QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

# **ALIX BRIEFS**



by the Alix and Area Community Resource Centre

Service Update: During 2025 we expanded our community support offerings.

Programs formerly offered by the Lacombe FCSS are now available at the Centre, to residents of Alix & Area.

Access at the Centre: Launch a Learner (formerly FCSS , Alix & Area Santa's Anonymous and Feeding the Holidays (formerly FCSS .

Tools for School)

More information on pg 2...

Fill a Fridge)

#### PROUD TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY...

Thank you all who joined us to celebrate 5 years since opening, on September 8, 2025 - participants, board members and community groups. A special mention to Lacombe and Area Family Resource Network for bringing the fun and partnership to this day. AND thank you Sweet Crumbs Cakery - The Pantry for our cake and Mandi Peterson for cupcakes!

We are grateful for our community who continually shows support for the Centre and what we offer. We can't wait to see what the next 5 years brings. Stop by to see who is behind what we do- check out our wall of recognition at the Centre or visit online to learn more about our supporters, <a href="https://alixcrc.com/our-supporters">https://alixcrc.com/our-supporters</a>. -Alix Mirror Wellness Supports Society -

# Did you know?



We partner with many wellness service providers to bring to you, what is offered in larger centers, without the need to travel...

Our center is governed
by a board of directors
named, Alix Mirror
Wellness Supports Society.

We employ 9 - 12 staff, with extra help during the summer months to offer programs for children and youth while school is out!

Many programs, events and fundraisers are supported by our dedicated volunteers.

Our facility has
expanded since opening
and houses the Alix Food
Bank and Community
Connections Activity
Centre- which can be
rented out for
private bookings.

Celebrating 5 years growing together, serving our community.

Sept 8, 2025



# **Coming Soon!**

Holiday events & activities for all ages... See reverse for the details.

### Open Monday to Thursday 10AM - 4PM

\*Closed all statutory holidays\*

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Follow us on social @AlixandAreaCommunity ResourceCentre

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#### Services Available

- Information & Referral
- Resource Navigation
- Family Wellness
- Alix Food Bank
- Meals on Wheels
- Community Services
- Adult Learning
- Volunteer Services
- Wise Owls

2026 Events

#### Princess & Superhero **Party**

on Sunday, January 11 at the Alix Community Hall. Tickets coming soon.

2025 Health & **Wellness Fair** 

**on Sunday, January 25** Let us know if you have a service/ product you would like to share with Alix and Area. NO table fee! Hosted at the Alix Community Hall. Contact Jill, 403-588-5199.

#### Save the Date:

Family Day Artisan Market, on Monday, February 16.

## THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

Alix Mirror Wellness Supports Society and Bashaw and District Support Services wish to thank our valuable volunteers for supporting us with fundraising shifts, during a busy season at major events this past summer. We Can't Say it Enough... Thank You!

# of Volunteers # of Shifts:

Ponoka Stampede 82

Carts: 19, Casino: 6 Big Valley Jamboree Carts: 46, Casino: 6

 $\dots$  We also recognize the dedication of those who give their time to continuously support our offerings throughout the year  $\dots$ 

# of 2025 Volunteers:

Meals on Wheels: 11, Youth: 5, Program and Events: 16, Board: 6, Meat Draw: 8

Program Updates

Alix & Area Santa's Anonymous:

Apply at the Centre, after Nov 11. Open to Alix, Mirror, Tees and Lacombe County residents. A vital program, ensuring every child in Alix and Area has a gift to open at Christmas, through the efforts of local partners and Lacombe Kinsmen. Applications available at the Centre, after Nov 11, more details to follow.

\*Lacombe FCSS programs including Tools for School, Santa's Anonymous forms, Coats for Kids and Fill a Fridge are **NO longer available** to Alix residents.\* Please contact us if you are needing support this holiday season and all year.

**NEW: Feeding the Holidays** (formerly FCSS Fill a Fridge) Apply at the Centre, after Nov 11. Open to Alix, Mirror, Tees and Lacombe County residents. Do you need some extra help this holiday? Apply to receive a \$75 voucher to supplement Christmas meal costs (voucher to Alix Foods) more details to follow...

Coming up This Holiday Season

Angel Tree: During December

Place an angel on the tree at the Centre to name & honor a memory. Angels: \$5 each.

Joy of Giving: Anonymous gifting for Alix and Area seniors and adults... Sign-up by December 15, and pick-up your gift by Dec 22 or 23. Donate or purchase a gift (drop off by December 18)!

**Holiday Postcards:** 

Watch your mailbox for beautiful cards from the Alix MAC School in December! HOLIDAY CLOSURE: December 24, 25, 31 & January 1

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This time of year we look forward to our annual **Giving Campaign**, a chance to give back through individual/corporate donations or participating in fundraising events (see below). Follow along as we work towards our goal, from October to December. Plan to join in the fun, all in support of what we do!

50/50 Tickets -

Draw Date: December 4 at 1PM. Sales begin October 1, good luck! Tickets are available online, at the Centre and local businesses.

Winter Escapes Online Auction -

Hosted on Facebook during November 10 to 17. Bid on services, gift certificates and experiences (for example event & attraction tickets, bowling/dinner + movie, spa packages, fun family activities, etc.). We want to get you out of the house during the coming season! Get in touch with Jill (403-588-5199) if you wish to donate an item (drop off by Nov 3).

Proceeds support current and future programs for all ages.

