



## **Municipal District of Bighorn No. 8**

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# **COMMUNITY SERVICES MASTER PLAN**

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# BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The MD of Bighorn No. 8 Community Services Master Plan has been a team effort that has involved groups and individuals at all levels. It is our belief that a plan is successful if the people who are affected by it are involved in the preparation process. We wish to acknowledge and thank all those people who took the time to provide input to and/or review this document and who responded to our request for comments.

## Function of a Master Plan

Originally, Recreation Master Plans were required by the Provincial Government in order to receive grant funding for local municipal park and facility development projects. Today, master plans allow municipalities to keep community needs current and plan for the future. Master Plans are a good tool for measuring the success of community projects and for determining where local expenditures should be made. Additionally, as the Provincial Government reviews the way it provides funding through lottery dollars, Master Plans are likely to be important in assessing funding allocations.

The MD's first Recreation Master Plan was developed in 1981 and revised in 1987. As a result of the Provincial Government's amalgamation of recreation and tourism into a single ministry in 1992, the MD followed suit with a reorganization of its Recreation Board. Culture was also added at this time. The 1993 Community Services Master Plan encompassed all these areas, including parks.

Since 1993, many things have changed. The format of this revised Master Plan is dramatically different. It is a comprehensive plan meant to provide direction to the municipality in community service matters. A unique aspect of this master plan is the inclusion of a section entitled 'Communities of the M.D of Bighorn.' This section inventories each community's facilities, organizations, and programs, and provides a community profile.

The Community Services Master Plan addresses the following areas:

- a) Recreation
  - i) Parks and Playgrounds
  - ii) Trails
  - iii) Programs
- b) Culture
  - i) Library
  - ii) Heritage
- c) Family, Community and Support Services
  - i) Parent Link
- d) Grant Programs

# **MD of Bighorn VISION STATEMENT**

To continue to enjoy a high quality of life within a rural municipality that celebrates its heritage and protects and enhances its beautiful natural environment, and that is supported by a diverse and sustainable economy.

# **Community Services MISSION STATEMENT**

The MD of Bighorn No. 8 Community Services Board acts as an advocate for community service needs. It encourages and supports community driven projects and activities that enhance the quality of life of M.D. residents.

# GOALS

1. To identify the needs of residents in the areas of recreation, parks, culture, libraries and community development.
2. To advise Council on any proposed municipal reserve development.
3. To provide recommendations to the MD of Bighorn Council with respect to initiatives and individual community concerns falling within the Community Services mandate.
4. To provide safe recreational areas within our communities.
5. To serve as a liaison between Council and the residents of the MD of Bighorn regarding matters within the Community Services mandate.
6. To support community organizations in the planning and development of community facilities and programs.
7. To ensure the Community Service Master Plan remains current through communication with the community, as well as a regular review process.

# RESPONSIBILITIES AND AREAS OF SERVICE

## Community Services Board

The Board functions as a liaison for recreation, culture and Family and Community Support Services (FCSS), between the communities and community organizations located in the MD of Bighorn (MD). The Board also provides guidance to the Community Services Coordinator (CSC). By-law 10/11 and Terms of Reference defines the responsibilities of the Community Services Board (CSB) and the relationship of the Board to Council (Appendix A.).

## Community Services Coordinator

This position is responsible for the coordination of recreation, culture and FCSS delivery within the MD. This position liaises with residents and local organizations to determine recreational, cultural and FCSS needs, and advocate for services and facilities to address those needs through Council, the CSB and other entities.

## Recreation

Recreation needs within the MD are diverse. Recreation facilities are developed and maintained by community organizations within each geographic region, in response to local needs. Bighorn supports these projects where possible and as set out in the goals of the Master Plan. Recreation services and activities are also accessed in neighboring communities.

### a) Parks and Playgrounds

The majority of playgrounds have been built with the assistance of local community groups and are operated, maintained and upgraded by the MD. (Appendix C.). The MD will assist communities in developing new playgrounds where desired and needed. All public playgrounds located on municipal land must meet CSA standards for playgrounds. The MD will place priority on upgrading existing playgrounds to meet CSA Guidelines. Structures not meeting these standards will be either repaired or removed immediately.

