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Ability Resource Centre

Purpose

Ability Resource Centre works to provide supports to adults with disabilities to access opportunities, facilitate individual growth and promote inclusion. The Ability Resource Centre is a division of the Rehabilitation Society of Southwestern Alberta.

Collection Resources

A collection of material relevant to the programs and services offered by the Centre is available.

Services

The Ability Resource Centre offers programs and information on job skill development, work experience, volunteer placement, individual and group based learning opportunities, self advocacy, social networking, accessing community resources, life skills development, health and wellness activities, communication, and recreation and leisure activities. They also operate a Joblinks Employment Centre which provides employment services for individuals with any type of disability and/or medical barrier. The Employment Centre includes services for businesses including free job postings, pre-screening of potential employees, information on available job-funding, and long term follow up.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:30 am - 4:00 pm

E-mail: staff@rehab.ab.ca

Telephone: (403) 329 3911

Fax: (403) 329 3581

Address:

1610 28 Street North

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1H 5L3

Alberta Employment and Immigration

Purpose

Alberta Employment and Immigration is a subsidiary of the Federal Ministry of Employment and Immigration. The department creates and delivers programs and services to promote labour force development and aids Albertans in vocational training, job searching and workplace success. In addition, Alberta Employment and Immigration acts as a labour market information resource base and coordinates resources to support the settlement and integration of new Albertans.

Collection Resources

Books and pamphlets are available on a variety of topics related to employment in Alberta including education, resumes, job searching, self-employment, occupational profiles, career planning and Alberta Employment and Immigration publications including annual reports, fact sheets, guides, statistics, legislation, periodicals and newsletters.

Services

- Job Fairs, Workshops, and Information Sessions
- Directory of Events, Programs, and Services Offered in the Region
- Employer Connections

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:15 am - 4:30 pm

E-mail: south.region@gov.ab.ca

Address:

Brooks: 200 600 Cassils Road East

Claresholm: 109 46 Avenue West (Provincial Building)

Crowsnest Pass: 12501 20 Avenue, Blairmore. (Main Floor Provincial Building)

Lethbridge: 200 5 Avenue South (Main Floor Provincial Building)

Medicine Hat: 299 College Drive South East (Medicine Hat College)

346 3 Street Southeast (Lower Level Room #5 Provincial Building)

Pincher Creek: 160 782 Main Street

Taber: 5011 49 Avenue (Provincial Building)

Alberta Genealogical Society

Purpose

The Alberta Genealogical Society is a non-profit organization that works to promote the study of genealogy and genealogical research within Alberta.

Collection Resources

A collection of genealogy resource materials is maintained by the Society including heritage books, genealogical manuals, local history books, microfiche, obituaries and cemetery records. Newsletters are also published by the various districts. The Society has developed a number of databases to assist individuals in genealogical research these include: Index to Applications for Alberta Land Patents, Alberta Homestead Records, Selected Alberta History Books and Alberta Sources.

Services

The Society provides a research service by donation and this can be requested by email: research8@abgensoc.ca

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Lethbridge

Resource Centre: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Contact Person(s):

Brooks: Mary Burkholder, mary@eidnet.org

Lethbridge: Nester Martinez

Medicine Hat: Clark Lang

Address:

Local Meetings

Brooks

Every second Thursday 7:30 pm
January - June, September - November
Community Cultural Centre
Room 122, 327 3 Street West
Brooks, Alberta

Lethbridge

Every third Thursday 7:00 pm
January - June, September - November
Room 128, 909 3 Avenue North
Lethbridge, Alberta

Medicine Hat

Every first Wednesday 7:00 pm
January - June, September - December
Hillside Monumental 974 13 Street Southwest
Medicine Hat, Alberta

Alberta Irrigation Projects Association

Purpose

Alberta Irrigation is committed to promoting, developing and maintaining the highest standards and broadest range of benefits through progressive water management within Alberta's irrigated landscape. The Alberta Irrigation Project Association works with Irrigation Districts, area schools, professional organizations, and interest groups to provide current information about water management in southern Alberta. The association is constituted under the Irrigation Districts Act and coordinates the activities of thirteen irrigation districts.

Collection Resources

The Association provides resources in the areas of education and outreach, governance, innovative management, and research. A collection of published articles on water management is available on their website. They also produce resources on irrigation in a variety of formats including print, video, and photography.

Services

The Alberta Irrigation Project Association, along with partner organizations, hosts a multi-media classroom presentation called Every Drop Counts which is intended to compliment the Grade 8 Science Unit on Freshwater Systems.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday
8:15 am - 4:30 pm
Closed 12:00pm - 1:00 pm for lunch.

Contact Person(s): Ron McMullin, Executive Director
Vicky Kress, Administrator

E-mail: ron.mcmullin@aipa.org; vicky.kress@aipa.org

Telephone: (403) 328 3063

Fax: (403) 327 1043

Address:

909 Lethbridge Centre Tower
400 4 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 4E1

Alberta Law Society Library

Purpose

The Alberta Law Society Library is a collection of eleven libraries throughout Alberta, two of which are in Southern Alberta. The Alberta Law Society Library aims to facilitate access to legal information for all Albertans.

Collection Resources

The Alberta Law Society libraries house extensive print collections, electronic resources, online catalogues and research guides on a range of legal topics which are all available for library use by the public. Together with use of the previously mentioned resources registered clients are able to borrow items, order interlibrary loans and request document delivery. The print and electronic resources of all of the member libraries can be searched through ALLI-CAT, the online catalogue.

Services

Reference assistance is available along with study space, public computers with internet access, printing and photocopying.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Regional Library, Lethbridge

Monday thru Friday

8:15 am - 9:00 am

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Local Library, Medicine Hat

Monday thru Friday

8:30 am - 1:30 pm

Contact Person(s):

Regional Library:

Grant Jazen, Library Coordinator. grant.janzen@gov.ab.ca

Rae Hazelwood, Library Assistant. rae.hazelwood@gov.ab.ca

Local Library:

Christine Neilsen, Library Coordinator. christine.neilsen@gov.ab.ca

Address:

Regional Library, Lethbridge
Courthouse, 320 4 Street South

Local Library, Medicine Hat
Courthouse, 460 1 Street Southeast

Alzheimer Society

Purpose

The Alzheimer Society works to heighten awareness about Alzheimer's disease and related dementia, provide support services, and support research into the cause and cure for Alzheimers.

Collection Resources

A lending library of education materials including brochures, videos and books is available at both regional offices. The library contains information on Alzheimer's and other dementias, getting a diagnosis, communication, home safety tips, choosing a residential setting, care-giving experiences, activity programs and a number of other related issues. A virtual library is available through their website as well.

Services

The Society hosts a number of caregiver support groups. Dates and locations are available online or by calling the regional office. Trained staff and volunteers provide information and emotional support as well as referrals to appropriate community services. Discussion groups are led by support facilitators allowing participants to share experiences, provide practical suggestions, and encouragement to one another. Specialized groups are arranged for persons with memory impairment, adult children, male caregivers and others. The Society also manages the Safety Home TM (Wandering registry).

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): Conny Schipper, Lethbridge Regional Manager.
Carol Lees, Medicine Hat Regional Manager.

E-mail: cschipper@alzheimer.ab.ca
clees@alzheimer.ab.ca

Telephone: 1 866 950 5465 (Toll Free)

Address:

Lethbridge and Area

402 740 4 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta

Medicine Hat and Area

The Hammond Building
401D 3 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 0G8

Bassano Memorial Library

Purpose

The Bassano Library is a member library of the Shortgrass Library System. The Shortgrass Library System provides support and services to member municipalities of Southeastern Alberta in the provision of comprehensive and cost effective library service through their autonomous local libraries.

Collection Resources

The Bassano Memorial Library has a collection of over 11 000 resources including books, audio/visual resources and large print books.

Services

Services include internet access, photocopying, fax, printing and interlibrary loans.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday: 10:00 am. - 8:00 pm.

Thursday: 2:00 pm. - 9:00 pm.

Saturday: 10:00 am. - 5:00 pm.

E-mail: bmlcapic@eidnet.org

Telephone: (403) 641 4065

Fax: (403) 641 4065

Address:

522 2 Aveue

Bassano, Alberta

T0J 0B0

Birthright

Purpose

Birthright is a non-profit international organization unaffiliated with any church or public agency which seeks to provide support, information and resources to women with unplanned pregnancies.

Collection Resources

A collection of information resources on prenatal development, job search and career development, adoption, pregnancy and childbirth, child care options, and child safety issues is available.

Services

Birthright offers free and confidential counselling, advice and emotional support. Free pregnancy testing and legal, medical, housing, social agency and educational referrals are available. Information is provided by staff and volunteers on prenatal care, pregnancy options and adoption. Additionally, the organization provides clients with maternity and baby clothes if needed. Birthright often makes presentations to schools and community groups about the organization and its services.

Contact Information

E-mail: brthrtla@telus.net

Telephone: 1 800 550 4900 (Toll Free) and (403) 320 1003

Address:

Room #503
740 4 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 0N9

Bomber Command Museum of Canada

Purpose

The Bomber Command Museum of Canada works to preserve the history of the Bomber Command during World War II and the activities of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan in Alberta. The Bomber Command Museum of Canada is run by the Nanton Lancaster Society.

Collection Resources

The Society cares for a large number of Lancaster reconnaissance aircraft parts and other related artefacts, aviation art, historical documents and biographies on men and women who served in aviation. The facility includes a library and archive whose collection can be used in house. A biannual newsletter is published by the Museum as well and the previous issues are archived and available in the museum or online.

