



## YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, June 5, 2025, 4 p.m.  
Community Social Development  
414 King Street  
Spruce Grove, AB T7X 2C7

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## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**MEETING DATE:** June 5, 2025

**TITLE:** Adoption of the Agenda - Youth Advisory Committee - June 5, 2025

**DIVISION:** Strategic and Communication Services

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### SUMMARY:

Committee members are provided the opportunity to add items they would like to discuss during the meeting, remove items, or change the order of proceedings.

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### PROPOSED MOTION:

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

### BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The agenda sets the course of action for the meeting. This ensures the business of the day is followed through and completed as required.

The agenda is approved by a motion of the Committee and must be passed by a majority of the members present. Once the agenda is approved, no further changes may be made unless approved by the majority of the Committee members present.

### OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

### CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

n/a

**IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:**

n/a

**IMPACTS:**

n/a

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

n/a



## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**MEETING DATE:** June 5, 2025

**TITLE:** Minutes - Youth Advisory Committee - May 1, 2025

**DIVISION:** Strategic and Communication Services

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### **SUMMARY:**

The minutes of the previous Youth Advisory Committee meeting are placed on the agenda for approval.

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### **PROPOSED MOTION:**

THAT the May 1, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved as presented.

### **BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:**

The Youth Advisory Committee minutes are the official written record of the actions that took place during the meeting; a snapshot of the decisions that the Committee made and the outcome of the vote.

The minutes are written without notes or transcribing of discussions that may have taken place during an agenda item.

Committee members review the minutes prior to the meeting to review for any changes that may need to be made. A motion for an amendment is required if an error has been noted. If there are no amendments to the minutes, a motion to approve the minutes as presented is made by a member of the Committee. The minutes are signed by the Chair and the Recording Secretary.

A copy of the minutes will be included in a future Regular Council Meeting agenda package.

**OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:**

THAT the May 1, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved as amended.

**CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:**

n/a

**IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:**

n/a

**IMPACTS:**

n/a

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

n/a



**THE CITY OF SPRUCE GROVE**

**Minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee**

**May 1, 2025, 4 p.m.**

**Community Engagement Space**

**414 King Street**

**Spruce Grove, AB T7X 2C7**

Members Present:

- Hannah Dunbar, Chair
- Cole Cochrane, Vice-Chair
- Cara Nicholls
- Dylan Yee
- Havana Sinclair
- Isabella Quitanilla
- Jasmeet Pujji
- Joaquin Tabulog
- Meagan Tokar
- Sierra Manning
- Councillor Oldham
- Councillor Stevenson

Members Absent:

- Rowan Johnson

Also in Attendance:

- Deborah Comfort, Director of Recreation and Culture
- Ariane Lacelle, Community Development Coordinator

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Corrie Priebe, Strategic Initiatives Lead  
Sarah Pocklington, Community Development and Support Facilitator  
Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison  
Laura Hall, Deputy City Clerk  
Nicole Hitchens, Recording Secretary

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Hannah Dunbar called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

**1.1 Land Acknowledgment**

Cole Cochrane, Vice-Chair, provided the Land Acknowledgment.

**1.2 Icebreaker Activity**

Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison, led the Icebreaker Activity.

**2. AGENDA**

**2.1 Adoption of the Agenda - Youth Advisory Committee - May 1, 2025**

**Resolution:** YAC-022-25

**Moved by:** Joaquin Tabulog

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

**Unanimously Carried**

**3. MINUTES**

**3.1 Approval of Minutes - Youth Advisory Committee - March 13, 2025**

**Resolution:** YAC-023-25

**Moved by:** Havana Sinclair

THAT the March 13, 2025 Youth Advisory Committee meeting minutes be approved as presented.

**Unanimously Carried**



#### **4. DELEGATIONS**

##### **4.1 Community Development Framework**

Chair Hannah Dunbar introduced Ariane Lacelle, Community Development Coordinator, and Sarah Pocklington, Community Development and Support Facilitator - Arts, Culture, and Heritage.

Ariane Lacelle and Sarah Pocklington provided a presentation on the Community Development Framework.

Committee thanked Ariane Lacelle and Sarah Pocklington for the presentation.

##### **4.2 Recreation and Culture Fees and Charges Framework and Allocation Principles - Engagement**

Chair Hannah Dunbar introduced Deb Comfort, Director of Recreation and Culture, Corrie Priebe, Strategic Initiatives Lead, and Meaghan Carey, RC Strategies.

Meagan Carey provided a presentation on the Recreation and Culture Fees and Charges Framework and Allocation Principles.

The Committee participated in an interactive activity to share feedback.

Committee thanked Deb Comfort, Corrie Priebe, and Meaghan Carey for the presentation.

Chair Hannah Dunbar called a recess at 5:24 p.m.

Chair Hannah Dunbar reconvened the meeting at 5:29 p.m.

#### **5. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES**

##### **5.1 2025 Spruce Up Spruce Grove - Update and Attendance**

Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison, provided an update on Spruce Up Spruce Grove - Update and Attendance.

Committee thanked Annemarie Bakalech for the presentation.

#### **6. BUSINESS ITEMS**

##### **6.1 Youth Advisory Committee - Key Messages Approval**

Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison, provided a presentation on the Youth Advisory Committee - Key Messages Approval.

Committee thanked Annemarie Bakalech for the presentation.

**Resolution:** YAC-024-25

**Moved by:** Dylan Yee

THAT the Youth Advisory Committee approve the key messages and promotional material as presented.

**Unanimously Carried**

6.2 2025 Canada Day Youth Advisory Committee Booth Discussion

Annemarie Bakalech, Administrative Liaison, provided a presentation on the 2025 Canada Day Youth Advisory Committee Booth Discussion.

Committee thanked Annemarie Bakalech for the presentation.

**7. INFORMATION ITEMS**

7.1 Committee Member Updates - Roundtable

No Committee Member Updates were shared.

7.2 Councillor Updates

Councillor Oldham provided an update that he will not be running for Council in the fall.

Councillor Stevenson provided an update on Heavy Metal Place and provided YAC members with an invitation to the Grand Opening on May 10, 2025.

Chair Hannah Dunbar thanked Councillors Oldham and Stevenson for the updates.

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

There was no Closed Session on the agenda.

**9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION**

There was no Business Arising from Closed Session.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

10.1 Adjournment - Youth Advisory Committee - May 1, 2025

**Resolution:** YAC-025-25

**Moved by:** Cara Nicholls

THAT the Youth Advisory Committee adjourn at 6:01 p.m.

**Unanimously Carried**

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Hannah Dunbar, Chair

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Nicole Hitchens, Recording Secretary

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Date Signed



## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**MEETING DATE:** June 5, 2025

**TITLE:** 2024 Social Impact Report - Community Social Development Presentation to the Youth Advisory Committee

**DIVISION:** Community and Protective Services

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### SUMMARY:

The 2024 Social Impact Report is a summary of work completed in 2024 by the Community Social Development department and is shared with the Youth Advisory Committee for information purposes.