There are no developed and maintained green spaces within the MD. Development of municipal reserve for the purpose of parks or recreation will be subject to all relevant planning documents, including the Municipal Development Plan, the Land-Use bylaw, and the Open Spaces Policy (Appendix D). This policy provides direction regarding the allocation and/or development of municipal/school reserves, environmental reserves and easements.

### b) Trails

Council has, by resolution, endorsed the concept of a network of linked trails within the Bow Corridor. The MD worked with Alberta TrailNet and the Trans Canada Trail Foundation to build a section of this trail through the municipality. Local trails have also been developed and recorded in the Trail Inventory (Appendix E.).

The municipality will use the following broad guidelines regarding trails:

- Trails within and adjoining communities are desirable.
- The MD will maintain an active membership in trails associations at the local, provincial and national level.

- Bighorn will use the Open Spaces Policy (Appendix F) and Trail Development and Management Guidelines (Appendix D) as its guide regarding any new trail development.

### **c) Programs**

As a member of the Bow Valley Learning Council and in partnership with communities and Community Associations, Community Services supports the development of recreational programs such as fitness classes, youth activity programs and others as identified in the Master Plan.

## **Culture**

Matters concerning arts, music and heritage fall within the Community Services mandate and are provided with support and facilitation.

### **Libraries**

There are two distinct elements to the cultural program which are supported by the MD of Bighorn's Community Services:

- a. The Marigold Regional Library System supports library activities at the Exshaw Library and the Benchlands paperback depository. Marigold also provides library access via the internet, through libraries in Canmore and Cochrane as well as through a book depository at the Summer Village (SV) of Ghost Lake.
- b. The Exshaw Library Society oversees the library services provided in the Bow Valley area of the M.D.

## **Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)**

Family and Community Support Services is a partnership program between the Province and the municipality that develops locally-driven preventive social initiatives to enhance the well-being of individuals, families and communities. Services and programs are provided by agreement with the Towns of Canmore and Cochrane and include but are not limited to: services to seniors, information and referral, family/children/parenting programs, volunteer development and youth initiatives. These services and programs are available to all MD residents.

### **Parent Link Program**

Parent Link Centres provide supports to parents to help their children develop and arrive at school ready to learn. Parents can access information about community services, obtain referrals, meet other parents and families, and take part in quality learning activities with their children. The MD in partnership with the Parent Link Programs in Canmore and Cochrane provide satellite programs in Exshaw and at Beaupre which are available to all MD residents.

## **Community Service Grant Program**

A small annual grant program is available to eligible non-profit community organizations that provide services, programs or facilities to the residents of the MD. The Community Services Board reviews funding proposals for projects in the area of parks, recreation, community development and culture. Recommendations are forwarded to Council for review and approval. There are specific guidelines for applying for these funds. (Appendix B)

# **COMMUNITIES OF THE M.D. of BIGHORN**



# **BOW CORRIDOR**

## See Municipal Development Plan Figure 1

The Bighorn Bow Corridor area of the MD surrounds a valley containing the Bow River and its tributaries that penetrate the front ranges of the Rocky Mountains. It provides east-west access for major transportation routes and utility lines, being the Trans Canada Highway, the Canada Pacific Railway mainline, natural gas pipelines and power lines.

The MD Bow Corridor area is characterized by the Alpine, Subalpine and Montane Subregions of the Rocky Mountain Natural Region. The ecological integrity of the MD Bow Corridor area is important for many wildlife species, as it contains significant wildlife habitat, fish spawning areas and migratory bird flight paths and staging areas. A number of wildlife movement corridors have been identified that provide a link between Kananaskis Country and Banff National Park.

Development within the MD Bow Corridor area is generally nodal and is primarily contained within the hamlets of Exshaw, Dead Man's Flats, Harvie Heights and Lac des Arcs. In addition to residential development, most of these hamlets contain various types of commercial or light industrial development, tourism facilities and recreational residences. The MD Bow Corridor area also contains recreational developments such as golfing, equestrian and tourism opportunities.

## **DEAD MAN'S FLATS**

### **Population:**

121 (2011 Federal Census)

### **Historical Information:**

Dead Man's Flats was developed primarily as a commercial centre. In 1992, a 44-unit condominium development was built. This, along with an Area Redevelopment Plan completed in 1994, changed the direction of this community.

