



**Palliser**  
Regional Library

2018

# Davidson Community Needs Assessment



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**Davidson Public Library Board &  
Palliser Regional Library**

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# Davidson and District Overview

The Davidson and District community consists of the Town of Davidson, the Village of Bladworth, the RMs of Arm River No. 252 and Willner No. 253, and the dissolved municipality of Girvin. Davidson has been dubbed as the “Community in Motion”, offering access to many sports such as hockey, baseball, fitness, curling, figure skating, dance, gymnastics and riding. Davidson also provides an integrated hospital and long-term care facility, hospital lab, EMS services, area Fire & Rescue services, commercial services, and educational facilities in the form of a K-12 school and public library.

## Davidson and District Statistical Information

Retrieved from Statistics Canada Census of 2011 & 2016

Statistical Overview					
Community	Census Data 2016	Census Data 2011	% Change	Private Dwellings	Median Income
Davidson	1,048	1,025	2.2	511	\$46,741
Arm River No. 252	250	249	0.4	109	\$29,485
Willner No. 253	255	245	4.1	102	\$40,106
Girvin	15	15	0.0	9	-
Bladworth	65	60	8.3	38	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,633</b>	<b>1,594</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>769</b>	<b>\$38,777</b>
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
Davidson	43.8	6.2%	16.7%	23.3%	29.5%	24.3%
Arm River No. 252	40.7	0.6%	22.0%	16.0%	38.0%	18.0%
Willner No. 253	42.2	5.9%	17.6%	17.6%	43.1%	13.7%
Girvin	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bladworth	42.9	0.0%	23.1%	15.4%	46.2%	15.4%
<b>Average</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>19.9%</b>	<b>18.1%</b>	<b>39.2%</b>	<b>17.9%</b>
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%

<b>Ethnicity</b>			
<b>Community</b>	<b>Aboriginal or Métis</b>	<b>French Only</b>	<b>Immigrants 2006-2011</b>
Davidson	30	0	50
Arm River No. 252	10	0	0
Willner No. 253	0	0	0
Girvin	-	-	-
Bladworth	20	10	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>50</b>
Saskatchewan	177,355	125,810	72,305
Canada	2,130,520	4,144,685	2,268,170

<b>Education Level</b>			
<b>Community</b>	<b>No High School</b>	<b>High School</b>	<b>Post-Secondary</b>
Davidson	180	250	380
Arm River No. 252	40	65	110
Willner No. 253	70	80	85
Girvin	-	-	-
Bladworth	10	20	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>595</b>
Saskatchewan	177,210	261,210	418,880
Canada	5,239,575	7,576,400	15,827,040

## Occupational Statistics

Occupation	Davidson	Arm River No. 252	Willner No. 253	Girvin	Bladworth
Management	125	55	85	-	10
Business/Finance/ Administration	70	0	15	-	0
Natural/Applied Sciences	10	0	10	-	0
Health Occupations	55	0	10	-	0
Education/Law/Social and Government Services	45	10	25	-	0
Art/Culture/Recreation /Sport	0	20	0	-	0
Sales and Service	145	30	30	-	10
Trades/Transport/ Equipment Operators	95	10	15	-	10
Natural Resources/Agriculture	35	30	25	-	0
Manufacturing/Utilities	30	10	0	-	0
<b>Total Labour Force</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>40</b>

## Saskatchewan Statistical Information

<b>Saskatchewan Literacy Statistics</b>		
<b>Statistic</b>	<b>Saskatchewan</b>	<b>Canada</b>
<b>Reading</b>		
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%
<b>Mathematics and Science</b>		
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

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

Source: Statistics Canada

<b>Poverty Rates*</b>			
<b>Statistic</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b>Child Poverty Rates</b>			
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%		
<b>Food Insecurity Rates</b>			
Household Food Insecurity		10.6%	
Children in Food Insecure Households		19.0%	
<b>Cost of Weekly Groceries for a family of 4</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2015</b>
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 Davidson

### Size and Location

The Town of Davidson is a community of 1,048 people located in south central part of Saskatchewan.

