

2018

Assiniboia Community Needs Assessment



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Assiniboia and District Overview

The Assiniboia and District community consists of the Town of Assiniboia, the Village of Limerick and the Rural Municipalities of Excel # 71, Lake of the Rivers - # 72 and Stonehenge - # 73. The Town of Assiniboia functions as the hub for this area. It provides administrative (RCMP, hospital, ambulance), commercial, educational (3 elementary schools, one high school, regional college and a public library) and recreational facilities (rink, pool, auditorium, golf club) that can be accessed by the residents of the district.

Assiniboia and District Statistical Information

Statistical Overview					
Community	Census Data 2016	Census Data 2011	% Change	Private Dwellings	Median Income
Assiniboia	2,424	2,418	0	1,101	\$ 41,856
Limerick	115	115	0	60	-
Excel No. 71	391	427	-8.4	124	\$37,675
Lake of the Rivers No.					
72	279	302	-7.6	121	\$37,657
Stonehenge No. 73	380	403	-5.7	136	\$36,940
Total	3,649	3,665	0	1,542	\$38,532
Saskatchewan	1,098,352	1,033,381	6.3	432,622	93,942
Canada	35,151,728	33,476,688	5.0	14,072,079	\$47,487

The following statistics have been retrieved from **Statistics Canada Census** of 2011 & 2016 (revised as of 2018)

Population Age Distribution						
Community	Mean Age	0-4 years	5-19 years	20-39 years	40-64 years	65+ years
Assiniboia	48.5	4.5%	14.4%	20.0%	35.1%	29.7%
Limerick	49.1	8.7%	4.3%	17.4%	34.8%	34.8%
Excel No. 71	41.1	6.4%	12.8%	20.5%	37.1%	16.6%
Lake of the Rivers						
No. 72	44.4	5.4%	19.7	16.1%	39.4%	19.7%
Stonehenge No. 73	46.2	2.6%	14.5%	14.4%	32.9%	19.7%
Average	45.9	5.5%	13.1%	17.7%	35.9%	24.1%
Saskatchewan	39.1	6.7%	25.8%	27.0%	31.7%	15.5%
Canada	41.0	5.4%	17.0%	26.0%	34.7%	16.9%

Ethnicity					
Community	Aboriginal or Métis	French Only	Immigrants in the last 10 years		
Assiniboia	120	0	105		
Limerick	10	0	0		
Excel No. 71	30	0	0		
Lake of the Rivers No. 72	0	0	0		
Stonehenge No. 73	0	0	0		
Total	160	0	105		
Saskatchewan	177,355	125,810	72,305		
Canada	2,130,520	4,144,685	2,268,170		

Education Level				
Community	No High School	High School	Post-Secondary	
Assiniboia	440	645	830	
Limerick	15	30	50	
Excel No. 71	85	100	80	
Lake of the Rivers No. 72	45	65	125	
Stonehenge No. 73	50	75	120	
Total	635	915	1205	
Saskatchewan	177,210	261,210	418,880	
Canada	5,239,575	7,576,400	15,827,040	

Occupational Statistics					
Occupation	Assiniboia	Limerick	Excel No. 71	Lake of the Rivers No. 72	Stonehenge No. 73
Management	190	10	95	75	70
Business/Finance/					
Administration	130	15	15	15	15
Natural/Applied Sciences	35	0	0	10	0
Health Occupations	95	0	10	10	10
Education/Law/Social and					
Government Services	70	0	0	0	10
Art/Culture/Recreation/Sport	0	0	0	0	0
Sales and Service	315	0	15	20	30
Trades/Transport/					
Equipment Operators	205	15	25	20	25
Natural Resources/					
Agriculture	80	0	0	25	15
Manufacturing/Utilities	65	0	0	0	0
Total Labour Force	1,205	45	185	180	175

Saskatchewan Statistical Information

Saskatchewan Literacy Statistics				
Statistic	Saskatchewan	Canada		
Reading				
Proportion of Students Reading				
at Level 1	16.0%	12.0%		
Proportion of Students Reading				
at Level 2 (expected level of				
reading)	74.0%	74.0%		
Proportion of Students Reading				
at Level 3	9.0%	14.0%		
Mathematics and Science				
Overall Mean Score in				
Mathematics	80.5%	85.2%		
Males	81.3%	85.3%		
Females	79.7%	85.3%		
Overall Mean Score in Science	81.8%	84.7%		
Males	81.8%	84.2%		
Females	82.0%	85.2%		

Source: PCAP 2016 Literacy Study

Crime Rate				
Statistic	RCMP Data 2016	RCMP Data 2015		
Crime Rate per 100,000				
Population	5,904.5	5,910.1		
% Rate Increase from Previous				
Year	-0.09	2.3		

RCMP Crime Statistics

Constable Kim Audette, Crime Analyst – Burnaby detachment

Poverty Rates*			
Statistic	2010	2014	2015
Child Poverty Rates			
Overall Child Poverty			
Rate (SK)**	23.0%	24.6%	24.1%
First Nations Poverty			
Rate	50.0%		50.0%
Immigrant Poverty Rate	29.6%		29.6%
Canada Poverty Rate	17.4%		17.4%
Food Insecurity Rates			
Household Food			
Insecurity		10.6%	
Children in Food Insecure			
Households		19.0%	
Cost of Weekly Groceries			
for a family of 4	2009	2012	2015
Provincial Average	\$205.02	\$218.24	\$243.64
Large City (Southern SK)	\$184.91	\$193.69	\$215.20
Small City (Southern SK)	\$188.28	\$194.09	\$220.46
Town (Southern SK)	\$202.20	\$216.46	\$238.66
Rural (Southern SK)	\$206.94	\$223.60	\$246.65

Sources: Hunter & Sanchez, *Child and Family Poverty in Saskatchewan: November 2017*, PROOF: Food Insecurity Policy Research, Saskatchewan Food Costing Task Group's *The Cost of Healthy Eating in Saskatchewan*

*Based on Statistics Canada data Sanchez and Hunter found low income can be classed as \$18,213 annually for a single adult with no child, \$25,498 annually for a lone parent with one child, \$30,962 annually for a lone parent with two children, \$25,498 annually for a couple with no child, \$30,962 annually for a couple with one child, and \$36,000 for a couple with two children.

** Only Manitoba and Nunavut have higher child poverty rates than Saskatchewan (27.5% and 36.1% respectively).

Town of Assiniboia

Size and Location

The Town of Assiniboia is a community of 2,424 people located in Southern Saskatchewan, 110 kilometers south-southwest of Moose Jaw, and is serviced by both Highway 2 and Highway 13.

• The land area of the Town of Assiniboia is 3.79 square kilometers, and the population density is 243.4 people per square kilometer.

Facts about Assiniboia

- Assiniboia's name is taken from the Aboriginal name that the area had for countless generations. The name means "one who cooks with stones".
- Assiniboia began as the CPR rail line moved through south central Saskatchewan. The town sprang up literally overnight as lots were sold for the village on the 12th of October 1912. The new community grew quickly and was incorporated as a town in 1913.
- The area where Assiniboia is now located was a traditional meeting area. It is now the center of the largest trading area in south central Saskatchewan, thus continuing the tradition of being an excellent location to meet with others.
- Assiniboia was first settled by people of English, French, Romanian, Scottish and Scandinavian descent.
- From March 30, 1908 to November 23, 1912, the post office at this location was named Leeville, Saskatchewan.
- During the Great Depression, town officials employed out-of-work men to construct the Assiniboia sewer system. Unfortunately, the town could not afford to operate it until 1948.
- The RCAF Station Assiniboia World War II airfield, (now operated as the Assiniboia Airport) is located 10 km (6 mi) north of Assiniboia. It was used for elementary flight school training during the World War II years of 1942-1944.
- The assessment value of the town of Assiniboia is \$230,544,200.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Assiniboia and District Statistical Summary.

Local Government – Town of Assiniboia

Asaskan Complex 131 3rd Avenue W Box 670 Assiniboia SK SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3382 Email: <u>townofassiniboia.net</u> Website: <u>www.assiniboia.net</u>

Mayor:	Himbeault	Bob
Councillor:	Hall	Glen
Councillor:	Batty	Patti
Councillor:	Krauss	Mike
Councillor:	Bissonnette	Renaud
Councillor:	Rust	Chuck
Councillor:	Embury	Brian
Administrator:	White	Carol

2018 Assiniboia Town Council

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, Town of Assiniboia Website

RM of Excel No. 71

Size and Location

The Rural Municipality of Excel is a community of 391 located in south-central Saskatchewan, on Highway 13 between the towns of Assiniboia and Ogema, and 70 miles south of Moose Jaw on Highway 36.