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### PROPOSED MOTION:

A motion is not required.

### BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

Annually, Community Social Development (CSD) provides the Family Community Support Services Association of Alberta (FCSSAA) a report that meets the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Program legislation and, as an addendum to this requirement, a report that speaks to outputs and outcomes associated with our local program. This additional report is also used to provide Council and Administration with highlights of the work achieved, and as appropriate is shared with community partners.

### OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

**CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:**

This report is shared with various community partners and acts as an annual update to the Social Sustainability Plan as well.

**IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:**

The report will be posted on the City's website.

**IMPACTS:**

n/a

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

n/a

# Social Impact Report

Community Social Development  
2024



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The City of Spruce Grove is honoured to acknowledge the land we work, play, and make our homes on as Treaty 6 territory, and the Métis Homeland.

This is sacred land that holds the hearts, footsteps and spirits of many First Nation, Métis and Inuit Peoples, and in particular, Paul First Nation, Enoch Cree Nation, Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation, Michel First Nation, Alexander First Nation, the Lac Ste. Anne Métis, and Métis Nation of Alberta District 8.

We recognize and acknowledge Indigenous values, traditional teachings, ways of being, contributions, and historical inequities. The City is dedicated to Truth and Reconciliation to help in healing, and learning to build reciprocal and trusted relationships.

We commit towards strengthening relations and building bridges with the Indigenous Nations whose traditional territories the City is located within.

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**Vision:**  
Spruce Grove is an inclusive, thriving community where residents are empowered, resilient and experience belonging.

**Mission:**  
Fostering social wellbeing through information, collaboration, capacity building, and engagement by supporting community, organizations, and individuals towards enhanced quality of life.

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## Message from the Director

It is my pleasure to share Community Social Development's (FCSS) 2024 Social Impact Report.

I am incredibly proud of the accomplishments of staff, volunteers, practicum students, community partners and residents.

The collective work, effort, passion, and unwavering support has had a positive impact on the community, and I am excited at what lies ahead. Built on the integrity of relationships, our department is poised to enhance the well-being of individuals, families and community.

Our commitment to prevention, early intervention and timely support fosters positive change and will continue to be vital as we navigate difficult social times. I look forward to celebrating positive change in community, and as always, will look to our community to be part of the solution.

Respectfully,



Scott Rodda, Director  
Community Social Development

## Department Staffing Listing

Scott Rodda, Director

Danielle Peyton, Manager of  
Community Strategies

Annemarie Bakalech,  
Supervisor of Community  
Development

Ariane Lacelle, Community  
Development Coordinator

Carrie Demkiw, Community  
Development Coordinator

Brenna Gavel Murphy,  
Supervisor of Outreach  
Programming

Riley Bates, Community  
Outreach Worker

Marina Tran, Community  
Outreach Worker

Kirsten Ibsen, Community  
Outreach Worker

Shawn Cuff, Community  
Peace Officer

Emilee Neilson, Manager of  
Individual & Family Support  
Services

Natasha Jellow, Community  
Social Worker

Kalie Dutchak,  
Community Social Worker &  
Elder Abuse Case Manager

Lynne Bossmann, Community  
Social Worker & Regional  
Housing Coordinator

Lindsey Dudgeon,  
Community Counsellor

Shelley Tunney, Supervisor of  
Strategic Initiatives

Voirrey Manning, Office  
Coordinator

Miriam Gordon, Office  
Coordinator

Nicole Lavigne and Brenda  
Smith, Practicum Students  
and Volunteers

## Department Structure and Mandate

The Community Social Development (CSD) department is divided into two primary units/ areas, each having distinct functions. The department is more than just FCSS funded services.



### Individual & Family Support Services

**Bridging Connections:**  
Provision of information, referral, navigation, counselling, and specialized social well-being supports.

**Community Outreach:**  
Supports for vulnerable residents who require targeted resources to address their unique needs (such as housing, mental health, and addictions).

### Community Strategies

**Community Development:**  
Facilitation of civic participation, non-profit development and volunteerism. Programs and services that enhance connections and sense of belonging.

**Strategic Initiatives:**  
Oversight of grant administration, alignment of local and provincial strategic plans and accountability to outcomes.



## Social Sustainability Plan

Social Sustainability Plan - Refresh 2023 continues to be a document that guides our work and aligns well to the priorities of Council and the Provincial Government.

Five key areas were identified:

- Community Connection and Belonging,
- Domestic Violence/Abuse,
- Mental Health and Addiction,
- Meeting Basic needs, and
- Living without Shelter.

Across these areas, 7 goals that were identified with a total of 16 objectives and 41 action statements.

Community Social Development is largely funded through the Provincial FCSS Program which is focused on prevention; and as aligned to provincial prevention priorities, speaks to one of:

- Promote and encourage active engagement in the community,
- Foster a sense of belonging,
- Promote social inclusion,
- Develop and maintain healthy relationships,
- Enhances access to social supports; and,
- Develop and strengthen skills that build resilience.

The key to our department is to ensure we are addressing social issues using a variety of services and programs along the prevention continuum.

Tracking Progress on the

## 41 action statements

**22 actions**  
Complete/Ongoing

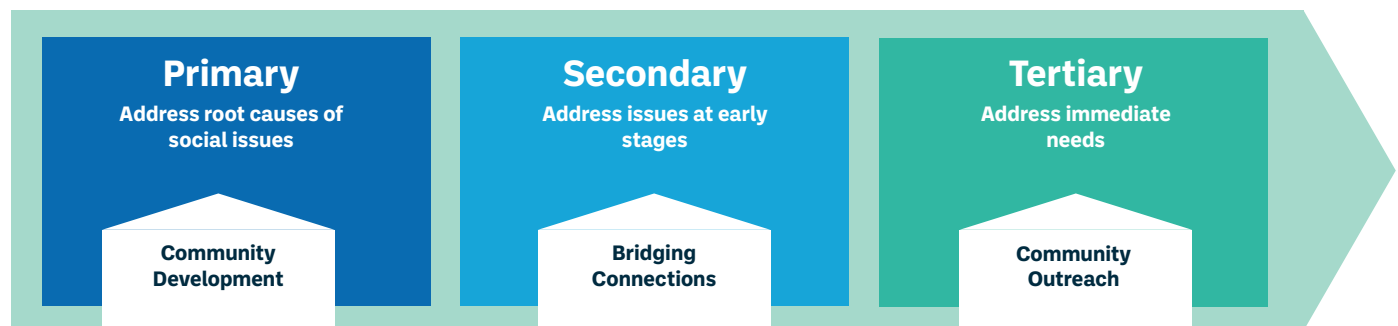
**53.7%**

**17 actions**  
In Progress

**41.5%**

**1 action**  
Not Started **2.4%**

**1 action**  
Revised Action **2.4%**



FCSS funding focuses on primary and secondary prevention services and through external grants and support from Council also address issues from a tertiary lens, often thought of as intervention.

