

Adult Community Conversation Notes: May 3rd, 2023

TRENDS:

- Increase in programming at the Anglican Church. There is busking on the weekends now.
- Victim Services is seeing fighting amongst roommates.
- Businesses are having a hard time hiring as there is no housing for employees.
- Less people are applying for jobs.
- There continue to be a lot of inquiries about programming.
- Plan B (birth control) is in demand
- Wildfire evacuations are happening in some areas and Community Futures West Yellowhead (CFWY) is doing wildfire/emergency preparation.
- It's a tough time for businesses right now. There are supply chain issues.
- Alberta Healthy Communities (AHC) Initiative changing their role towards cancer prevention.
- Increased requests at the emergency shelter around mental health and addictions. More around dual diagnoses.
- There are more seasonal workers using the gym.
- There's been lots of frustration over the IRCC/CRA strike.
- We're seeing a new wave of Ukrainians coming into town.
- Ukrainian free accommodation is coming to a close.
- The Food Bank is feeding around 40 Ukrainians.
- Spending a lot of money on translation of education documents.
- Settlement Services helped 50 newcomer clients with taxes.

COMMUNITY UPDATES:

- Women in Business coffee group is coming up.
- Yellowhead Emergency Shelter for Women is open 24/7/365, the emergency shelter is not only for situations involving violence with children. They can work with men as well and they can also help with mental health/addictions situations. They work 1 on 1 with people.
- Council approved formalization of the Communities in Bloom committee. Administrative participation is important.
- 4-month memberships to recreation facilities are on sale now.
- Tennis courts open after May 20.
- Starting the renovations on the volleyball courts.
- Final post-flood renovations.
- Climbing association doing a wall redesign in June.
- Free rec passes for seniors 75 and over are now granted by the municipality of Jasper.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS OR EVENTS:

- Friends of Jasper National Park's AGM + 40th Anniversary, Member Drive coming up.
- June is the Buddy Up Suicide Prevention campaign.
- Lemonade Day is coming up in June



- YETI (young entrepreneur in training initiative) through Community Futures is launching as well
- Firesmart Day is May 14.
- Emergency Preparedness Week.

What do you think?

- ✓ <u>Municipal public engagement opportunities</u>
- ✓ <u>Give feedback, contact council or report an issue</u>.
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ Add your program or event to the calendar.

Share your passion:

✓ <u>Fill out this form</u> and we will contact you to discuss your idea!

All things Community Conversations:

- ✓ <u>Community Conversations schedule and information</u>
- ✓ Community Conversations most recent notes
- ✓ Application to join Community Conversations
- ✓ Municipal Community Conversations policy.

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

✓ The <u>New to Jasper page of the website</u> has helpful information for them.

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