- The RM has a land area of 1,122.02 square kilometers, with a population density of 0.3 people per square kilometer.
- The RM consists of 12.5 townships, and includes the communities of Crane Valley, Maxwellton, Ormiston, Readlyn, Verwood, and Viceroy, with the office being located in Viceroy.
- Willow Bunch Lake, which is 20 miles long, extends across the entire southern boundary of the municipality.
- 8.5% (22,474 Acres) of the farmland in the RM is now held by investment firms, pension plans and other traders.

Area Public Services

- Fire Departments: Crane Valley, Ormiston and Viceroy
- **RCMP:** Assiniboia, Bengough and Coronach
- Library: Assiniboia, Willow Bunch
- Groceries, Gas: Willow Bunch, Assiniboia
- Elevators: Crane Valley, Ormiston, Viceroy, Verwood
- Schools: Assiniboia, Mossbank, Rockglen and Coronach

Facts about the RM of Excel

- The municipality was incorporated in 1913.
- Readlyn, Verwood, and Viceroy have been dissolved as villages. Verwood was dissolved in 1954, Readlyn in 1955, and Viceroy in 2002.
- Red Coat & Rail Ltd. operates a short-line railway through the rural municipality. It is primarily used for the transport of agricultural products and is important to the local economic base. It was formerly owned by Canadian Pacific Railway, but was purchased by 170 shareholders in order to continue moving grain by rail.
- Seven elevators in six communities, including Viceroy and Verwood, were purchased by producer groups, saving these elevators from the wrecking ball. The elevators continue to be used for their original intended purpose, to load grain into rail cars.
- A community group in the town of Ogema has bought and moved into a CPR station and water tower, with places to acquire a turn-of-the-century locomotive and passenger cars. In the event that this project reaches fruition, tourists will be able to travel the rail track through scenic landscape as the track follows Willow Bunch Lake through deep coulees and seemingly untouched landscape along the valley into Readlyn.
- All five communities maintain active community halls.
- Viceroy has a skating rink and golf course.
- The Oro Lake Regional Park, located three miles north of Ormiston, holds an annual Ranch Rodeo.
- The assessed value of the RM in 2016 is \$228,180,700.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. see the Assiniboia and District Statistical Summary.

Local Government – RM of Excel # 71

Box 100, Viceroy SK, S0H 4H0 Telephone: 306-268-4555 Email: <u>rm71.excel@gmail.com</u>

Reeve:	Montgomery	Arnold		
Councillor:	Paradon	Braden		
Councillor:	Neff	Greg		
Councillor:	Smith	Rudy		
Councillor:	Reykjalin	Eleanor		
Councillor:	Struble	Jason		
Councillor:	Montgomery	Christopher		
Administrator:	Simpson	Sheri - Lyn		

RM of Excel Council 2018

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, RM of Excel Website on myrm.info, Desmarais, Qualman, Magnan, & Wiebe's 2015 report Land grabbing and land concentration: Mapping changing patterns of farmland ownership in three rural municipalities in Saskatchewan, Canada.

RM of Lake of the Rivers No. 72

Size and Location

The Rural Municipality of Lake of the Rivers is a community of 279 residents located in southwest Saskatchewan.

- The RM encompasses 677.51 square kilometers of land with a population density of 0.4 people per square kilometer.
- Lake of the Rivers, which is approximately 19.3 km long, runs through the central and northeast parts of the RM.
- The rural municipality encompasses 7.5 townships, including the Town of Assiniboia, Davyroyd, and Willows, and the office is located in Assiniboia. Parts of Assiniboia Regional Park, including the golf course and Willows Dam, also lie within the RM.

Facts about the RM of Lake of the Rivers No. 72

- In 2013 the RM of Lake of the Rivers published an official Community Plan in accordance with Bylaw 9/2013 (http://myrm.info/072/files/2017/12/RM-72-OCP-.pdf)
- The RM is home to Paterson Grain Inland Terminal and Delorme Seed Cleaning Plant.
- Willows was named after the owner of the first store, William Lowes. It held the status of a village until January 1, 1950, when it was restructured as an unincorporated community under the jurisdiction of the RM of Lake of the Rivers.
- There are 207 farms, 41 acreages and 31 quarter sections owned by outside investors.
- The assessment value for the rural municipality of Lake of the Rivers is \$201,446,200.
- Also part of the Assiniboia Regional Park is Willows Dam, where you can catch Perch and Walleye, and is located approximately 10 km. East of Assiniboia off of Highway 13.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, poverty, etc. please see tables Assiniboia and District Statistical Summary.

Local Government – RM Lake of the Rivers No. 72

313 Centre Street Box 610, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3533 Email: <u>rm72@sasktel.net</u>

Reeve	Nordgulen	Norm
Councillor:	Bates	Chris
Councillor:	Simard	Maurice
Councillor:	Karst	Trenton
Councillor:	Weal	Jeff
Councillor:	Payant	Cole
Councillor:	Engstrom	Clint
Administrator:	Klein	Ellen

RM Lake of the Rivers No. 72

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, RM of Lake of the Rivers Website on myrm.info

RM of Stonehenge No. 73

Size and Location

The Rural Municipality of Stonehenge is a community of 380 residents located in south-central Saskatchewan, on Highway 2 and 13, between Congress, Assiniboia and LaFleche.

- It has a land area of 985.74 square kilometers, with a population density of 0.3 people per square kilometer.
- The RM falls within Census Division No. 2.
- The village of Limerick lies within the geographical borders of Stonehenge No. 73.

Facts about the RM of Stonehenge

- The Rural Municipality of Stonehenge is a part owner of the Fife lake Railway.
- The assessment value for the rural municipality of Stonehenge is \$289,482,200.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Assiniboia and District Statistical Summary

Local Government – RM of Stonehenge #73

Box 129, Limerick SK, SOH 2P0 Telephone: 306-263-2020 Email: <u>rm73@sasktel.net</u>

Reeve:	Sinclair	Chris
Councillor:	Sand	Evan
Councillor:	Barnsley	Derek
Councillor:	Heatcoat	Brady
Councillor:	Oancia	Blair
Councillor:	Topola	Vince
Councillor:	Smith	Robert
Administrator:	Franks	Tammy

RM of Stonehenge Council 2018

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, RM of Stonehenge Website on myrm.info

Village of Limerick

Size and Location

The Village of Limerick is a community of 115 residents located in south-central Saskatchewan, about 150 kilometers north of the United States border. It is situated near the towns of Lafleche and Gravelbourg.

• The land area of the Village of Limerick is 0.79 square kilometers, with a population density of 146.5 people per square kilometer.

Facts about Limerick

- The village was named by the first homesteader in the area, who named it after the Irish city of Limerick, where he immigrated from.
- Limerick was incorporated as a village in 1913.
- Several of the original buildings are still in use today.
- The assessment value for the village of Limerick is \$9,098,800.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Assiniboia and District Statistical Summary.

Local Government

Box 129, Limerick SK, SOH 2P0 Telephone: 306-263-2020 Email: rm73@sasktel.net

Mayor:	Smith	Robert
Alderman:	Kinchen	Dean
Alderman:	Rogers	Lorelei
Administrator:	Franks	Tammy

Village of Limerick Council 2018

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, Tourism Saskatchewan

<u>Assiniboia Community Programs and</u> <u>Services Directory:</u>

Programs

Education Based Programs

Summer Day Camps Civic Centre Arena Telephone: 306-642-5366 **Children's Art Classes** Shurniak Art Gallery For ages 7+ Telephone: 306-642-5292

Daycares

Assiniboia Child Care Services 501 4th Avenue E Telephone: 306-642-3337 Sister's Dayhome Telephone: 306-263-3484

Preschools

Pre-Kindergarten at Assiniboia Seventh Avenue School Telephone: 306-642-3566

Schools

Seventh Avenue School (K-4) 300 7th Avenue E Telephone: 306-642-3566

Assiniboia Elementary School (Grades 5 – 8) 713 4th Street E Telephone: 306-642-5981

Assiniboia Composite High School (Grades 9 – 12)

