



Palliser
Regional Library

2018

*Coronach Community Needs
Assessment*



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**Coronach Public Library Board &
Palliser Regional Library**

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Coronach and District Overview

The Coronach and District community includes the Town of Coronach, the hamlet of Big Beaver and the Rural Municipality of Hart Butte No. 11. The Town of Coronach functions as the hub for this area. It provides administrative (RCMP, medical centre, ambulance), commercial, educational (K-12 school, child care services, and a public library) and recreational facilities (Sportsplex, baseball diamonds, golf course, bowling alley) that can be accessed by the residents of the district.

Coronach and District Statistical Information

Retrieved from Statistics Canada Census of 2011 & 2016 (revised as of 2018)

Statistical Overview					
Community	Census Data 2016	Census Data 2011	% Change	Private Dwellings	Median Income
Coronach	643	711	-9.6	366	\$61,544
Big Beaver	10	20	-50.0	14	-
Hart Butte No. 11	252	264	-4.5	100	-
Total	905	995	-15.0	480	\$61,544
Saskatchewan	1,098,352	1,033,381	6.3	432,622	\$33,684
Canada	35,151,728	33,476,688	5.0	14,072,079	\$47,487

Population Age Distribution						
Community	Mean Age	0-4 years	5-19 years	20-39 years	40-64 years	65+ years
Coronach	43.0	6.2%	14.7%	25.6%	33.3%	20.2%
Big Beaver	-	-	-	-	-	-

Hart Butte No. 11	38.0	8.0%	18.0%	24.0%	40.0%	10.0%
Total	40.5	7.1%	16.4%	24.8%	36.7%	15.1%
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 2006-2011
Coronach	40	0	15
Big Beaver	-	-	-
Hart Butte #12	-	-	-
Total	40	0	15
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
Coronach	85	135	255
Big Beaver	-	-	-
Hart Butte #12	30	80	105
Total	115	215	360
Saskatchewan	177,210	261,210	418,880
Canada	5,239,575	7,576,400	15,827,040

Occupation	Coronach	Hart Butte No. 12
Management	50	65
Business/Finance/ Administration	25	15
Natural/Applied Sciences	30	0
Health Occupations	20	20
Education/Law/Social and Government Services	10	0
Art/Culture/Recreation/Sport	0	0
Sales and Service	50	10
Trades/Transport/ Equipment Operators	95	40
Natural Resources/Agriculture	10	40
Manufacturing/Utilities	35	0
Total Labour Force	320	185

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	5910.1
% 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%		
Immigrant Poverty Rate	29.6%		
Canada Poverty Rate	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 Coronach

Size and Location

The Town of Coronach is a community of 643 people situated in the southern part of Saskatchewan 10 kilometers north of the Scobey Canada-US border crossing.

- The land area of the Town of Coronach is 2.33 square kilometers, and the population density is 304.9 people per square kilometer.

Facts about Coronach

- Coronach was founded in 1926 by the Canadian Pacific Railway and named after Coronach, the horse who had won the Epsom Derby in England that year.
- Coronach was officially incorporated in 1928. After its assimilation in 1928 the town's population hovered around 300 residents until about 1974 when the town discovered they were to receive the Poplar River Power Project. This brought many new citizens to the town to help with the building and operation of the power plant.
- The local coal mine boasts one of the largest draglines in North America and serves the Poplar River Power Station, which produces approximately a third of the province's electricity.
- Coronach is the starting point for the Outlaw Trail between Canada and Mexico and as a gateway to the Big Muddy Badlands.
- The Scobey-Coronach Border Crossing connects the towns of Scobey, Montana and Coronach on the Canada-US border.
- Coronach is a part owner of the Big Beaver Railway.
- There are many amazing things to see, such as taking in a tour of the badlands or the mine/plant, play a round of golf, take in the local festival and meet the local people who have an appreciation for small town, rural living.
- The assessment value of the town is \$52,462,800.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Coronach and District Statistical Summary.