Services

School and group visits can be arranged by the museum.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

April 16 - October 15

Daily 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

October 16 - April 15

Weekends 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

E-mail: library@bombercommandmuseum.ca

Telephone: (403) 646 2270

Fax: (403) 646 2214

Address:

1729 21 Avenue

Nanton, Alberta

Located off Highway #2 (southbound) on 17 Street.

Bridges Family Programs Association

Purpose

Bridges Family Programs Association provides family support, service planning and community referrals. The Association works to encourage family resilience and self-reliance.

Collection Resources

A health resources flu preparedness guidebook is available in print and online. A number of print and audio/video resources associated with the offered programs are available. A collection of relevant links are listed on their website.

Services

The Association offers a variety of programs and services for families in Medicine Hat, Bow Island, Brooks, Oyen and surrounding areas. The programs include Best Babies, Building Blocks, Bridges, Children Fetal Alcohol Services, First Steps and Healthy Start. All programs are free and confidential.

Contact Information

Telephone: (403) 526 7473

Fax: (403) 504 2459

Address:

477 3 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 0G8

Brooks Pregnancy Care Centre

Purpose

The Brooks Pregnancy Centre offers assistance and support to women with unplanned pregnancies and their families.

Collection Resources

The Brooks Pregnancy Care Centre publishes a number of their own print and video resources. Topics covered by the Centre's publications include pregnancy, abortion and post-abortion stresses, miscarriages, parenting, sexuality, sexually transmitted diseases and adoption. Referrals are also available through the Centre's staff and volunteers.

Services

The Centre hosts community programs on the prevention of teen pregnancy through abstinence. Maternity clothing, baby clothes and related supplies are available by need to clients. A prenatal education program is offered by the Centre among other education sessions. Confidential free pregnancy testing is available as is counselling. The Centre also offers support groups for women experiencing post-abortion stress.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday and Wednesday
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Tuesday and Thursday
1:00 pm - 8:00pm

Telephone: (403) 362 4600 (24 Hour Help Line)

Address:

South Shore Centre
1 650 Cassils Road East
Brooks, Alberta
T1R 1M6

Brooks Public Library

Purpose

Brooks Public Library is a member library of the Shortgrass Library System. The Shortgrass Library System provides support and services to member municipalities of Southeastern Alberta in the provision of comprehensive and cost effective library service through their autonomous local libraries.

Collection Resources

The collection includes adult, young adult and children's books, reference materials, large print books, audiovisual material, magazines, newspapers, microfiche and online database subscriptions.

Services

Brooks Public Library offers a wide variety of community programming including a karaoke party, a home alone workshop, an NFB film club, a home and garden series, toddler time, story time, an ESL book club, and art exhibits.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Friday & Saturday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Sunday: 1:00 pm. - 5:00 pm.

E-mail: brolib@shortgrass.ca

Telephone: (403) 362 2947

Fax: (403) 362 8111

Address:

420 1 Avenue West

Brooks. Alberta

T1R 1B9

Buchanan Library, Lethbridge College

Purpose

The Buchanan Library serves the Lethbridge College.

Collection Resources

The Buchanan Library catalogue is available online. There is a large collection of reference materials relevant to the programs offered at the college. The collection is available to the public for in house use and through the Alberta Library Card.

Services

Services available include computer workstations, laptop checkouts, study rooms with smart boards and projectors, internet access, and word, spreadsheet and database applications. Also offered are a number of online databases, interlibrary loan request, and help guides.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Changes by term.

Telephone: Circulation Desk: (403) 320 3352 Reference Desk: (403) 320 3355

Address:

Buchanan Library
Lethbridge Community College
3000 College Drive South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1K 1L6

Canadian Agriculture Library

Purpose

The Canadian Agriculture Library primarily serves research scientists and collects and manages information of a variety of topics associated with Canadian agriculture.

Collection Resources

The Lethbridge branch of the Canadian Agriculture Library provides an online catalogue through their partnership with the Canadian Institute for Scientific and Technical Information (CISTI) and the Canadian Agriculture Library's main collection can be searched via the CISTI catalogue. Document delivery is available and encompasses material from the most important collection of food and agriculture in Canada complementing the scientific, technical and medical resources collections of the CISTI. There are fees associated with ordering material. The local collection contains information on economics, environment, food safety and quality, innovation, international trade and marketing, farm performance and income and renewal. There is also a detailed collection of market information including research on crops, dairy, fish and seafood, horticulture, livestock and red meat, oilseeds, cereals, grains, poultry and eggs, pulses and special crops. There is also a small multimedia library which contains video, audio and other multimedia content from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC).

Services

Reference assistance by librarians is available both in the library and online.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:30 am - 4:00pm

Closed from 12:00pm - 1:00 pm

Contact Person(s): Karen Mah, Head

E-mail: alag@agr.gc.ca

Address:

Lethbridge Research Centre

Box 3000

5403 1 Avenue South

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1J 4B1

Canadian Cancer Society

Purpose

The Canadian Cancer Society is a national, community-based organization of volunteers whose mission is the eradication of cancer and the enhancement of the quality of life of people living with cancer.

Collection Resources

The Canadian Cancer Society has developed over 50 publications on cancer-related topics including how to reduce your risk, diagnosis, managing during treatment, and living with and beyond cancer. These resources are available online and in office. Publications are available in a number of languages including Chinese, Cree, Hindi, Italian and many others. The Society also has a collection of relevant statistics.

Services

The Society offers a number of peer support programs, a financial support program, hospice palliative care, financial resources, an information service, and a volunteer driver program. A Cancer Information Service line is also managed and funded by the Society and can be called toll-free at 1 888 939 3333.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): Kelly Archibald (Lethbridge and Area), J. Montgomery (Medicine Hat and Area)

E-mail: kelly.archibald@cancer.ab.ca, jmontgomery@cancer.ab.ca

Telephone: 1 888 939 3333 (Toll Free Information Hotline)

Address:

Lethbridge and Area Office

317 10 Street South
Lethbridge, Alberta

Medicine Hat and Area Office

102 1865 Dunmore Road Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta

Canadian Diabetes Association

Purpose

The Association supports people living with diabetes through research, advocacy, education and services.

Collection Resources

The Association publishes a number of pamphlets on treatment, advocacy and the history of the organization. The Association also publishes a healthy living audio learning series, consumer publications on products and medications, a healthy guidelines series, a living with diabetes series, nutrition guides, and a diabetes facts and history series. Additional publications include those specifically for youth with diabetes. These are available in office and online.

Services

A support group is held the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm at the Medicine Hat and District branch (102 73 7 Street South)

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Telephone: (403) 529 1259

Fax: (403) 529 1565

Address:

102 73 7 Street South

Medicine Hat, Alberta

T1A 1J2

Canadian Liver Foundation

Purpose

The Canadian Liver Foundation provides support for research and education into the causes, diagnoses, prevention and treatment of all liver diseases. They aim to promote liver health and reduce the incidence and impact of all liver disease. Volunteer chapters across the country work to improve public awareness and understanding of liver health and liver disease, raise funds for research and provide support to liver disease patients and their families.

Collection Resources

The Canadian Liver Foundation has a large inventory of pamphlets, information sheets, booklets, posters, and other educational materials available by download on the website. Materials from the publication library can also be ordered by calling 1 800 563 5483 or emailing clf@liver.ca. The Foundation also publishes a regular newsletter called LIVERight which can be subscribed to.

Contact Information

Telephone: 1 800 563 5483

Canadian Mental Health Association Alberta South

Purpose

The Alberta South Region of the Canadian Mental Health Association is part of a nation-wide, charitable organization that promotes the mental health of all and supports the resilience and recovery of people experiencing mental illness.

Collection Resources

The Association maintains Community Links: an information and referral centre that connects community, health, social and government services and includes a community calendar of events. A video lending library is available through the Club 4-U program. Pamphlets published by the association on topics such as mood disorders, anxiety disorders, attention deficit disorders, suicide, violence and mental illness, and education are available in office and online.

Services

Club 4-U is a mental health consumer directed drop-in program offered by the Association which provides leisure and recreational activities, peer support, and social development opportunities. Another program offered is the Applied Suicide Intervention Program which provides training in suicide risk assessment and suicide prevention techniques. Several other programs are offered on topics such as independent living skills, peer support, volunteering, crisis intervention and housing.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): Deborah Chenery

E-mail: cmhaleth@telus.net

Telephone: (403) 329 4775

Fax: (403) 320 7432

Address:

426 6 Streeth South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 2C9

Canadian Mental Health Association Alberta Southeast

Purpose

The Alberta Southeast Region of the Canadian Mental Health Association is part of a nation-wide, charitable organization that promotes the mental health of all and supports the resilience and recovery of people experiencing mental illness.

Collection Resources

A resource lending library on mental health, mental illnesses, addiction, suicide, grief and other topics is available in office. Educational materials promoting mental health and an understanding of mental illness are provided. Additional publications include a multi-language brochure and employment readiness materials.

Services

Suicide Prevention Services provides stress management presentations, crisis intervention workshops, and Suicide Prevention Training Programs. Support groups for individuals bereaved by suicide are hosted by the Association. ROAD to WOW is a psycho-educational mental health support group which aids participants new to their diagnoses and treatment. There are a number of other support groups including Whispers of Wellness and Family & Friends. The Yellow Ribbon Program is a suicide prevention program for youth in grade one to six. The Sexual Assault Response Committee provides referrals and resources for victims of sexual violence. Education programming in relation to sexual assault prevention and information is offered by the Association. A Crisis Assistance Network is organized by the Association as well.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): Lois Bourassa, Executive Director

E-mail: aser@cmha.ab.ca

Telephone: (403) 504 1811

Fax: (403) 504 2542

Address:

204 1865 Dunmore Road Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 1Z8

Canadian National Institute for the Blind

Purpose

The Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) is a nation-wide, community-based organization which provides programs and services for people with print disabilities.