- The land area of the town of Davidson is 4.49 square kilometers, and the population density of 233.6 people per square kilometer.
- Davidson is situated halfway between Saskatoon and Regina.

### Facts about Davison:

- In 1902 Colonel Andrew Duncan Davidson, an entrepreneur from Glencoe, Ontario came to Saskatchewan in hopes of creating a “halfway” settlement between the cities of Regina and Saskatoon. He purchased with the Saskatchewan Valley Land Co. 700,000 acres from the

railway and the federal government. He organized a train route that travelled from Chicago to Saskatoon making one stop in Davidson en route. With the expansion of the community on the way, he sold more than 180,000 acres in the area.

- On November 15, 1906 Davidson was officially declared a town and nicknamed “Midway Town” due to its central location.
- Davidson Municipal Airport is located adjacent to Davidson, and was named after the town’s founder, Lisa Davidson, in 1989.
- The community newspaper is the Davidson Leader, publishing since 1904.
- The assessment value of the Town of Davidson is \$102,831,200.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Davidson and District Statistical Summary.

### Local Government – Town of Davidson Office

206 Washington Avenue, Davidson SK  
 Box 340, Davidson SK, S0G 1A0  
 Telephone: 306-567-2040  
 Fax: 306-567-4730  
 Email: [townofdavidson@sasktel.net](mailto:townofdavidson@sasktel.net)  
 Website: [www.townofdavidson.com](http://www.townofdavidson.com)

#### Town of Davidson Council 2018

<b>Mayor:</b>	Alexander	Tyler
<b>Councillor:</b>	Cross	Gord
<b>Councillor:</b>	Foster	Jessica
<b>Councillor:</b>	Lockwood	Todd
<b>Councillor:</b>	Low	Arlene
<b>Councillor:</b>	Shaw	Jared
<b>Councillor:</b>	Stangland	Gene
<b>Administrator:</b>	Edom	Gary
<b>Secretary:</b>	Hryniuk	Diane
<b>Assistant Administrator :</b>	Bessey	Donna

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, Town of Davidson Website

## RM of Arm River No. 252

### Size and Location

The Rural Municipality of Arm River is a community of 250 people located in south-central Saskatchewan, between the cities of Saskatoon and Regina along Highway 11.



- It has a land area of 725.3 square kilometers, with a population density of 0.3 people per square kilometer.

### Facts about the RM of Arm River

- The RM was incorporated as the RM of Girvin on December 1, 1909, the name changing to Arm River on June 29, 1912.
- At the end of 2005, the village of Girvin dissolved, and its population is now counted as a part of Arm River No 252.
- The Rural Municipality of Arm River, No. 252 is committed to enhancing the existing agricultural base and attracting new opportunities that will support and enhance the rural lifestyle and agricultural lands, while maintaining the productivity and environmental quality of land for future generations.
- The assessment value for the RM of Arm River is \$196,978,300.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Davidson and District Statistical Summary.

### Local Government – RM of Arm River

Box 250, Davidson SK, S0G 1A0

Telephone: 306-567-3103

Fax: 306-567-3266

Email: [rm252@sasktel.net](mailto:rm252@sasktel.net)

#### RM of Arm River Council 2018

Reeve:	Obrigewitsch	Wayne
Councillor:	Vibert	Brian
Councillor:	McNabb	Allan
Councillor:	Smith	Blaine
Councillor:	Stone	Rob
Councillor:	Storey	Brent
Councillor:	Gauthier	David
Administrator:	Goodsman	Yvonne (Bonny)
Assistant Administrator:	Bublish	Michelle

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, RM of Arm River Website

## RM of Willner No. 253

### Size and Location

The Rural Municipality of Willner is a community of 255 people located in south-central Saskatchewan, between the RM of Arm River and the RM of Loreburn.

