Vauxhall & District CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

This Bi-weekly Newsletter is available to members and non-members of the Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce and features information of importance to, and about local business and upcoming events!

Wednesday October 14th, 2020

Vauxhall Ag Society

Volunteer of the Year 2020

Nominations are now open to ANYONE within the Vauxhall and District area!

Deadline is:

November 1st, 2020

The Vauxhall Ag Society is now accepting nominations for the 2020 Volunteer of the Year! If you know anyone within Vauxhall or surround area that donates their time and is always willing to lend a helping hand, please nominate them to be honored with this amazing award! You can find more information in the Vauxhall Advance or on the Vauxhall Ag Society Facebook Page. Or you can simply send your nomination in an email to: vauxhallag@gmail.com

Deadline for nominations is November 1st, 2020!

VDCC Business of the Year 2020

Nominations are now open to any BUSINESS within the Vauxhall and District area!

Deadline is:

November 1st, 2020

The Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for the 2020 Business of the Year! Please send in your nominations for any of our amazing businesses! You can find more information in the Vauxhall Advance or on the Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce Facebook Page. Or you can send an email with your nomination to: info@vauxhallchamber.ca

Deadline for nominations is November 1st, 2020!

Drive-In concert at the Taber Agri plex on October 24th In Support of the Taber & District Health Foundation!

October 24th, 2020!

Ticket go on sale October 2nd at 10Am and the link to purchase is: https://www.showpass.com/big-screen-harvest-party-taber/ or purchasers can go through our website too: www.tdhf.ca

Vauxhall High School

26th Annual Fundraiser

Virtual Online Event

November 16 - 30th 2020!

This year's event will include online bidding and entertainment provided by the students. If you would like to donate a service or item to this event, please contact Mrs. Stober at the VHS 403-654-2145 Donations will be accepted until November 9th, 2020.

Become a member of the Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce and have access to the Chambers of Commerce Group Insurance Plan, no matter the number of employees from sole proprietors to multi employee firms. Get your quote at www.chamberplan.ca

The Vauxhall Friends of the Public Library Society are looking for new members, for more information call 403-654-2895.

Friends of the Vauxhall Public Library

Vauxhall AG SOCIETY

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS 2020

Now being Accepted

Contact ~ Danna Ferguson

403-894-0923

vauxhallag@gmail.com

Nominations Are Open!

VDCC ~ 2020 Business of the Year

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ROWLAND FARMS PRESENTS

BIG SCREEN HARVEST PARTY

STARRING

GEORGE CANYON & AARON PRITCHETT

A LIVE CONCERT DRIVE-IN EXPERIENCE

SAT OCT 24

6:30 PM & 9:00 PM

2 SHOWS!

TABER AGRIPLEX

in support of

TABER & DISTRICT HEALTH FOUNDATION

TABER & DISTRICT HEALTH FOUNDATION
Thrive in the Experience of Giving

TICKETS AVAILABLE OCT 2 AT 10 AM AT TDHF.CA

TOWN OF
Vauxhall
POTATO CAPITAL OF THE WEST

The Town of Vauxhall is requesting proposals from certified public accounting firms to audit its financial statements for the three (3) fiscal years starting January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022 with the option of extension for a subsequent two (2) fiscal years, subject to the consensus of Council. An engagement letter is required each year by the auditing firm. Either party may cancel the written contract by giving notice, in writing, to the other party by August 1st of any given contract year.

The Town of Vauxhall has a population of approximately 1,200 and provides municipal services. The Town of Vauxhall is governed by a Council composed of seven elected members. The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) is responsible for the Town administration functions.

The Town ERP system is iCity software, hosted by Vadim.

Written submissions are requested and at the discretion of the Town of Vauxhall, firms may be requested to provide an oral presentation as part of the evaluation process.

The firm must be engaged in public accounting process, preferably with expertise in municipal government. The firm must demonstrate the ability to carry out the audit inconformity with Section 281 of the Municipal Government Act.

The audit shall be performed in accordance with the public sector accounting board and Canadian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

Services required include, but are not limited to:

- Planning and performing the audit
- Evaluation of internal controls
- Preparation of adjusting entries
- Draft and Final audit report (includes 10 copies)
- Preparation and filing of annual Municipal Information Return
- Auditors report for LAPP Pension
- Presentation of draft Financial Statements to Council for approval
- Technical assistance throughout the fiscal year

Written proposals shall be submitted to the office no later than November 12, 2020.