### **Community Resources:**

#### **a) Playground**

There was a CSA standard playground located in the northern part of the community that was built by the Community Association in 1995. This area was damaged by winter ice flows and then by the spring flood of 2013. A 5 year old playground for 2-5 year olds was donated to the people of Dead Man's Flats by ATB Financial in Calgary and will be placed on the corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street further from any possible future flooding.

#### **b) Trails**

Asphalt surfaced trail along south and west boundary of Pigeon Creek Condominiums.

### **Community Organizations**

The following community organizations are in Dead Man's Flats:

- a) Dead Man's Flats Community Association
- b) Pigeon Mountain Condominium Association
- c) Dead Man's Flats Business Development Association

# **EXSHAW**

## **Population:**

362 (2011 Federal Census)

## **Historical Information:**

Exshaw originated in the early 1900s as a company settlement for workers in the mineral extraction and processing industry. Until the late 1960s, the community's recreation facilities included a bowling alley, movie theatre and skating rink. In order to accommodate the expansion of the adjacent cement plant, most of these facilities were torn down. Since that time, the development of community facilities has been volunteer driven. The Exshaw Community Association (ECA) manages the majority of the current community facilities.

## **Community Resources:**

### **a) Community Hall**

The ECA owns and operates a three level hall that is physically attached to the Exshaw Legion. The Hall accommodates the following activities: community events, fitness classes and private rentals, seniors centre and community fitness centre.

### **b) Library**

In 1994, the library moved from the Catholic Church to a building owned by the former Exshaw School Board and then in 2000 to the lower level of the Bighorn administration office. Since moving to this new facility, the library has extended its hours of operation and membership has increased substantially. Bighorn Library Services are part of the Marigold Library System. The MD supports the Marigold Library System.

### **c) Mountain Bike Skills Park**

Beginner and intermediate bike skill pump tracks were constructed in May 2013 with a connecting downhill skills track and a pedestrian trail on the west berm behind the MD public works yard. This facility was badly damaged by the 2013 flood and is slated for reconstruction once the final berm repairs are completed.

### **d) Playgrounds**

There are playgrounds situated in four areas:

#### **i. Margaret Jeffries Park (Centre/Tire Park)**

A playground located in the centre of the community with an outdoor skating rink in winter, basketball in the summer. Updated in 2013

#### **ii. Windridge**

Built in the fall of 1995, this playground was updated in 2011.

#### **iii. Exshaw School**

A large playground with a multi-faceted play structure, including swings, climbers, etc.

#### **iv. Recreation Grounds**

A wooden structure with slide and separate swings

## **EXSHAW - Community Resources Cont'd**

### **e) Recreation Grounds**

The ECA operates a recreation area in the southeast portion of the hamlet. These facilities include the playground listed above and:

- i. Baseball diamond
- ii. Horseshoe pits
- iii. Volleyball court
- iv. Campground

### **f) School**

Exshaw School is a Kindergarten to grade eight school, students continue on to Canmore Collegiate for their High School education. In 2013, 156 students attended coming from Exshaw, Canmore and the nearby Stoney First Nations Reserve of Morley. These facilities include the playground noted above and:

- i. Portable Classroom used for Parent Link
- ii. Gymnasium and stage
- iii. Classrooms and library
- iv. Snacketeria
- v. Baseball Diamond
- vi. Multipurpose tennis/basketball courts
- vii. Sports field

### **g) Trails**

The South Exshaw Trail was developed in 2012. This trail is a 3 km walking, running and biking trail that is maintained by the MD. This trail was badly damaged in 2013 flood and will have to be redeveloped through the flood recovery process. Located within the hamlet are a number of informal trails as well. These trails are not marked or maintained.

## **Community Organizations**

The following community organizations are in Exshaw:

- a) Exshaw Community Association
- b) Heart Mountain Go-Getters
- c) Bighorn Library Services
- d) Royal Canadian Legion

# **HARVIE HEIGHTS**

## **Population:**

175 (2011 Federal Census)

## **Historical Information:**

Harvie Heights was originally developed in the late 1950s and early 1960s as a seasonal cottages community with a highway commercial component. The hamlet has shifted over time towards a community of more permanent full-time residents. Both full and part-time residents are active members of the community.