200 Bell Road Telephone: 306-642-3319

Colleges

Southeast Regional College - Assiniboia Campus Prince of Wales Building Street Address: 201 3rd Avenue W, Assiniboia, SK SOH 0B0 Mailing Address: Box 1059, Assiniboia, SK SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4287 Hours: Open every second Wednesday starting Sept 13

Library and Library Programs

Assiniboia Public Library

201 3^{rd} Avenue W Box 940 Librarian: Lori Crighton Telephone: 306-642-3631Email: assiniboia@palliserlibrary.ca Website: https://www.palliserlibrary.ca/spm/branches Hours: Mon. 10:00 - 6:00Tues. 10:00 - 6:00Wed. 10:00 - 8:00Thurs. 10:00 - 6:00Fri. 10:00 - 6:00Sat. 1:00 - 6:00

Community Based Organizations

Recreation Administration

131 3rd Ave W Telephone: 306-642-5007 Email: <u>recreation@assiniboia.net</u> Facebook: @AssiniboiaTown

55 Club Activities Centre Telephone: 306-642-5336

Assiniboia Minor Ball Association Contact: Darla Telephone: 306-642-3910 Email: ambassociation01@gmail.com **Block Parent Program** Box 533 Email: <u>assiniboiakinettes@gmail.com</u>

Safe Communities Contact: Tammy Beaubien Telephone: 306-640-8152 Email: <u>tbeau@outlook.com</u> Kidsfirst Telephone: 306-642-3374

In Motion Committee Telephone: 306-642-3382 Facebook: Assiniboia in Motion

Churches

Assiniboia & District Ministerial Association Website: <u>www.assiniboiachurches.com</u>

Assiniboia Alliance Church 305 4th Avenue E Pastor: Greg Dermody Telephone: 306-642-4557 Email: <u>assiniboia.cma@sasktel.net</u>

Assiniboia Apostolic Church 200 4th Avenue E Pastor: Terry Severson Telephone: 306-642-4300 or 306-642-4155

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses 718 Leeville Drive Telephone: 306-642-4747

St. George's Roman Catholic Church 325 6th Avenue E Pastor: Dennis Remot Telephone: 306-642-4439 Email: <u>stgeorge@sasktel.net</u> Website: www.stgeorgesrc.ca

St. Lawrence & St. Boniface Anglican Church 331 5th Avenue W Telephone: 306-642-5230

Hutterite Colonies

Rose Valley Hutterite Colony, SK Box 1928, Assiniboia SK Manager: John P. Hofer Telephone: 306-642-3942

Messiah Lutheran Church

123 6th Avenue E Pastor: Arden Barden Telephone: 306-642-4698 Email: <u>messiahlutheran@sasktel.net</u>

Oasis Outreach Church

100 Beacon Street on Hwy #2 South Pastor: Marlin Juell Telephone: 306-642-4556 Email: <u>oasischurch@sasktel.net</u> Website: www.oasisoutreachchurch.ca

Descent of the Holy Spirit Romanian Orthodox Church 506 6th Avenue East Telephone: 306-642-4928 Email: <u>cosmsicoe@yahoo.com</u>

St. Paul's United Church 525 Centre Street Rev. Marilyn Leuty Telephone: 306-642-4865 Email: <u>stpaulucassiniboia@sasktel.net</u>

Trinity United Church 305 Patricia Avenue, Limerick SK Telephone: 306-263-2018 Website: <u>bc.united-church.ca</u>

Sports, Culture & Recreation

Sport

Minor Ball Association & Adult Slo-Pitch League Contact: Parks, Recreation & Culture Telephone: 306-642-3382

Assiniboia Minor Football Association

Box 294, Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5900 Facebook: Assiniboia Minor Football

Spring Adult Ball Hockey

Civic Centre Indoor Arena Drop-In, Ages 16+

Aquarians Swim Club Contact: Laura Winter Telephone: 306-756-2313

Red Cross Swimming Lessons

Assiniboia Minor Ball Association Baseball and Softball

Pickleball Tennis court at Centennial Park Telephone: 306-642-5007

Seniors, Men's, and Ladies Golf Assiniboia Regional Golf Course Telephone: 306-642-5442

Assiniboia Senior Southern Rebels Box 1808 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-0187 Email: assiniboiaseniorrebels@gmail.com

Assiniboia Figure Skating Club President: Tammy Beaubien Box 1672 Assiniboia SOH 0B0

Assiniboia Junior B Southern Rebels

General Manager: Dan Cayer Telephone: 306-640-8828 Box 515 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Email: southernrebels@sasktel.net

Assiniboia Minor Hockey Association Box 626 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-640-8068 Email: <u>i.c.ruzicka@sasktel.net</u>

Assiniboia Rec'ers Hockey Clubs

President: Trevor Thompson Box 609 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-640-7373 Email: fourwindacres@gmail.com

Assiniboia Curling Club

Box 596 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5115 Email: <u>curlassiniboia@sasktel.net</u>

Assiniboia Bucks Hockey Club

Box 278 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-9300 Email: **rocky.b@sasktel.net**

Assiniboia Gymnastics Club

Box 1207 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4015 Email: jdweal@sasktel.net

Assiniboia Marital Arts Club

Box 1977 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4693 Facebook: Assiniboia Martial Arts

Assiniboia Senior Rockets Football Club Box 2166 Assiniboia SOH 0B0

Telephone: 306-642-3319 Email: **Peterson.trevor@prairiesouth.ca**

<u>Culture</u>

Assiniboia & District Museum

506 3rd Avenue W Box 1211 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5353 Email: <u>assini.museum@sasktel.net</u> Website: <u>www.southcentralmuseums.ca</u>

Shurniak Art Gallery

122 3rd Ave W Box 1178 Phone: 306-642-5292 Email: <u>info@shurniakartgallery.com</u> Website: <u>www.shurniakartgallery.com</u>

Prentice Safari Exhibit & Museum

Visitor Information Centre Contact: Randy Gaveronski Telephone: 306-642-5353

Assiniboia Music Festival Association

Box 1164 Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Telephone: 306-642-7769 Email: <u>karen.meagher@sasktel.net</u>

Assiniboia & District Arts Council

Box 1596 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5294 Email: <u>Assiniboia.artscouncil@sasktel.net</u>

Assiniboia & District Historical Society

Box 1211 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5353 Email: <u>assini.museum@sasktel.net</u>

Municipal Heritage Properties

Rm of Stonehenge: Peace Lutheran Church St Peter & St Paul Orthodox Church and Hall Maxstone School St. Mary's Mission of Maxstone Church

Olympia Movie Theatre

In Prince of Wales Culture & Recreation Centre 201 3rd Avenue W Telephone: 306-642-3545 Email: <u>olympiatheatrepow@gmail.com</u>

Giselle's Showtyme Dance

405 Dominion Road Box 1243 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5363 Website: <u>www.gstdstudio.com</u>

Jeannette Mynett

Music Lessons Box 1981 Assiniboia, SK SOH OBO Telephone: 306-642-4187 Email<u>: jrm.her@sasktel.net</u>

Joan Lanoie Music School

Box 87 St. Victor, SK SOH 3T0 Telephone: 306-642-4005 Email: jr.lanoie@sasktel.net

South Country Dance Production

Owner: Gail Jacobs Box 1316 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5382 Email: <u>vandgjacobs@shaw.ca</u>

Popcorn Productions Diner Theatre

Recreation Groups & Clubs

Assiniboia 55 Club 103 3rd Avenue W Box 1131 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Email: <u>vandgjacobs@shaw.ca</u> Telephone: 306-642-5336

Assiniboia 4H Contact: Saskatchewan 4H Council Telephone: 306-933-7727

Assiniboia & District Handgun & Rifle Club Box 70 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-263-2010 Assiniboia Ruff Riders Motorcycle Club Box 2144 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5382 Email: <u>a.pilsner@sasktel.net</u>

Assiniboia Southern Cruisers Box 482 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4705 Website: <u>www.southern-cruisers.com</u>

1st Assiniboia Scouts & Guides Box 923 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Email: <u>randyscouter@sasktel.net</u>

Parks & Playgrounds

Hayley & Cayden Memorial Park Corner of 4th Avenue W & 1st Street W

Centennial Park Beside the Pool & Splash Park

Mobile Home Park Playground

Assiniboia Regional Park

Recreation Facilities

Parks, Recreation, Culture & Tourism Centre

131 3rd Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3382 Email: <u>recreation@assiniboia.net</u>

Assiniboia Aquatic Centre & Splash Park 130 Assiniboia Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5620 Assiniboia Splash Park Website: www.assiniboia.net/recreationschedules