The Town of Vauxhall will select a firm based on the recommendation of Administration and approved by Council. The Town of Vauxhall reserves the right without prejudice to reject any and all proposals.

VAUXHALL HIGH SCHOOL
"Education - A Life Long Pursuit"
Box 618
Vauxhall, AB T0K 2K0
Phone: 403-654-2145 Fax: 403 – 654-4296

Vauxhall High School's

26th Annual Fundraiser

November 16th – November 30th, 2020

Vauxhall High School is a small school with approximately 200 students in grades 7 - 12. Our student population is made up of Hays, Enchant and Vauxhall students. We hold an annual fundraiser to raise funds to purchase various types of equipment to better serve our programs. We would be unable to make these purchases without this fundraiser. A few examples of what this money has been used for in the past are: projection units, a drafting table, basketballs, volleyball nets, printers, scanners, stoves, fridges, drama props and costumes, and to reduce the cost of yearbooks.

Each year our students canvass the community for donations. We try to minimize our fundraising efforts to one annual event in order to reduce the number of times the business community is solicited for fundraiser donations. All donations are appreciated and welcome! Donations can be in the form of gift certificates, merchandise, cash or even food.

****Horizon School Division is eligible to issue tax-deductible receipts for cash/cheque donations only, but cheques must be made payable to Horizon School Division.**

This year the format of our fundraiser will be a little different due to Covid-19, the fundraiser will be an online auction set up via. Facebook. We will also be posting performances by our talented band / music groups!

If you are able to contribute in any way, please call the school at 403-654-2145. We truly appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

Todd Ojala
Principal

HERE ARE SOME GREAT OPPORTUNITIES IN VAUXHALL, AB!

HELP WANTED

Sales Clerk

Part-time

Must have
Sales Experience.

Please apply with Resume to

FISHER'S PHARMACY

415-2 ave., North
Vauxhall, Ab

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LANDFILL CONTRACT OPERATOR

The Town of Vauxhall is seeking a qualified individual to fill the position of Landfill Contract Operator. This position reports directly to the Public Works Foreman and is responsible for general duties at the Vauxhall Regional Landfill. The Operator will assist in the day-to-day operation and maintenance of the municipal infrastructure, buildings and equipment. The Operator will ensure that all operations and maintenance are conducted in a respectful and responsible way, ensuring that all decisions and actions comply with the relevant legislation, policies and procedures.

Please send your resume by mail, fax or email.
Town of Vauxhall
Box 509, Vauxhall, AB T0K 2K0
Fax: 403.654.4110 Email: publicworks@town.vauxhall.ab.ca

The position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

Royal Canadian
Legion
Branch #193

HELP WANTED

BAR STEWARD

FRIDAYS ONLY

Contact: 403-654-2388

Leave contact number - Will Return Call

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The Advocate for Alberta Business

MEMBER

StartUp

A 5-Part Workshop Series

OCTOBER 20 - NOVEMBER 17, 2020

Presented By

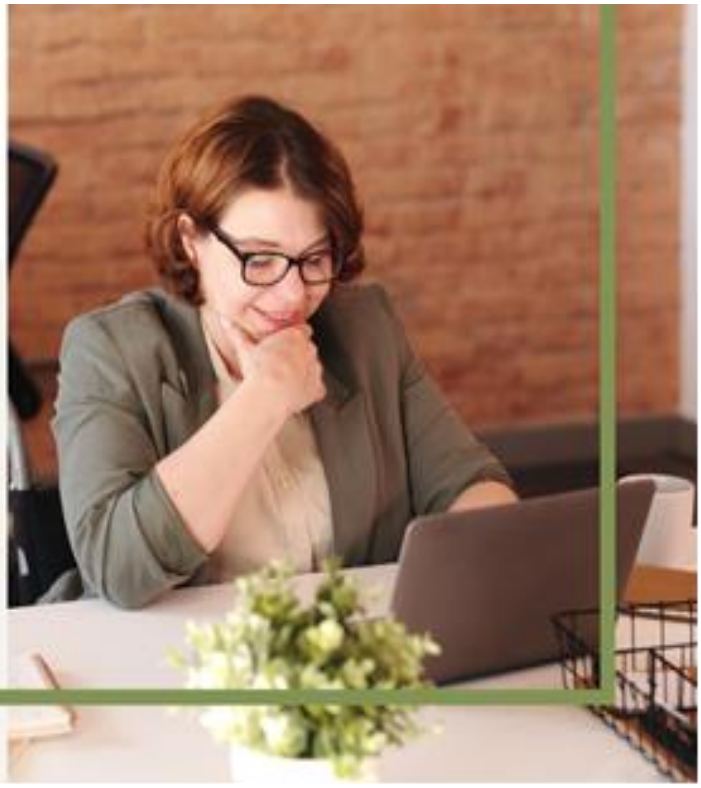
Matt Hill & Mark Shields

Community Futures

BUSINESSLINK

Community Futures Entre-Corp Business Development

Free Employer Workshop Series



Funded by:

Canada Alberta

The Province of Alberta is working in partnership with the Government of Canada to provide employment support programs and services.

IT'S TIME TO STAND WITH OUR Restaurants

When the pandemic started, our restaurants were among the first and hardest hit. Despite their own challenges, they worked hard to support communities, help those in need, and find new and innovative ways to safely serve customers. But despite this, many of our restaurants aren't sure if they'll be able to keep going – the numbers just don't work when so many tables are empty and new costs are so high.

Just as our restaurants have always been there for important moments in our lives, **we now need to be here for them.**

- ORDER A MEAL TODAY.
- IMPLEMENT AN IMPROVED LONG-TERM RENT PROGRAM.
- CONTINUE THE WAGE SUBSIDY FOR STRUGGLING INDUSTRIES.
- END AUTOMATIC TAX HIKES.
- EXPAND LIQUOR LICENCING.
- CELEBRATE RESTAURANTS WITH THE HIGHEST SAFETY STANDARDS.

Canadian Chamber of Commerce / Chambre de Commerce du Canada

OurRestaurants.ca

We would like to invite you to our AGM at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall

Vauxhall & District Chamber of Commerce

November 26th, 2020 @ 7pm

EVERYONE WELCOME!

info@vauxhallchamber.ca
Or Call 403-894-0923
Follow us on Facebook:
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

VIRTUAL MENTORSHIP SERIES

YOUNG WOMEN IN TRADES & TECHNOLOGIES

ARE YOU IN GRADE 9-12?

JOIN US TO BECOME EDUCATED ON TRADES & TECHNOLOGIES

5:00 P. M. - 6:30 P.M.

SCAN ME TO REGISTER

OCTOBER 22
CONSTRUCTION TRADES

DECEMBER 15
AUTOMOTIVE & MECHANICAL TRADES

FEBURARY 17
INDUSTRIAL TRADES

MARCH 17
INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

CAREERS the Next Generation

www.careersnextgen.ca/ywitt

EMAIL EVENTS@NEXTGEN.ORG OR

CALL 1-888-757-7172 FOR MORE INFORMATION

COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR ALBERTANS

PREVENT THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS

You can help prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Alberta. Prevention starts with awareness.

- Practice physical distancing
- Self-isolate if you're feeling sick
- Wash your hands frequently
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Avoid touching your face
- Do not travel outside of Canada

PRACTICE PHYSICAL DISTANCING

All Albertans have a responsibility to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Take steps to protect yourself and others:

- Limit the number of times you leave your home
- Stay at least 2 meters away from others when you go out for groceries, medical trips, and other essential needs
- Have groceries or other items delivered if possible
- If you go outside for fresh air maintain 2 meters distance from others
- Avoid overcrowding in elevators and other enclosed spaces
- Wash your hands after touching communal surfaces such as handrails, handles
- Postpone family visits, friend gatherings, and group outings, especially if household or family members are senior citizens or have high-risk medical conditions
- Do not gather with other people if you have a fever or a cough, even if symptoms appear to be mild.
- Obey all mandatory self-isolation requirements and mass gathering restrictions now in place in Alberta.

Legally enforceable public health measures are in place to limit the time Albertans spend in contact with each other. Anyone violating these restrictions is now subject to fines.

MONITOR YOUR SYMPTOMS

COVID-19 symptoms are similar to influenza and other respiratory illnesses. Symptoms can include:

- cough
- fever
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- sore throat

If you have any of these symptoms stay home and self-isolate; do not go to an ER or medical clinic. **Call Health Link at 8-1-1 for more information**. Services are available in 240 languages.

