



September 2026

Community Newsletter



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in your inbox!

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895 Main Street

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2027 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS

Pincher Creek & District Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) is now accepting applications for 2027 Core Grant Funding.

Funding is available to eligible non-profit and voluntary organizations delivering preventive social programs and services to residents of the Town of Pincher Creek, MD of Pincher Creek, or Village of Cowley.

Application deadline: September 18, 2026

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Applicants must meet all eligibility requirements. In general, the proposed program must:

- Be delivered by a non-profit or voluntary organization.
- Serve residents of the Town of Pincher Creek, M.D. of Pincher Creek or Village of Cowley.
- Provide preventive social services.
- Align with at least one FCSS Prevention Strategy.
- Not be primarily recreational, rehabilitative or leisure-based.
- Not provide direct financial or material assistance.
- Not duplicate a service already provided by the provincial government.
- Not request funding for capital expenses, such as vehicles, construction, or the purchase or renovation of buildings.

New applicants, inter-agency initiatives and programs supported by multiple funding sources are welcome to apply. Organizations may also submit applications for more than one eligible program.

BEFORE YOU APPLY

Applicants are strongly encouraged to read the 2027 FCSS Grant Funding Application and Reporting Guidebook before beginning their application. The guide explains eligibility, funding requirements, Prevention Strategies, activity categories, outcome measurement and reporting expectations.

Applications should clearly describe:

- The organization and proposed program.
- The community need the program will address.
- Who the program will serve and where it will be delivered.
- How the program will provide preventive support.
- The anticipated outcomes and how they will be measured.
- The role of community partners and volunteers.

- How FCSS funding will be used.
- Whether the program could continue with partial funding.

A detailed program budget must also be submitted using the provided template. The completed budget must be saved and submitted as a PDF.

There is no maximum application amount; however, applicants should request an amount appropriate to the program and identify any other anticipated funding sources. Applications may be approved for less than the full amount requested.

APPLICATION REVIEW AND FUNDING DECISIONS

Applications are reviewed by the Pincher Creek & District FCSS Board of Directors. Meeting the eligibility and application requirements does not guarantee funding.

Applicants will be notified of funding decisions by October 20, 2026. Approved organizations will be required to enter into a funding agreement outlining payment, reporting and other funding conditions. Core Grant funds are generally distributed quarterly beginning January 1, 2027, unless otherwise stated in the agreement.

Retroactive funding will not be considered.

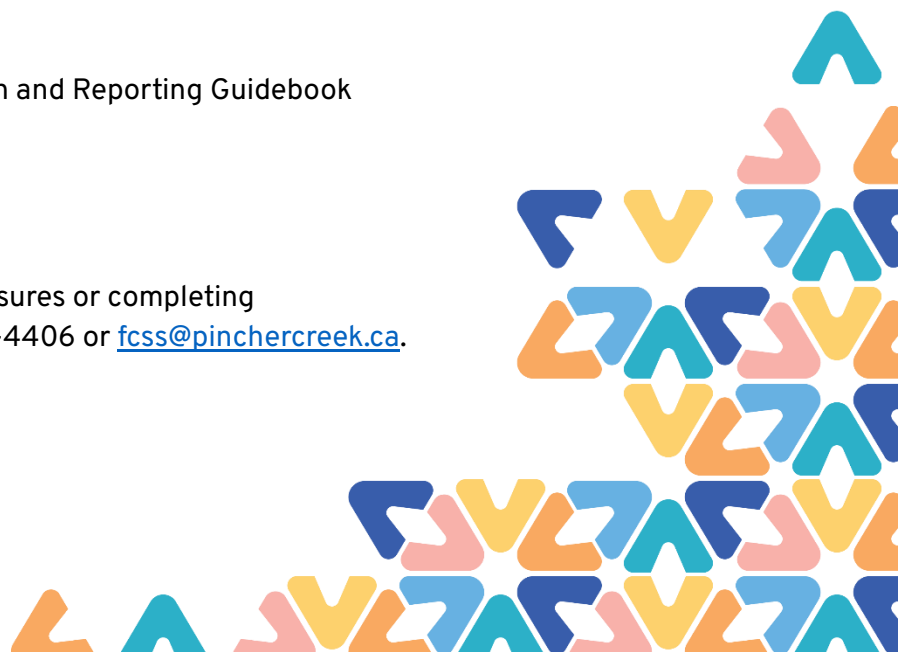
APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

Before submitting your application, download and review the following documents found online at <https://pinchercreek.ca/fcss>:

- 2027 FCSS Grant Application
- 2027 FCSS Grant Funding Application and Reporting Guidebook
- 2027 FCSS Budget Template
- FCSS Survey Questions Catalogue

Need help?