Big Muddy Badlands – Big Muddy

East Gate - Grasslands National Park Wood Mountain

Ball Diamonds Contact: Parks, Recreation, and Culture Telephone: 306-642-3382

Prince of Wales Cultural & Recreation Centre (POW) 201 3rd Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3634 Email: <u>pow@sasktel.net</u> Website: <u>www.powassiniboia.ca</u>

Assiniboia Regional Golf Course Telephone: 306-642-5442 Facebook: @AssiniboiaGolf

Outdoor Skating Rink Contact: Dept. of Parks, Recreation & Culture Telephone: 306-642-3382 Arena: 306-642-5366

Outdoor Basketball Court Located within the Assiniboia Regional Park Next to the Assiniboia Aquatic Centre

Agriplex

Tennis Courts Contact: Dept. of Parks, Recreation & Culture. Telephone: 306-642-3382 **Sand Volleyball Court** Assiniboia Regional Park - first-come-first serve. Volleyballs are available at no charge from the Aquatic Centre

Assiniboia Civic Centre 120 Assiniboia Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5366

Assiniboia Aquatic Centre & Splash Park 130 Assiniboia Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5620

Kay Cristo Event Room & Art Gallery Located in the Assiniboia Public Library

Assiniboia Curling Rink – POW Centre 201 3rd Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5115

Service Clubs & Societies

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 17 103 3rd Avenue W Telephone: 306-642-3125

Kinette Club of Assiniboia Box 533, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Email: <u>assiniboiakinettes@gmail.com</u>

Assiniboia Kinsmen Club Box 716 Telephone: 306-642-4616 Email: <u>hmellis@sasktel.net</u> Assiniboia & District Wildlife Federation Box 1361 Telephone: 306-642-3320

Assiniboia Rotary Club Meet Tuesdays at 12 PM Kay Cristo Room – Assiniboia and District Library 200-3rd Ave West, Assiniboia SOH 0B0 President – Leanne Pituley

Services

Health & Well-Being

Assiniboia Primary Health Care Clinic

Asaskan Centre 131 3rd Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4454 Addiction Services: 306-642-3337 Dental Health Inspection: 306-642-9422 Dietician: 306-642-9405 Family Outreach Program: 306-642-5956 Public Health Services: 306-642-2200 Home Care: 306-642-9444 Poison Control Centre: 1-866-454-1212 Child Find Sask. Inc.: 1-800-513-3463 Healthline: Dial 811

Food Bank

Located in the Salvation Army 204 Center Street, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3833

Assiniboia & District Food Bank

130 Centre Street, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3833

FYI doctors – Assiniboia

520 Centre Street, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Dr. Jake Keppy and Dr. Ryan Hogan Telephone: 306-642-4632 Email: <u>assiniboia@fyidoctors.com</u> Website: <u>www.fyidoctors.com/assiniboia</u>

Restorative Massage Therapy

Owner: Stephanie VanDeSype 104 4th Avenue W Box 471 Telephone: 306-642-3600 Email: <u>steph_vds@hotmail.com</u> Assiniboia Acupuncture & Laser 131 3rd Avenue W Box 1689, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4198

Daris Tendler

Fascia Stretch Therapy & Medical Exercise Specialist Box 1087, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-631-7716 Email: <u>daris.tendler@hotmail.com</u>

Dr. V.A. Carulai 520 Centre Street Box 220, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3364

Miracle-Ear Canada, Ltd.

In Prince of Wales Board Room Telephone: 1-888-616-4136 Email: <u>kathy.adler@amplifon.com</u> Website: www.miracle-ear.ca

PCM Services

Individual and family support services Box 933, Gravelbourg SK, SOH 1X0 Telephone: 306-684-0918 Email: <u>pcmservices2017@gmail.com</u>

Shoppers Drug Mart

424 Centre Street Box 10 Telephone: 306-642-7370 Website: <u>www.shoppersdrugmart.ca</u>

X-treme Fitness

201 3rd Ave W Box 75, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-640-8170 / 306-640-9969 Facebook: X-treme Fitness

Dr. Vallee Community Chiropractic

131 3rd Avenue W Box 1689, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4199

Healing Hands Massage Therapy

Owner: Linda Sinclair Box 1062, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5376 / 306-642-7052

Assiniboia Union Hospital

501 6th Avenue E, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-9400

Munro Massage Therapy 104 4th Avenue W Box 1716, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4386

Willow Plains Massage Therapy & Yoga

334 Centre Street Box 1091, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Telephone: 306-642-5486 Email: <u>cathie.santo@gmail.com</u> Website: <u>www.willowplainsyoga.com</u>

Assiniboia Denture Clinic

218 2nd Avenue W Box 1255, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5556

Assiniboia Veterinary Clinic

600 1st Avenue E Box 1386, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4447 Email: <u>avclinic@sasktel.net</u>

South Country Veterinary PC Inc.

424 Railway Avenue Box 2107, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4204 Email: <u>s.c.vet@sasktel.net</u>

ChickenCow's Hearing Centre

#2 33 7th Avenue S, Yorkton SK Owner: Doug Henheffer Telephone: 306-786-7707 Email: chickencowshearing@hotmail.com

Wheatland Dental Centre

520 Centre Street Box 1390, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4435

Let's Talk! Speech & Language Services

Box 38, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Shay Lesy Telephone: 306-216-6169 Email: <u>shaylesy@letstalkspeechlanguage.ca</u> Website: <u>www.letstalkspeechlanguage.ca</u>

Embracing Change Counselling & Consulting

Box 276, Lafleche SK Owner: Debra Rigetti Telephone: 306-472-7835 Email: debrigetti@sasktel.net

South Country Medical Clinic

131 3rd Avenue W Box 2106, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Dr. Malek & Dr. Kahlil Telephone: 306-642-4454 Website: <u>www.fhhr.ca/AssiniboiaPHC.htm</u>

Commercial Services

<u>Retail</u>

Southland Co-op Ltd. Gas Bar

501 1st Avenue W Box 490, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4900 Website: <u>www.southlandco-op.ca</u>

Southland Co-op Ltd. Home Centre

403 1st Avenue W Box 490, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5944 Website: <u>www.southlandco-op.ca</u>

Southland Co-op Grocery & Pharmacy

409 Centre Street Box 490, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-6702 Pharmacy: 306-642-4766 Website: <u>www.southlandco-op.ca</u>

Southland Co-op Agro Centre

Highway 2 N Box 490, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4933 Email: <u>d.marcenko@southlandco-op.ca</u> Or <u>d.antonovitch@southlandco-op.ca</u> Website: <u>www.southlandco-op.ca</u>

Able II Print

412 1st Avenue E Box 129, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Telephone: 306-642-3966 Email: <u>able2print@sasktel.net</u>

Al's Custom Gunsmithing Box 2152, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Alvin Tubbs Telephone: 306-642-4565 Email: <u>alvintubbs@hotmail.com</u>

Kelli's Fashions

102 1st Avenue W Box 1298 Assiniboia SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3202 Facebook: @KellisFashions

Assiniboia Bakery

339 Centre Street Box 375, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5630 Facebook: Assiniboia Bakery Ltd.

Bargain Shop 100 1st Avenue W

Telephone: 306-642-5211 Email: <u>info@TBSstores.com_or</u> <u>www.thebargainshop.com/locations.php?p</u> <u>rovince=SK&city=ASSINIBOIA</u>

Blue Sky Design

Box 441, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Sara Reimer Telephone: 306-640-7800 Email: <u>blueskydesign.sk@gmail.com</u> Website: <u>www.blueskydesignsk.ca</u>

Field's Store

103 3rd Avenue E Telephone: 306-642-3165 Website: <u>www.fields.ca</u>

James Fong Sporting Goods 236 Centre Street Box 1555, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3065

K & J Vending Box 45, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Joy MacDonald Telephone: 306-642-3039 / 306-642-7767

Slice Athletic Wear

400 1st Avenue E Box 802, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-7372

Tessa's Trendz

333 Centre Street Box 1741, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Telephone: 306-642-5535 Facebook: tessastrendz

Timothy Daniels Clothing Company

316 Centre Street Box 886, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Telephone: 306-642-3700 Facebook: @timothydanielsashley

The Village Food Store

304 1st Avenue E Box 1900 Telephone: 306-642-4477

The Paisley Teacup Studio & Market

124 Centre Street Box 1089, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-2020 Email: <u>thepaisleyteacup@gmail.com</u> Facebook: @thepaisleyteacup

Prairie Pine Furniture

205 6th Avenue E Box 792, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-301-0062 / 306-737-0346 Email: <u>prairiepine@outlook.com</u> Website: <u>www.prairiepine.net</u>

Pat's Posies

Box 696, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Pat Krauss Telephone: 306-642-3233

R Incredible Edibles Box 549, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Kathy Rasmussen Telephone: 306-640-8060 Email: <u>kras@sasktel.net</u>

Peavey Mart

640 1st Avenue W Telephone: 306-642-3334 Website: <u>www.peaveymart.com</u>

Your Dollar Store With More

229 1st Avenue W Box 248, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4471 Email: <u>yourdollarstore321@sasktel.net</u> Website: <u>www.dollarstore.ca</u>

ZA Computers

225 Centre Street Box 778, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4106 / 306-640-7787 Email: <u>walt.a@sasktel.net</u>

Mom's Florist Ltd.