# 2024 Highlights

In March 2024, the CSD department moved to a more accessible space with dedicated community space that will foster greater engagement, enhance connections, and provide enriched programming opportunities for the community.

- 711 **free tax returns** completed
- 853 **Subsidized Home Support Hours**
- 303 **counselling sessions** provided (internally plus through contracted provider)
- 135 participants in the City's first "Hey Neighbour" community event
- 125 Participants attended the International Day of Persons with Disabilities Event
- Enhanced **volunteer program**, including supporting 1500 volunteer/student hours through 2024.
- The Community Outreach team's first full year of operations supported a 50% reduction of related enforcement files.

## Don't Just Survive, THRIVE Non-Profit Conference

City of Spruce Grove Recreation and Culture and Community Social Development departments collaborated with Parkland County and Town of Stony Plain to host a regional Non-Profit Conference.

It was a resounding success, providing an opportunity for networking, learning and connection to many supports and resources participants may not have previously known about.



**84 Engaged  
Participants  
representing  
40 dedicated  
non-profit  
organizations  
attended!**



International Day of Persons with Disabilities Event



CSD Department Engagement Space

# Community Connection and Belonging

**Investment: \$235,900**

Research supports that people who are most in need are the least likely to have support from friends, family, and the community, highlighting the importance of community connection and belonging.

In 2024, CSD remained dedicated to fostering community connection and belonging by both enhancing existing programs and exploring innovative approaches to help neighbors build stronger connections.

**Neighbourhood engagement programming including Block Parties and “Hey Neighbour” involved more than 1400 Spruce Grove Residents.**

*“I have lived in this area for over 20 years and finally know some of my neighbours, so nice to have this opportunity”*

-Spruce Grove Resident



“Connected communities foster a sense of belonging. Together, we establish connections and build capacity to celebrate diversity within our community. By working together on common issues and opportunities, we can cultivate a strong sense of community. An inclusive approach and reducing barriers are components of community connection and belonging”

Social Sustainability Plan Update  
– 2023, page 7

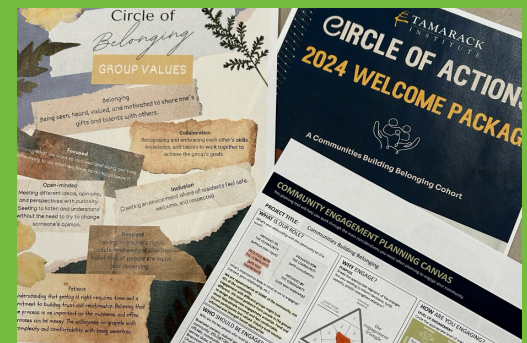
## Circle of Belonging

A diverse group of residents, initially strangers, embarked on a seven-month community development learning journey. Through sharing personal stories and valuing each other’s perspectives, they created strong relationships. These connections are now driving meaningful actions to enhance the sense of belonging for all Spruce Grove residents.

One Circle of Belonging member shared why this journey has been meaningful to him:

*“The work in Circle of Belonging has highlighted for me just how great Spruce Grove is, and how important it is that every resident gets to fully experience it.”*

*I’ve understood the intentionality required to connect people with each other and the benefit we all experience when we are well connected.”*



# Domestic Violence/Abuse

**Investment: \$104,130**

**Estimates show that in Alberta, as much as \$20 can be saved for every dollar invested in preventing family violence.**

The department's frontline workers provided over 60 instances of support to local residents experiencing domestic violence.

The Department continued its support of the Finding Our Voices Peer Support program, facilitated by two local individuals with lived experience. It also provided \$30,000 in grant funding to Parkland Turning Points Society (PTPS) and The Today Centre to deliver services for individuals affected by domestic violence and abuse, including emotional, psychological, and practical supports. Emotional and psychological services reached 48 Spruce Grove residents and 25 in Parkland County.

"Everyone should be able to live free from fear in all aspects of their life. Incidents of domestic violence and abuse are comparatively high per capita in the Tri-Municipal Region and the community has continually identified this as a significant concern. A collaborative approach to the prevention, intervention, and recovery from domestic abuse is required to ensure physical and psychological safety in all relationships"

Social Sustainability Plan Refresh  
– 2023, p. 7

## Family Violence Community Initiatives

On November 20th, CSD and five Tri-Municipal Region partners hosted a film screening and panel discussion at Landmark Cinemas in Spruce Grove for Family Violence Prevention Month, aiming to raise awareness, support affected residents, and educate the public on family violence and available resources.

In addition to this event, the department continues to support the Domestic Abuse Regional Collaborative, a group of 10 organizations and individuals with lived experience, working together to advance coordinated regional efforts to effectively address domestic abuse.