For questions about eligibility, outcome measures or completing the application, contact Lindsey at 403-627-4406 or fcss@pinchercreek.ca.



PINCHER CREEK EMERGENCY SERVICES

120 YEARS

— OF SERVING OUR COMMUNITY —

NEW FIRE HALL



GRAND OPENING & CELEBRATION

Join us for an afternoon of celebration!

 **SEPTEMBER 12, 2026**

 **1377 HUNTER STREET**



**ACTIVITIES
BEGIN AT 2:00 PM**

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

2:00 PM
4:00 PM



**FIRE EXTINGUISHER
DEMONSTRATION**

3:00 PM



**VEHICLE EXTRACTION
DEMONSTRATION**

4:00 PM



**FLAG RAISING AND
FIRE HALL TRADITION**
Truck Roll In

4:30 PM



**RIBBON CUTTING
AND SPEECHES FROM
ELECTED OFFICIALS**

5:00 PM



SUPPER AND CAKE

7:00 PM



**WRAP UP
OF EVENTS**

FUN FOR THE Whole Family!



FIREFIGHTER GAMES



BOUNCY CASTLE



**FIRE TRUCKS
& EQUIPMENT**



HALL TOURS



**MEET THE MEMBERS OF
PCESC — FIRE, EMS &
ADMINISTRATION**



AND MUCH MORE!



SUPPER GENEROUSLY PROVIDED BY

**SOUTHWEST**
DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

Everyone's WELCOME!

Come celebrate **120 years** of serving our community
and the official opening of our new Fire hall.

MCMAN SOUTH REGION



The Mental Health Awareness Project has been made possible by the generosity of community members, in loving memory of those lost too soon to death by suicide.

Pincher Creek and Area Mental Health Awareness
Project

Free Family Event

September 26, 2026

Ag Ground

209 Canyon Dr, Pincher Creek

10:00am-4:00pm

A day of support, connection
and community

GIVE AWAYS



Childcare and kids zone

Mental Health
supports

Youth supports



Free Meal



Blue Rein Ranch
Counselling & Animal Assisted Therapy



ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL OF PINCHER CREEK

GIFT SHOP & GALLERY HOURS

Tuesday – Friday | 10:00am – 5:00pm

Saturday | 12:00pm – 4:00pm

Closed on holidays

www.thelebel.ca

Fall 2026 programming schedule will be launched soon at thelebel.ca – stay tuned!

KIDS & YOUTH POTTERY CAMPS

Visit www.thelebel.ca/kids-art-classes or call 403-627-5272 to register

- **Friday Art**
 - After School Program ages 6-9 | 1:45pm – 2:45pm
 - Artists @ Heart ages 10+ | 3:00pm – 4:30pm
 - Fall Dates:
 - September 11, 18, 25
 - October 2, 16, 23, 30
 - November 6, 20, 27
 - December 4, 11, 18
- **Mud Makers** | ages 9+ | Tuesdays | Starting September 29 | 3:45pm – 5:15pm | \$145 per person
- **Jr Ceramics Guild** | 10-week workshop for ages 9+ who have taken at least one Mud Makers Class | Thursdays | Starting October 1 | 3:45pm – 5:30pm | \$150 plus cost of clay
- **Fundamentals of Drawing with Kelsey Galbraith** | 4-week workshop for ages 9-12 | Tuesdays | 4:00pm – 5:15pm | \$95 per person

EXHIBITION

Running on Empty by Debbie.lee Miszaniec

Visit the AAC gallery at the Lebel to see this exhibition from September 10 - October 25, 2026

WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS

- **Witchy Brooms with David Campbell** | Make your own tree branch handled heritage broom | Ages 18+ OR 12+ with a chaperone | \$150 per broom | Two sessions on Saturday, October 3 | 9:00am – 12:00pm or 1:00pm – 4:00pm
- **From the Garden expressive arts with Carla Beres** | Saturday, October 3 | 1:00pm – 4:00pm | \$80
- **Watercolour Style Life Workshop with Julie Heinrich** | Wednesday, October 21 | 6:00pm – 9:00pm | \$65 each includes take home supplies

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE ANNUAL JURIED MEMBERS EXHIBITION NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2026

Pincher Creek AAC invites members to apply for a special Juried Members Show which will take place in the gallery in November and December of 2026. If you are not currently a member of the AAC but would like to apply for the show you may purchase a 2026 membership for \$5.00

Submissions will be accepted during the submission period of July 16 - September 16 at 11:59pm. For details and to submit visit www.thelebel.ca/membersexhibition.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE 2027 GALLERY SEASON – DEADLINE EXTENDED

The Allied Arts Council of Pincher Creek strives to host thought-provoking exhibitions that appeal to a diverse audience in order to expand understanding of the visual arts in the community. Our art gallery exhibits working artists at all levels of their artistic careers and curates dynamic exhibitions that showcase strong, current Canadian art. We provide a yearly exhibition schedule balancing local artists and artists from throughout Canada working in all mediums.

