



**Adult
Community Conversation Notes:
May 1, 2024**

Jasper Food Bank – Cristin Murphy, General Manager

- 154 people/families served this past week, 18 new people/families
- Things continue to be very busy at the Food Bank.
- They are working on clarifying the Food Bank role (social assistance) vs. Food Rescue (environmental)
- Food Bank has received a grant to improve accessibility
- Food Bank is looking for volunteers. All ages are welcome.
- People on closed work permits can also volunteer and this is not well known.

Jasper Employment and Education Centre – Victoria, Education

- Offers support for people with barriers to employment.
- They are offering English classes and CELPIP preparation.
- Food Safe courses are also coming

Municipal Council – Councillor Wilson

- Attended a national housing conference
- Also sits on the Jasper municipal housing corporation and is hoping that they can build on Connaught this year.
- transit routes are changing for summer
- Skate Park is going to be built this spring, thanks to all dedicated volunteers and committee members.

Marmot Basin/Skytram/Pyramid Riding Stables – CJ

- The mountain is set to close for the season this week.
- Tramway and the stables are both opening.
- Here to listen and relay items over to staff at all locations.

Alberta Health Services – Ryan Verge, Addictions Counsellor

- Positions still available but hoping they will be filled soon.
- Addictions and Mental Health shifting to their own branch within the Government of Alberta.
- Doing a presentation on wildfire anxiety May 7
- There are drop-in addictions supports Thursdays from 1-4 pm.
- Intake is still the recommended method, but drop-in is an option if it's the best fit.

Community Outreach Services – Janeen Keelan, Outreach Worker

- Coffee Connections and Tai Chi going strong
- Movies are starting up again
- Welcome Event May 21 in Commemoration Park

Fitness and Aquatic Centre – JoAnn Sherlow

- First Aid full course and recertifications coming soon.
- Offering a 4-month pass special for the summer months for folks only here for 4 months.



United Church – Linda McLaren, Minister

- Working on a labyrinth workshop opportunity for the community.

Jasper Employment and Education Centre – Heidi Veluv, Executive Director

- Temporary Foreign Worker program funded to year-end.
- The Rural Renewal Stream (RRS) now has two people helping with it. Jasper is the only tourist town doing the RRS. There are 32 employers signed up and they can recommend 80-90 people in total.
- JEEC is negotiating to become a CELPIP testing site.
- Lots of people are reporting difficulty around getting fired, calling labour standards.
- The Persons with disabilities (PWD) program is for anyone with any challenges at all.
- Job Fair coming up May 15, June and August.

Jasper Local Immigration Partnership – Monica Rodriguez, Coordinator

- Working on a non-profit toolkit to recruit newcomer volunteers
- Working on ways to support employers, organizations in their role supporting newcomers.
- Newcomers reporting a lot of stress associated with fire season and possibility of evacuation.

Settlement Services, Danel Cooke, Settlement Worker

- Offering citizenship document support at Settlement Services

Yellowhead Emergency Shelter for Women (YES) – Tannis Arsenault, Worker

- Wellness Festival taking place in the park in Hinton August 21.

What do you think?

- ✓ [Engage Jasper – Jasper's online engagement portal. It's a place to share your ideas and provide feedback.](#)
- ✓ [Municipal public engagement opportunities](#)
- ✓ [Give feedback, contact council or report an issue.](#)
- ✓ [You can also contact council by emailing them.](#)

Promote your program or event:

- ✓ [Check the Community Calendar to find out what's going on in Jasper.](#)
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- ✓ [Fill out this form](#) and we will contact you to discuss your idea!

All things Community Conversations:

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Do you have neighbours or colleagues who are new to Jasper?

- ✓ The [New to Jasper page of the website](#) has helpful information for them.
- ✓ Welcome them to your neighbourhood using our [welcome bags](#).
- ✓ [Plan a neighbourhood gathering using our Neighbourhood Connections program](#).

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