SELF ISOLATE

You are legally required to self-isolate for:

- **14 days** if you returned from international travel or are a close contact of a person with COVID-19
- **10 days** if you have a cough, fever, shortness of breath, runny nose, or sore throat that is not related to a pre-existing illness or health condition

If you are self-isolating:

- Stay home — do not go to work, social events or any other public areas or community settings
- Avoid close contact with other people, including household members but especially seniors and people with chronic conditions or compromised immune systems
- Do not use public transportation or ride sharing
- Do not go for walks in public places. This includes children in mandatory self-isolation.
- If you go outside, you must remain on private property not accessible by others.
- If you live in an apartment building or high-rise, you must stay inside and cannot use the elevators or stairwells. If your balcony is private and at least 2 metres away from other balconies, you may use your balcony to get fresh air.

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COVID-19 INFORMATION

PARENTS' GUIDE 2020–21 SCHOOL YEAR

Return to near normal daily in-school classes with health measures

Learning in the new school year

Students will return to school daily at the beginning of the new school year. There are health measures that everyone has to follow to reduce the risk of COVID-19 and help stay safe.

While your school will develop a plan to meet the government's health recommendations, everyone will have a role to play.

PARENTS' ROLE IN KEEPING SCHOOLS SAFE

Screen for symptoms every morning

Check every morning to see if your child has any of these symptoms. If yes, they must stay home:

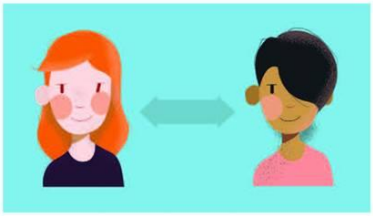
- Fever, cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, sore throat, chills, painful swallowing
- Runny nose/nasal congestion, feeling unwell/fatigued, nausea/vomiting/diarrhea, unexplained loss of appetite
- Loss of sense of taste or smell, muscle/joint aches, headache, Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)

Stay home when sick or if in contact with someone who is sick

Students, parents or family members must not enter school if they:

- Feel sick or have symptoms of COVID-19
- Had close contact with someone who is ill with a cough and/or fever
- Have anyone in the household who has been in close contact in the last 14 days with someone who is being investigated or confirmed to have COVID-19
- Have traveled outside of Canada in the last 14 days
- Had close contact with someone who has travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days and who is ill

> Use the Self-Assessment tool to check if your child should be tested for COVID-19.



Keep a safe distance

Keep 2 metres between you and others when possible:

- During drop-off and pick-up
- During interactions with a teacher, school staff or other parents and students

Pick up students promptly if they show symptoms at school

You will be asked to pick up your child from school immediately if they show symptoms. Please ensure the school has your most up-to-date contact information so they may reach you if your child needs to be picked up.

For more details: alberta.ca/returntoschool

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Taking your child to school

If your child normally takes the bus, consider taking them directly to school if your personal situation allows for it. This would help with physical distancing on the bus for students who do not have other options besides taking the bus.

WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW

Cohort

A cohort—or bubble—is a group of students and staff who remain together. The size of the cohort will depend on the physical space of the classroom.

The risk of COVID-19 is reduced by limiting exposure to others. Staying in a cohort also makes contact tracing easier and faster if there is a suspected case of COVID-19.

Talk to your child about some of the new health measures to help them prepare for the first day of school:

- Sanitize hands before entering school and classrooms
- Keep a distance between others and follow marks in hallways
- Do not share food or personal items
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Tell staff if feeling sick at school
- Lunch and recess time may change to allow for more physical distancing
- Students may be asked to stay in their own cohort to decrease contact with others
- Students who take the bus will have to sit in the same seat every day.

Your child may feel nervous about what school will be like. While there will be changes, the key school experience will be the same as before—they will learn in class with their teacher and see friends.

HEALTH MEASURES AT SCHOOLS

Schools will follow detailed health guidelines to prepare for the return of students. For example:

- More cleaning and disinfection of high touch areas and shared equipment
- Allow for physical distancing when possible, which may include:
  - Stagger pick-up and drop-off times
  - One-way or marked hallways and designated entrance and exit doors
  - Leave space between desks and tables
  - Stagger start and end-times for classes and lunchtime to avoid crowded hallways and lunchrooms
  - Limiting bathroom occupancy
- When physical distancing is not possible, extra emphasis will be on hand hygiene, covering coughs and sneezes, and cleaning.
- Students, where possible, will be cohorted by class.

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Check out the lots for sale in Vauxhall

http://town.vauxhall.ab.ca/

Planning an Event

LET US KNOW

Contact us with details and we will enclose the details in the next newsletter

info@vauxhallchamber.ca

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence." Helen Keller

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