Submissions for the 2027 gallery season are now open until September 20 at 11:59pm. For details and submissions package please visit www.thelebel.ca/gallerysubmissions.

PINCHER CREEK & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



PINCHER CREEK
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
31st Annual
**AWARDS
OF
EXCELLENCE**
October 23, 2026

**NOMINATIONS
ARE OPEN!**



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PincherChamber.ca/awards

Nominations are officially open for the Pincher Creek Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Night! This is your chance to shine a spotlight on the outstanding businesses, dedicated non-profits, and exceptional individuals who make our community a fantastic place to live and work.

 **Make Your Nomination Count: Detail is Key!**

Our independent panel of volunteer judges relies solely on the information provided in the nomination form to score each nominee. To give your nominee the best possible chance of winning, please do not just submit a name—tell us their story!

When filling out your nomination, make sure to include:

- **Specific Examples:** Share distinct stories of how they went above and beyond for a customer or the community.
- **Measurable Impact:** Highlight achievements, milestones, growth, or successful community projects from the past year.
- **Core Values:** Explain how they demonstrate innovation, resilience, leadership, or exceptional customer service.
- **Testimonials:** Feel free to include brief quotes or feedback from others who have benefited from their work.



KOOTENAI BROWN HISTORICAL PARK

QUEEN
ELIZABETH II
AFTERNOON
TEA

Featuring:
BRITISH ROYAL
TREAT
FAVOURITES

SEPTEMBER 8

at Kootenai Brown
Historical Park
12:00pm - 2:00pm

*Tickets are \$25 in advance
\$35 at the door*

*Tickets are available at the
museum or on our website*

SENIORS ASSISTANCE FOR ENERGY REBATE APPLICATION

HELPING SENIORS APPLY FOR THE **\$100 ALBERTA ENERGY REBATE**

LINK SERVICES WALK-INS

 SEPT 22ND FROM 10 AM-3 PM

 PINCHER CREEK LIBRARY 895 MAIN ST.

APPLICATION
SUPPORT AT
NO COST!

Eligibility:

- Seniors ages 55+ and/or their caregivers
- Living in Pincher Creek or Crowsnest Pass

Save your Spot!



To secure a time for a walk-in **please call us by Sept 18th at 403-327-5724** and ask to speak to an Intake Worker. Have a pen and paper ready to write down any required information or paperwork for your walk-in.

Lethbridge Family
Services 
Since 1910
Counselling, Outreach
& Education



2027 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

PHOTO CONTEST

2027 Calendar Contest

Submit your images for a chance to be featured in the Town's annual Community Calendar! Grand prize winner takes home \$200!

We are also collecting event dates to be included in the calendar.

Send your submissions and consent to: communications@pinchercreek.ca
Deadline: October 31

Visit pinchercreek.ca/community-calendar to complete the consent form

GRAND PRIZE
\$200



TOWN OF
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ALBERTA

EVENTS SUBMISSIONS

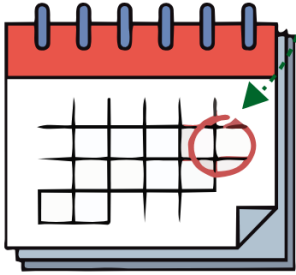
2027 COMMUNITY CALENDAR EVENT SUBMISSIONS

Planning an event in 2027? We want to hear about it!

The Town of Pincher Creek is getting ready to produce our 2027 Community Calendar, and we're inviting organizations throughout Pincher Creek and the surrounding region to submit their upcoming events and important dates.

Send your events to: communications@pinchercreek.ca

TOWN OF
PINCHER
CREEK
ALBERTA



Deadline October 31

BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY

In Pincher Creek, the kids head back to school on Tuesday, September 1, which means they will be out in droves on the streets and pathways once again!

Please be extra cautious when passing kids walking or biking and pay closer attention to crosswalks and intersections (these are still considered crosswalks).