128 Centre Street Box 2049, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4777 Email: <u>momsflorist@sasktel.net</u> Website: <u>www.momsfloristonline.com</u>

Nelson GM & RV

201 1st Avenue W Box 1360, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5995 Email: <u>c.nelson@sasktel.net</u> Website: <u>www.nelsongm.com</u>

Vapeville E-Juice Supplies

310 Centre Street, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owners: Roy Ellert & Donna Ellert Telephone: 306-728-8130

Christmas Lane Open House

Box 1829, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Marie Magnuson Telephone: 306-642-7682 Home General Store 102 Main Street, Limerick SK Telephone: 306-263-2010

Winx Boutique Box 137, Limerick SK Telephone: 403-581-7996 **Co-op Gas Bar & Agro Centre** Railway Avenue, Limerick SK Telephone: 306-263-2033 Website: <u>coopconnection.ca</u>

Valet Carpet Cleaning Telephone: 306-642-5614

Financial Services/Real Estate/Law

Better Homes & Garden Real Estate Box 801, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Erlinda & Richard Blanchette Telephone: 306-640-9925

Century 21 Insight Realty Ltd. 323 Centre Street Box 1149, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Dionne Tjeltveit Telephone: 306-642-3086 Website: www.century21.ca/dionne.tjeltveit

RBC Royal Bank of Canada 106 1st Avenue W Box 1867, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5966 Website: <u>www.rbcroyalbank.com</u>

The Co-operators 108 Centre Street Box 1600, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Sonya Hulgan Telephone: 306-642-5422 Email: <u>centrest assiniboia@cooperators.ca</u> Or <u>sonya hulgan@cooperators.ca</u> Website: <u>www.cooperators.ca</u>

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G. Monea & Associates 101 3rd Avenue E Box 335, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5931

Thrive Wealth Management 400 Centre Street Box 628, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5773 Website: <u>www.thrivewealth.ca</u>

Grabeldinger Agencies 309 Centre Street Box 1150, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4330

H&R Block 329 Centre Street Box 299, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5656 Website: <u>www.hrblock.ca</u>

Stark & Marsh CPA LLP

Boardroom B – 201 3rd Avenue W Telephone: 306-642-2242 Email: <u>dcongdon@starkmarsh.com</u> Website: <u>www.starkmarsh.com</u>

Lewans & Ford Law Office 229 Centre Street Box 759, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4520

Mountain & Mountain Law Firm

101 4th Avenue W Box 459, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3866

Tourism/Events

121 Steakhouse & Motel 121 3rd Avenue E Box 640, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4662 Email: <u>121steakhouse@sasktel.net</u> Website: www.121steakhouse.com

Bar-B Inn Ltd.

200 1st Avenue E Box 579, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5552 Email: <u>barbinnsask@gmail.com</u> Website: <u>www.barbinn.ca</u>

Assiniboia Travel Agency

309 Centre Street Box 430, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4445

CIBC 237 Centre Street Telephone: 306-642-6100

Conexus Credit Union 400 Centre Street Telephone: 306-642-3343 Website: www.conexus.ca

Blue Sky Financial Planning

101 4th Avenue W, Regina SK Mail: 207-4401 Albert Street Owner: Grant C. Karst, CFP Telephone: 306-757-5038 Email: <u>grant@mybluesky.ca</u> Website: <u>www.mybluesky.ca</u>

Franklin Hotel

101 Centre Street Box 335, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3377 Website: www.franklin-chamber.com

Limerick Hotel & Licensed Dining Room

115 Main Street, Limerick SK Telephone: 306-263-2133 Email: jasminedeblois@sasktel.net

Wheel Inn Motel

110 1st Avenue East Box 1470, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3308 Email: <u>info@wheelinn.ca</u> Website: www.wheelinn.ca

Canalta Hotel

601 1st Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-1010 Website: <u>www.canaltahotels.com/our-</u> <u>properties/assiniboia-canalta</u>

Restaurants

121 Steakhouse & Lounge

121 3rd Avenue E Box 640, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4662 Email: <u>121steakhouse@sasktel.net</u> Website: <u>www.121steakhouse.com</u>

Andy's Family Restaurant 305 1st Avenue W Box 996, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-2368 Website: <u>www.andyschineserestaurant.ca</u>

A&W

100 1st Avenue W Telephone: 306-642-2223 Website: <u>www.aw.ca</u>

New Moon Café 214 Centre Street Box 2218, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4866

Subway

100 1st Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5528 Website: <u>www.subway.com</u>

Public Transportation

None

<u>Media</u>

Assiniboia Times 410 1st Avenue E Box 910, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5901 Email: <u>circulation@assiniboiatimes.ca</u> Website: <u>www.assiniboiatimes.ca</u>

Fresh Start

In the Shurniak Art Gallery 122 3rd Avenue W Box 2023, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5292 Facebook: @FreshStartAssiniboia

Nash's Restaurant & Lounge

401A 1st Avenue W Box 1524, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4800 Email: <u>restaurantnash@yahoo.ca</u> Website: <u>nashs.moonfruit.com</u>

Trifon's Pizza 200 1st Avenue E Box 794, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-2010 Website: <u>www.trifons.com</u>

Cruz In

330 1st Avenue E Box 2199, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Darlene Corman Telephone: 306-642-2789 Cellular: 306-640-8485

Industrial Services

Crop Production Services 300 1st Avenue W Box 2139, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5942 Email: <u>spencer.bushell@cpsagu.ca</u> Website: <u>www.cpsagu.com</u>

AGT Foods Assiniboia 300 Fraser Drive Box 1687, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-525-4460 Website: <u>www.agtfoods.com</u>

Assiniboia Farm Consulting 105 2nd Avenue E Box 1387, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3316

Assiniboia Livestock Auction 200 Railway Avenue W Box 1328, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5358 Website: www.assiniboiaauction.com

Youngs Equipment Inc. Highway 13 W Box 2050, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5991 Email: <u>youngsaba@youngs.ca</u> Website: <u>www.youngs.ca</u>

Beaton Enterprises 101 1st Avenue NE Box 189, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-8539

Westrum Lumber 418 Railway Avenue Box 449, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5566 Website: <u>www.westrumlumber.com</u> **Swayze Concrete Ltd.** 201 1st Avenue NE Box 607, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3642 Website: <u>www.swayzes.ca</u>

K-3 Contracting Box 706, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Sheldon Kwasnicki Telephone: 306-642-8969 Email: <u>sheldonkwasnicki@msn.ca</u>

Legend Contracting Box 152, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Kelly Pickens Telephone: 306-642-8774

Rock Creek Contracting Services Inc. 130 Dominion Road Box 1832, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Shane Harden Telephone: 306-640-7737 Email: <u>harden1625@yahoo.com</u>

Ager's Carpet Cleaning Inc. Box 1681, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owners: Larry & Pauline Ager Telephone: 306-642-4457 / 306-642-7748 Email: <u>agercarpetcleaning@sasktel.net</u>

Tony's Handyman Service Box 1022, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Tony Ellert Telephone: 306-642-4958

Assiniboia Radiator & Transmission Ltd. 302 1st Avenue E Box 4, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5459 **B & A Petroleum Ltd.** 420 1st Avenue W Telephone: 306-642-4621 Email: <u>ba.petro@sasktel.net</u>

PMP Powerline Construction Ltd.