- It has a land area of 835.03 square kilometers, with a population density of 0.3 people per square kilometer.

- There are no communities in the RM of Willner.

### Facts about the RM of Willner

- The Rural Municipality of Willner, No. 253 is committed to providing for sustainable community growth so the municipality continues to be a desirable place to live and work.
- The Rural Municipality is supportive of agricultural and non-agricultural land uses while maintaining an environment where all uses co-exist in harmony within the municipality.
- The assessment value for the RM of Willner is \$249,375,700.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Davidson and District Statistical Summary.

### Local Government – RM of Willner Office

101 Lincoln Street, Davidson SK  
 Box 250, Davidson SK, S0G 1A0  
 Telephone: 306-567-3103  
 Fax: 306-567-3266  
 Email: [rm253@sasktel.net](mailto:rm253@sasktel.net)

#### RM of Willner Council 2018

Reeve:	Palmer	Len
Councillor:	Palmer	Neil
Councillor:	Doell	Rene
Councillor:	Manz	Tim
Councillor:	Riecken	Don
Councillor:	Cammer	Martin
Councillor:	Barlow	Steven
Administrator:	Goodsman	Yvonne (Bonny)
Assistant Administrator:	Bublish	Michelle

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, RM of Willner Wikipedia Page, RM of Willner Website

## Dissolved Municipality of Girvin

### Size and Location

The Dissolved Municipality of Girvin is a community of 15 people located in south-central Saskatchewan, midway between Regina and Saskatoon on Highway 11.

- It has a land area of 0.81 square kilometers, with a population density of 18.5 people per square kilometer.

### Facts about Girvin

- The village was dissolved in 2005, and is now considered part of the rural municipality of Arm River.
- Girvin is home to the Girvin Pump house. Built in the 1906, it is known as the only pump house in Saskatchewan making it a Provincial historic site of Saskatchewan on September 14, 1994. The pump house was constructed to provide access to water for horses used to haul grain to Girvin.

### Local Government – RM of Arm River Office

Box 250, Davidson SK, S0G 1A0

Telephone: 306-567-3103

Fax: 306-567-3266

Email: [rm252@sasktel.net](mailto:rm252@sasktel.net)

#### RM of Arm River Council 2018

<b>Reeve:</b>	Obrigewitsch	Wayne
<b>Councillor:</b>	Vibert	Brian
<b>Councillor:</b>	McNabb	Allan
<b>Councillor:</b>	Smith	Blaine
<b>Councillor:</b>	Stone	Rob
<b>Councillor:</b>	Storey	Brent
<b>Councillor:</b>	Gauthier	David
<b>Administrator:</b>	Goodsman	Yvonne (Bonny)
<b>Assistant Administrator:</b>	Bublish	Michelle

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, Girvin Saskatchewan Wikipedia Page

## Village of Bladworth

### Size and Location

The Village of Bladworth is a community of 65 people located in south-central Saskatchewan, 99 kilometers south of Saskatoon on Highway 11.

- It has a land area of 0.84 square kilometers, with a population density of 77.2 people per square kilometer.
- The village is situated within the Rural Municipality of McCraney No. 282.
- Davidson and Saskatoon are its main service points

### Facts about the Village of Bladworth

- Bladworth is home to the J. Fred Johnston house, a Saskatchewan Municipal Heritage property named after its builder, who was an entrepreneur, Liberal Member of Parliament,

and later a Senator. The two-story brick house is clearly visible from Highway 11 and is now owned by Barkley and Tannis Prpick.

- For decades, a rumour has been circulating that it is against the law to frown at a cow in Bladworth. It is unconfirmed whether or not this is an actual bylaw.
- The assessment value for the Village of Bladworth is \$2,422,400.
- For details on average income, age of population, educational levels attained, types of employment, child poverty, etc. please see tables Davidson and District Statistical Summary.