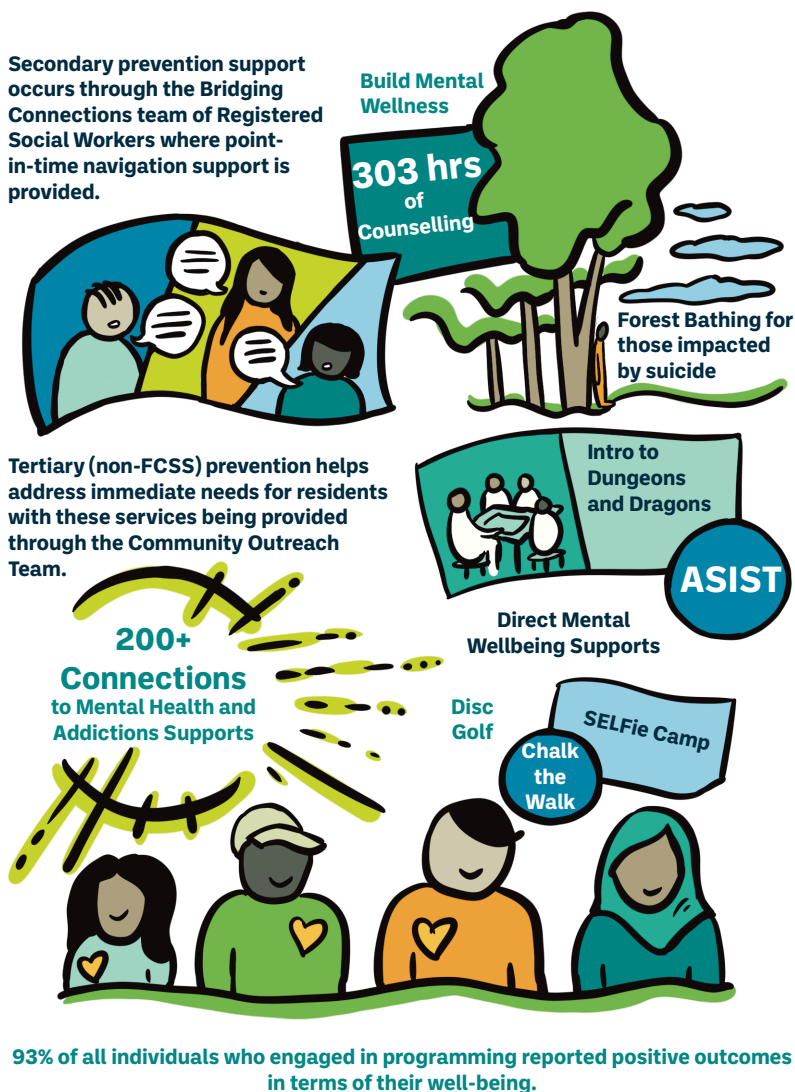


# Mental Health and Addictions

**Investment: \$238,310**

**Research shows that for every \$1 spent on prevention of mental illness and addictions, up to \$17 can be saved.**

The Community Social Development Department supports residents experiencing mental health and addictions struggles through primary prevention, which includes preventative programming targeted at the root cause of these challenges.



“Supporting mental health is essential to individual well-being, as well as that of the community. This requires understanding the mental health needs of residents, the availability of access to services, and the gaps in service delivery to ensure all residents can access the supports they need”

Social Sustainability Plan Refresh  
– 2023, p. 7

In 2024, the Community Outreach team provided 86 instances of support to an individual experiencing significant barriers due to untreated mental health concerns, which resulted in their increased vulnerability and use of substances to cope.

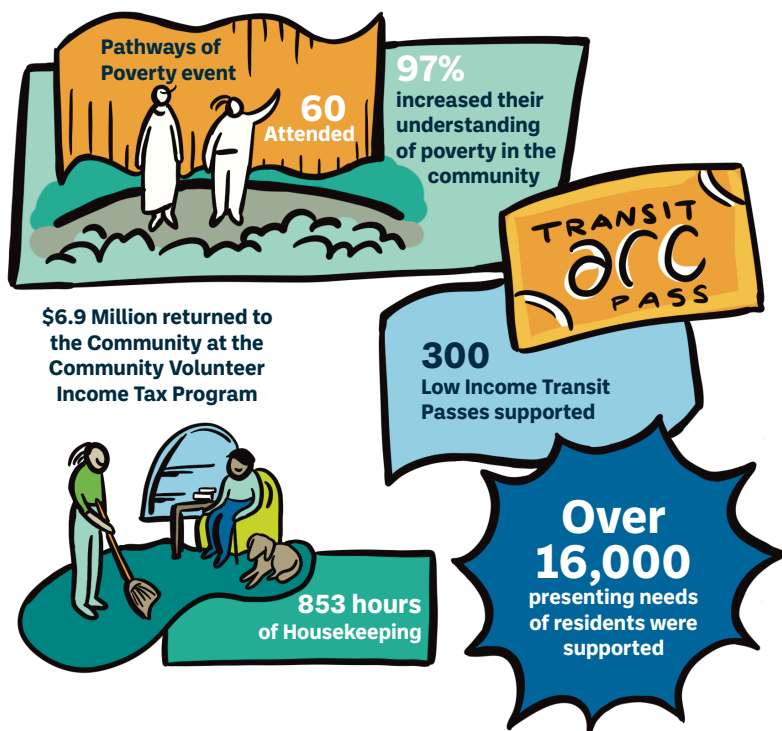
The supports included meeting basic needs and collaborating with other service providers to navigate complex barriers to this individual’s wellbeing.

Due to these collaborative efforts, in summer 2024, this individual received the necessary medical care to support their mental well-being and has since reunited with their family, concluded their legal matters, no longer lives without shelter, and is currently looking for employment.

# Addressing Basic Needs

**Investment: \$789,100**

Research shows that a dollar invested in prevention can yield anywhere between \$7-12 in future costs but more importantly, can reduce social isolation and support healthier individuals.



A 67 year old Tri-Region resident facing elder abuse received support from the Tri-Region Elder Abuse (TREA) case manager to secure funding, housing and independence, including \$10,000 in retro payments.

“To thrive, people must first be able to meet their basic needs. Inflation has made this more difficult for an increasing number of individuals and families.

Many local non-profit organizations are at capacity in terms of available resources and supports due to a drastic increase in service demand and decrease in donations. These realities have emphasized the need for long-term, sustainable change to decrease the reliance on emergency relief services and increase individual financial security.

This change can help support residents to be confident in their ability to meet their needs on an ongoing basis.”

Social Sustainability Plan Refresh  
– 2023, p. 13



## Pathways of Poverty Event

Actors brought poverty stories to life and facilitators hosted table conversations during Pathways of Poverty, a community event that raised awareness and built empathy around people’s experiences of poverty.

# Living Without Shelter

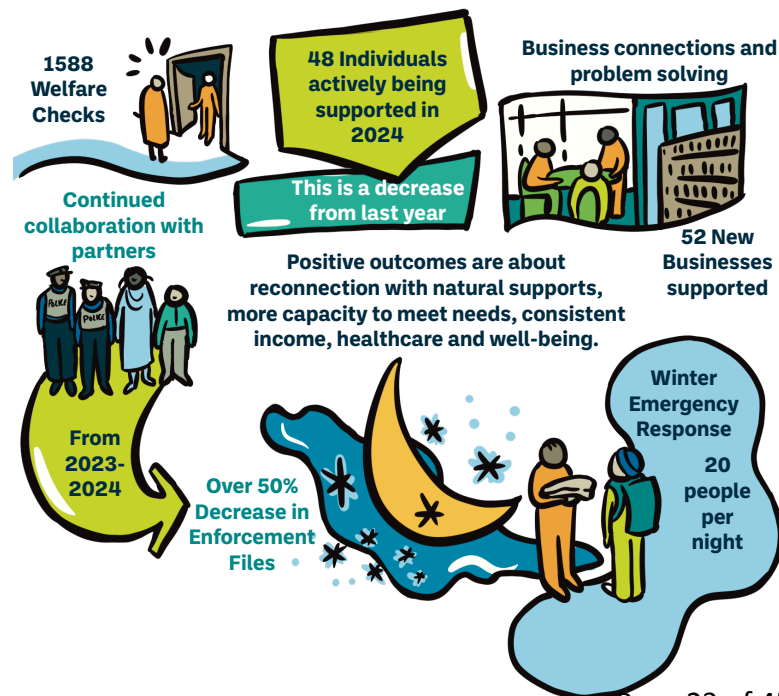
**Investment: \$550,000**

**Research shows that a dollar spent in addressing needs of individuals living without shelter can support up to \$5 of savings in other public services such as healthcare.**

The Regional Housing Program plays a crucial role in identifying and coordinating efforts between service providers to create a long-term plan to ensure a family's housing stability and provide them with choices and resources for the future, ultimately strengthening their resilience.



