



A committee to serve you

Not all decisions made for Woodlands County residents are made by council members.

There are several committees for different departments which help in the decision-making process of various issues and requests.

One such committee is the Community Services Committee. Its mandate is to promote and enhance recreation, arts and culture programming within the County. The committee is also in charge of Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) programming.

FCSS programs are social programs that are preventative in nature to promote and enhance the well being of individual residents, their families and the community as a whole.

These programs are intended to help people in the County to adopt healthy lifestyles, which in turn improve their quality of life and better prepare them for any bumps in life.

On the other side of the coin is recreation, arts and culture programs. The Community Services Committee recommends each



year which projects, events and groups should be funded to increase enjoyment of living in our County.

Recreation also gives people options to live healthier lifestyles. The arts help to broaden minds and talents. Cultural programming increases our awareness of the diversity of our country. Together, all of these areas strengthen a person's bond to their community and fellow County residents.

Recently, this committee has been expanded to include two youth members. It is important to have all our County residents represented when it comes to social programs.

Another important function of the committee is awarding our six scholarships and 12 bursaries to deserving students in the County. Visit our website at www.woodlands.ab.ca for application deadlines.

The Community Services Committee is faced with no small feat when it comes to deciding which community programs the County should undertake and which should be funded.

However, this committee has been doing a fantastic job at making Woodlands County one of the best places to live.

Woodlands County has a lot of hard-working residents but we hope you take some time once in a while to enjoy your community and your fellow residents.

Your smile for the day ☺

A sign in a veterinarian's waiting room says, "Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!"

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