## **Community Resources:**

### **a) Community Hall**

Owned and operated by the Harvie Heights Community Association on municipal reserve land, the hall is a one level cabin moved to the community from Banff in the late 1950s. The hall is used for social activities and rented out for functions.

### **b) Recreation Area**

On the south side of the hall is an outdoor skating rink, adjoining this is a tennis court.

### **c) Playground**

On the north side of the hall is a playground. In 1994, the original playground was almost completely torn down and replaced with a CSA approved system which was completed in 1995.

### **d) Trail**

This is a hard-surface (asphalt) double width trail which connects to the east with the Town of Canmore where it connects to the Legacy Trail west through Banff National Park to the Town of Banff.

## **Community Organizations**

The following community organizations are in Harvie Heights:

- a) Harvie Heights Community Association
- b) Harvie Heights Highway Commercial Business Association

# **LAC DES ARCS**

## **Population:**

144 (2011 Federal Census)

## **Historial Information:**

Lac des Arcs was originally developed as a seasonal cottage community in the 1960s. Since then, the community has evolved from non-permanent, recreation-based to a larger proportion of permanent residents active in the Community Association.

## **Community Resources:**

### **a) Playground**

In 1996, a CSA approved community playground was built on municipal reserve land in the centre of the community.

### **b) Trails**

In 1991, the Community Association cleared a trail through the central community reserve.

In 1994, a set of stairs connecting a north/south trail in the reserve along the Heart Creek was added.

A section of the Trans Canada Trail can be accessed via the Heart Creek parking lot south of the Lac des Arcs overpass.

## **Community Organizations**

The following community organization is in Lac des Arcs:

- a) Lac des Arcs Community Association

# **RANCHLANDS**

## See Municipal Development Plan Figure 2

The Ranchlands area lies along the foothills of the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains. It is generally sparsely populated and rural in nature. The vast majority of land is Provincial Crown land, with a substantial portion of that Crown land contained within Rocky Mountains Forest Reserves. A significant part of the area is identified as Provincial Wilderness Area or Wildland Park. The Ranchlands area also contains a large portion of the Stoney Indian Reserve. Although part of the MD of Bighorn, the Reserve is under the authority of the Federal government and the Stoney First Nation.

The Ranchlands area consists principally of heavily forested terrain, and some is open grassland. Forestry, oil and gas development and the associated processing facilities, as well as agriculture, (primarily ranching), are the dominant industries. There are also a number of recreation and tourism developments in the Ranchlands area, ranging from small backcountry camps and retreats to larger guest ranches, camps and training facilities. Various cultural resources and significant recreational opportunities attract a considerable number of visitors to the Ranchlands area. These recreational activities include fishing, hunting, hiking, off-highway vehicle use, climbing and water sports.

Development within the Ranchlands area is generally dispersed, with nodal communities situated along the road network. The Jamieson Road area, located to the south of the Ghost River, contains a slightly higher residential density on small holdings parcels than the remainder of the Ranchlands area. The hamlet of Benchlands and the Ghost River Country Residential Subdivision are the MD's only nodes of higher residential density in the Ranchlands area.

# **NORTH RANCHLANDS**

## **Population:**

125 (estimated)

## **Historical Information:**

This area, rural in nature, is situated north of the north Stoney Indian Reserve 142B and the Forest Reserve Boundary and is primarily a ranching community.

## **Community Resources:**

There are no community facilities within the MD's boundary for ratepayers to use so MD residents utilize the facilities located in the Hamlet of Water Valley.

- a) Community Hall
- b) Ball Diamond
- c) Library/Preschool Building
- d) Riding Club
- e) Playground

## **SOUTH RANCLANDS**

### **Population:**

243 (estimated)

### **Historical Information:**

Rural in nature, this area is primarily a ranching community with some country residential properties. It includes small holdings north of the Bow River, Jamieson Road, Benchlands and the Ghost River Country Residential Subdivision surrounded by rural agriculture, south of the Bow River. The West Jumpingpound area is primarily ranching and rural acreages.