In 2024, the Community Outreach team provided 5649 instances of support to 214 vulnerable residents including:



"Communities of all sizes across North America are seeing a significant increase in individuals living without shelter."

Systemic factors, like a lack of affordable housing; lack of access to coordinated supports and services, and economic conditions (e.g., employment rates and cost of living), and individual factors like chronic illness; past trauma, and domestic abuse have complex and compounding effects that contribute to being unsheltered.

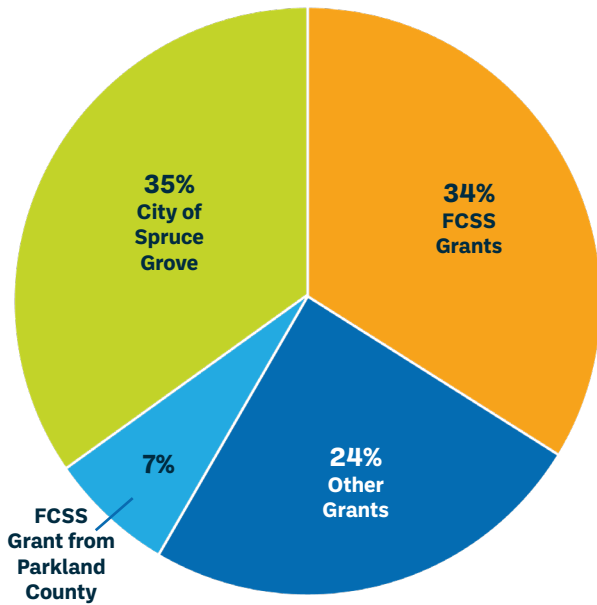
Creating the conditions so that everyone can access housing options that meet their needs require a multi-pronged approach that can address both individual vulnerabilities and systemic failures."

Social Sustainability Plan Refresh  
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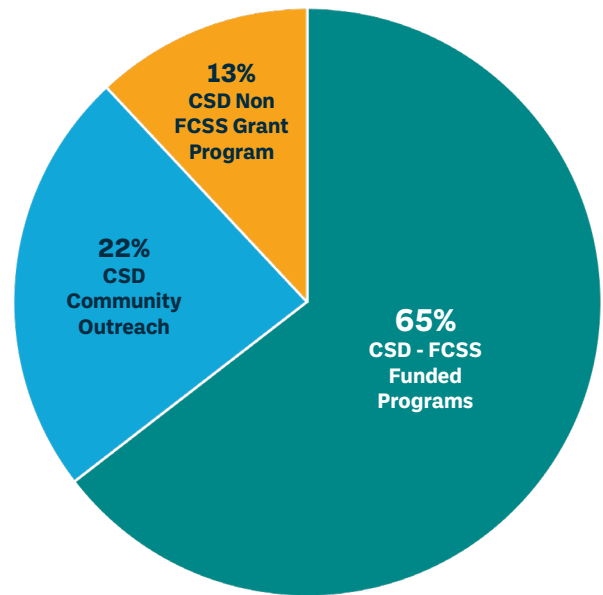


# Financial Investment

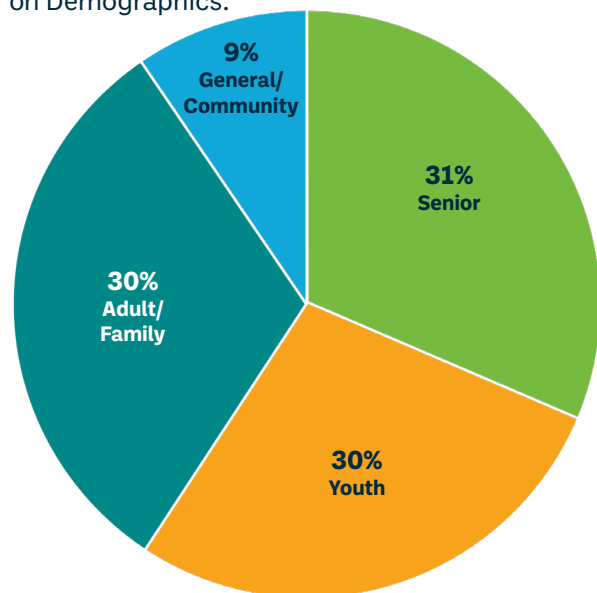
Total Department Revenue  
(\$2.5M)



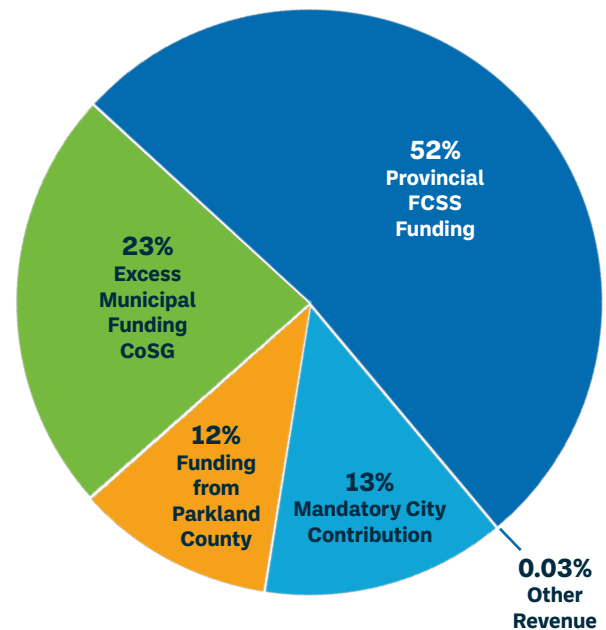
Department Expenses  
(\$2.5M)



Distribution of FCSS  
(\$1.6M) Funding Based  
on Demographics:



Sources of FCSS Eligible  
Funding (\$1.6M)



The CSD Department represents about 1% of the total City's budget.



# Projects We Are Looking Forward to in 2025

Projects we are looking forward to in 2025 include Youth Integrated Services.

Youth Integrated Services is all about bringing together programs and supports in a way that makes it easy and empowering for young people (ages 11 to 25) and their families to get the help they need.

6 Core Service Streams are offered in one convenient, youth-friendly location that include:

- Mental Health,
- Substance Use Support,
- Physical and Sexual Health,
- Peer Support,
- Indigenous Wellness,
- Social Services



## Other Plans for 2025:

- Create a comprehensive neighbourhood development strategy to address community needs and foster belonging.
- Streamline services to ensure individuals can easily access support.
- Explore and advocate for suitable housing options to assist residents with limited financial resources.
- Maximize utilization of the Community Engagement Space to foster greater community participation and connection.