Collection Resources

The CNIB library offers many audio, Braille and e-text materials online or by mail. Materials are mailed post-free and can be returned post-free. A Children's Resource Kit is available in office or online and is a publication designed to be a resource for children and youth with vision loss.

Services

A number of peer support groups are held in the Southern Alberta region including a group for seniors in Brooks (contact Elise Seefeldt 403 378 4703), Hanna (contact Janet Tivadar, 403 854 4386), Lethbridge (contact Loreen Ament 403 381 3845), Medicine Hat (contact Norma and Norm Smith 403 527 4015) and Taber (contact Freda Kinniburgh 403 223 8244). The CNIB also hosts a Bowling with Vision Loss community group and a Sunshine Tea on a regular basis.

Contact Information

E-mail: alberta@cnib.ca

Telephone: 1 800 563 2542 (CNIB Help Line)

Address:

Lethbridge

1000 Deveta Place
410 Stafford Drive
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 2L2

Medicine Hat

102 520 2 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 0C6

Canadian Paraplegic Association

Purpose

The Canadian Paraplegic Association seeks to assist persons with spinal cord injuries and other physical disabilities to achieve independence, self reliance and full community participation.

Collection Resources

CPA publishes the Total Access Magazine and it is available along with information pamphlets and books in office. A Life Interrupted manual for youth with spinal cord injuries is published by the Association. The CPA has a comprehensive directory on incomplete spinal injury with a question and answer section included. Life after Spinal Cord Injury is a resource guide with information on spinal cord injuries for persons with SCI and their families. Other resources include a fire safety for people with disabilities guide, rehabilitation study program manual, and a history of the organization.

Services

Peer support is the founding principal of the association and six core services related to peer support are offered. A Self Advocacy Training Program has been designed and written by the Association and the handbook or other course materials are available for a small cost. CPA also offers rehabilitation counselling, professional counselling and hosts support groups.

Contact Information

E-mail: [lithbridge@cpa-ab.org](mailto:lethbridge@cpa-ab.org); medicinehat@cpa-ab.org

Telephone: 1 888 654 5444 (Toll Free)

Address:

Lethbridge

1254 3 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 0K1

Medicine Hat

770 7 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 1K7

Canadian Union of Public Employees (Lethbridge)

Purpose

CUPE represents workers in health care, education, municipalities, libraries, universities, social services, public utilities, transportation, emergency services and airlines. CUPE is committed to improving the quality of life for workers in Canada.

Collection Resources

The CUPE resource collection includes pamphlets on CUPE history and the Alberta Federation of Labour, union related videos and books on a variety of topics including arbitration cases, WCB manuals and policies, health and safety, and Alberta Labour Relations, Regulations and Standards.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

September 1 to June 30

Monday thru Friday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

July 1 to August 31

Monday thru Friday

8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Telephone: (403) 329-0266

Fax: (403) 329-0457

Address:

3305 18 Avenue North

Suite 102

Lethbridge, AB

T1H 5S1

Claresholm Public Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Claresholm Public Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The collection includes books, talking books for the visually impaired, audiobooks, videos, DVDs, maps, magazines and newspapers.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 10:00 am - 5:30 pm

Thursday: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Closed Sundays

Contact Person(s): Kathy Davies, Library Manager

E-mail: help@claresholmlibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 625 4168

Fax: (403) 625 2939

Address:

211 49 Avenue West

Claresholm, Alberta

T0L 0T0

Clients Ongoing Rehabilitation and Equality Association (CORE)

Purpose

CORE Association is a non-profit organization that provides programs and services for adults, youth and children with special needs in Medicine Hat and the surrounding area.

Collection Resources

A small collection of resources is available for in-house use including books, videos and information packs.

Services

A regional autism spectrum disorder coordinator assists families with information and resources, helps with the coordination of medical, therapeutic and educational assessments, offers assistance and support during the diagnoses process, aids parents in understanding the impact of the disorder on the family, and offers referral services. A children's services department assists children, youth and their families with support, skill training, advocacy, and a number of support and discussion groups. The Centre hosts community activities for clients including lunches, teas, art classes and workshops on community living.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

E-mail: rbessant@coreassoc.net

Telephone: (403) 527 3302

Address:

412 3 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 0H1

Coaldale Public Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Coaldale Public Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The collection includes over 33 000 items including books, audio/visual items, CD-ROMS, government documents, magazines and newspapers.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program. Programming includes movie screenings.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Thursday: 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

Friday and Saturday: 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closed Sundays

E-mail: help@coaldalelibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 345 1340

Fax: (403) 345 1342

Address:

2014 18 Street
Coaldale, Alberta
T1M 1N1

Community Futures Entre-Corp Business Development

Purpose

Community Futures works to assist the communities of Southeast Alberta to develop and achieve economic goals. They provide resources and services regarding entrepreneurial development and small businesses.

Collection Resources

A business resource library lends materials on a variety of topics including statistics, demographics, suppliers, business start-up, franchising, marketing, import/export, patents/copyrights/trademarks, and audio/video tapes. The collection also includes a number of business documents and guides including business plan packages.

Services

Community Futures hosts a number of workshops on entrepreneurship, bookkeeping, small business ownership, work/life balance, self care, payroll, budgeting, and marketing. Loans and counselling are available to individuals starting small businesses in southeastern Alberta. Programs are also offered for youth and persons with disabilities interested in starting a business.

Contact Information

Telephone: 1 888 528 2824 (Toll Free)

Address:

Medicine Hat Office

202 556 4 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 0K8

Brooks Office

201 1 Avenue West
Brooks, Alberta
T1R 0Z6

Community Futures Lethbridge Region

Purpose

Community Futures is a non-profit organization actively engaged in helping to develop and implement community-based economic development strategies.

Collection Resources

A business resource lending library is available covering subjects such as writing a business plan, marketing, advertising, bookkeeping and accounting, e-commerce and human resources. A detailed listing of the collection is online.

Services

Community Futures offers a number of workshops on small business training. An information station provides assistance and advice on starting a new business, writing business plans, self-employment and expanding businesses. The organization also provides loans to new businesses.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday
8:00 am - 4:30 pm
Closed 12:00pm - 1:00 pm

Contact Person(s): Darlene Sinclair, General Manager

E-mail: info@cflethbridge.com

Telephone: (403) 320 6044

Fax: (403) 327 8476

Address:

2626 South Parkside Drive
Lethbridge, Alberta

County of Warner Further Education

Purpose

The County of Warner Further Education Council is a non-profit organization funded by the Alberta Advanced Education & Technology Community Programs. Numerous classes are offered with an emphasis on expanding knowledge and enjoyment of life, success in work and business, gaining new technical skills, learning new hobbies and crafts, and promoting a sense of community.

Services

Further Education offers courses on a wide range of topics including first aid, arts and crafts, business and career, computers, parenting, fitness, legal issues and literacy skills. There are also courses specifically for seniors.

Contact Information

E-mail: furthered@countyofwarner5.ab.ca

Telephone: 1 888 642 2241 (Toll Free) or (403) 642 3635

Fax: (403) 642 3631

Address:

300 County Road
Warner, Alberta
T0K 2L0

Crowsnest Pass Adult Education

Purpose

The Crowsnest Pass Adult Education Association aims to provide equal opportunities to quality lifelong learning and literacy for adults in the Crowsnest Pass. This is achieved by providing a wide range of affordable community classes.

Services

Courses are offered on a wide range of topics including business training and development, computer skills, crafts, family, first aid, language, legal issues, and a number of courses specifically for seniors.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): Toni Gfrerer

E-mail: info@crowsnesteducation.com

Telephone: (403) 562 2853

Fax: (403) 562 8045

Address:

10507 20 Avenue
Blairmore, Alberta
T0K 0E0

Crowsnest Pass Allied Arts Association and Public Art Gallery

Purpose

The Crowsnest Pass Allied Arts Association is a non-profit organization that operates the Crowsnest Pass Public Art Gallery and offers art courses through the Crowsnest Pass Adult Education Society.

Collection Resources

A library contains books, videos and archives of the past fifteen years of Public Art Gallery exhibitions and events.

Services

The Crowsnest Pass Public Art Gallery features an eclectic selection of rotational exhibitions throughout the year. A visual arts program and a number of programs for adults and children are offered through the Gallery and Allied Arts Association.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Tuesday thru Friday

10:00 am - Noon

Weekends

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

E-mail: cnpaaa@telusplanet.net

Telephone: (403) 562 2218

Address:

14733 20 Avenue

Crowsnest Pass, Alberta

Eastern Irrigation District Archives

Purpose

The Eastern Irrigation District Archives maintain information dating back to the development of the Eastern Irrigation District by the CPR in the early 1900's.

Collection Resources

The Eastern Irrigation District houses a vast amount of archival information. Most of the files begin in 1935 when the District became incorporated. The Archives consist of 3000 CPR pictures, 20 000 EID pictures, 3000 slides, 2000 linen tracings, 2100 books, and 100 CPR artifacts.

Services

Permission to examine the records and photographs held in the archives is granted to researchers based on application by letter, phone or personal contact. Original manuscripts, books, records, photographs and negatives may only be examined in the Archives. The photographs are available for use in publications and brochures upon permission from the Archives department.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Contact Person(s): Darlene Fisher, Records Manager

E-mail: archive@eidnet.org

Telephone: (403) 362 1400

Address:

Box 8
550 Industrial Road
Brooks AB
T1R 1B2

Family and Community Support Services (FCSS)

Purpose

FCSS works to strengthen and support individuals, families and communities.

