

Parks & Recreation:

The Parks and Recreation section of the Community Services Department is responsible for the delivery of municipal recreation services, programs and resources. The department manages and maintains all indoor and outdoor municipally operated recreation facilities, including the contracting of green space maintenance.

Did you know?

There are over 7,000 bedding plants planted each spring and 65 hanging flower baskets! These beds and baskets are watered 3 times a week to keep them looking their best all summer long.

Indoor Facilities:

Peace Regional Pool

The Peace Regional Pool is one of the most popular facilities in Peace River among visitors and residents alike. Over 60,000 visitors visit the pool on an annual basis! This fabulous facility was built and opened to the public in June 1989. The Pool has many attractions that cater to our wide range of visitors, from a water slide for our more adventurous user to a steam room and hot tub for those that like to take it easy.

In addition to its physical features, the pool is open throughout the year and hosts a full range of programming options, from Aqua Aerobics to Senior/Adult classes. Other programs include lessons for all ages, 6 months to 99+ as well as Lifeguarding and Instructing Courses, so that you can start your Aquatic Career at the Peace Regional Pool.

Baytex Energy Centre

The Baytex Energy Centre is a single ice surface 85' X 200' facility, and the ice season runs from August to the end of March. Since its opening in the fall of 1978, this arena has been the host facility to many local events and activities year round. The Baytex Energy Centre has seating for 1700 persons in heated comfort, with a fantastic view of the ice from every seat. It also features a separate viewing area for those who prefer to keep warm while watching.

Amenities include concession area, second level lobby meeting area with view over the ice surface, press area, and nine dressing rooms. The upstairs lobby area is available for rent and is a great area for hosting birthday parties, workshops or exercise classes.

Outdoor Facilities:

- 7 Slo-pitch/fastball Diamonds
- 1 Baseball Diamond
- 6 Sports Fields – 4 Of which are School Joint Use Agreement. (All fields after 5 pm at School Sites)
- 4 Tennis Courts
- 13 Playgrounds
- 4 Outdoor Skating Rinks (Winter)
- Walking Trail System – 17 kms (check with Dan on this # again)
- 2 Events Parks – 12 Foot Davis Events Park and River Front Park.

- Various green spaces: including 2 toboggan hills, and dog off leash area
- Water Play Park.

Recreation Programming and Community Events;

Summer Fun is an exciting program filled with afternoon crafts, games, tours and recreationally based activities for children 6-10 years of age, operated during the months of July and August.

Extreme Adventures is an adventure based program for older youth from 10-16 years of age and features several outdoor, adventure based activities through July and August.

CULTURE AND HERITAGE:

The Peace River Museum, Archives and Mackenzie Centre (PRMA),

As a Town owned and operated facility, is dedicated to preserving and interpreting the lives and events of the people in our community's past and present. With a vast collection of locally donated artifacts, photographs, maps and diaries, staff curate new exhibits, address research requests and deliver relevant programming throughout the year.

Three galleries, with rotating exhibits, are featured inside the building, with a replica NWMP Cabin and the wheel shaft of the paddleboat, the S.S. D.A. Thomas, exhibited on the grounds. The significance of the land on which the Museum sits, alongside the river, is noted in signage of the story of Felix Akenum Shaw, the original Métis landowner.

Embodied in these historic objects and exhibits are the stories of our community's experiences, our history, our culture and our traditions.

Athabasca Hall

a historic resource and Peace River's premier arts and cultural facility. It is a wonderful location to host community events and cultural activities.

Northern Alberta Railway Station

This Provincial Historic Site was built in 1916. While owned by the Town of Peace River, it hosts the offices of the Peace River and District Chamber of Commerce. This facility serves as the Visitor Information Centre for tourists

FCSS:

Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) is an 80/20 funding partnership between the Government of Alberta, and municipalities. Provincially, the FCSS Program receives its mandate from the Family and Community Support Services Act and Regulation. The mandate of FCSS is "prevention"; under FCSS, communities design and deliver social programs that are preventive in nature to promote and enhance well-being among individuals, families, and communities.

Programming and services include:

For Seniors...

Meals on Wheels Program

Service Provider for Alberta Seniors and Community Supports

Senior's Fair – biannual

Volunteer Income Tax Program

Home Support Program

Snow Shoveling Program

Senior's Week

For Adults...

Mental Health First Aid Workshops

Woman Wise Program

Suicide Prevention Workshops

Information and Referral

Community Directory

For Youth...

Roots of Empathy Program

Home Alone Program

Olweus Anti-Bullying Program

Family School Liaison Worker

For Everyone...

New comer Information

FCSS Supports Volunteers

Family and Youth Interagency Committee and Email Network

Grants to Groups Funding

Community Development

The Taxi Pass program is located under the Community Development budget, although it is operated by the Community Services Department. This program provides transportation subsidy for the use of Taxi rides.