## Community Social Development

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Spruce Grove, Alberta T7X 3E8  
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csd@sprucegrove.org

# 2024 SOCIAL IMPACT REPORT

## Community Social Development

# DEPARTMENT STRUCTURE AND MANDATE

## Individual & Family Support Services

Bridging Connections  
Community Outreach

## Community Strategies

Community Development  
Strategic Initiatives



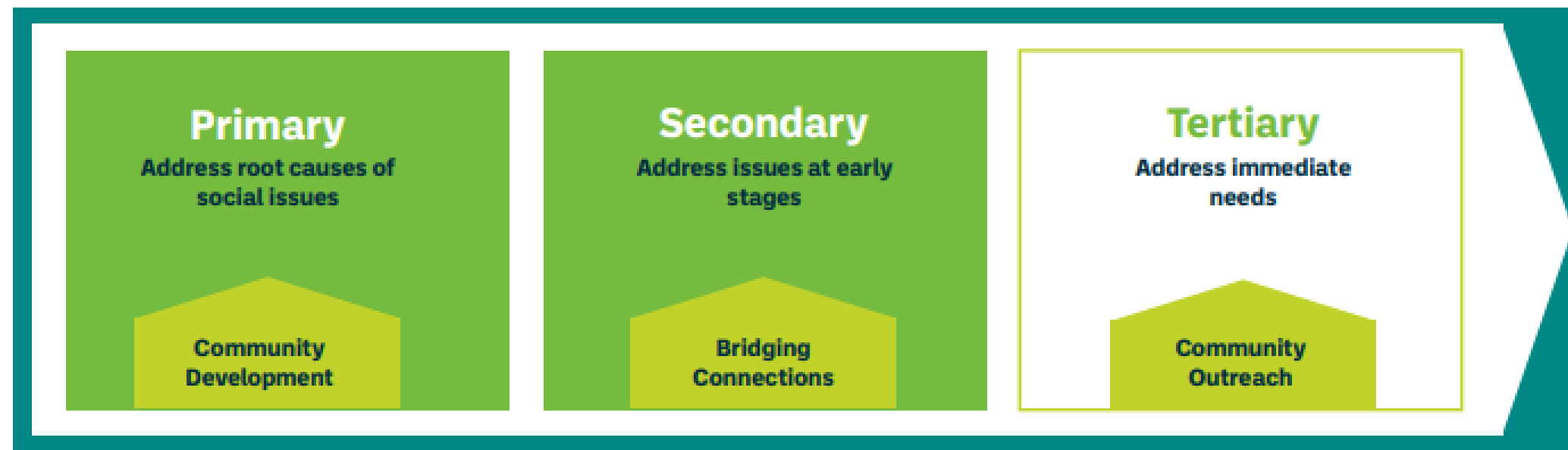


# Social Sustainability Report

- Community Connection and Belonging
- Domestic Violence/Abuse
- Mental Health and Addiction
- Meeting Basic needs
- Living without Shelter

*54% Complete/On-going*

*42% in Progress*



# 2024 Highlights



- **711 Free tax returns** completed
- **853 Subsidized Home Support** hours
- **303 Counselling** sessions provided
- **135 Participants** in the City's first “**Hey Neighbour**” community event
- **125 Participants** attended the **International Day of Persons with Disabilities Event**
- **Enhanced volunteer program**, including supporting 1500 volunteer/student hours through 2024
- **50% reduction in related enforcement files** a result of Outreach



# Community Connection & Belonging

\$235,900





# Domestic Violence/Abuse

\$104,130





# Mental Health & Addiction

\$238,310



93% of all individuals who engaged in programming reported positive outcomes in terms of their well-being.