Resources and population in Benchlands and the Ghost River Country Residential Subdivision are listed separately.

### **Community Resources:**

Residents in the area north of the Bow River generally utilize the Beaupre Hall, situated in Rocky View County. Residents of the Jamieson Road area also utilize Beaupre Hall and the private facilities of The Crossing at Ghost River conference centre. Residents in the West Jumpingpound area mainly utilize the Jumpingpound Community Hall located in Rocky View County.

#### **a) Beaupre Community Hall**

A community hall located east of Highway 40 and situated on a 5+ acre parcel of land. The hall houses most community events and meetings including the Parent Link program, community preschool, artist's organization and concert series.

#### **b) Jumpingpound Community Hall**

A single level community hall situated in Rocky View County north of Highway 1 and east of the Jumpingpound Creek.

#### **c) Jamieson Road Fire Hall**

There is a volunteer fire department

### **Community Organizations**

The following community organizations are in South Ranchlands:

- a) Beaupre Community Association
- b) West Jumpingpound Community Association
- c) Ghost Watershed Alliance Society

# **BENCHLANDS**

## **Population:**

42 (2011 Federal Census)

## **Historical Information:**

Benchlands, the only hamlet in the Ranchlands area, is located along Highway 40 and the north bank of the Ghost River. Benchlands was the original homestead of Guy Gibson, who served in the 31st Battalion during World War I. He chose the section as part of the program for returning First World War veterans because of its peacefulness and the beauty of the mountains.

Gibson raised funds by building log cabins for others and selling large lots on the three benches to Calgary residents. Guy Gibson died in the mid 1960s but his cabins grew and flourished on the benches of the Ghost River and many can still be seen today. The hamlet, which began developing in the mid-1930s is composed of large residential lots.

## **Community Resources:**

### **a) Fire Hall**

There is a volunteer fire department. The fire hall building houses the library and a meeting room.

### **b) Library**

The Benchlands library is linked into the Marigold Library System. The library is located at the fire hall and works on an honor system with a volunteer librarian.

### **c) Skating Area**

There is a lagoon near the Ghost River that is created through control of weir plates in a dyke area. This area was used for skating prior to the 2013 flood and may be repaired when the berm is reconstructed.

## **Community Organizations**

The following community organization is in Benchlands:

- a) Guy Gibson (Benchlands) Community Association



## **GHOST RIVER COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION**

### **Population:**

40+ (estimated)

### **Historical Information:**

This residential community is located on Highway 40 west of the Summer Village of Waiparous and was developed in the early 1990s.

### **Community Resources:**

#### **a) Trails**

Linear municipal reserve exists for additional trail construction. A large recreation lease exists to the north of the community. This lease is jointly held by the MD and the Summer Village of Waiparous. A trail system exists on this parcel of land and is maintained by the local trails association.

### **Community Organizations**

The following community organization is in Ghost River Country Residential Subdivision:

- a) Ghost-Waiparous Trails Association

# **MD RECREATION ASSET INVENTORY**

## **Ball Diamonds**

- Exshaw (2)
- Water Valley

## **Community Campground**

- Exshaw

## **Community Halls**

- Harvie Heights
- Exshaw
- Water Valley
- Beaupre

## **Community Trails**

- Harvie Heights
- Exshaw
- Lac des Arcs
- Dead Man's Flats
- Ghost Waiparous Trails
- Other: Trans Canada Trail
- Other: Legacy Trail

## **Fitness Centre**

- Exshaw

## **Mountain Bike Skills Park**

- Exshaw

## **Playgrounds**

- Harvie Heights
- Dead Man's Flats
- Lac des Arcs
- Exshaw (4)
- Water Valley
- Jumpingpound

## **Outdoor Ice Rinks**

- Harvie Heights
- Exshaw
- Benchlands (lagoon)