Collection Resources

The library includes books, videos, DVDs, CDs and pamphlets.

Services

Services include a counselling program, senior's program, teen program, parenting program, volunteer program, outreach program, early childhood development programs, parent link centres, and information and referral services.

Contact Information

E-mail: info@bewfcss.ab.ca

Telephone: 1 866 345 8800 (Toll Free)

Fax: (403) 345 2043

Family Centre of Southwestern Alberta

Purpose

The Family Centre of Southwestern Alberta is a community-based organization which provides families with support through a range of prevention and early intervention services offered to children, youth, parents, grandparents and other family members.

Collection Resources

A resource library is available to the public with books, videos, DVDs and magazines on an array of family life issues including preparing for a baby, anger management, discipline and coping with loss. A newsletter is published periodically.

Services

Services offered by the centre include family education programs, children's programs with a focus on early childhood literacy and learning, and family support including individual, couple and family counselling and parent/teen mediation. There is a fee for some of the programs. Counselling services are offered free of charge. Referral services are also available. Computers with word processing software and internet access are housed in the resource library for public use.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Fall/Winter

Monday thru Thursday: 8:30 am - 8:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Summer (begins July 1)

Monday thru Friday: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Evening hours resume at the end of August.

Contact Person(s):

Crystal Elliot, Executive Director.
crystal.elliott@famcentre.ca

E-mail: info@famcentre.ca

Telephone: (403) 320 4232

Fax: (403) 329 7321

Address:

1010 4 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 0P5

Family History Center

Purpose

Family History Center's are branch facilities of the Family History Library in Salt Lake Centre and a service provided by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Collection Resources

Genealogy collections include microfilm and microfiche, databases, and published reference materials.

Services

Services provided include research help from volunteer staff, training classes and referrals to other libraries and archives.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Bow Island

Tuesday 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Brooks

Tuesday 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Thursday 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm and by appointment

Cardston

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Wednesday 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Coutts

By appointment only

Fort Macleod

Tuesday and Thursday 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Lethbridge

Monday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Tuesday thru Thursday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Magrath

Sunday 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Tuesday 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Wednesday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Thursday 1:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Medicine Hat

Tuesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Raymond

Tuesday 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Wednesday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Thursday 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Rosemary

Thursday 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm and by appointment

Taber

Monday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Tuesday thru Thursday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Address:

Bow Island
309 8 Street West

Brooks
40 10 Street West

Cardston
138 3 Avenue West

Coutts
345 3 Street West

Fort Macleod
643 20 Street South

Lethbridge
1912 10 Avenue South

Magrath
21 E 1 Avenue South

Medicine Hat
7 Saamis Rotary Way Southwest

Raymond
200 North 47 West Street

Rosemary
Gwen Avenue and Highway 550

Taber
4709 50 Avenue

Family Ties Association

Purpose

Family Ties is dedicated to strengthening the well being of families in their homes and communities.

Collection Resources

A collection of resources includes books on parenting, life skills, family life and related topics can be used in house. Pamphlets and brochures containing relevant information are available.

Services

Services include youth mentorship, family group conferencing, emergency child care, assessment, support and guidance.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Telephone: 403) 320 8888, (403) 320 8878

Address:

206 909 3 Avenue North

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1H 0H5

Fort Macleod R.C.M.P. Centennial Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Fort Macleod R.C.M.P. Centennial Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The collection includes books and audiovisual materials.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Thursday: 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Friday and Saturday: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Closed Sundays

Contact Person(s): Sharon Edwards and Laurie Huestis, Librarians

E-mail: help@fortmacleodlibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 553 3880

Fax: (403) 553 2643

Address:

264 24 Street
Fort Macleod, Alberta
T0L 0Z0

Fort Whoop-Up

Purpose

Fort Whoop Up is a historical re-creation of a late nineteenth century trading fort that stood at the meeting of the St. Mary and Old Man rivers.

Collection Resources

The Fort collection includes approximately 4000 artefacts, 1250 books, resource and research files and several rare and out-of-print books.

Services

The Fort contains a number of exhibits on different elements of Fort life from the late 1800s. Included with the exhibits is an audio tour created as part of the Voices of the Past program. Exhibit topics include Blackfoot culture, the natural evolution of the area, historical firearms, and fully furnished period fort rooms ranging from trading posts and bastions to dining rooms and living quarters. Interpretive historical tours are available along with horse rides and historical re-enactments. There is also event space for rent.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Spring/Fall

October, April - May

Wednesday thru Sunday

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Summer

July - August

Daily, Closed Tuesdays

10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Winter

November - March

Saturday and Sunday

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Contact Person(s): Doran Degenstein and David Gabert

E-mail: dordeg@fortwhoopup.com; dgabert@fortwhoopup.com

Telephone: (403) 329 0444

Fax: (403) 329 0645

Address:

Fort Whoop Up is located in Indian Battle Park, first turn on the left at the bottom of the hill.

Mailing Address

Box 1074

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1J 4A2

Forty Mile Community Resource Centre

Purpose

The Forty Mile Community Resource Centre offers free career and job help to individuals aged 15 and up.

Collection Resources

The Centre has an updated local job board, a volunteer board and post-secondary calendars and student loan information. They also maintain a collection of articles on career and education topics.

Services

The Centre offers employment and career services, community workshops and a family youth centre to accommodate youths ages 11 and up. Topics for the community workshops include career planning, resume preparation, job readiness, interview skills, basic work skills, volunteerism, safety in the workplace, labour standards and laws, and scholarships and bursaries. There are also six internet ready computers available for use.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Thursday
9:30 am - 4:45 pm

Contact Person(s): Jeanne Hill

E-mail: jeanne.hill@40milecrc.ca

Telephone: (403) 867 3077

Fax: (403) 867 2700

Address:

Box 508
Foremost, Alberta
T0K 0X0

Frank Slide Interpretive Centre

Purpose

The Frank Slide Interpretive Centre features exhibits on the history of the Crowsnest Pass region and the natural history of the Canadian Rockies.

Collection Resources

A small library collection of information related to the Centre displays is available for in house use. The Centre also has a number of artefacts of relevant historic periods and events including photographs.

Services

Displays in the Centre include information on the 1903 Frank Slide, the Canadian Pacific Railway, European settlement, and early underground coal mining and community life. An award winning audio-video presentation called "In the Mountain's Shadow" is shown daily along with a docudrama on Frank Slide called, "On the Edge of Destruction: The Frank Slide Story." A number of education programs are hosted by the Centre as well.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Year Round
10:00 am - 5:00 pm

E-mail: info@frankslide.com

Telephone: (403) 562 7388

Fax: (403) 562 8635

Address:

The Centre is located off 1.5 km off Highway #3 in the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass, Alberta

Galt Museum and Archives

Purpose

The Galt Museum and Archives works to engage and educate the community on the human history of southwestern Alberta.

Collection Resources

The Archives collect and preserve information of permanent value to the study of the human history of Lethbridge and southwestern Alberta. Browsing the archives is free but requests are submit to charge. The Archives include city records, manuscripts, maps, mixed media, newspapers, photographs and recordings. The library includes books and periodicals. Much of the material is available online.

Services

The Museum's services include a changing exhibit space, a large collection of artefacts, a number of events, children's and adult's programming, space rentals, and a regular newsletter. The Archives are open to the public and services include reference assistance, photocopying, other format copying, and some material from the archives and collections is available for loan for teaching on a temporary, conditional basis.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

September 1 - May 14

Monday thru Saturday: 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sundays: 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

May 15 - August 31

Monday thru Saturday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sundays: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Contact Person(s): Greg Ellis (Archivist) and Trish Purkis (Archives Assistant): (403) 329 7302

E-mail: info@galtmuseum.com

Telephone: 1 866 320 3898 (Toll Free)

Address:

502 1 Street South
Lethbridge, Alberta

Archives are located on the Museum lower level

Granum Drop In Centre

Purpose

The Granum Drop In Centre works to provide a community environment for families and seniors to interact and meet new people.

Collection Resources

A collection of books and magazines are available to be borrowed. The Drop In Centre is home to the Granum Family and Community Support Services Office which provides help and information for families and community members in need.

Services

The Centre is open to everyone to drop in and enjoy a variety of activities including pool games, card games, board games, puzzles, shuffleboard and carpet bowling. There are a number of regular events including a potluck.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

7:00 am - 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Saturday

7:00 am - 12:00 pm

Closed Sundays.

Contact Person(s): Shirley

E-mail: granumdropincentre@shaw.ca

Telephone: (403) 687 3840

Address:

306 Railway Avenue

Granum, Alberta

T0L 1A0

Granum Public Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Granum Public Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The collection includes books, CDs and DVDs.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Wednesday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Thursday: 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Friday: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

E-mail: help@granumpubliclibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 687 3912

Fax: (403) 687 3914

Address:

310 Railway Avenue

Granum, Alberta

T0L 1A0

Habitat for Humanity

Purpose

Habitat for Humanity mobilizes volunteers and community partners in building affordable housing and promoting homeownership as a means to breaking the cycle of poverty.

Collection Resources

The organization publishes a bi-annual newsletter with free subscription. A small resource collection includes newsletters, magazines, videos on Habitat builds and a few books by the founder of Habitat for Humanity.

Services

Habitat builds houses with partner families, using donations from corporations, churches, services, and individuals, in the form of capital, property and/or goods-in-kind. Habitat sells the houses to partner families at no profit and finances no-interest mortgages.