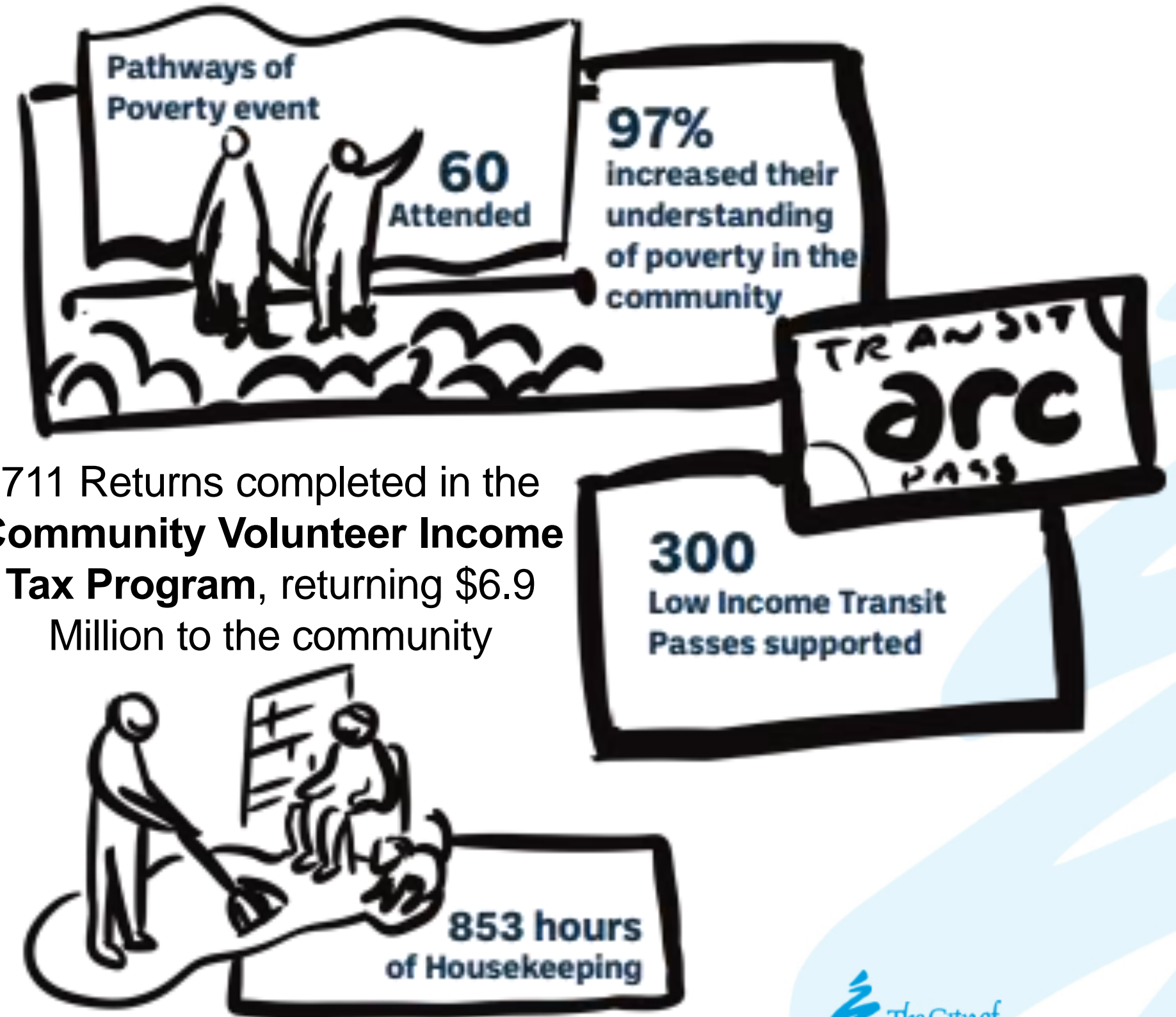


# Basic Needs

\$789,100



A 67-year-old Tri-Region resident facing elder abuse received support from the Tri-Region Elder Abuse (TREA) case manager to secure funding, housing and independence, including \$10,000 in retropayments.



**\$550,000**

**1588 Welfare Checks**

**48 Individuals actively being supported in 2024**

**This is a decrease from last year**

**Business connections and problem solving**

**52 New Businesses supported**

**Positive outcomes are about reconnection with natural supports, more capacity to meet needs, consistent income, healthcare and well-being.**