Local Government – Town of Coronach Office

212 1st Street E

Box 90, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0

Telephone: 306-267-2150

Email: townofcoronach@live.ca

Website: www.townofcoronach.com

Town of Coronach Council 2018

Mayor:	Schnell	Trevor
Councillor:	Achtymichuk	Jim
Councillor:	Dionne	Jeff
Councillor:	Schnell	Cory
Councillor:	Mamer	Ron
Councillor:	Adam	Sharon
Councillor:	Guskjolen	Nathan
Administrator:	MacKay-Wilson	Catherine
Assistant Clerk :	Guy	Lisa

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, Town of Coronach Website, Coronach Page on Tourism Saskatchewan Website, Big Muddy Page on Tourism Saskatchewan Website

RM of Hart Butte No. 12

Size and Location

The Rural Municipality of Hart Butte is a community of 252 people and is located in south-central Saskatchewan and runs along the American border.

- The land area of the rural municipality is 841.98 square kilometers, with a population density of 0.3 people per square kilometer.
- Located within the boundaries of the rural municipality are Buffalo Gap, a small community with a population of 2, and the Town of Coronach.
- The RM office is situated in the Town of Coronach.

Facts about the RM of Hart Butte

- The assessment value for the RM of Hart Butte is \$262,460,100.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Coronach & District Statistical Summary.

Local Government – RM of Hart Butte Office

Box 210, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0

Telephone: 306-267-2005

Email: rm11@sasktel.net

RM of Hart Butte Council 2018

Reeve:	Eger	Craig
Councillor:	Thurlow	Donna
Councillor:	Krusky	Pamela
Councillor:	Elder	Randy
Councillor:	Paradis	Louis

Councillor:	Korbo	Jason
Councillor:	Foley	Tim
Administrator:	Totton	Leanne

Sources: Saskatchewan Muni. Directory, Buffalo Gap and Coronach Wikipedia Pages, Town of Coronach Website

Hamlet of Big Beaver

Size and Location

The Hamlet of Big Beaver is a community of 10 residents located in the south-central part of Saskatchewan, 20 kilometers east of Coronach.

- The land area of Big Beaver is 44.4 square kilometers, and the population density is 0.23 people per square kilometer.
- Big Beaver is situated in the Rural Municipality of Happy Valley No. 10. Although it is serviced by Coronach, it is part of the Southeast Regional Library System.

Facts about Big Beaver

- The hamlet is named after a large body of water located 11 kilometers northwest of the community.
- Big Beaver is home to an authentic old-time General Store called Aust's General Store. Their motto is "If we don't have it, you don't need it" – and they mean it.
- The assessment value for the RM of Happy Valley is \$122,302,200.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Coronach & District Statistical Summary.

Local Government – RM of Happy Valley Office

Box 39, Big Beaver SK, S0H 0G0

Telephone: 306-267-4540

Email: rm10@sasktel.net

RM of Happy Valley Council 2018

Reeve:	Lapaire	Richard
Councillor:	Warken	Vaughn
Councillor:	Froshaug	Ryan
Councillor:	Brown	Garth
Councillor:	Fister	Michael
Councillor:	Robinson	Trevor
Councillor:	Vacant	Vacant
Administrator:	Totton	Leanne

Sources: Saskatchewan Muni. Directory, Big Beaver - Tourism Saskatchewan Website, Big Beaver Wikipedia Page

Coronach Community Programs and Services Directory

Education Based Programs

Daycares

Coronach Early Learning Literacy Centre

121 1st Avenue W, Coronach SK

Telephone: 306-267-2099

Preschools

None

Schools

Coronach School (Pre-K-12) – Prairie South School Division # 210

121 1st Avenue W

Box 120, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0

Telephone: 306-267-2210

67-3235 Website: www.prairiesouth.ca/schools/coronach

Colleges

Southeast College Assiniboia Campus

201 3rd Avenue W, Assiniboia, SK

Box 1059

Telephone: 306-642-4287

Website: www.southeastcollege.org

Online Adult Learning

Saskatchewan Polytechnic

Website: www.saskpolytech.ca

Athabasca University

Website: www.ccde.usask.ca

Library and Library Programs

Coronach Public Library

111A Centre Street

Box 30, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0

Telephone: 306-267-3260

Email: coronach@palliserlibrary.ca

Website:

<https://www.palliserlibrary.ca/spm/branches>

Librarian: Marlene McBurney

Assistant: Giselle Wilson

Hours: Tues. 9:30 – 12:30 1:00 – 6:00

Wed. 9:30 – 12:30 1:00 – 6:00

Thurs. 9:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 6:00

Sat. 9:30 – 12:30 1:00 – 4:30

Community Based Organizations

Hospital Auxiliary

President: Lola Gerde

Telephone: 306-267-2022

Coronach Library Reading Circle

Contact: Giselle Wilson

Telephone: 306-267-7424

Coronach Community Choir

Available to perform for various events

Coronach Legion # 268

Contact: Gary Duncan

Telephone: 306-267-6017

Coronach New Horizon's Club

Contact: Lola Gerde

Telephone: 306-267-6017

Books on Wheels

Contact Marlene McBurney, Library

Tourism Committee

Contact: Mabel Shain

Telephone: 306-267-2259

Email: coronachtourism@gmail.com

Faith Lutheran Ladies

Contact: Helene Curran

Telephone: 306-267-2131

The What Not Shoppe

Centre Street, Coronach SK

Contact: Jim Achtymichuk

Telephone: 306-267-7441

Women Helping Others

Contact: Leanne Kuski

Telephone: 306-267-3218

Churches

Coronach United Church

204 1st Street W, Coronach SK

Telephone: 306-267-2229

Coronach Alliance Church

221 1st Avenue W, Coronach SK

Telephone: 306-267-2460

Website: www.coronachalliancechurch

Coronach Faith Lutheran Church

321 Centre Street, Coronach SK

Telephone: 306-267-3343

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church

217 Centre Street, Coronach SK

Telephone: 306-267-2286

Sports, Culture & Recreation

Sports

Badlands Trail Bandits Snowmobile Club

Contact: Randy Knudson
Telephone: 306-267-3227

Coronach Curling Club

Contact: Amanda Gent
Telephone: 306-267-4567

Coronach Golf Club

Clubhouse: 306-267-3300
Contact: Dennis Hicks
Telephone: 306-267-4506

Coronach Hunter Safety Education

Contact: Lyle Hancock
Telephone: 306-267-3264

Terry Fox Run Organizing Committee

Contact: Giselle Wilson
Telephone: 306-267-3260

Coronach Community Fitness Centre

Contact: Flora Knudson
Telephone: 306-267-2116

Coronach Horsemen's Assoc.

Contact: Don & Marlene Mitchell
Telephone: 306-267-4841

Culture**The Big Muddy Players** theatre group

Contact Linda Poirier

Coronach District Museum

240 1st Street W, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-4403
Telephone: 306-267-5704

Coronach Minor Ball

Contact: Curtis Vellacott
Telephone: 306-267-7311

Coronach No-Hit Hockey Teams

Trevor Schnell
Telephone: 306-267-7114

Coronach School - Basketball

Contact: Alicia Menke
Telephone: 306-267-7281

Coronach Skating Club

Contact: Amber Winter
Telephone: 306-265-7170

Coronach School - Badminton

Contact: Alicia Menke
Telephone: 306-267-7281

Coronach School - Volleyball

Contact: Alicia Menke
Telephone: 306-267-7281

Giselle's Showtime Dance Studio

Contact: Giselle Benoit
Telephone: 306-642-5363

Coronach Minor Hockey

Contact: Shelley Rousseau
Telephone: 306-267-7973

Coronach Info/Tours

2 Railway Avenue, Coronach SK
Website: southcentralmuseums.ca/coronach
[h](http://southcentralmuseums.ca/coronach)
Telephone: 306-267-3312 (July-Aug)
Email: coronachtourism@gmail.com

Recreation Groups & Clubs

Books on Wheels

Coronach Library
Contact: Giselle Wilson
Telephone: 306-267-3260

Coronach New Horizons Club

Contact: Andrew Giraudier
Telephone: 306-267-4444

Book Bonders Book Club

Meet the 1st Monday of the month
Coronach Library
Contact: Giselle Wilson
Telephone: 306-267-3260