Contact Information

E-mail: office@habitatlethbridge.ca; build@habitatlethbridge.ca

Telephone: (403) 327 6612

Fax: (403) 331 2195

Address:

20 Rocky Mountain Boulevard West
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1K 8E1

Heart and Stroke Foundation of Alberta

Purpose

The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Alberta is a volunteer organization that works to eliminate heart disease and stroke through research, the promotion of healthy living, and advocacy.

Collection Resources

The Heart and Stroke Foundation provides information about heart disease, stroke, healthy lifestyles, research and statistics through their Resource Centre which contains a wide variety of printed literature and a video lending library. A list of available materials is available through the Health Resources Catalogue which can be searched online. Materials can be ordered through the catalogue online. A smaller collection of information materials can be accessed in office.

Services

Educational programs such as Living with Stroke are offered. The Foundation also organizes a number of fundraising campaigns to raise money for research and increase public awareness.

Contact Information

Telephone: 1 888 473 4636 (Toll Free)

Address:

Lethbridge

Box 2211
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 4K7

Medicine Hat

124 430 6 Avenue Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 2S8

Helen Schuler Coulee Centre

Purpose

The Helen Schuler Coulee Centre is an urban nature centre committed to delivering diverse and dynamic nature interpretive programs through a team of volunteers, staff and partners.

Collection Resources

The Helen Schuler Coulee Centre offers exhibits year round and educational programs and materials. The exhibits focus on local and natural history. Resources include a Coulees & Cottonwoods Field Guide and lesson plans on conservation and the park ecosystem are available to download from the website.

Services

The centre offers a variety of nature programming and a number self-guided walks. A monthly schedule of public drop-in programs is available online. Meeting space is available to rent.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Summer Hours

June - August

10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Daily

Winter

September - May

1:00 - 4:00 pm

Tuesday thru Sunday

E-mail: hsc@lethbridge.ca

Telephone: (403) 320 3064

Address:

Mailing Address:

c/o City of Lethbridge

910 4 Avenue South

Lethbridge, Alberta

Canada

T1J 0P6

HIV Society of Southeast Alberta

Purpose

The HIV Society of Southeast Alberta works to coordinate HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C programs in Southeastern Alberta.

Collection Resources

The Society maintains a resource library which includes books, brochures and videos.

Services

The Society offers counselling and support services for individuals infected, affected or at risk for HIV and Hepatitis C. Presentations and workshops are held by the Society and support groups are hosted by the organization.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Thursday

9:30 am 4:30 pm

E-mail: bwbwramsay@hotmail.com

Telephone: (403) 527 7099

Fax: (403) 527 7307

Address:

202 535 3 Street Southeast

Medicine Hat, Alberta

T1A 0H2

Jim and Mary Kearn Library of Cardston

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Jim and Mary Kearn Library of Cardston is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The collection includes over 26 000 volumes, 1500 spoken work/audio book sound recordings, 1000 music sound recordings and more than 4000 moving image recordings.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program. Other programs include story times, tales for tots and carriage rides.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Thursday: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Saturday: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Contact Person(s): Donna Beazer, Head Librarian

E-mail: help@cardstonlibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 653 4775

Fax: (403) 653 4716

Address:

25 3 Avenue

Cardston, Alberta

T0K 0K0

Labour Market Information Centre

Purpose

Alberta's LMIC's are multi-media resource centres with an extensive range of career and employment related print and electronic resources and information to help make career, learning and work decisions.

Collection Resources

Through the centre individuals can gain access to Career Cruising: an interactive career guide that helps users explore career options, make education decisions and track progress. Also available are books, magazine, newspapers, software and audio/video materials on occupations, education programs, job search techniques, career planning, education planning, life planning, entrepreneurship, and labour market trends and forecasts.

Services

Staff provides guided assistance to find and understand collection material, referral, workshops, career and employment counselling, and access to student funding.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:15 am - 4:30 pm

E-mail: south.region@gov.ab.ca

Address:

Brooks Area Office

200 600 Cassils Road East

Brooks, Alberta

T1R 1M6

Lethbridge Area Office

200 5 Avenue South

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1J 4L1

Medicine Hat Office

346 3 Street Southeast

Medicine Hat, Alberta

T1A 0G7

Lakeview Bible Church

Purpose

Lakeview Bible Church is a non denominational Christian church.

Collection Resources

The collection includes approximately 800 books and some videos and an archive of past sermons.

Services

Standard church services are offered.

Contact Information

E-mail: dogmat@hotmail.com

Telephone: (403) 327 5854

Address:

1509 29 Street South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1K 2X6

LDS Family Services

Purpose

LDS Family Services is a private, non-profit organization that offers counselling services in conjunction with the Church of Latter Day Saints.

Collection Resources

The resource library includes articles on social, emotional and spiritual challenges.

Services

A number of counselling services are offered for new and expecting parents, adoptive couples, addiction recovery, and people suffering from abuse, depression and anxiety. There is a fee for counselling services.

Contact Information

Telephone: (403) 328 8263

Fax: (403) 328 0283

Address:

1625 Cedar Road South
Lethbridge Albera
T1K 4W6

LEARN

Purpose

LEARN is the Medicine Hat and District's Further Education Council. LEARN is a non-profit organization providing opportunities for lifelong learning in the Medicine Hat and District.

Services

LEARN offers a number of family literacy courses aimed at strengthening and building basic literacy skills in parents while enhancing the oral language, early literacy and social interaction skills of children aged birth to 6 years.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): Deanna Arelis, Executive Director

E-mail: darelis@mhc.ab.ca

Telephone: (403) 504 3513

Fax: (403) 504 3680

Address:

299 College Drive Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 3Y6

Lethbridge Association for Community Living

Purpose

The Lethbridge Association for Community Living supports and advocates for individuals with development disabilities and their families/guardians.

Collection Resources

The library includes books, DVDs, pamphlets and magazines.

Services

The Lethbridge Association for Community Living holds regular events for members including potlucks and community activities. Volunteers accompany members to important school, government and other meetings, offer referrals, organize public events and work with the media. A number of workshops, seminars and conferences are hosted by the Association. The Association also connects individuals and families through support groups.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Contact Person(s):

Dave Lawson, dave.lawson@lacl.ca
Lesley Sawers, lesley.sawars@lacl.ca

E-mail: mail@lacl.ca

Telephone: (403) 327 2911

Fax: (403) 320 7054

Address:

527 6 Street South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 2E1

Lethbridge College

Purpose

The Lethbridge College offers fifty career-training programs, applied degrees and apprenticeships.

Collection Resources

The Lethbridge College is the home of the Buchanan Library.

Services

The Lethbridge College serves full time, part time and distance-education students. There are also a number of continuing education courses for community members. Included in the college resources are the student job centre, an annual career conference, an ecumenical campus ministry, a student's association, disability services, athletics and clubs, academic advising, and on campus daycare.

Contact Information

E-mail: info@lethbridgecollege.ab.ca

Telephone: 1 800 572 0103 (Toll Free)

Address:

3000 College Drive South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1K 1L6

Lethbridge Family Services

Purpose

Lethbridge Family Services is a fully-accredited, multi-faceted non-profit organization that provides services to individuals and families.

Collection Resources

A resource library associated with the Counselling Outreach and Education Department is available.

Services

The Counselling Outreach and Education Department offers counselling, therapy groups, presentations, workshops, personal growth groups, outreach and a resource library. The DaCapo Services department of the organization works with individuals and families affected by brain injury, developmental disabilities, and fetal alcohol spectrum disorders. Free settlement support services are provided for all newcomers to Canada.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Evening appointments available Monday thru Thursday

Telephone: (403) 327 5724

Address:

Main Facility

1107 2A North

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1H 0E6

Home Services

106 1410 Mayor Magrath Drive South

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1K 2R3

Immigrant Services

701 2 Avenue South

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1J 0C4

Lethbridge HIV Connection

Purpose

The Lethbridge HIV Connection is a volunteer-based non-profit organization that works to build individual and community capacity to respond to and reduce the harm associated with HIV and Hepatitis C in Southwestern Alberta.

Collection Resources

A Resource Centre is maintained which includes pamphlets on HIV/Hepatitis C related subjects.

Services

The Lethbridge HIV Connection supports those infected or affected by HIV/Hepatitis C with counselling, referrals, treatment information and a special needs fund. Up to date treatment information is provided through workshops, training sessions, displays, mailings and forums. During office hours an information line is open which supplies confidential HIV and Hepatitis C related subjects. Training and presentations are held throughout the community to increase education and awareness.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Thursday

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Evening appointments can be arranged

E-mail: lethhiv@telusplanet.net

Telephone: (403) 328 8186

Fax: (403) 328 8564

Address:

1206 6 Avenue South

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1J 1A4

Lethbridge Public Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Lethbridge Public Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

Collection resources include books, audiovisual material, computer and video games, a toy library, reference materials, periodicals, microform materials, government publications, newspapers, equipment rentals, multilingual collections and a local history collection housed in the Senator Buchanan Room. The Bookmobile brings a selected collection to various locations around Lethbridge and to Coalhurst.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program. Additionally, the library offers distance learning exam invigilation, meeting room rentals and a coffee shop. Programming includes regular children's programs, movie screenings, free workshops and lectures, music concerts, a teen advisory group, teen programs, and adult literacy services including Read On.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Thursday

9:30 am - 9:00 pm

Friday and Saturday

9:30 am - 5:30 pm

Sunday

1:30 pm - 5:30 pm

E-mail: questions@lethlib.ca

Telephone:

Main Branch (403) 380 7310 Crossings (403) 320 4037 Bookmobile (403) 320 4278

Address:

Main Branch

810 5 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 4C4

Crossings Branch

255 Britannia Way Boulevard West
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 4A3

Lethbridge Senior Citizens Organization

Purpose

The organization exists to promote community, activity and lifelong learning amongst seniors.