### **Local Government – Village of Bladworth Office**

Box 90, Bladworth SK, S0G 0J0

Telephone: 306-561-8151

Email: [villageofbladworth@sasktel.net](mailto:villageofbladworth@sasktel.net)

#### **Village of Bladworth Council 2018**

<b>Mayor:</b>	Prpick	Barkley
<b>Councillor:</b>	Cerniuk	Barb
<b>Councillor:</b>	Milman	Rick
<b>Administrator:</b>	Sinclair	Sheila

Sources: Saskatchewan Municipal Directory, Village of Bladworth Wikipedia Page, CBC News “Is it really illegal to frown at cows in Bladworth, Sask.?”

# Davidson Community Programs and Services Directory:

## Programs

### Education Based Programs

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#### Daycares/Preschools

##### **Sharron's Daycare**

Contact: Sharron Nadeau  
Telephone: 306-567-8585

#### Schools

##### **Davidson School (K-12) – Sun West School Division # 2207**

Box 699, Davidson SK, S0G 1A0  
420 Government Road  
Telephone: 306-567-3216

### Library and Library Programs

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#### **Davidson Public Library**

314 Washington Avenue, Davidson SK

Telephone: 306-567-2022

Email: [davidson@palliserlibrary.ca](mailto:davidson@palliserlibrary.ca)

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

Librarian: Victoria Martin

Hours:

Tues. 9:30-5:00  
Wed. 12:00-8:00  
Thurs. 9:30-5:00  
Fri. 1:00-5:00  
Sat. 1:00-5:00

## Community Based Organizations

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### Davidson Seniors

President: Mary Ann Chomyshen

Weekly bridge: contact Gord Taylor, 306-567-2818

Facility rental: contact Polly Heinrich, 306-567-4635

## Churches

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### All Saints Anglican Church

510 Government Road, Davidson SK

Telephone: 306-567-2178

### Davidson Community Bible Church

400 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Davidson SK

Telephone: 306-567-2870

### The United Church of Canada

Corner of Lincoln and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street,  
Davidson SK

Telephone: 306-567-3141

### New Life Pentecostal Assembly

326 McGregor Street, Davidson SK

Telephone: 306-567-4238

### Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church

402 Garfield Street, Davidson SK

Telephone: 306-567-2827

### Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Pastoral Region

417 Lincoln Street, Davidson SK

Telephone: 306-567-2116

## Sports, Culture & Recreation

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### Sports

#### Davidson Communiplex

Washington Street, Davidson SK

Telephone 306-567-3015

#### Initiation to Midget

Contact: Chad Allan

Telephone: 306-567-4349

#### East Central Minor Hockey League

(Novice through Midget leagues)