Parks & Playgrounds

Coronach Golf Club

101 1st Avenue S, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-3300

Richardson Hart Spray Park

Located on the pool deck

Recreation Facilities

Coronach Golf Course

318 1st Street E, Coronach SK

Coronach Sportsplex/Poolside Park Campground

Telephone: 306-267-2318 (Jul-Aug)

Service Clubs & Societies

Alcoholics Anonymous

Meet Tuesdays at 8pm

Legion Hall

Telephone: 306-267-7421

Catholic Women's League

Contact: Gail Foley
Telephone: 306-267-2208

Camp Woodboia

United Church of Canada Camp
Wood Mountain Regional Park
Box 1301, Assiniboia SK, S0H 0B0
Contact: Joan Miller
Telephone: 306-267-3280 / 306-267-7777
2018 Camps:

- Explorer Camp (Ages 6 to 8)
- Swim/Discovery Camp 1 (Ages 7 to 10)
- Swim/Discovery Camp 2 (Ages 9 to 13)

Coronach Poolside Park Campground

Box 540, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0
Contact: Cody Bartlett
Telephone: 306-267-2318
Email: coronachrecboard@sasktel.net

Swimming Pool

Outdoor Pool- Open June to August

Poplar River Community Park

Contact: Greg Reaves
Telephone: 306-267-3206

The Big Muddy Players

Centre Street, Coronach SK
Contact: Sharon Asam

Coronach Kinsmen Club – Mens

Contact: Keith Adam

Telephone: 306-267-2189

Masonic Lodge

Contact: Mervin Colibaba

Telephone: 306-267-3239

Coronach Legion 268

Centre Street, Coronach SK

Contact Helene Curran

Telephone: 306-267-2131

Services

Health & Well-Being

Coronach Medical Centre

Long-term, respite, palliative care, rehabilitation, convalescence, observation, assessment, and out-patient procedures.

24-hour emergency ambulance is available, as well as a visiting doctor each Thursday.

240 South Avenue E, Coronach SK

Telephone: 306-267-2022

Emergency: 911

Public Health: 306-267-5705

Health Services Facility

240 Poplar Street, Coronach SK

Telephone: 306-267-2022

Commercial Services

Retail

May B Sew Stitchery

Embroidery, giftware, and more

204 Centre Street, Coronach SK

Box 480, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0

Contact: Shannon Martin

Telephone: 306-267-2299

Email: maybsew@yahoo.ca

Southland Co-op Grocery

Full service grocery store,

liquor vendor, fresh meat, fresh bakery.

Telephone: 306-267-2030

**Southland Co-op Association
Service Centre**

Gas, diesel, farm fuel, propane,

lottery, hardware, and agriculture supplies

Telephone: 306-267-2044

Coronach Mini Mart

Confectionary, lottery, soft ice cream
10 1st Avenue W, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-3350

Poplar River Pharmacy

Free in-town delivery, stationery, giftware,
Carlton cards, and toys
111 Centre Street, Coronach SK
Pharmacist: Jackie Marshall
Telephone: 306-267-2077 / 306-267-2047

Financial Services/Real Estate/Law**Conexus Credit Union**

126 Centre Street
Coronach, Sk S0H 0Z0
Telephone: 800-667-7477
Website: www.Connexus.com

Nearest Canadian Banks:

Assiniboia: CIBC, Royal, TD Canada Trust
Moose Jaw: BMO, Scotiabank

Tourism/Events**Coronach Tourism****Tourist Information Centre**

2 Railway Avenue, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-3312

Castle Butte (Big Muddy)

Vista point at Big Beaver, SK

Media

Access Communications Co-operative of Regina – Cable TV provider

Restaurants**Deb's Country Kitchen**

127 Railway Avenue, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-2006

RC Chinese Restaurant

Railway Avenue, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-2228

Rustic Tavern

Licensed Dining
228 Centre Street, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-3393

Coronach Hotel

Bar and Hotel, food, rooms, ATM, VLTs
free internet access
Coronach, SK
Telephone: 306-267-2063

The Nook Coffeehouse

111 Centre St, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-7239

Public Transportation

B.J. Bus Lines Ltd.