Collection Resources

There is a lending library containing books and magazines.

Services

The organization offers adult day programs, educational programs, a resource directory, peer support groups, wellness maintenance, home support, housing referrals, assistance with forms, legal advice, education and a seniors helping seniors program. The organization hosts a number of regular meetings and clubs.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): John Machielse, President.

E-mail: janv33@lethseniors.com

Telephone: (403) 320 2222

Fax: (403) 320 2762

Address:

500 11 Street South
Lethbridge Alberta
T1J 4G7

Martha Retreat Centre

Purpose

The Martha Retreat Centre is based on the traditions of the Sisters of St. Martha of Antigonish, Nova Scotia.

Collection Resources

The library holds a number of books on spirituality.

Services

The Centre hosts a number of regular religious events including prayer times, reflection times, book studies and retreats.

Contact Information

E-mail: marthare@telusplanet.net

Telephone: (403) 328 3422

Fax: (403) 328 3422

Address:

1130 Scenic Drive South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1K 7J1

McMan Youth, Family and Community Services

Purpose

The McMan organization works to provide services and support to individuals and families.

Collection Resources

A library of resources supports the services and programming.

Services

Programs and services emphasize family support, supported independent living, foster care, group care, youth homelessness, crime prevention, fetal alcohol spectrum disorder, community outreach, day care, support for people with disabilities, and family group conferencing.

Contact Information

E-mail: lethbridge@mcman.ca; medicinehat@mcman.ca

Address:

Lethbridge

203 517 4 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 0N4

Medicine Hat

4 941 South Railway Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 2W3

Médiathèque Francophone Emma Morier

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Médiathèque Francophone Emma Morier is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The collection includes French language books and DVDs.

Services

Programming includes children's activities and film screenings.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Saturday

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

E-mail: mediatheque@scfl.ca

Telephone: (403) 388 2921

Address:

2104 6e Avenue South

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1J 1C3

Medicine Hat College

Purpose

Medicine Hat College is a comprehensive community college offering university transfer programs, applied degrees, certificates/diplomas, apprenticeship trades and community interest courses.

Collection Resources

The Medicine Hat College includes the Vera Bracken Library.

Services

Services include recreation facilities, theatres and galleries, meeting places, entrepreneur development centre, college daycare, and space available for event booking.

Contact Information

Telephone: 1 866 282 8394 (Toll Free)

Address:

Medicine Hat Campus
299 College Drive Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 3Y6

Brooks Campus
200 Horticultural Station Road East
Brooks, Alberta
T1R 1E5

Medicine Hat Community Housing Society

Purpose

The Medicine Hat Community Housing Society works to ensure that all citizens of Medicine Hat and district have the opportunity to access appropriate, affordable housing and related support services.

Collection Resources

The Society manages the Medicine Hat Affordable Housing Registry which is a free public service that provides information regarding affordable housing options. A collection of relevant links is collected on their website regarding Alberta landlord and tenant information, online legislation, and helpful tools and guides.

Services

The Medicine Hat Community Housing Society manages a number of social housing programs and residences including low income, family and special purpose, and seniors self-contained.

Contact Information

Telephone: (403) 527 4507

Fax: (403) 526 3163

Address:

104 516 3 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 0H3

Medicine Hat Family Services

Purpose

Medicine Hat Family Services is a private, non-profit organization that works to preserve and strengthen families in times of crisis, change and growth.

Collection Resources

There is a collection of resources related to the services and programming including books and videos.

Services

Counselling services address a number of issues including marriage, grief and loss, emotional, family transition, communication, parent/child, stress, family violence, and employee assistance. Regular courses are held on similar topics. There are also free drop in groups.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): Jennifer Harrison, President

E-mail: mhfs@canopycanada.net

Telephone: (403) 504 8026

Fax: (403) 504 0351

Address:

477 3 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 0G8

Medicine Hat Public Library

Purpose

Medicine Hat Public Library is a member library of the Shortgrass Library System. The Shortgrass Library System provides support and services to member municipalities of Southeastern Alberta in the provision of comprehensive and cost effective library service through their autonomous local libraries.

Collection Resources

The collection includes books, magazines, videos, DVDs, CDs and audiobooks.

Services

Library services include adult literacy services, homebound services, public access computers, research services, services for the visually and physically impaired, services for youth, and meeting room, theatre and equipment rentals.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Thursday: 10:00 am - 9:00pm

Friday and Saturday: 10:00 am - 5:30 pm

Sunday: 1:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Contact Person(s): Shelley Ross, Chief Librarian

E-mail: sheros@medicinehat.ca

Telephone: (403) 502 8525

Address:

414 1 Street Southeast

Medicine Hat, Alberta

T1A 0A8

Medicine Hat Regional Hospital Alberta Health Services Library

Purpose

The Alberta Health Services Library provides services to all Alberta Health Services employees, physicians, practicum students, and the public.

Collection Resources

The collection includes books, periodicals, videos, CDs and pamphlets.

Services

The library provides lending privileges to students, employees and physicians. Interlibrary loan and reference assistance is available. The collection is open to public use but without lending services.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday
7:00 am - 3:15 pm

Contact Person(s): Val Hadwen, Library Technician.

E-mail: VHadwen@palliserhealth.ca

Telephone: (403) 529 8065

Fax: (403) 529 8976

Address:

Medicine Hat Regional Hospital
666 - 5th Street S.W.
Medicine Hat, AB
T1A 4H6

Mothers Against Drunk Driving

Purpose

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) is a charitable, grassroots organization that is committed to stopping impaired driving and supporting victims.

Collection Resources

The MADD Canada Research library is the most comprehensive collection of on-line materials related to impaired driving. MADD Canada publishes print and multi-media resources, notes, annual reports and statistics. They also collect relevant articles on impaired driving issues.

Services

The organization offers a number of victim services including victims' tributes, injury resources, roadside memorials, victim surveys, research projects on coping with the death of a child and other programs and resources.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Medicine Hat

Tuesday thru Thursday

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Taber/Lethbridge and District

Hours Vary.

Contact Person(s):

Medicine Hat: Debbie Hollick, maddmh@telusplanet.net

Taber/Lethbridge and District: Tracie Baceda, maddtaberlethbridge@telus.net

E-mail: info@madd.ca

Telephone: 1 800 665 6233 (Toll Free)

Address:

Medicine Hat

Bay 12

3307 Dunmore Road Southeast

Medicine Hat, Alberta

T1B 3R2

Taber/ Lethbridge and District

5700 50 Avenue

Taber, Alberta

T1G 2H7

Multiple Sclerosis Society

Purpose

The Multiple Sclerosis Society works to find a cure for Multiple Sclerosis and enable people affected by MS to enhance their quality of life.

Collection Resources

A loan library is available in office with books, pamphlets and videos. A quarterly newsletter is published on a number of MS related issues and society information. Information packs for the newly diagnosed are provided.

Services

Services offered include support groups, physical and recreation programs, equipment referrals, advocacy, social events and educational workshops.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday
8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Contact Person(s):

Lethbridge

Ann Stewart, Executive Director. ann.stewart@mssociety.ca

Alisa Latusus, Administrative Assistant. alisa.latusus@mssociety.ca

Medicine Hat

Cherly Cowling, Executive and Development. cherly.cowling@mssociety.ca

Melanie Rattai, Client Services Coordinator. melanie.rattai@mssociety.ca

E-mail: info.lethbridge@mssociety.ca; info.sealberta@mssociety.ca

Telephone: 1 800 268 7582 (Toll Free)

Address:

Lethbridge

724 13 Street North
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1H 2T1

Medicine Hat

101 1201 Kingsway Avenue Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 2Y2

Natural Family Planning Association

Purpose

The Natural Family Planning Association is a province wide organization that teaches the Billings Ovulation Method of natural family planning.

Collection Resources

Books, articles, pamphlets and videos relating to the Billings Ovulating Method are available by request, at workshops or through accredited teachers.

Services

The Natural Family Planning Association offers training on the Billings Ovulation Method and has fully accredited teachers in southern Alberta in Brooks, Lethbridge and Pincher Creek. Please contact NFP to be referred to a Billings Method teacher.

Contact Information

E-mail: info@billingsnaturalfamilyplanning.org

Telephone: 1 866 796 3722 (Toll Free)

Nord-Bridge Senior Citizens Association

Purpose

The Association aims to provide educational, social and support service programs for senior citizens and foster independence, self-worth, and a sense of community amongst the senior citizen population of Lethbridge and surrounding area.

Collection Resources

A lending library contains a wide variety of novel genres, non-fiction materials and a selection of puzzles.

Services

Services include a dining room that serves meals daily, a gift boutique, a fitness club, educational and life skills programs, fitness and socialization programs, a shuttle service, a keep in touch program, an outreach program and travel opportunities. A number of drop in activities are hosted by the Association including cribbage, euchre, cards, scrabble, a writing group, bingo, carpet bowling, darts and many others.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

E-mail: friendly@nordbridgesenoirs.com

Telephone: (403) 329 3222

Fax: (403) 329 8824

Address:

1904 13 Avenue North

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1H 4W9

Oldman Watershed Council

Purpose

The Oldman Watershed Council (OWC) is a non-profit organization that aims to maintain and improve the Oldman watershed by improving and sharing knowledge, building and strengthening stakeholder partnerships, promoting community action and stewardship, and developing and implementing integrated land and water plans.