110 2nd Avenue E Box 550, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3547 Email: <u>pmp@pmpowerline.ca</u> Website: <u>www.pmppowerline.ca</u>

Paul Tendler Trucking Inc. 300 1st Avenue NE Box 1631, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-640-8238 Or 306-642-5438 Email: <u>paultendler@hotmail.com</u>

Bienzon Concrete Freecast 112 6th Avenue W Owner: Bienvenido Acu Telephone: 403-988-8308

Smith Seeds Seed cleaning RM of Stonehenge Telephone: 306-263-4944

Sinclair Seed Cleaning RM of Stonehenge Telephone: 306-263-2021

Reisner Seed Farms RM of Stonehenge Telephone; 306-263-2127

Nutrien Ag Solutions CPR Right of Way - Assiniboia Telephone: 306-642-5942

Canadian Pacific Railways 301 Railway Avenue W Telephone: 306-642-3616

South Country Equipment

Highway 2 N Box 2098, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3366 Email: <u>assiniboia@southcountry.ca</u> Website: <u>www.southcountry.ca</u>

Greg Silzer Repair Services

1523 Wood Crescent Box 1523, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Greg Silzer Telephone: 306-640-8048

Hammer & Nails Handyman Services Box 1586, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Robert Burton Telephone: 306-263-3318 / 306-263-3718

Harvey's Home Centre 104 2nd Avenue W, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4413 Website: <u>www.homehardware.ca</u>

Borgerson Mechanical Box 1076, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Darren Borgerson Telephone: 306-640-8774 Email: <u>borgersonmechanical@sasktel.net</u>

Marlin Fettes Sand & Gravel Inc. Box 722, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Marling Fettes Telephone: 306-642-3825 / 306-642-7817

Flexxifinger QD Industries Inc. 501 1st Avenue E Box 1599, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4555 Website: <u>www.flexxifinger.com</u>

BJ's Refrigeration Ltd. Box 907, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owners: Clayton Swayze & Curt Bancescu Telephone: 306-263-4906

Classique Home Improvements

232 Centre Street Box 546, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-4060 Email: <u>lchogg@sasktel.net</u> Website: www.classiguehomeimprovements.com

Circle K Plumbing & Heating Box 516, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-552-7802

Dave Mihalicz Excavating Ltd. Box 456, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Dave Mihalicz Telephone: 306-642-5315 / 306-642-7676 Email: <u>dmebjs@yourlink.ca</u>

Debbie Auchstaetter Janitorial Services Box 1263, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Debbie Auchstaetter Telephone: 306-642-5373 / 306-640-8945

Joan Bramall Janitorial Services Box 2197, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Telephone: 306-642-4688

DH Roofing Box 1984, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Dylan Harbottle Telephone: 306-642-3396 / 306-640-8743

Diamond Diesel Truck and Auto Repair Ltd. Avenue A Highway 13 W Owner: Clayton Pinfold Telephone: 306-642-3712

NBS Construction Box 751, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Norm Bergeron Telephone: 306-642-7953 E. Bourassa & Sons Ltd. New Holland dealer & NAPA auto parts, Arctic Cat dealer Hwy 13 W Telephone: 306-642-3826 Website: <u>www.ebourassa.com</u>

Michael Pryce Contracting Box 1974, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Michael Pryce Telephone: 306-642-5407 / 306-640-7146

Geno's Welding & Machinery Inc. 600 3rd Avenue W Box 1589, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-5453

Gibs Construction Box 1853, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Damond Gibney Telephone: 306-640-7607

Feicht Electric Box 728, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Jody Feicht Telephone: 306-640-8895 Email: <u>feichtelectric@hotmail.com</u>

Homeboy Construction Box 1769, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Richard Delorme Telephone: 306-640-8885

J.R.S. General Construction Box 342, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Jacques Simard Telephone: 306-640-8445 Email: <u>irs.construction@outlook.ca</u>

Navato Property Maintenance Box 523, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Edguardo R. Navato Telephone: 306-301-0090 Email: <u>navpm15@yahoo.ca</u>

Ogle Construction Ltd. Box 1771, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Dave Ogle Telephone: 306-642-3168 / 306-642-8777 Email: daveogle@sasktel.net

Om Sai Construction/Roofing Box 868, Assiniboia SK, SOH OBO Owner: Ankur Virani Telephone: 306-640-6789 Email: <u>ankurvirani@yahoo.com</u>

Palliser Semi Service Ltd. 301 Highway 2 N Box 2200, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Telephone: 306-642-3836

Nekurak Construction Ltd. Box 1437, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Owner: Dave Nekaurak Telephone: 306-642-8999

Bear Concrete

Box 2, Ardill SK Owner: Trent Helland Telephone: 306-450-2207 Email: trenthelland@icloud.com

Southwood Cabinets & Millwork NW 16-8-2 W-3, Limerick SK Telephone: 306-263-4424

Decap's Painting Box 313, Lafleche SK Owner: Leon Decap Telephone: 306-472-3249 / 306-472-7540

Government Services

Municipal Services

Town of Assiniboia Office 131 3rd Avenue West Box 670, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Administrator: Carol White Telephone: 306-642-3382 Email: <u>townofassiniboia.net</u> Website: <u>www.assiniboia.net</u>

Rural Municipality of Excel No. 71 Box 100, Viceroy SK

Administrator: Sheri-Lyn Simpson Telephone: 306-268-4555 Email: <u>rm71.excel@gmail.com</u>

Rural Municipality Lake of the Rivers No.72

Box 610, Assiniboia SK, SOH 0B0 Administrator: Ellen Klein Telephone: 306-642-3533 Email: <u>rm72@sasktel.net</u>

Rural Municipality of Stonehenge No.73 Box 129, Limerick SK Administrator: Tammy Franks

Telephone: 306-263-2020 Email: <u>rm73@sasktel.net</u>

Village of Limerick Office

Box 129, Limerick SK Administrator: Tammy Franks Telephone: 306-263-2020 Email: <u>rm73@sasktel.net</u> **Assiniboia Housing Authority** 230 4th Avenue E Telephone: 306-642-4770 Assiniboia & District Chamber of Commerce Contact: Glen Hall 501 Hwy 2 North Telephone: 306-642-5553 E-mail: <u>assiniboiachamber@sasktel.net</u>

Emergency Services

Assiniboia Union Hospital 501 6 Avenue East Telephone: 306-642-9400

101 Dominion Road, Assiniboia Telephone: 306-642-7110

RCMP Assiniboia

Hutch Ambulance Service 528 6th Ave E. Assiniboia Telephone: 306-640-9359

Assiniboia Fire Department Telephone: 306-642-4141

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<u>Community Responses to Needs</u> <u>Assessment</u>

Part One: Strengths, Present-Oriented

- 1. What makes this community a great place to live?
- Having family close by
- Friendly people
- Quiet/peaceful
- Safe/security
- Beautiful environment
- Streets are kept up well
- Lots of sunshine
- Welcoming
- Size (not too big or small)
- Safe for children to run around town
- Supportive and active community/cohesive
- Amenities and services (Co-op grocery store, bargain store)
- All basic amenities are available
- Emergency services (fire department)
- Six major church groups
- Legion
- Theatre
- Low cost of living
- Volunteers/organizations supporting the community
- Small town/rural feel
- Farming community
- Everybody knows everybody
- Sense of community/identity
- Good place to retire
- Club 55 activities and events
- Prince of Wales Culture Centre (activities in the hall, bringing in entertainment)
- Good senior care (long-term care, palliative care, apartments)
- Great place to raise kids/good family community
- Many activities for young families
- Lots of time saved on commuting
- Good employment
- Sports/sporting facilities

- Events
- Good mayor and council
- Good schools and child care services
- Lots of recreation/many activities to choose from
- Parks
- Clubs
- Vibrant arts and culture community
- Shurniak Art Gallery
- Golf Club
- Canalta Hotel
- Medical services (hospital, doctors, dentist, optometrist)
- Car dealership
- Two major railways
- Central location/good access to major centers
- Highways 2 and 13 intersect/all traffic from the south comes through the town
- Proximity to the Badlands and Grasslands
- Prince of Wales Centre (provides education and a chance to connect with people)
- RM Excel/Verwood Nature
- RM Excel/Verwood Open space/not crowded
- 2. If you met someone who was new to town and they asked you what is there to do around here, what would you say? (What are the activities that are of the most interest to people in this community?)
- Show them the Recreation Guide
- Direct them to "Welcome Assiniboia" (similar to Welcome Wagon), community calendar on the website, and events listings in the newspaper
- Recreation board's activities
- Sports (football, baseball, hockey, curling, skating, tennis, pickle ball, swimming)
- Dance, art, and music lessons for kids
- Gymnastics
- Library and library programs (book club, art exhibits in Kay Cristo Room, children's programs (preschoolers to adolescents), computers and photocopier, programs for young mothers)
- Family Centre
- Communities in Bloom
- Rotary club
- Tourism
- Browsing ladies clothing stores
- Concerts and events in the auditorium
- Events in the Catholic church hall
- Arts council/cultural activities
- Art gallery and art classes
- Travelling art exhibits held at the gallery and library