110 1st Avenue W, Coronach SK
Contact: Bernie Wiebe

Industrial Services

Marv's Tire & Auto Glass Ltd.

Tire Sales and Repair and Auto Glass
Installation
Coronach, SK
Contact: Dallas Elder
Telephone: 306-267-3233

Southland Co-op Service Centre

Gas and Diesel, Bulk Fuel, Propane,
Hardware and Ag supply
Centre Street, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-2044

Crash's Auto

Recycle Depot for cars, trucks, batteries and
radiators
Telephone: 306-267-3333

Big Muddy Off Road Ltd.

Auto and agriculture mechanical services
133 Railway Avenue, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-2140

Rocking W Machine Shop & Repair

Machine Repair and Engine rebuilding
Box 515, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0
Contact: Greg Willford
Telephone: 306-267-7728
Cellular: 306-267-2403
Email: rocking.w@sasktel.net

Duncan Sales & Rentals

Contact: Gary Duncan
Telephone: 306-267-6066
Cellular: 306-267-7741

Clark & Sons Earth Moving Ltd.

Box 564, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0
Contact: Rodney and Jackie Clark
Telephone: 306-267-5688
Email: clarkandsons@xplornet.com

Keith Kaufmann

Interior renovation and finishing carpentry
Telephone: 306-267-2059

Precise Earth Moving

Telephone: 306-550-9570
Email: garrett_87@live.ca

Therens Custom Cabinets

Telephone: 306-267-3228
Email: grtherens@sasktel.net

Westmoreland Coal- Poplar River Mine

Box 599, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0
Telephone: 306-267-4200
Website: westmoreland.com

Saskpower – Poplar River Power Station

Telephone: 306-267-5200

Government Services

Municipal Services

Town of Coronach Office

212 1st Street E, Coronach SK
Box 90, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0
Telephone: 306-267-2150
Email: townofcoronach@live.ca
Website: www.townofcoronach.com

Coronach Housing Authority

31 3rd Street W, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0
Contact: Deb
Telephone: 306-267-2373

Rural Municipality of Hart Butte No. 11

Box 210, Coronach SK, S0H 0Z0
Telephone: 306-267-2005
Email: rm11@sasktel.net

Emergency Services

Coronach RCMP Service

206 Crawford Avenue, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-1830

Coronach Ambulance

911
Volunteer, 6 trained EMTA's and EMT's

Emergency Measures

Coordinator: Adeline Horvorka
Telephone: 306-267-6048

Coronach Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Gavin Perry
Telephone: 306-267-4540

Government of Saskatchewan Services

SGI Motor License Issuer

Coronach Agencies (2004) Ltd.
127 Centre Street, Coronach SK
Telephone: 306-267-2101
Website: www.coronachagencies.com

Sarcan Recycling

Telephone: 306-267-4425
Cellular: 306-267-4425

Government of Canada Services

Canada Post

1011 1st Street N, Coronach SK

MLA/MP

MLA

David Marit
Box 2097, Assiniboia SK, S0H 0B0
Telephone: 306-642-4200
Email: mwoodriver@sasktel.net

MP

David Anderson
240 Central Avenue N, Suite 2
Swift Current SK, S9H 0L2
Telephone: 306-778-4480
Email: david.anderson1@sasktel.net
Website: www.edkom.ca

Sources: David Marit Page on Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan Website, David Anderson Website, Google Maps Business Directory, Hutterite Colony Directory, KidsCamps Directory of Saskatchewan Overnight Camps, Saskatchewan Municipal Directory

Community Responses to Needs Assessment

Part One: Strengths, Present-Oriented

1. What makes this community a great place to live?

- Many features for the size of the town
- Sportsplex
- Everyone helps each other out
- Small town living
- Slower, relaxed pace
- Real sense of community/community spirit
- Children are safe to play with minimal adult supervision
- School
- Health centre
- Skating rink
- Curling rink
- Swimming pool
- Golf course
- Museum
- Pharmacy
- Grocery store
- Fitness centre
- Hotel, motel
- 5 different options of places to eat out
- 2 coffee shops
- Tire shop
- Mechanic shop
- Laundromat
- Car wash
- A bank
- Gas station
- A campground
- Community park
- Friendly people
- Everyone knows everyone
- Quiet streets
- Number of trees

- Town is nestled into the hills
- Volunteers that make sure the programs keep running

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?)