Collection Resources

The OWC collects relevant research articles and produces its own statistics and research relating to the Oldman River Basin covering a variety of topics including water quality, conservation, fish and wildlife, and basin ecosystems. The OWC also releases annual reports and documents. These are available online.

Services

A number of workshops and tours are planned and promoted by the OWC. There are also many volunteer opportunities including annual weed pulls, shoreline clean ups, and conservation forums.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday
8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Contact Person(s): Stephanie Palechek

E-mail: stephanie@oldmanbasin.org

Telephone: (403) 382 4239

Fax: (403) 381 5765

Address:

100 5401 1 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 4V6

Parkinson's Society of Southern Alberta

Purpose

The Parkinson's Society of Southern Alberta works to ease the burden of Parkinson's and find a cure through research, education, advocacy and support services.

Collection Resources

Learning resources available include booklets, information sheets, pamphlets, a manual on living with Parkinson's and a quarterly newsletter. The resources are available online or by request. The quarterly newsletter can be subscribed to for free by contacting Jeanette Demer-Weir at jdemers@parkinsons-society.org.

Services

Services provided include supportive counselling, support groups for people with Parkinson's and their caregivers, learning resources, referrals, peer programs, in-service community awareness programs and speech therapy.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s):

Lethbridge

Brian Treadwell, Client Services Coordinator. btreadwell@parkinsons-society.org

Medicine Hat

Beth Metcalf, Client Services Coordinator. bmetcalf@parkinsons-society.org

Telephone: 1 877 243 9992 (Toll Free)

Pincher Creek and District Municipal Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Pincher Creek and District Municipal Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The collection is made of over 30 000 books and over 600 audiovisual items. There are also a number of magazine and newspaper subscriptions.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday and Thursday: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Wednesday and Friday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

E-mail: help@pinchercreeklibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 627 3813

Fax: (403) 627 2847

Address:

895 Main Street
Pincher Creek , Alberta
T0K 1W0

Pincher Creek Community Adult Learning Council

Purpose

The Pincher Creek Community Adult Learning Council promotes and facilitates opportunities for lifelong learning.

Services

Numerous courses are offered on a variety of topics including business and computers, art, gardening, parenting, English as a second language, public legal education, and health and wellness. A number of courses and programs are offered specifically for seniors.

Contact Information

Telephone: (403) 627 4478

Fax: (403) 627 5065

Address:

Box 1206
Pincher Creek, Alberta
T0K 1W0

Raymond Pioneer Museum

Purpose

Operated by the Raymond Historical Society the Pioneer Museum houses a collection of artefacts and information resources on the lives of pioneers from Raymond and the surrounding area. The Museum is also home to the Raymond Sports Hall of Fame.

Collection Resources

A collection of artefacts and information on early pioneer and town history is available for public in-house use. A large number of photographs depicting the history of the town and museum publications on town family and school history are in the Museum as well.

Services

A number of exhibits on Raymond's early history are on rotating and permanent display.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Summer

Tuesday thru Sunday, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Winter

Wednesdays, 2:00pm - 5:00pm

E-mail: peedywife@shaw.ca

Telephone: (403) 752 4799, (403) 752 4516 (after hours)

Address:

10 Broadway North
Raymond, Alberta

Raymond Public Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Raymond Public Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The library collection is made of over 22 000 items including fiction, nonfiction and children's books, an extensive business collection, genealogy books, local history books and archives, multilingual books, periodicals, audiovisual materials and multimedia materials.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Thursday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Friday: 10:00 am - 7:30 pm

Saturday: 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

E-mail: rlibrary@raymondlibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 752 4785

Fax: (403) 752 4710

Address:

15 Broadway South
Raymond, Alberta
T0K 2S0

Redcliff Public Library

Purpose

The Redcliff Public Library is a member library of the Shortgrass Library System. The Shortgrass Library System provides support and services to member municipalities of Southeastern Alberta in the provision of comprehensive and cost effective library service through their autonomous local libraries.

Collection Resources

The Redcliff Public Library has over 20 000 books, 1100 CDs, 1000 videos and DVDs, and 70 magazine subscriptions. The collection also includes audiobooks, children's kits, CD-ROMS, and subscriptions to two daily newspapers.

Services

Programming includes a summer reading program, a pre-school program called "Sing with Me, Read with Me," and an annual book sale. Other services include internet access, a children's games computer, and printing.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Thursday: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Friday and Saturday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sunday: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

E-mail: redlib@shortgrass-lib.ab.ca

Telephone: (403) 548 3335

Address:

131 Main Street South

Redcliff, Alberta

T0J 2P0

REDI Enterprises Society

Purpose

REDI Enterprises Society is a non-profit organization that works to provide opportunities and support for a wide range of working and living experiences for persons with disabilities.

Collection Resources

A resource library includes books and videos available for borrowing and a number of informational pamphlets.

Services

Services are provided to assist individuals with disabilities in job searching and vocational training. A community support services department aids individuals in independent living and offers related referral assistance. Rehabilitation and counselling are provided for individuals with brain injuries. The Society also offers recycling services including a bottle depot, recycle drop off, and commercial pick up of recyclables.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

E-mail: REDI@redi.ca

Telephone: (403) 526 5742

Fax: (403) 529 0462

Address:

860 Allowance Avenue Southeast

Medicine Hat, Alberta

T1A 7S6

Safety City Society of Lethbridge

Purpose

The Safety City Society develops and delivers personal safety education programs for children.

Collection Resources

Two walking safety information packets for urban and rural areas are available online. A quarterly newsletter is published that provides the latest information on programming and safety tips and information. Past issues are available online.

Services

Programs are provided for elementary school children on topics such as pedestrian and bicycle safety. Other safety topics included in Society programming are traffic, home, winter, bullying, internet, summer play, water, Halloween, motor vehicle and rollerblading.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): Linda McFadden

E-mail: linda@safetycitylethbridge.ca

Telephone: (403) 317 1955

Fax: (403) 317 1977

Address:

3417 Parkside Drive South
Lethbridge, AB
T1P 4R3

Schizophrenia Society of Alberta

Purpose

The Schizophrenia Society of Alberta is a non-profit organization that works to alleviate the suffering caused by schizophrenia and other related issues through education, advocacy, self-help and research.

Collection Resources

A lending library on schizophrenia is available with books, pamphlets and other educational publications.

Services

Fundraising events are regularly hosted by the Chapters.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Lethbridge

Monday thru Friday
8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Medicine Hat

Monday thru Friday
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

E-mail: info@schizophrenia.ab.ca

Telephone: 1 800 661 4644 (Toll Free)

Address:

Lethbridge

426 6 Street South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 2C9

Medicine Hat

526A 3 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 0H3

Sexual and Reproductive Health Education

Purpose

To provide information and services regarding sexual health issues throughout a person's lifespan.

Collection Resources

There are a number of resource materials available including videos, kits, pamphlets and information sheets.

Services

Services provided include direct classroom education in junior and senior high schools, a website of information for teachers, parents and students (www.teachingsexualhealth.ca, www.calgaryhealthregion.ca/sexhealth), free educational workshops for professionals, and telephone consultation regarding sexual health issues including pregnancy, parenting, menopause and adolescent sexual development. Consultation is available with professionals by appointment.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Telephone: 1 866 408 5465 (Healthlink Alberta)

Address:

Nanton

Nanton Community Health Centre

2214 20 Street

Nanton, Alberta

T0L 1R0

Vulcan

Vulcan Community Health Centre

610 Elizabeth Street

Vulcan, Alberta

T0L 2B0

Southern Alberta Art Gallery

Purpose

The Southern Art Gallery is committed to fostering and supporting contemporary art.

Collection Resources

The Southern Alberta Art Gallery has a resource library contained over 8000 titles including artist exhibition catalogues, periodicals and art history texts. The library's holdings can be searched through the University of Lethbridge's Library database. An archive of exhibition descriptions and selected images is available online. The Gallery maintains an extensive publishing program as a complement to its exhibits. Six to eight exhibition catalogues are produced each year.

Services

The Southern Alberta has a changing exhibition space which includes work by local, Canadian and international artists. The Gallery also offers a residencies program, regular film screenings, classes and workshops, lectures, school programs and facility rentals.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday thru Saturday

10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sundays

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Closed Mondays

E-mail: info@saag.ca

Telephone: (403) 327 8770

Fax: (403) 328 3913

Address:

601 3 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 0H4

Southern Alberta Self Help Association

Purpose

The Southern Alberta Self Help Association (SASHA) is a non-profit community organization that works to promote the independence of persons with mental illness through transitional and long-term housing.

Collection Resources

There is a collection of books and videos on a variety of issues including mental health, medications and Schizophrenia.

Services

SASHA provides transitional beds to individuals in need and aid in the development of life skills such as medication management, budgeting, nutrition and meal planning, and household maintenance. The Association helps individuals find suitable housing and furnishing and connects them to relevant community resources.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

E-mail: sashahouse@shaw.ca

Telephone: (403) 942 2264

Fax: (403) 942 2263

Address:

1239 5 Avenue South

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1J 0V6

Southern Alcare Manor

Purpose

The Southern Alcare Manor is a long-term substance abuse recovery residence that provides a clean, safe and stable living environment for men and women working to abstain from alcohol or drugs.

Collection Resources

Alcare Manor has a small collection of books and articles available to staff, clients and interested public. The collection is in-house use only. There is also a collection of referral information.

Services

The Southern Alcare Manor program includes life skills counselling, information sessions and group interaction to assist individuals in the recovery process. Included in the program is assistance in gaining employment or getting educational upgrading.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Telephone: (403) 328 0955

Address:

520 7 Street South

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1J 2H1

St. John Ambulance

Purpose

The St. John's Ambulance provides services and resources that seek to enable Canadians to improve their health, safety and quality of life.

