to an uncontrolled wildfire, an Evacuation Alert has been issued for your area.

Municipal Dist. Spirit River - River No 133

Spirit River

Silverwood

Bridgeview

Wanham

Belloy

Peoria

Kaituan

Erin Lod

Jueberry Mountain

Instructions



Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133

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**NORTHERN
LIGHTS**
F I B E R



northernlightsfiber.ca

<https://www.northernlightsfiber.ca>

Attention! Municipal District of Spirit River #133 Residents!

If you are interested in getting Fiber Optics to your residence or business, please go online and submit a request.

3 simple steps to submit a request, go to:

- 1) Northernlightsfiber.ca
- 2) Project Aurora
- 3) At the top of the page- Click for form

Submit a NO Obligation Fiber Access Request (FAR) to ensure your home gets fiber optics lines built. [Click Here.](#)

FUTUREWORKS

Job Search Supports and Resource Centre

- ✓ Resumes
- ✓ Job Search
- ✓ Career Guidance
- ✓ Job Applications
- ✓ And more!

Drop-In Time
12:00pm - 3:30pm

Dates

December 9th

February 3rd

→ Joined by  **EMPLOY Abilities**
GRANDE PRAIRIE

April 21st

Location

Rycroft Community Library
4724 - 50th St.



RYCROFT COMMUNITY LIBRARY
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In Partnership with the
Rycroft Community Library

The Province of Alberta is working in partnership with the Government of Canada to provide employment support programs and services.

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By appointment

ANCESTRY CORNER

Connie and Steve would like to share their knowledge that they have gained from many years of searching their own ancestry and supporting ours in their search

For more information contact
Steve at [steve.everitt@gmail](mailto:steve.everitt@gmail.com)
or call the
Rycroft Community Library at 780 765 3973



RYCROFT COMMUNITY
LIBRARY

4724 50th Street
Box 248 Rycroft, AB T0H 3A0
Phone: (780) 765-3973

If we know where we came from, we may
better know where to go. If we know who we
came from, we may better
understand who we are

ATTENTION RESIDENTS!!!

Property Assessors
are in the area





JANUARY 16TH CURLING FUN NIGHT!

Text Rebecca @ 780-832-4500 or message Spirit River Curling Facebook page to register. Register by January 14th.

Curling is \$10/person. Food and drinks not included.

Curlers and spectators of all ages welcome.

**No experience
necessary**

**Come solo or
bring friends. No
full team required**

**Dinner special by
A & B Eats
available**

Bar will be open

**6:30pm dinner
with curling to
follow**

LOCATION:

**SPIRIT RIVER CURLING
CLUB**

4820 44 Ave
Spirit River AB
ToH3Go

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rlprograms@outlook.com

Get your order in by
February 6 2026

4724 50th Street
Box 248 Rycroft, AB T0H 3A0
Phone: (780) 765-3973



DID YOU KNOW?



Get to the Emergency Department or **Dial 911** if you have:

- Chest pain, trouble breathing, severe shortness of breath
- Heavy bleeding or major injury
- Poisoning or overdose
- Signs of stroke (Sudden weakness; facial droop; arm droop, slurred speech)



For Non-Emergent Care, DID YOU KNOW...

Prescribing Pharmacists:

- Offer prescriptions for minor ailments
- Phone your local pharmacist at:



Visit your Family Doctor or Nurse Practitioner - accepting family physicians can be found at: albertafindadoctor.ca



You Can Access 24/7 virtual care by dialing **811** to access TeleHealth



Access Social Services:

- General inquiries: **1-877-644-9992**
- 24/7 Emergency income support: **1-866-644-5135**



Important Phone Numbers

Crisis Lines

Dial 211 - for Emergency Social Resources (Housing crisis; food insecurity; shelters)

Dial 988 - For mental health emergencies

Help-Lines

1-877-302-2642 - Mental Health helpline (24/7)

1-866-332-2322 - Addiction helpline (24/7)

1-780-482-4357 - 24/7 Distress Line

1-888-342-4822 - Alberta Indigenous Virtual Care Clinic



Know Where To Go For Care