- Assiniboia and District Museum (safari exhibit)
- Strong arts community (fine arts and performing arts)
- Fitness center
- Lake nearby
- Many hidden gems and adventurous places if you look
- Restaurants
- Summer youth program
- Theatre
- Gym
- Yoga
- 4H
- Car club
- Rink (skating, figure skating, curling)
- Kinsmen/Kinettes
- Bar
- Fishing facilities
- Golf
- Seniors activities at Club 55 (cribbage, bingo, open houses, walking program)
- Churches/strong church community
- Church events (soup and sandwich lunches)
- Canada Day fireworks and cake
- Playgrounds
- Prince of Wales Centre
- Camping
- Concerts
- Hotels
- Having coffee with people in town
- Swimming pool
- Three schools
- School programs/after school activities
- Hiking in the Badlands
- Exploring the history of the area
- College
- Hospital
- Other activities in nearby towns
- Scenery
- Limerick- 49ers club (crib, cards, darts, socials)
- RM Excel/Verwood Big Muddy
- RM Excel/Verwood Grasslands

Part Two: Weaknesses, Present-Oriented

3. What are the challenges about living in this community?

- Distance to major centers/necessity of driving
- Limited access to some services (specific items for kids, events in Moose Jaw or Regina)
- Little access to post-secondary education (the college is more limited now)
- Lack of competition for businesses (especially the grocery store)
- Unattractive empty buildings downtown
- Organizations competing for financial assistance
- Overlapping events/poor scheduling
- Community is not well connected on social media (fragmented and inefficient)
- Providing services to a large rural population (lost sense of community, ownership, volunteerism)
- Distance from medical specialists
- Hard to resource medical and business services/difficult to attract medical personnel to a rural area
- Not many activities and programs
- Lack of amenities and services for young families
- Too few child care facilities
- It is difficult for newcomers to find a support group or a place to belong
- Balancing providing optimal services and the reality of the tax base
- Discontinuation the bus service (inconvenience for elderly who cannot drive, difficult to get items shipped now)
- Lack of taxi service
- Volunteerism declining
- Few services and amenities
- Difficult to keep youth and children occupied
- No anonymity (everybody knows everybody)
- Volunteer burnout
- Few jobs to attract people (especially if they do not have specific education)
- Not enough high paying jobs
- Too many empty houses
- Leftover rubber from the recycling plant (fire hazard)
- Few bodies of water in the area
- Each group has their own priorities, so it can be hard to get them working together
- RM Excel/Viceroy- No schools or grocery store
- RM Excel/Verwood Lack of intellectual stimulation
- RM Excel/ Verwood Few services (no school, police station, store, service station, hospital, or fire department)
- 4. If you could change one thing about this community what would it be? (How is the way you envision your ideal community different from how you see things now?)

- Make it more welcoming to newcomers/better integration (better articulating how things are done here instead of assuming)
- Make it less cliquey
- Bring together the rural and urban residents to create positive relationships
- Growth
- More advertising about available housing
- More economic activity/stronger business community
- Add more businesses (general store, men's shop, tourist shops, place to buy school supplies, shoe store, clothes store)
- Provide more arts and culture activities
- Beautify Main Street (fill empty buildings)
- Add music programs at the school (band, choir, etc.)
- Schools taking a more active role against bullying
- Add another grocery store
- Add a hospital with more services
- The drinking culture
- Add another car dealership
- More diversity in businesses
- More choices for entertainment
- Add a strip mall
- Change public mindset (need more of a growth mindset)
- Add another gas station
- More long-range planning
- Gossip/lack of privacy
- Repairing assets (fixing the potholes in the streets)
- Encourage people to shop locally instead of going to the city
- More participation from people in the community/more buy-in for events and activities
- Make it more well-rounded choice of activities for kids and families
- More outdoor activities (outdoor exercise park, safe outdoor walking paths for seniors)
- More people taking pride in their properties and respecting one another
- Distance to major centres
- Limerick- Reopening the K-6 school
- Limerick- More young people
- Limerick- Easier access to health care
- RM Excel/Viceroy- Distance from amenities
- RM Excel/Verwood Bring in more arts and culture, and people with different mindsets

5. What are the hot button issues of this community?

- Debate over Prairie South School's proposed alternative school year
- Child care shortage
- Municipal funding (budget cuts, limited resources)
- Lack of competition for groceries

- Excess rubber at the rubber plant causing a hazard
- Switching utilities to self-supported, rather than paying with taxes
- Increased cost of utilities and property tax
- People (especially newcomers) being unaware of contact information for groups and events
- Empty Main Street (old buildings look depressing)
- Difficulty keeping doctors in town
- New ideas clashing with tradition
- Road/sidewalk repair
- Sewer system repair
- Spending funds on civic centre/rink
- Prince of Wales Centre not being used to its fullest potential
- Transient people (because cost of living is cheap)
- Lack of activities for youth
- Need for repairs to the water treatment plant
- Rural crime
- Walkability of the community, because the sidewalks are lacking and they don't flow well
- Flooded housing market
- Legalization of marijuana
- Infrastructure
- Library lacking funds
- Proposal of putting up solar power
- People leaving
- Politics
- Immigration
- Teachers not having the same time off as teachers in major centres
- Limerick- Changing demographics (not many kids, aging community)
- Limerick- Keeping the rink open in the winter
- Limerick- Expensive utilities and services
- Limerick- School closing
- Limerick- Services moving to bigger centres
- RM Excel/Viceroy- Miscommunication and gossip
- RM Excel/Verwood Clash of worldviews
- RM Excel/Verwood Environmental issues (carbon tax, changing farming practices)
- RM Excel/Verwood Non-domestic investors killing the community and driving up the price of land
- RM Excel/Verwood Hutterite colonies driving up the price of land
- RM Excel/Verwood Few young people

Part Three: Opportunities/Threats

- 6. How would you describe your ideal vision for the future of this community? (What do you want [this community] to be for the next generation?) (What kind of Community do you want to live in and why is that important to you?)
- Vibrant, enthusiastic, engaging community
- Friendly and welcoming people
- A place people can take pride in and be involved
- Growth (population of 5000)/keeping residents
- Economic thriving/prosperity
- A good infrastructure foundation to build on
- Busier, more vibrant downtown/beautiful Main Street
- More culture and appeal (especially on Main Street)
- Promoting more tourism (beautiful sights, history, art)
- Stronger business community
- More small businesses (children's clothing, school supplies, shoes)
- More young people/keep attracting young families
- Harmony/unity/everyone working together
- Encouraging being a good neighbor and welcoming one another
- Expanding the K-4 school
- Decreased bullying in schools
- High quality education for all children
- Facilities and services used to their fullest extent
- Green spaces and walking/biking trails
- Bigger tax base to put toward community development
- Not getting too big
- Safe place to live, work, and love
- More well-rounded choice of activities for kids and families
- Another grocery store
- Leaders being more open to new solutions
- Having three areas to access social media visually
- Less drug culture/no fear of children overdosing (especially with the change of federal laws)
- Dealing with issues of drugs, alcohol, and mental health
- Safety for children
- More multicultural and diverse/acceptance of different people and cultures
- Chemical-free activities for youth
- Better social media connection
- Activities for all age groups
- People setting aside differences and working together for the common good
- More long-range planning
- A drop-in centre for youth
- Seniors activities and organizations
- Upgrading arena and pool
- Upgrading/repairing roads

- Higher proportion of recreational facilities centralized
- Having facilities to make change happen
- Repairing housing and facilities
- More community engagement
- Developing more affordable housing
- Limerick- More people (would like 5 new couples)
- Limerick- Maintaining quality of life for residents
- Limerick- Newcomers and young people feeling better connected in the community
- Limerick- Sustainability
- RM Excel/Viceroy- Adding schools, or at least keeping existing schools
- RM Excel/Verwood Vibrant and growing arts community
- RM Excel/Verwood Increased population in the five hamlets
- RM Excel/Verwood More services