NEVER pass a school bus that has its lights flashing and stop sign extended!! This means that kids are getting on or off the bus and could be crossing the road in front of the bus.

Pay extra close attention to School and Playground Zones and slow down accordingly!

In accordance with the Traffic Safety Act:

- School zones (indicated by signs with a 30 km/hr speed limit posted beneath it) are in effect on school days from 8-9:30am, 11:30am-1:30pm, and 3-4:30pm
- Passing is not permitted within school zones
- Playground zones (indicated by signs with a 30 km/hr speed limit posted beneath it) are in effect from 8:30am until 1 hour after sunset.
- Playground and School areas (indicated by signs without a speed limit sign posted beneath it) are put in place to alert drivers that children may be near, and caution must be used when driving through the playground area.

For more details regarding traffic safety and school or playground zones and areas, please visit <https://www.alberta.ca/driver-guides-overview-and-pdf-versions>

RECREATION & PARKS

For information, registration, or any other inquiries, please contact the Recreation office at 403-627-4322 or rec@pinchercreek.ca.

BALL DIAMONDS AND SPORTS FIELDS

Planning to use one of our sports fields or ball diamonds for a practice, game, or other fun event? Call the Recreation office at 403-627-4322 to book it today!





PINCHER CREEK KIDSPORT

Supporting local families, keeping kids in sports! For information, contact KidSport at pinchercreek@kidsport.ab.ca, <https://kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/pincher-creek>, or contact the Recreation office at 403-627-4322.

MOONSHADOW RUN

2026 MOONSHADOW RUN

SEPTEMBER 26 | 6:30 PM

**2.5 km
5 km
10 km**

Register by Sept 5
for a free shirt!



Register at
www.MoonShadowRun.ca

2026 MOONSHADOW RUN VOLUNTEERS

we need your glow



Saturday, Sept 26

Meet at 6pm

Stations by 6:15pm



Sign up to volunteer with Emily at rec@pinchercreek.ca

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ANNULA POOL SHUTDOWN

PINCHER CREEK POOL

ANNUAL MAINTENANCE SHUT-DOWN

Aug 31 - Sept 20







TOWN HALL GYM FITNESS PROGRAMS

962 St. John Ave

Gym Walk | Drop-in | Free

Tuesdays & Fridays | 11:00am – 12:00pm

Unorganized independent walking

Legends Keep Fit

Tuesdays | 10:00am – 11:00am

Register with Jill Bruder

MCC ARENA INDOOR COURTS ARE CLOSED FOR THE SEASON

Watch for the arena ice schedule at the end of September.

HUDDLESTUN SENIOR CENTRE

867 MAIN STREET
PINCHER CREEK

Huddlestun Senior Centre



2ND & 4TH MON **FIBRE FRIENDS | 1 P.M.**
A creative meetup for sewing and needlework.

TUES **COFFEE TIME | 10 A.M.**
Visit with friends with \$1 coffee.

WED **DUPLICATE BRIDGE | 1P.M.**
Where skill, strategy and great company make every hand exciting.

THUR **CHAIR YOGA & TAI CHI WALKING | 10 A.M.**
CRIBBAGE | 1 P.M.
Peg, play, and outsmart your friends.

Tuesdays | **Coffee with Councillor Cyr** | 10:00am – 11:00am

Want to run a program or event for seniors at the Huddlestun Senior Centre?

Contact Arnold Nelson at 403-632-9439.

Follow Fred Huddlestun Senior Centre on Facebook for more information and community activities.