Website: <http://www.eastcentralmhl.com/>

#### Babes on Blades

Contact: Shalene Johnson

Telephone: 306-567-4320

#### Davidson Golf Club

Contact: Ryan Shaw

Telephone: 306-567-4292

#### Cyclones Senior Hockey League

Contact: Perry Allan

Telephone: 306-567-4274

#### Martial Arts

Combination of Karate and Kickboxing

Telephone: 306-567-3179

#### Old Timers Recreation Hockey

Contact: Perry Allan

Telephone: 306-567-4274

**Tractor Bellies Recreation Hockey**

Contact: Rob Warkentin  
Telephone: 306-567-3210

**Volleyball – Adult Coed**

Contact: Kim Rettger  
Telephone: 306-567-5432

**Walking Program**

Contact: Town Office  
Telephone: 306-567-2040

**Yoga**

Contact: Lois Dueck  
Telephone: 306-567-3144

**Culture****Central Saskatchewan Music Festival**

Contact: Nancy Wilkins  
Telephone: 306-567-4360

**Davidson Mini Market**

Contact: Shelley Woodman  
Telephone: 306-567-3277

**Recreation Groups & Clubs****Arm River Wildlife Federation**

Contact: Brent Andreas  
Telephone: 306-567-2180

**Communities in Bloom**

Contact: Stuart Dougan  
Telephone: 306-567-4205

**Catholic Women's League**

Contact: Amber Greene  
Telephone: 306-854-4661

**Davidson Optimist Dance Guild**

Contact: Lynn Shaw, President  
Telephone: 306-567-8218

**Davidson Seniors**

Contact: Gord Taylor  
Telephone: 306-567-2818

**Moms Tots & Babies**

Contact: Chantelle Taylor  
Telephone: 306-567-3242

**Prairie Patches Quilt Guild**

Contact: Nancy Wilkins  
Telephone: 306-567-4630

**Summer Camps**

None

**Parks & Playgrounds****Davidson City Park**

Washington Avenue, Davidson SK  
Telephone: 306-567-2908

**Centennial Legacy Trail**

Contact: Recreation Office  
Telephone: 306-567-2908

## **Recreation Facilities**

### **Davidson Recreation Office**

Recreation Director: Trevor Ouellette  
206 Washington Avenue, Davidson SK  
Telephone: 306-567-2908  
Cellular: 306-561-7662  
Fax: 306-567-4730  
Email: [dscl@sasktel.net](mailto:dscl@sasktel.net)

### **Davidson Panther Swimming Pool**

Hamilton Street, Davidson SK  
Telephone: 306-567-3274

### **Davidson Golf & Country Club**

Telephone: 306-567-4242

## **Service Clubs & Societies**

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### **BPOE Elks Lodge #575**

Contact: Brent Andreas  
Telephone: 306-567-4784

### **Kinette Club of Davidson**

Contact: Melissa Nelson  
Telephone: 306-567-4229

### **Knights of Columbus**

Contact: Clarke Doell  
Telephone: 306-567-7600

### **Mid-Lakes Pro Life Group**

Contact: Deb & Clark Doell  
Telephone: 306-567-2858

### **The Prairie Spirit Trefoil Guild**

Contact: Mary Lynn Golphy  
Telephone: 306-567-2819

### **Air Cadets – 553 Sherlock Squadron**

Contact: Capt. Krystal Klenk, CO  
Telephone: 306-946-9941



## Services

### Health & Well-Being

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#### Davidson Health Centre

Homecare, adult counseling, long term care beds, palliative and respite care; Public Health services; Lab and EMS services  
206 Washington Avenue, Davidson SK  
Box 340, Davidson SK, S0G 1A0  
Telephone: 306-567-2040  
Fax: 306-567-4730

- Public Health Nursing: 306-567-2305
- Lab & X-ray Services: 306-567-2317
- Davidson Home Care: 306-567-2302
- Mental Health & Addictions: 1-866-268-9139