7. What are some of the things that need to happen to create that kind of change?

- More open-mindedness from council and members of the community/positive attitude
- Larger tax base
- Fixing infrastructure
- Obtaining more funding/government grants
- Tax incentive for businesses/encouraging businesses to grow
- Government cooperation with businesses and families to support them (council being more open and lenient to new businesses)
- Government grants to beautify the town
- A blueprint to renovated Main Street
- Encouraging artists to beautify Main Street (landlords on Main Street making arrangements with artists to set up their studios and galleries)
- Economic promotion of the town/more effective economic development
- Individuals taking leadership to create more programs and opportunities
- Private, confidential tutoring through the library, to help school-aged children with literacy
- Good leadership to inspire people and change the public mindset
- Among government, a stronger focus on caring for the community rather than living within the budget
- Council prioritizing addressing the community's concerns
- New industry (besides agriculture)
- More employment opportunities/better job market
- Separate division for economic development
- More services (like gas stations)
- More community events
- Better process to help newcomers integrate
- Better articulating values and practices of the community to newcomers
- Uniting newcomers and those who have been here for years
- Better attendance at events (through promotion and strategic scheduling)

- More volunteers
- Getting young people more involved
- Motivation to do something for the youth
- Parents taking a bigger role in their children's lives and taking more responsibility for their child's actions
- Teachers having the support of the parents when it comes to discipline
- More police presence
- Promotion of the town (in collaboration with Grasslands National Park)
- Good vision and execution in the leadership
- Better planning and forethought (Council developing a 10 year plan)
- More resources
- More people moving into town/drawing in more young people
- Action/initiative in the community
- More partnerships and cooperation to get things done
- Leaders (whether government or business owners or volunteer organizations) working together
- Getting rid of the rubber around the plant
- Limerick- Promoting the village and small town living through word of mouth
- Limerick- Welcoming newcomers well and making connections
- RM Excel/Viceroy- Keeping children in the local schools
- RM Excel/Verwood Individuals who want change getting together to change the local mindset and inspiring a desire for change

8. What type of educational opportunities/skills/knowledge is needed to make that vision become a reality?

- Community college classes (nursing, trades)
- Community capacity building
- More community engagement
- Continuing to provide educational services to rural Saskatchewan and stop cut backs
- Better education for children (instituting a fail policy, more emphasis on literacy)
- Council should have an open mind and be informed of new ways of doing things
- Greater value placed on education and learning, how having a growth mindset is linked to success
- Council partnering with organizations and businesses that they want to keep
- Everyone pulling together for financial support instead of looking to the government
- Promoting town by having tourism brochures in businesses
- Workshops
- Showing people what would happen if no one got involved or took action
- Economic Development Officer
- More leadership and creativity
- Skills involved with Emotional Intelligence (commitment to community, service, togetherness)
- Better communication strategy to spread information more effectively
- Better communication with newcomers

- Community outreach (education and prevention of substance abuse and crime)
- For council, management skills and a good succession plan for staff
- Mental health services/counsellors (especially in schools)
- More work experience and trades training in school (maybe in collaboration with other communities)
- Planning skills
- Practical skills to carry out the town's vision
- Trades (plumbers, carpenters)
- Skills needed to restore Main Street
- Enticing higher skilled workers to move to town and work for municipality and businesses
- Open-mindedness to new ideas in the council
- Common sense
- Leaders making plans to address problems
- People should continue getting degrees
- Developing skills like customer service and computer skills
- Encouraging people with healthcare education to move here
- Limerick- Promotion and education about the village's services
- Limerick- Partnership with Grasslands Park
- Limerick- Continuing to use the Regional College
- Limerick- Education on how to navigate change and transition, be welcoming, and how to handle grief associated with change
- RM Excel/Verwood Opening a school
- RM Excel/Verwood Arts and culture classes (pottery, yoga)

9. What barriers do you see that might prevent the creation of your ideal community?

- Distance from major centres
- Lack of people
- People not shopping locally
- Conservative mindset/little motivation for change
- Short-sightedness/lack of vision in the council
- People not liking change/closed minds
- People thinking that the government owes them
- Unwillingness to accept new opportunities
- Aging community
- Difficulty of enticing people to move to town
- Struggling business sector
- Economic uncertainty (some struggle to make a living)
- Addictions and other tensions
- Influences outside the community (regulations, impositions, events)
- No place of connection for young people
- Lack of government funding/cut backs

- Lack of funds to continue to grow
- Lack of volunteers
- Same ten/twenty people participating, so only their voices are heard
- Historical events and attitudes that created division/people focusing on the past
- Geography (having to service many rural communities)
- People leaving
- Decline of Southeast Regional College
- Lack of literacy in school-aged children
- Lack of employment opportunity due to poor literacy
- Inability to drive for some people
- Lack of parental activism
- Leadership being closed off to investors (denying potential businesses)
- Few amenities
- Greed
- Apathy/Complacency
- Lack of leadership
- Negative attitude/pessimism
- Takes a long time to get things done because everyone wants a say
- Limerick- People writing off the idea of living here because of the lack of services
- Limerick- People have to go elsewhere for shopping, medical care, and school, so there's less opportunity to bump into one another and connect
- RM Excel/Viceroy- Population moving to major centres
- RM Excel/Verwood Ignorance/fear of change/negative mindset
- RM Excel/Verwood Finances (Saskatchewan government cut funding to arts and culture initiatives)
- RM Excel/Verwood Isolation and lack of services
- RM Excel/Verwood Low population
- RM Excel/Verwood No school
- RM Excel/Verwood Few young families
- 10. Do you see yourself leaving in this community long term? What would make you leave this community? What would make you stay?
- Reasons to leave:
 - Loss of employment
 - o Better job opportunity elsewhere/economic opportunity
 - Health issues
 - Moving closer to family
 - Education opportunity
 - Unfriendly people
 - If the hospital or senior center closed down
 - The bus service was discontinued
 - If the leadership's vision was unacceptable

- Some major disaster
- Increasing crime
- Getting access to basic amenities and more selection
- Few activities and amenities for seniors
- God's calling
- Lack of medical services
- If children went to post-secondary elsewhere
- Healthcare in retirement
- Inability to drive
- Moving to a care home (limited space in local care homes)
- Not many activities to keep people around in the winter
- Too much focus on the negative
- RM Excel/Verwood Health issues
- RM Excel/Verwood Moving closer to family
- RM Excel/Verwood Opportunity elsewhere
- Reasons to stay:
 - Grew up in the community/heritage
 - Good employment/farming
 - Good place to raise children
 - Good place to retire
 - Quaint
 - Safety
 - o Quiet lifestyle
 - Small town feel/everybody knows everybody
 - Community support/sense of community
 - God's calling
 - Cleanliness of the town
 - Friends and family
 - Friendly people
 - Close to Moose Jaw and Regina
 - Low cost of living
 - Good school
 - Thompson Lake recreation nearby
 - Desiring to help the community
 - Affordable housing
 - Opportunities to engage and contribute/be useful
 - Having roots/being established in the community
 - Amenities and services/town meets all my needs
 - Proximity to the Badlands
 - The sustainability of the town during the winter
 - Winter activities
 - Focus on the positive and commitment to make it happen

- If more businesses moved in
- If there was a greater selection of activities
- If there were more ground-level townhouse available
- o If the town retained more health personnel
- RM Excel/Verwood This is home
- RM Excel/Verwood Invested in the community
- RM Excel/Verwood Enjoy the country life/nature

11. Any last thoughts?

- As foreign investors and large corporations are squeezing small farmers off their land, the government needs to stand against the wanton removal of trees. It will preserve the legacy of the forefathers, save money in the long run, and protect the farmland.
- There is a lot of opportunity and a lot to do in Assiniboia
- The library is in a good location with easy access, but they need to educate people more about online library resources and interlibrary loans because they do not have an extensive selection of newer books.
- Small town Saskatchewan is good, but it would be nice if there could be some positive change.
- We need more events in the summer to attract people to visit the town, like tournaments and community get-togethers.
- Assiniboia is a great community to live in.
- There is hope for the future of Assiniboia. Young people are having lots of kids and being engaged parents.
- It's good that the library is taking his step toward better understanding the community.
- We use the library for the daycare a lot.
- The library is in a good location, and they have lots of events and activities.
- Limerick- We are planning to open a family centre in the future, to provide activities and support for families.

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