WE ARE UPDATING THE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

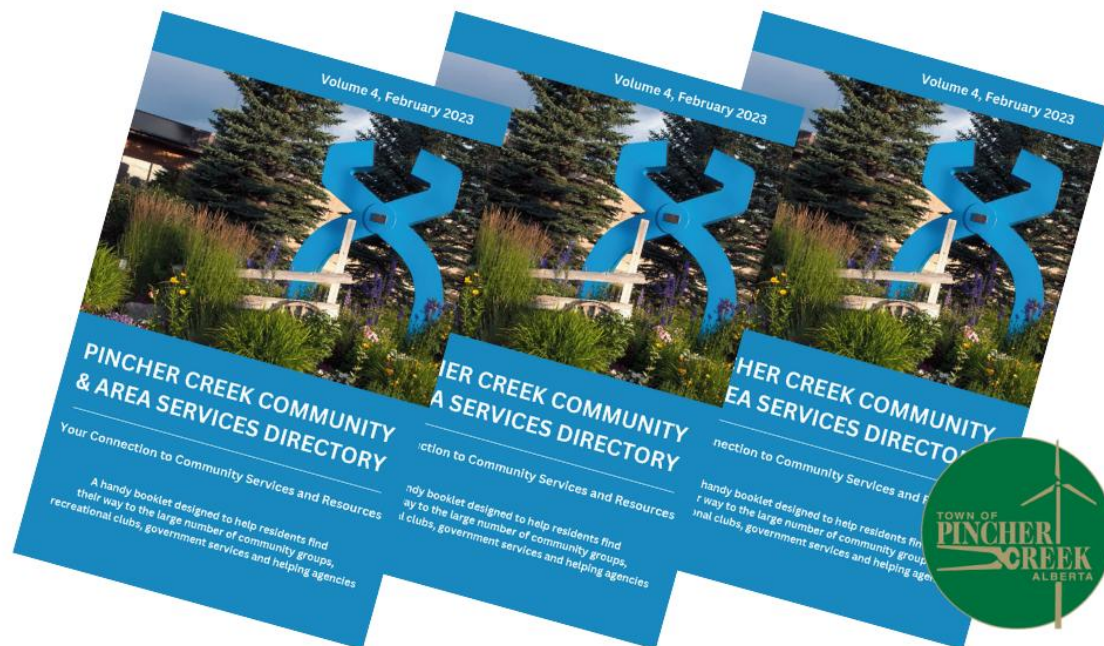
Updating the Community Directory

The Town of Pincher Creek is updating our Community & Area Services Directory – a resource designed to help residents connect with the many community groups, recreational clubs, service organizations, agencies and resources available throughout our region.

Send your information to

✉ **rec@pinchercreek.ca by**

📅 **October 31, 2026**



PINCHER CREEK SKATING CLUB



FALL & WINTER PROGRAMS

Skating lessons for all ages + stages

OUR PROGRAMS FOR THE UPCOMING SEASON

Canskate + Precanskate (learn to skate) - M/W

Daytime Canskate - Thursday mornings

Starskate (figure skating) - M/W/F

Adult Skating - Thursdays mornings

Synchronized Skating



www.pinchercreekskatingclub.ca



DEVELOPMENT CORNER

APPLYING FOR A DEMOLITION OR REMOVAL PERMIT - WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

A demolition permit must be obtained for the demolition or removal of any building or structure greater than 13.94 sq m (150 sq ft) in size. When filling out a Demolition or Removal of a Building Permit Application for the Town of Pincher Creek, the municipality is mainly looking to confirm safety, utility disconnection, environmental handling, and what happens to the structure afterward.

KEY THINGS TO INCLUDE IN YOUR APPLICATION

1. General applicant information:

- Applicant's full name and contact information
- Registered owner's name and contact information
- Demolition contractor (if applicable)
- Proof of authorization if someone other than the owner is applying
- Civic address of the building
- Demolition commencement date
- Demolition completion date
- Value of project

2. Structures to be removed or demolished

- Type of building (house, garage, shed, commercial structure, etc.)
- Approximate size
- Height of building
- If the building is being moved within the Town boundaries rather than fully demolished, the Town will require the new legal land location where the building will be relocated

3. Demolition plan

- Site plan
- Method of demolition
- Dump/disposal site location

4. Very important applicant responsibilities

- Disconnection of all services
- On-site consultation with Operations (Public Works)
- Final plan for property after building removed or demolished and reclamation complete
- A completed Development Application
- Application Fee and any applicable deposit or security required payable to the Town of Pincher Creek.
- Building Permit Approval from Park Enterprises for any building over 10 sq m (108 sq ft). In addition, Electrical, Gas, Plumbing Permit Approvals may be required for the disconnection of the services.

5. Site safety and protection

- Fencing or barriers if required
- Dust and noise control measures
- Erosion control if applicable



COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

These highlights do not form the full Council minutes. To view the full Council minutes, please visit <https://pinchercreek.ca/council>

JULY 27, 2026 - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- A Public Hearing was held for Land Use Bylaw 1639-25-C
- Council approved a revised lease agreement with KPSquared Innovative Child Care
- Council approved a revised lease agreement with Pincher Creek Curling Club
- Budget Guidelines were defined

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Committee of the Whole | September 2 | 9:00am

Council Meeting | September 14 | 6:00pm

Council Meeting | September 28 | 6:00pm

Council Meetings are held in Council Chambers at 962 St. John Avenue unless otherwise noted and are available virtually via MS Teams. These meetings are open to the public except on some occasions where all or part of a meeting is closed to the public (Closed Session) to prevent the disclosure of information that is protected under the Protection of Privacy Act.