#### Davidson Dental Clinic

Contact: Dr. Abe Chaukla  
Telephone: 306-567-5300

#### Davidson Family Practice

Dr. Lang  
Telephone: 306-567-5550

#### Heartland Health Line

1-877-800-0002

#### Davidson Family Practice

Dr. Lang  
Telephone: 306-567-5550

#### Davidson Primary Care Clinic

Dr. Ola  
Telephone: 306-567-2350

#### Midway PharmaChoice

Contact: Dave & Julie Nykiforuk  
Telephone: 306-567-3240  
Fax: 306-567-3219

#### Steven Barlow, RMT

Telephone: 306-567-3111

#### Val's Massage Therapy

Contact: Valda Cool  
Telephone: 306-567-3322

#### The Healer's Spot: Energetic Connections

Contact: Kara McIvor  
Telephone: 306-561-7811

### Commercial Services

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#### Retail

#### Co-op Liquor Store

904 Railway Street, Davidson SK  
Telephone: 306-567-2013

#### Liquor Store

211 Washington Avenue, Davidson SK  
Telephone: 306-567-4412

#### Davidson Shell

Contact: Jenny Kim/Alex Kim  
Telephone: 306-567-3222

#### Esso On The Run

Contact: Trevor Dieno  
Telephone: 306-567-3776

**Riverbend Co-op Gas Bar**  
Telephone: 306-567-1200

**And Art Gallery**  
Contact: Gail Prpick  
Telephone: 306-567-8267

**Davidson Greenhouse**  
Contact: Rod & Cindy Cappelle  
Telephone: 306-567-2137

**Davidson Home Hardware**  
Contact: Leigh Tennent  
Telephone: 306-567-5447

**Golden Image Jewellery**  
Contact: Debbie & Clark Doell  
Telephone: 306-567-2077

### **Financial Services/Real Estate/Law**

**Bank of Montreal**  
Telephone: 306-567-5821

**Affinity Credit Union**  
Telephone: 306-567-2931  
Fax: 306-567-5503

**Mid Sask Community Futures Corp.**  
Contact: Russ McPherson  
Telephone: 888-929-9990

**Daryl Shirkey Law Office**  
Contact: Daryl Shirkey  
Telephone: 306-567-2023  
Fax: 306-567-4223

**JMR Meats**  
Contact: John Sperling  
Telephone: 306-567-5567

**Midway Flowers**  
Contact: Tara de Ryk  
Telephone: 306-567-2047

**Riverbend Co-op Grocery**  
Contact: Joe Spratt  
Telephone: 306-567-2011

**Riverbend Co-op Office**  
Contact: Roxanne Chomyshen  
Telephone: 306-567-2012  
Fax: 306-567-4314

**Stedmans V & S**  
Contact: Betty Low  
Telephone: 306-567-4353

**Dellene Church Law Office**  
Contact: Dellene Church  
Telephone: 306-567-5554  
Fax: 306-567-2831

**Frier Agencies**  
Contact: Kelly Frier  
Telephone: 306-567-2101  
Fax: 306-567-5532

**Leah Herback C.A.**  
Contact: Leah Herback  
Telephone: 306-567-2956  
Fax: 306-567-2928

**Shaw Agencies**  
Contact: Jason Shaw / Vanna Gay Shaw  
Telephone: 306-567-4213

## **Tourism/Events**

### **C & T Motel**

Telephone: 306-567-2033

### **Davidson Hotel/Motel**

Telephone: 306-567-5520

### **Jubilee Motor Inn**

Telephone: 306-567-3000

## **Media**

### **Access Communications**

Cable TV and Internet

Telephone: 306-363-2225

### **Shaw Internet and TV**

Telephone; 855-285-1105

### **SaskTel** - Internet, Max Stream TV

Telephone 855-531-8845

### **CIK Telecom** – Internet & cable TV

Telephone: 844-265-1521

## **Restaurants**

### **A & W**

Telephone: 306-567-3235

### **Tim Horton's**

Telephone: 306-567-9999

### **Dairy Queen**

Contact: Trevor Dieno

Telephone: 306-567-3737

### **Homemade Goodness Catering**

Contact: Corinne Kenny

Telephone: 306-567-8174

Cellular: 306-567-8173

### **Hospitality House**

Short term and long term rooms

Contact: Berney & Cindy Martens

Telephone: 306-270-6894

### **Davidson Leader**

Contact: Tara de Ryk

Telephone: 306-567-2047

### **Keepers Restaurant & Lounge**

Telephone: 306-567-4225

### **Packet Foods**

Contact: Larry & Judy Packet

Telephone: 306-567-2028

### **Panda Davidson Restaurant**

Telephone: 306-567-1888

### **Quan's**

Telephone 306-567-3368

### **Subway**

Telephone: 306-567-3311

## **Public Transportation**

None

## **Industrial Services**

### **Cargill**

Contact: Derrick Vetter / Mike Hoehn  
Telephone: 306-567-2025 / 800-287-7797

### **Elbow & Willner PFRA Community Pastures**

Pasture Manager: Ross Sigfusson  
Telephone: 306-567-4709

### **Mainway Farm Equip. Ltd.**

Contact: Dale Read  
Telephone: 306-567-3285

### **McCraney PFRA Community Pasture**

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# Community Responses to Needs

