

city of

Wetaskiwin

PRESS RELEASE

City of Wetaskiwin selected as pilot site for development of a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

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(Wetaskiwin, Alberta) –The City of Wetaskiwin has been selected as a pilot site for a Rural Crime Prevention Project through the [Canadian Municipal Network on Crime Prevention](#) (CMNCP).

The scope of this project is to develop a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan to create and implement a model to reduce crime and build capacity among service providers within the community. City Council had already approved a \$50,000 business case in the 2020 municipal budget for the development of a Community Policing Plan. Administration felt that, as the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan had a significant amount of overlap with the Community Policing Plan, these funds could be re-directed to the pilot project as part of the 2021 budget cycle.

“The Community Safety and Well-Being Plan will provide an opportunity for community partners to work together with the City on this project,” explains Paul Edginton, General Manager of Community and Protective Services for the City of Wetaskiwin. “Through this partnership, a long-term strategy will be developed to resolve a number of complex social challenges that face our community.”

Understanding the needs of the community—by involving key partners—will ensure that the development of a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan is successful in Wetaskiwin.

Keep checking www.wetaskiwin.ca for project news and updates.

About the City of Wetaskiwin

Wetaskiwin is a secure, connected, and inclusive community home to a diverse population of 12,655 people. Located only 30 minutes south of the Edmonton International Airport, the City of Wetaskiwin provides a high quality of life through ample recreation opportunities, diverse cultural activities, and a modernized, business-friendly downtown.

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