

YOUR COUNTY IN TOUCH

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Bylaw Officer training program will be first of its kind in Alberta

Our Law Enforcement Training Centre is making history with a new Bylaw Enforcement Officer Induction Program. This one-of-a-kind training has never been offered before in the province of Alberta.

Running Oct. 20-Nov. 7, 2025, the program will teach recruits about community standards, parking violations, safe animal control and more. Students gain practical experience of on-the-job challenges and hazards, so no matter where their careers take them, they have the confidence and skill set necessary to succeed.

Our graduates aren't just smart — they're ready, because they learned from the best.

To learn more about the Law Enforcement Training Centre, visit letc.laclabichecounty.com.







This year's municipal election will happen on Monday, Oct. 20, 2025.

If you are interested in running in the election:

- Read our Candidate
 Information Guide, available
 at laclabichecounty.com, to
 make sure you understand the
 election rules and the duties
 of County Council members.
- You must submit a Notice of Intent to Run before you incur any campaign expenses or receive campaign contributions.
- The deadline for candidates to submit their official nomination paperwork is Sept. 22, 2025 at noon.

If you have any questions, email election@laclabichecounty.com or call 780-623-1747 and ask to speak to the Returning Officer.

Visit laclabichecounty.com and click on "2025 Municipal Election" on the homepage to find all of the latest election details, links to required forms and important dates to remember.

New this year: People who have submitted Notices of Intent to Run are added to a public Registry of Candidates, which can be viewed on our website.











Be a part of our Social **Development Strategy**



Let's give our community a wellness check.

From early childhood to the golden years, what is the social experience like in Lac La Biche County? What gaps need to be filled, so we can help unlock all of our community members' potential?

We're inviting residents to participate in surveys and community meetings, so all of us can learn together about emotional and mental wellbeing, and so we can study existing supports and challenges for all age groups. Individuals, families, businesses and social service providers are all encouraged to participate, so the resulting Social Development Strategy brings everyone together with a common vision for our shared future.

Visit laclabichecounty.com/p/social-development for more information. Stay tuned for links to surveys and invitations to public meetings!





Tuesdays and Thursdays • 4-8:30 pm March 4 to April 8, 2025 (no class March 13)

Prerequisites:

- Minimum age 15
- Current Standard First Aid
- Bronze Cross (does not need to be current)
- 100 per cent attendance required

Cost: \$250 (includes all materials)

To register, visit boldcenter.ca/ activeLLBC or call Portage Pool at 780-623-6777.





Members-at-Large needed for boards and committees

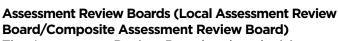


Joining a Lac La Biche County board or committee is one of the best ways for you to have an ongoing say in the running of your community.

We have a number of vacancies that need to be filled, so consider this your invitation to find out more and think about applying. More information about all vacancies can be found at laclabichecounty.com/p/committee-vacancies.

Agricultural Service Board

This board makes recommendations to Council about agriculture-related matters, and guides the County's agricultural programs like equipment rentals. The board meets monthly and is seeking a Member-at-Large to represent "Area 2" (north of Plamondon, around the lake as far as Highway 663) for a three-year term.





The Assessment Review Board makes decisions on matters related to property assessments and tax notices. The board meets as needed and is seeking Members-at-Large for three-year terms.

Economic Development Advisory Committee

This committee makes strategic recommendations to Council about high-level economic development matters, like how to prioritize economic development goals and projects.



Family and Community Support Services Board

The FCSS Board promotes awareness of local social issues and makes recommendations for FCSS programming. The board meets monthly and is seeking a Member-at-Large for a one-year term.



Subdivision and Development Appeal Board

The Subdivision and Development Appeal Board hears appeals of subdivision and development decisions made by the County. The board meets as needed and is seeking Members-at-Large for three-year terms.



How to apply for a County board or committee vacancy:

- 1. Visit laclabichecounty.com to learn more about the board or committee you're interested in and any application requirements.
- 2. Complete a Committee Member Application Form (available on the website) and email it to legservices@laclabichecounty.com.



Family Day Festival

Spend the afternoon with family and friends at the Bold Centre on Monday, Feb. 17 from 12-3 pm.

We have an exciting afternoon of community connections planned, with sleigh rides, survival skills with Hideaway Adventure Grounds, crafts, live music, free family photos, games, bingo and so much more!



PLUS: A free lunch, thanks to our amazing community partners:

- Vegetarian chili sponsored by Britton's Your Independent Grocer and prepared by Lac La Biche Canadian Native Friendship Centre.
- Cinnamon buns and hot chocolate sponsored by New Life Victory Fellowship.
- Coffee and tea sponsored by Rustic Bean.
- And hot dogs on us!



Did you know Lac La Biche County Family and Community Support Services gives grants to local non-profits and social service organizations?

Funds are given out all year long, so apply soon while funds are available.

Visit laclabichecounty.com/p/fcss for the application form and more information about eligibility.



Dates to Remember

Monday, Feb. 17

Family Day Festival at the Bold Centre. See page 3 for details.

Saturday, March 1

Fire season begins. Permits will be required for all burning except campfires.

Sunday, March 9

Spring ahead! Daylight Saving Time starts.

Monday, March 17 St. Patrick's Day.

Thursday, March 20 First day of spring.

For more County and community events, visit the Events Calendar on laclabichecounty.com.

Your County In Touch is produced by Lac La Biche County and is available to every resident.

An electronic version of this newsletter is available. All you need to do is call (780) 623-1747 or fill out the online form at laclabichecounty.com (click on "Resident Newsletter" in the menu under "Our Services").

Use the same contact information for any address changes or to unsubscribe.







CONNECT TO A HEALTHY, ACTIVE LIFESTYLE!

Accessing Bold Centre and Portage Pool programs has never been easier. Use your smartphone or tablet camera to scan the QR codes at right.



Scan to register for programs.



Scan to view Activity Guide.