## Assessment

### Part One: Strengths, Present-Oriented

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

- Many features and services, considering the size
- Paved roads
- New swimming pool
- Great recreation facilities
- Many recreation opportunities
- Great library
- Several restaurants and fast food establishments
- Reverse osmosis water filtering
- Good mix of old and young people
- Variety of businesses
- Health center and doctor
- Many good volunteers
- People are supportive of one other
- Good friends
- Community looks after the streets well
- Great place to raise children
- Friendly people and helpful people
- Small town feel
- Central location (close to major centers)
- Good size of town
- People are open to fundraisers supporting the community
- Has all basic necessities
- Department stores
- Beauty of the town
- Rink and sports teams
- School is a good size (small classes, but enough to be social)
- People are welcoming to newcomers
- Many groups and organizations
- Religious freedom
- Good location
- Diversity of opportunities and services
- Tight-knit community

- Good availability to shopping and amenities
- Local newspaper
- Churches
- School system extends from kindergarten to grade 12
- Sports facilities
- Many potential job opportunities for young people

**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?)**

- Yoga in the library building
- Recreation programs (ball hockey, baseball, curling, hockey, football)
- Great classes offered by different people in the community
- Great tourist attractions
- Walking trail that encompasses the entire town
- Brand new pool facility
- Many activities at the library (good children's programs)
- Senior drop-in center
- Various service-oriented groups and church groups to join
- Nice campground
- Art exhibits
- A couple of nice restaurants
- parade for Canada Day
- Sports complex
- Nice park
- Good school
- Lakes close-by
- Community clubs/organizations (Kinsmen, seniors, musical group)
- Golfing
- New curling and skating rink
- Ukulele band
- Five churches
- Quilting group
- Workshops by a local artist
- Music lessons
- Bridge club
- Block parties and other gatherings
- Summer reading program
- We have a Moms and Tots program
- 4H
- Dance classes for children



- Many jobs and facilities (agriculture industry, mechanic jobs)
- The library programming year-round
- Legion
- Youth activities at the church

## Part Two: Weaknesses, Present-Oriented

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

- Trying to maintain infrastructure with small population and tax base
- Rising cost of maintaining infrastructure
- Not many activities for teenagers
- Little selection when shopping
- Proximity to major centers (difficult to encourage people to shop locally and local businesses cannot compete with cities)
- Keeping local businesses thriving
- People not feeling like they can be leaders, so few people stepping up
- Everybody knows you, or hardly anybody knows you
- Lacking in the area of welcoming newcomers and getting people together
- Difficulty of planning and communicating with volunteers to get things done
- Traffic from highway and grain elevators
- Many people passing through town and the RM who don't pay taxes but use the infrastructure
- Lack of educational opportunities (like a community college)
- No senior housing, so older members of the community cannot stay in the community
- Some people not being willing to participate in improving the community

### 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?)

- Restoring Main Street
- Adding a large hotel
- Setting up more activities for teenagers
- Fewer empty buildings on Main Street
- New businesses moving in
- People spending money locally
- Having town council be cautious about spending money and increasing taxes
- More community involvement and gatherings
- More voice from different community members, bringing new ideas and passion
- Proper on and off ramps at the corner on the highway by the A&W
- More affordable senior's housing

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

- Increased taxes

- Expense of roads
- Safety of children
- Brand new swimming pool going (some enjoy it, some are worried about the tax increase and debt associated with it)
- Upcoming events or what is happening in the community
- Council spending more money
- Streets and sidewalks are in poor condition
- Keeping the dump open and using it correctly
- Recycling and composting
- Government should realize that the tax base in the community cannot support all of the traffic using the infrastructure
- Poor pavement on streets
- Healthcare