## **Sports Field**

- Exshaw

## **Tennis / Multipurpose Courts**

- Harvie Heights
- Exshaw

# MD of Bighorn - Community Services Action Plan

## January 2013 to December 2013

### ALL MD AREAS

Community Service	Project	Actions	Resources	Completion Date
Trails	Trans Canada Trail (TCT)	Assess condition of TCT in spring and after events.	Community Services Coordinator (CSC) Operations	May 2013-October 2013
Parks and Playgrounds	Community Playground Inspections	Provide playground inspections as per protocol. Address any areas where MD playgrounds do not meet standards. Plan for future playground upgrades.	Operations CSC	May 2013-November 2013
Culture and Recreation Programming	Libraries	Ensure MD residents are aware of all the library services and programs within the MD and neighbouring communities.	CSC	Ongoing-2013
FCSS	Snow Angel	Connect seniors requiring snow shovel services with volunteers.	CSC	January-April 2013
Community Grants Program Insurance Grants		Provide information to eligible community organizations.	CSC	August 2013 January 2013
Transportation	Transportation Options: Driving Angels Volunteer Drivers	Ensure MD residents who are seniors and those requiring assistance are aware of transportation options available. Market and recruit for Volunteer Driver program. Promote via Website and twice yearly inclusion in MD Newsletter. Revise program to simplify for users and program administration.	CSC	January 2013- ongoing
Communication	More variety in forms of communication between residents and M.D	Web Pages updated frequently Investigate feasibility of message boards at dumpsters/dumps, use of Social Media, possible Coffee with CSB meetings.	CSC	Ongoing-2013

## **BOW CORRIDOR**

### **DEADMAN'S FLATS**

As per All MD Areas.

### **EXSHAW**

As per All MD Areas plus:

<b>Community Service</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Actions</b>	<b>Resources</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>
<b>Trails</b>	South Exshaw Trail	MD to take over maintenance.	Exshaw Community Assoc. (ECA) CSC Operations	Trail completion Fall 2013
<b>Parks and Playgrounds</b>	Upgrade of Centre Park	Identify funding available for project. Purchase of basketball nets, picnic table, bench and climbing/play apparatus.	CSC Operations Exshaw residents	Spring/Summer 2013
	Development of Pump Track	Identify suitable site. Pump track design. Development of pump track.	As above.	Fall 2013
<b>Culture and Recreation Programming</b>	Youth Project	Develop opportunities for teen recreation including sports night and pool/games night.	CSC Legion ECA	January 2014
<b>FCSS</b>	Seniors Support	Offer information sessions for MD seniors hosted in Exshaw.	CSC Heart Mtn Go-Getters	Offered throughout 2013
	Parent Link	Continue to provide support to Exshaw PLP program.	CSC	As above.

## **HARVIE HEIGHTS**

As per All MD Areas plus:

<b>Community Service</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Actions</b>	<b>Resources</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>
<b>Trails</b>	Memorial Bench	Installation near Harvie Heights pump house.	CSC Operations	Spring 2013

## LAC DES ARCS

As per All MD Areas plus:

Community Service	Project	Actions	Resources	Completion Date
Trails	Memorial Bench	Installation facing Heart Creek in Lac des Arcs.	CSC Operations	Spring 2013

## RANCHLANDS

### NORTH RANCHLANDS

As per all MD areas.

### SOUTH RANCHLANDS (rural areas)

As per all MD areas.

### WEST JUMPING POUND

As per all MD areas.

### JAMIESON ROAD AREA

As per All MD Areas plus:

Community Service	Project	Actions	Resources	Completion Date
FCSS	Community Connection	Work with local residents to establish an annual community event. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Stampede Breakfast @ Fire Hall promote through Newsletter and MD Website</li> <li>•Road Cleanup – promote through Councilor, MD provide garbage bags, coffee donuts</li> </ul>	CSC CSB - Ursula Reynolds	Spring 2013

# BENCHLANDS/GHOST RIVER COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

As per All MD Areas plus:

Community Service	Project	Actions	Resources	Completion Date
Trails	Benchlands to Summer Village (SV) Waiparous Trail.	Assess interest in and the feasibility of a ditch trail running from Benchlands to SV Waiparous.	CSC Benchlands Comm. Assoc.	Fall 2013
	Ghost Waiparous Trails (GWT)	Completion of GWT Resource Management Plan.	CSC	February 2013
		Application for Temporary Field Authorization for trail maintenance.	CSC	May- October 2013
Parks and Playgrounds	Benchlands Berm	Assess the need for and extent of berm clearing to be undertaken.	TransAlta CSC Benchlands Comm. Assoc.	Spring 2013
Culture and Recreation Programming	Book Depository	Assess type of books available at the depository and opportunity to increase variety.	Lynda Lyster Marigold Library Staff	Winter 2013
	Exercise classes	Assist in the development of a fitness class at Beupre Hall.	Benchlands Comm. Assoc. Beupre Comm. Assoc. CSC	Fall 2013
FCSS	Database	Assist in the creation of a database of community members available for babysitting, yard care, handyman services and volunteer drivers.	Benchland Comm. Assoc. Lynda Lyster CSC	Fall 2013
	Parent Link	Continue to provide support to Beupre PL Program.	CSC	As above.

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<b>Trails</b>	Trail Inventory	Assess condition of trails in spring and Trans Canada Trail (TCT) after events.	Community Services Coordinator (CSC), Operations CSC	May 2014-October 2014
	Memorial Bench Program	Promote program, locate benches with family and community input	CSC	Ongoing-2014
<b>Parks and Playgrounds</b>	Community Playground Inspections	Provide playground inspections as per protocol. Address any areas where MD playgrounds do not meet standards.	Operations CSC	May 2014-November 2014
	Lac des Arcs	Community consultation and planning for 2015 playground upgrades.	CSC	May 2014
	Plan for future playground upgrades	Allocate \$25,000 annually towards playgrounds so playgrounds can be upgraded in 2015 and 2017	CSC, Council	October 2014
<b>Culture and Recreation Programming</b>	Libraries Fitness and Other Courses Youth Projects	Promote all the library services and community programs within the MD and neighbouring communities.	CSC	Ongoing-2014
<b>FCSS</b>	Snow Angel	Connect seniors requiring snow shovel services with volunteers.	CSC	January-April, October-December 2014
<b>Other: Transportation</b>	Transportation Options: Driving Angels Volunteer Drivers	Ensure seniors and disabled throughout the MD are aware of transportation options available. Market and recruit for Volunteer Driver program.	CSC	January 2014- ongoing
<b>Other: Community Grants Programs</b>		Provide information to eligible community organizations.	CSC	January and August 2014
<b>Other: Communication</b>	Maintain and Promote variety in forms of Communication between Residents and M.D	Web Pages updated frequently along with message boards at dumpsters/dumps, and Social Media Coffee with CSB meetings.	CSC  Council	Ongoing-2014

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<b>Parks and Playgrounds</b>	Community Playground Inspections	Provide playground inspections as per protocol. Address any areas where MD playgrounds do not meet standards.	Operations CSC	May 2015-November 2015
	Lac des Arcs	Playground upgrades.	CSC, Operations, Community	May 2015
	Plan for future playground upgrades	Allocate \$25,000 annually towards playgrounds so playgrounds can be upgraded in Harvie Heights in 2017	CSC, Council	October 2015
<b>Culture and Recreation Programming</b>	Libraries Fitness and Other Courses Youth Projects	Promote all the library services and community programs within the MD and neighbouring communities.	CSC	Ongoing-2015
<b>FCSS</b>	Snow Angel	Connect seniors requiring snow shovel services with volunteers.	CSC	January-April, October-December 2015
<b>Other: Transportation</b>	Transportation Options: Driving Angels Volunteer Drivers	Ensure seniors and disabled throughout the MD are aware of transportation options available. Market and recruit for Volunteer Driver program.	CSC	January 2015- ongoing
<b>Other: Community Grants Programs</b>		Provide information to eligible community organizations.	CSC	January and August 2015
<b>Other: Communication</b>	Maintain and Promote variety in forms of Communication between Residents and M.D	Web Pages updated frequently along with message boards at dumpsters/dumps, and Social Media Coffee with CSB meetings.	CSC  Council	Ongoing-2015



# **APPENDIX A**

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## **APPENDIX B**

### ***Grant Policy for Community Organizations***

## **APPENDIX C**

### ***Playground and Trail Inspection Policy***

## **APPENDIX D**

### ***Trail Development and Management Guidelines (Includes Trail Inventory)***

# **APPENDIX E**

## ***Open Spaces Policy***

## **APPENDIX F**

### ***Community Engagement and Needs Survey Summary***