Collection Resources

The St. John Ambulance Alberta Council publishes *The Communicator* bi-annually and it provides information on the Council, training, program and community services. Past issues are available online. Other publications include an annual report, circle of history brochure, instructor resources, emergency preparedness information, emergency care posters and an e-newsletter. The resources are available in office and online.

Services

The St. John Ambulance offers a number of courses of first aid and safety. A course calendar is available online and in office.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:00 am - 4:30 pm

E-mail: lethbridge@stjohn.ab.ca; medicinehat@stjohn.ab.ca

Telephone: 1 800 665 7114 (Toll Free)

Address:

Lethbridge

Lethbridge Centre
1254 3 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta

Medicine Hat

Medicine Hat Centre
346 4 Street Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta

Stavelly Municipal Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Stavelly Municipal Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The library collection is made of over 8700 items including fiction, audiovisual materials, magazines and newspapers.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday and Wednesday: 2:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Thursday: 1:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Contact Person(s): Cheryl Cochlan, Librarian

E-mail: help@stavellylibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 549 2190

Fax: (403) 549 2190

Address:

4823 49 Street
Stavelly, Alberta
T0L 1Z0

Substance Use Prevention and Education Services

Purpose

Substance Use Prevention and Education Services is a subsidiary of Alberta Health Services. They provide education and support to reduce or stop the development of addictive behaviours and to promote health-enhancing behaviours. They provide prevention services for individuals, families, schools, communities, and workplaces in Alberta and work to reduce the harmful use of alcohol, drugs, tobacco, and gambling.

Collection Resources

The collection includes videos, books, and information pamphlets on a wide range of addictions related topics including personal development, recovery, domestic issues and information catered to youth, Aboriginals, seniors, women, and the workplace.

Services

- Consultation
- Needs Assessment
- Preventative training including planning and implementation of treatment and collaborative support

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday

8:15 am - 4:30 pm

Closed from 12:00pm - 1:00pm for lunch.

Telephone: 1 866 332 2322 (24 Hour Help Line)

Address:

Blairmore:

12501 20 Avenue (Crowsnest Pass Provincial Building)

Brooks:

403 2 Avenue West (Suite 1)

Lethbridge:

200 5 Avenue South (Main Floor)

Medicine Hat:

346 3 Street Southeast

Taber:

5011 49 Avenue (Taber Provincial Building)

Taber and District Community Adult Learning

Purpose

The Taber and District Community Adult Learning promotes and facilitates opportunities for lifelong learning.

Collection Resources

A number of print resources relating to various services are available along with an adult learning library database.

Services

Services offered include a career resource centre, volunteer tutor adult literacy service, ESL drop-in centre, families learning together courses and a youth employment program.

Contact Information

E-mail: executivedirector@taberadultlearning.com

Telephone: (403) 223 1169

Fax: (403) 223 3412

Address:

5011 49 Avenue
Taber, Alberta
T1G 1V9

Taber Irrigation Impact Museum

Purpose

The Taber Irrigation Impact Museum is operated by the Taber and District Museum Society. The Museum is home to hundreds of artefacts and archival documents of importance to Taber's past, present and future with an emphasis on human, agricultural, and natural history and irrigation, crops grown by irrigation and local processing industries. The facility functions as a museum, interpretive centre, archive and art gallery.

Collection Resources

The museum maintains an extensive archive collection including history books, microfilm, photographs and local publications. Research services are available at a reasonable cost.

Services

The Interpretive Centre provides programming and displays on Taber's processing industries, agriculture and business. The Museum actively collects artefacts and these are displayed as a part of rotating exhibits. The Art Gallery promotes local artists including painters, photographers, needleworkers and sculptors. Artists must be from within 100 miles of Taber. Tours can be arranged for school groups.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Winter (October - April)

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 am - 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Summer (May - August)

Monday thru Friday
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Fall (September)

Monday thru Friday
9:00 am - 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Contact Person(s): Karen Ingram, Museum Manager

E-mail: tiimchin@telusplanet.net

Telephone: (403) 223 5708

Fax: (403) 223 0529

Address:

4702 50 Street
Taber, Alberta
T1G 2B6

Thelma Fanning Memorial Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Thelma Fanning Memorial Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The library houses over 15 000 library resources including books, audiovisual materials, a multimedia collection, newspapers and microfilm.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program. The library also hosts a number of community events and group meetings. Regular programming includes book clubs, story hours, author's readings, and show and tell events.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

Friday: 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Saturday: 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

E-mail: help@nantonlibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 646 5535

Fax: (403) 646 2653

Address:

1907 21 Avenue

Nanton, Alberta

T0L 1R0

University of Lethbridge Art Gallery

Purpose

The University of Lethbridge Art Gallery serves both the campus community and the general public. The Art Gallery plays a central role for research, learning and community engagement at the University. At the same time the exhibits reach audiences from Lethbridge, Alberta and across the country.

Collection Resources

The University of Lethbridge Art Gallery houses one of the most significant art collections in Canada. Numbering over 13 000 objects, the holdings include works from Canada, America, and Europe and span the 19th and 20th century and continue to grow with 21st century additions. An online database of the collection is open to the public. An archive of past exhibitions is available online. The gallery also produces publications in conjunction with exhibits.

Services

Programs offered by the gallery includes a Museum Studies Internship, Culture Vulture Saturdays and educational series.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Main Gallery

Monday thru Friday

10:00 am - 4:30 pm

Thursday

10:00 am - 8:30 pm

or by appointment

Helen Christou Gallery

Daily

8:00 am - 9:00 pm

Contact Person(s): Josephine Mills (Director/ Curator): josephine.mills@uleth.ca (403) 329 2690

E-mail: galleryinfo@uleth.ca

Telephone: (403) 329 2666

Fax: (403) 382 7115

Address:

Main Gallery

W600 Centre for the Arts

Helen Christou Gallery

LINC Level 9

University of Lethbridge

4401 University Drive

Lethbridge, Alberta

T1K 3M4

University of Lethbridge

Purpose

The University of Lethbridge is a research focused institution devoted principally to the education of undergraduates.

Collection Resources

The University of Lethbridge includes the University of Lethbridge Library and the University of Lethbridge Art Gallery.

Services

University services include academic advising, counselling, and cultural, recreational and extracurricular programs.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Contact Person(s): Registrar's Office and Student Services (ROSS)

E-mail: inquiries@uleth.ca

Telephone: (403) 320 5700

Fax: (403) 329 5159

Address:

Level One of the Student's Union Building
SU 140
4401 University Drive
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1K 3M4

University of Lethbridge Library

Purpose

The purpose of the University of Lethbridge Library's resources and services is to further the academic mandate of the University by facilitating access to information in all formats for the purposes of study and research.

Collection Resources

The collection includes print, electronic and audio/visual resources. Also included are electronic databases, archives and special collections, and a curriculum lab.

Services

Services include How to Guides, Research Guides, E-Reference Resources, study rooms, computer and internet access, a writing centre, and reference assistance.

Contact Information

Contact Person(s): General Services Desk

E-mail: gsd.library@uleth.ca

Telephone: (403) 329 2265

Fax: (403) 329 2234

Address:

University of Lethbridge Library
4401 University Drive West
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1K 3M4

Vera Bracken Library

Purpose

The library provides college students, faculty, staff and community members with a physical and digital learning environment, promotes lifelong learning and teaches information literacy.

Collection Resources

The collection includes over 100 000 print and non-print resources and 20 000 full text online books and periodicals.

Services

Reference services are available at the Information Desk, via text messaging, email and telephone.

Contact Information

Telephone: 1 866 282 8394 ex. 3867 (Toll Free)

Address:

Medicine Hat Campus
299 College Drive Southeast
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 3Y6

Brooks Campus
2000 Horticultural Station Road East
Brooks, Alberta
T1R 1E5

Vulcan Municipal Library

Purpose

Chinook Arch Regional Library System is a network of independent, cooperating libraries in the southwestern corner of Alberta of which the Vulcan Municipal Library is a part.

Chinook Arch Regional Library System card holders have access to over 850 000 items, almost 20 000 digital magazines, and a growing e-book and digital audiobook collection. In addition, they have access to a Paperbacks by Mail service, a multilingual books collection, and access to the holdings of every library in Alberta via The Alberta Library card.

Collection Resources

The collection is made of over 15 000 resources including books, audiovisual material, reference material and a special Star Trek collection.

Services

Services include automated telephone or e-mail notification, free internet access, downloadable audio and e-books, online databases, video conferencing and a summer reading program. A book sale in support of the library is held annually.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Thursday: 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

Saturday: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

E-mail: help@vulcanlibrary.ca

Telephone: (403) 485 2571

Fax: (403) 485 2571

Address:

303 Centre Street

Vulcan, Alberta

T0L 2B0

Womanspace Resource Centre

Purpose

Womanspace is a community-based women's organization that works for women's political, social and economic equality. They inform, educate and advocate for women in Southern Alberta.

Collection Resources

Womanspace runs a number of research based initiatives aimed at applying feminist analysis to provincial and regional institutions and government policies. These projects are published by the centre along with a quarterly newsletter that provides information on events, activities and news.

Services

The Centre offers referrals, events, workshops, and public education projects.

Contact Information

Hours of Operation:

Currently clients are seen on an appointment basis. The Centre can be reached by phone Monday thru Friday between the hours of 10:00 am and 5:00 pm.

E-mail: office@womanspace.ca

Telephone: (403) 329 8338

Address:

#16 740 4 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta
T1J 0N9