## 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?)**

- Population growth (increased tax base for infrastructure and services)
- Growth of the new development in town
- More people, business, and skills
- A large hotel
- AAA hockey team, eventually an SJHL team
- Growth of the campground
- Many thriving businesses
- Nice variety of people
- Young people coming back to raise their families
- Adjusting some things and keeping up with the times
- Another business moving into town, bringing jobs and young professional families into the area
- Growth of the school
- Everyone pitching in and helping Davidson to grow and be a comfortable place to live
- Car dealership
- Continued increase in enrollment at the school
- Care home for the elderly
- Maintaining small town spirit in the next generation
- Steady growth
- Updated infrastructure with service roads and on and off ramps along the number 11 highway
- More families moving here

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

- Build a hotel
- Have more people move into town
- Good jobs to attract people to the town
- Keep building knowledge with computers and technology so our kids are kept up to speed
- We have to have somebody in town council (who is new but doing a good job) promote the town
- We need to talk to some businesses to promote our town and get some business here
- Look towards what we have first, and try to grow it before looking away from the community
- Make it a place that businesses, companies, and industries will want to come and open
- More young families who are willing to pitch in and make the community a better place
- Another doctor (female)
- More initiative, enthusiasm, and leadership
- Continue to have different community members that bring attention to different areas, such as preserving history
- Update the infrastructure with service roads and on and off ramps along the number 11 highway
- Build more apartments to make the town look more inviting
- Increase job availability
- Continued eagerness of our employees and council and commitment to growth

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

- Bringing the community college back, or tying different secondary education classes to the library to create a community college type of setup through the library
- Keeping the K-12 school
- Programs for children (creative writing, drama, music, art)
- Education on homecare, like the community college ran
- A class on doing the books for a farm, or classes on safety with chemicals or marketing commodities
- Education for kids on the types of chemicals to use and how to use them, and how to keep the soil healthy
- Education to encourage openness and acceptance of Indigenous people
- Computer education and training for children
- Education about different career opportunities that they are not usually exposed to
- Community college where you can sign up for courses like accounting, or care working, or take them through correspondence

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

- Aging population
- Funds

- Shortage of jobs and career opportunities
- Cost of services and utilities
- Businesses wanting to be in the city instead of an hour outside the city
- Complacency/Apathy
- People hesitating to take leadership
- If the agriculture industry declines
- The cost of building infrastructure
- Lack of government funding
- Limited water supply to sustain growth in the community

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

- Reasons to leave:
  - o Health issues
  - o Moving closer to family
  - o If we lost healthcare services
  - o Moving to a retirement community
  - o Loss of employment
- Reasons to stay:
  - o Grew up here
  - o Quiet and peaceful
  - o Low crime rate
  - o Supportive community
  - o Health center and doctor
  - o Amenities for seniors
  - o Hospital and long-term care
  - o Small enough to be comfortable, big enough to have everything I need
  - o Good place to raise children/grandchildren
  - o Small town spirit

**11. Any last thoughts?**

- We were quite sad when we heard that our library might be in trouble. We wanted to do whatever we could to keep it open.
- Our library is heavily used.
- I truly cannot say enough about how great our library staff is.
- I'm ecstatic that we got the funding back.
- The biggest users of the library are children, the elderly, and the poor, and to cut them out would be terrible. There are people who can't afford an internet connection and to cut them off would be sad.
- Hopefully the provincial government continues to fund the library because it really is an asset to our community, and I would like to see it grow as well.

- We're a great community. I recently did a fundraiser and a lot of people were giving me money because they believed it was a good cause. I raised \$15,000.
- Hospitals are the lifeline to keeping all the generations in a community. If we lose the hospitals the older generations will have to leave.
- There are a lot of young people moving back into the community so that is a good thing. School attendance is increasing in the lower grades.

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