

Community Conversations

Frequently asked questions:

What Community Conversations can I choose from?

There are 7 conversations each month. You are welcome to attend as many as you would like. If you sign up to attend, you are not required to attend every month.

- Early Childhood
- School Age
- Adults
- Seniors
- Arts and Culture
- Recreation
- Environmental Responsibility

Who can participate in Community Conversations?

Anyone who:

- lives within the community of Jasper (including outlying properties); or
- works for an agency or organization that serves the community of Jasper.

Where do Community Conversations take place?

We have hosted the conversations on Zoom for the past two years during the pandemic. We are trying an in-person format until the end of June and then we will decide, as a group, what format works better for most participants.

Will I be asked to present anything?

No. Each person will be given the chance to share their perspective. The facilitator will ask: "What are you noticing?" or "Do you have anything to share" If you would prefer not to share, you can say as much and that's it. The format is pretty informal.

Can I schedule a presentation to Community Conversations participants?

Yes. We are happy to schedule presentations on topics of interest. Those special presentations or training opportunities will take place at a time other than regular Community Conversations. This ensures that people who show up know exactly what to expect.



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YOU'RE INVITED

to join the monthly conversation!

What happens at Community Conversations?

At Community Conversations, participants

- discuss the changing needs of residents;
- share resources;
- provide mutual support; and
- brain-storm ways to work together to support Jasperites

Participants, including municipal staff, are encouraged to seize opportunities to take action within their scope and authority.

What can participants expect?

The Municipality of Jasper has committed to a baseline of service with this initiative. The Municipality will:

- advertise conversations;
- recruit and engage participants;
- facilitate conversations;
- record input; and
- prepare a report to municipal council three times a year.

What happens with the ideas or input gathered via Community Conversations?

A lot of potential 'opportunities' will come out of these conversations. All participants, including municipal staff, are encouraged to take action, collaborate across sectors and make changes that are within their existing scope.

What happens with larger scale ideas that are outside of the existing scope of participants?

Within the Municipality, any 'opportunities' that are over and above municipal staff's scope or authority will be:

- raised with the Senior Leadership Team; and
- included in the report to Municipal Council.

Municipal Council may participate in advocacy or direct administration to explore an opportunity further by way of motion passed by majority vote.

Can Community Conversations participants also present to Council?

Absolutely! Municipal Council welcomes individuals or community groups to present to Council. If you are interested in presenting to Council, write to Emma Acorn and she will select a date with you. Please allow 2 weeks notice. eacorn@jasper-alberta.ca.



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