- Golfing (in town and in Willow Bunch)
- Swimming at the Sportsplex
- Baseball at the Sportsplex
- Camping
- Boating
- Fishing
- Community park just outside of town
- Tours of the Big Muddy Valley, power plant and coal mine in the summer months
- Skating, curling, and hockey in the winter months
- 5 different restaurants
- Fitness centre
- Library (weekly moms and tots program, 2 movie nights each month for children, other activities throughout the year for different age groups)
- Coffeehouse/bakery with free wifi
- Pharmacy
- Getting to know your neighbours
- Hiking
- Lots of seasonal sports all year
- Grasslands National Park
- 4 tour companies

Part Two: Weaknesses, Present-Oriented

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

- Limited access to health care services (only a nurse practitioner and doctor who visit once a week, and the ambulance)
- Having to drive at least 45 minutes to see a doctor, dentist or optometrist
- Shopping is limited
- People living in the past and not the present
- People having to move to the city (and away from family) because of health issues
- Having to drive for shopping
- Changes to the use of Coal (threaten the livelihoods of people here and make it less attractive to potential residents)
- Concern of health care support for seniors (long term care facility is small and full)

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?)

- Doctor or nurse practitioner and lab technician here at least 4 or 5 days out of the week
- Get people to want to stay on weekends and not always plan to leave the community on weekends
- Attract power plant and mine workers to live in Coronach, not just commute
- Find alternative industries that are big enough to draw business and economic support for the community
- Find ways to capitalize on tourism (paleontology, history of the area, local amenities like Morrison Dam)

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

- Speculation of the future of the community because of the negativity in the news about coal use
- Fear about the coal mine and power plant closing
- The use of coal for power (people don't understand that the Poplar River Power Plant powers a third of the province and when it is down for service – the province has to buy power from Manitoba and run it's other plants at full force)
- Loss of population and infrastructure if the power plant and coal mine close
- Planning for change in the face of the possibility that the coal mine and SaskPower may close

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?)

- Increased population
- New businesses opening
- Empty buildings on Centre Street filled
- More businesses and service to encourage people to spend money locally
- A long-term vision for SaskPower, not the date of 2030 when Coal will need to be clean or obsolete
- Another industry to support the population
- Keep Sportsplex operating
- Keep pool open
- Maintain the school and health care center

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

- More people moving to Coronach
- More job opportunities
- Services to attract potential residents
- New industries/opportunities that draw in new families and young people

- Get people to stay in the community

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

- New industries/opportunities that draw new families and young people
- Jobs and opportunities
- Everyone coming together to come up with ideas

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

- Lack of jobs and services
- Complacency (many people grew up here or in another small community and are familiar with small town living and might even prefer it or are used to driving for what they need)
- People leaving on weekends or going on summer holidays instead of spending their time in the area
- Many houses for sale
- Lack of interest in moving to the area
- Distance from city
- Few amenities
- Coal mine potentially closing
- Needing a new industry (like a call centre)
- People that won't help with changes or support their council
- Uncertainty over how to plan for the future

10. Do you see yourself leaving in this community long term? What would make you leave this community? What would make you stay?

- Reasons for leaving:
 - o Loss of employment
 - o Health Issues
 - o If the mine and plant close
- Reasons for staying:
 - o Lived here my whole life
 - o Invested in the community
 - o Established in the community
 - o Running businesses
 - o This is home/enjoy living here
 - o Town has a lot of heart
 - o Friendly
 - o Everybody knows everybody

11. Any last thoughts?

- It's a great place to be.

- The library has some events. I would like to see more events happen at the library.
- Would like to see the younger generation volunteering.
- I think there needs to be more volunteers to bring other ideas to the table of how to better the community.

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