**From 2023-2024**

**50% Decrease in Enforcement Files**

**Winter Emergency Response**

**20 people per night**



53 households were financially supported to stay in their homes

Connected with 362 supports and resources

3/4 of Households

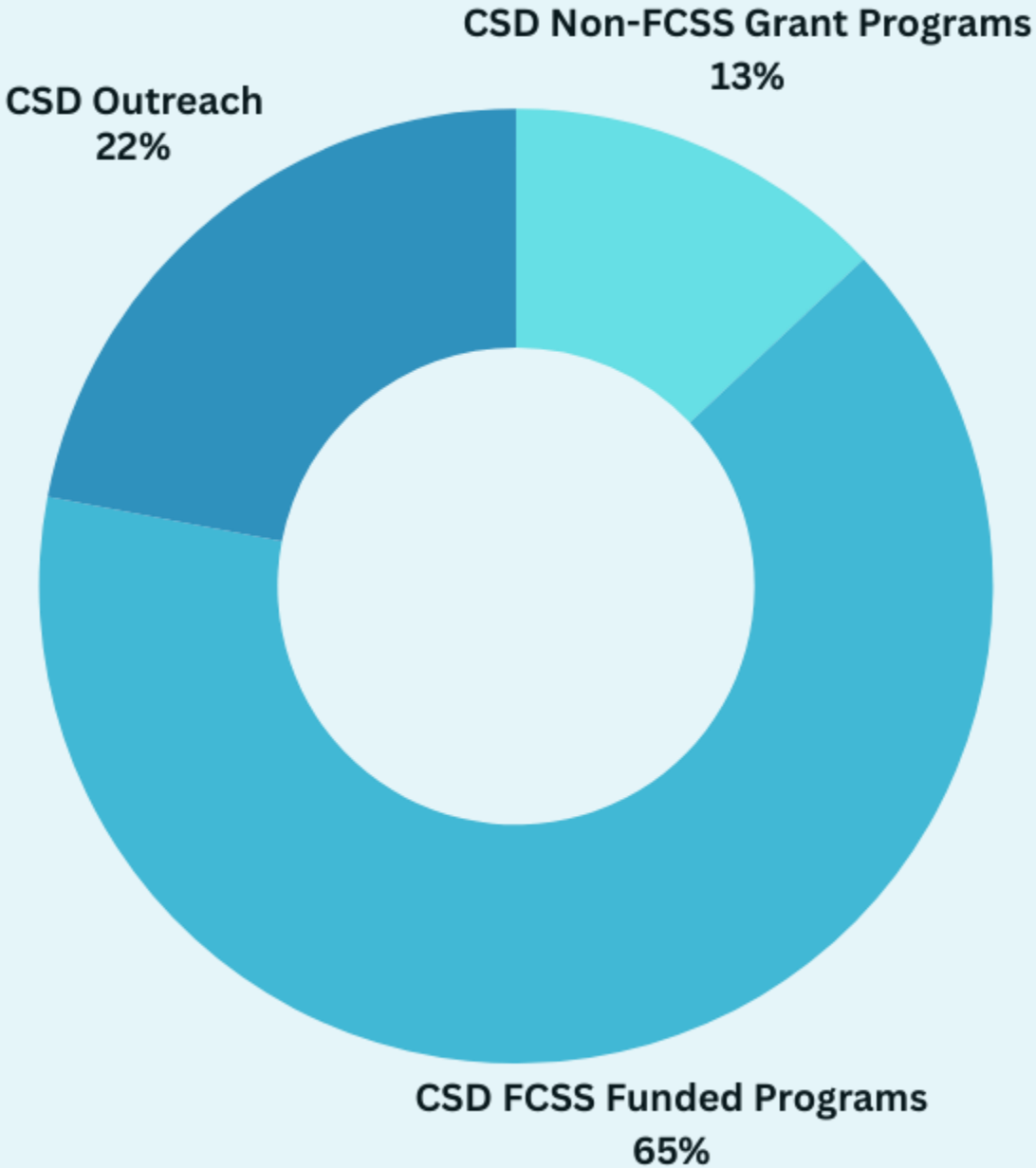
Pay Over 45% of their Income to Rent

20% of Participants' Income Increased by an Average of \$750/month

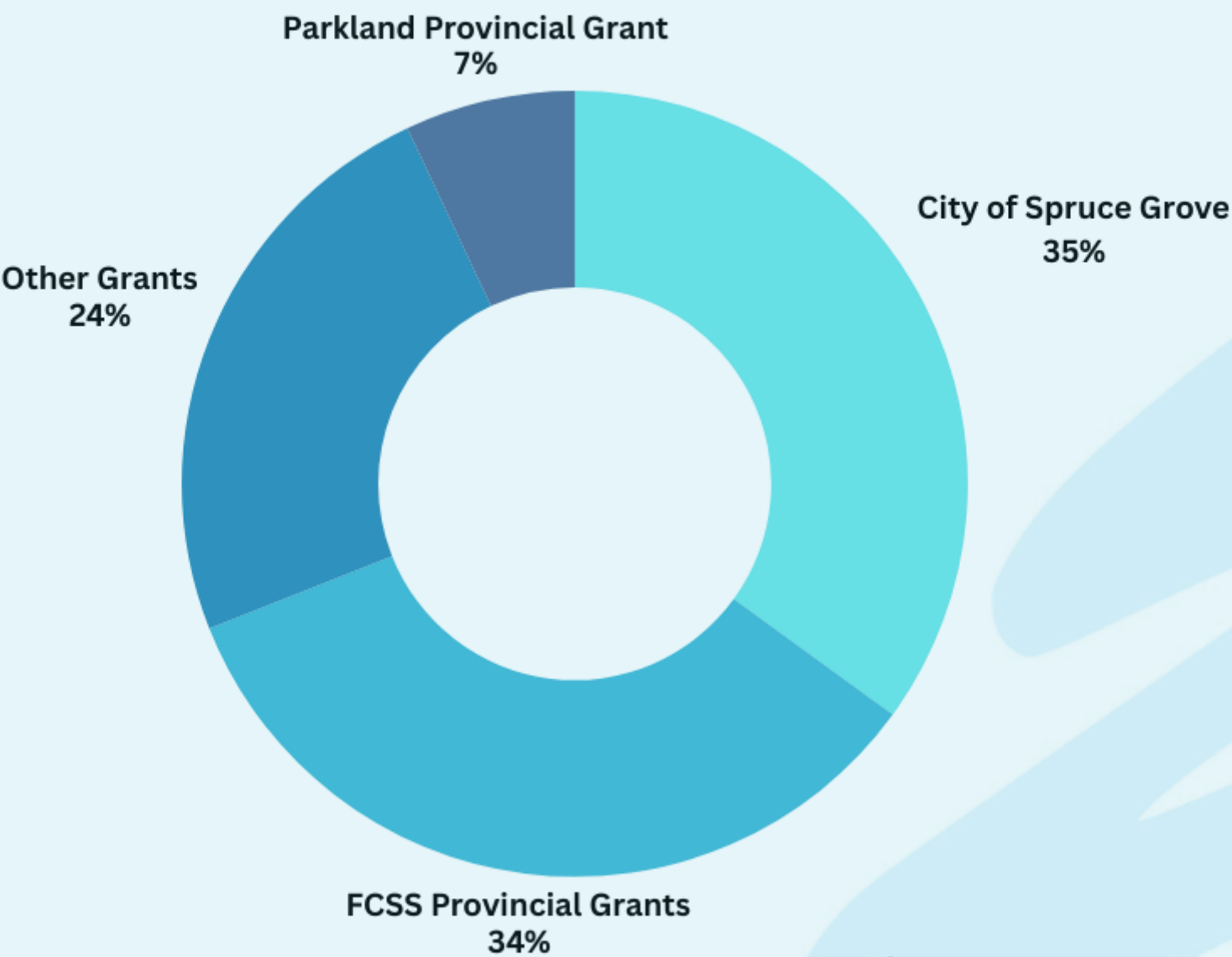
The infographic features several illustrations: a cluster of colorful houses (blue, orange, green) with people standing in front of them; a large green pie chart showing 3/4 of the circle; and a row of small houses at the bottom.

# Financial Investment

## Department Expenses (\$2.5 Million)



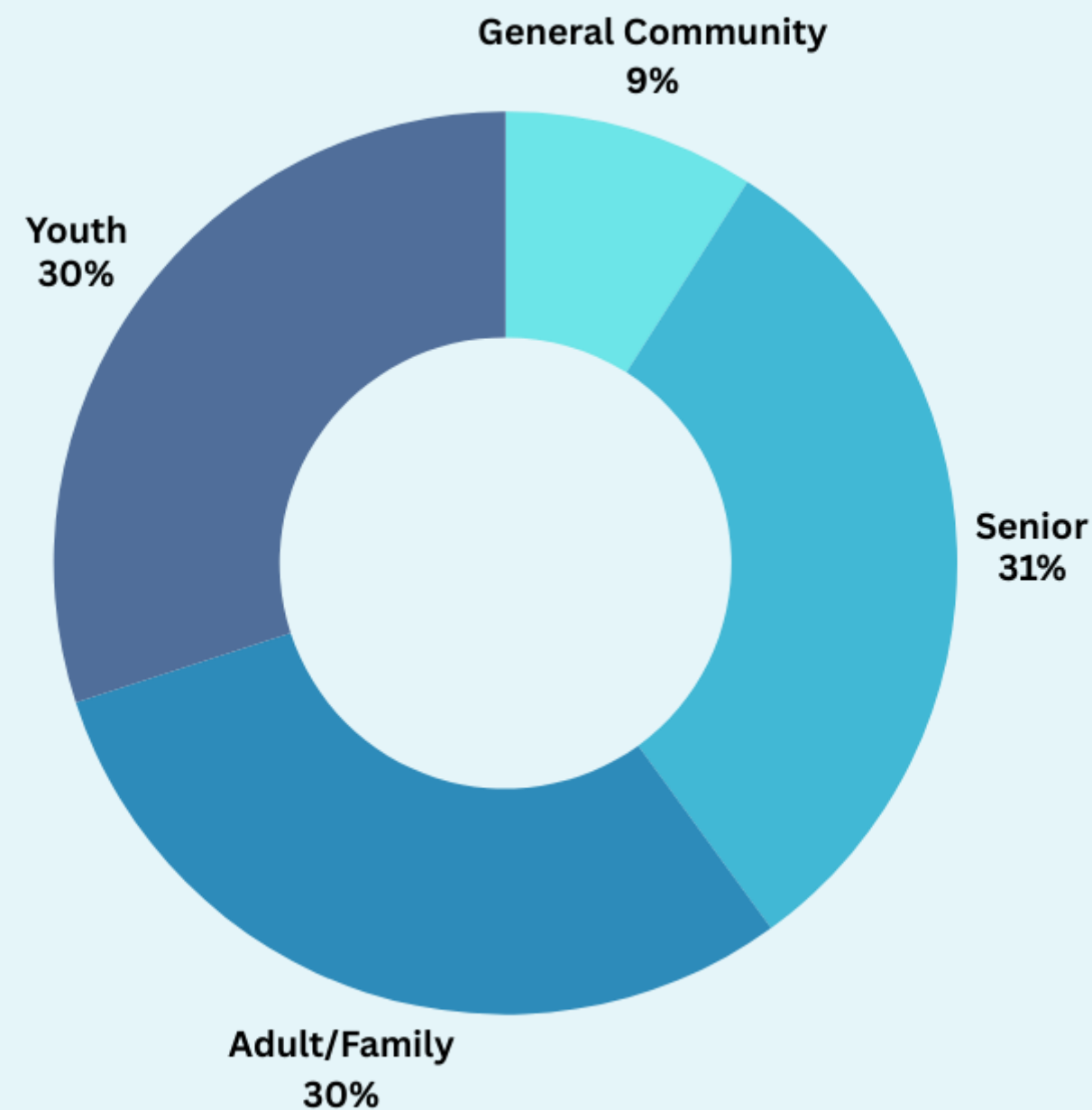
## Funding Sources for CSD Department (\$2.5 Million)



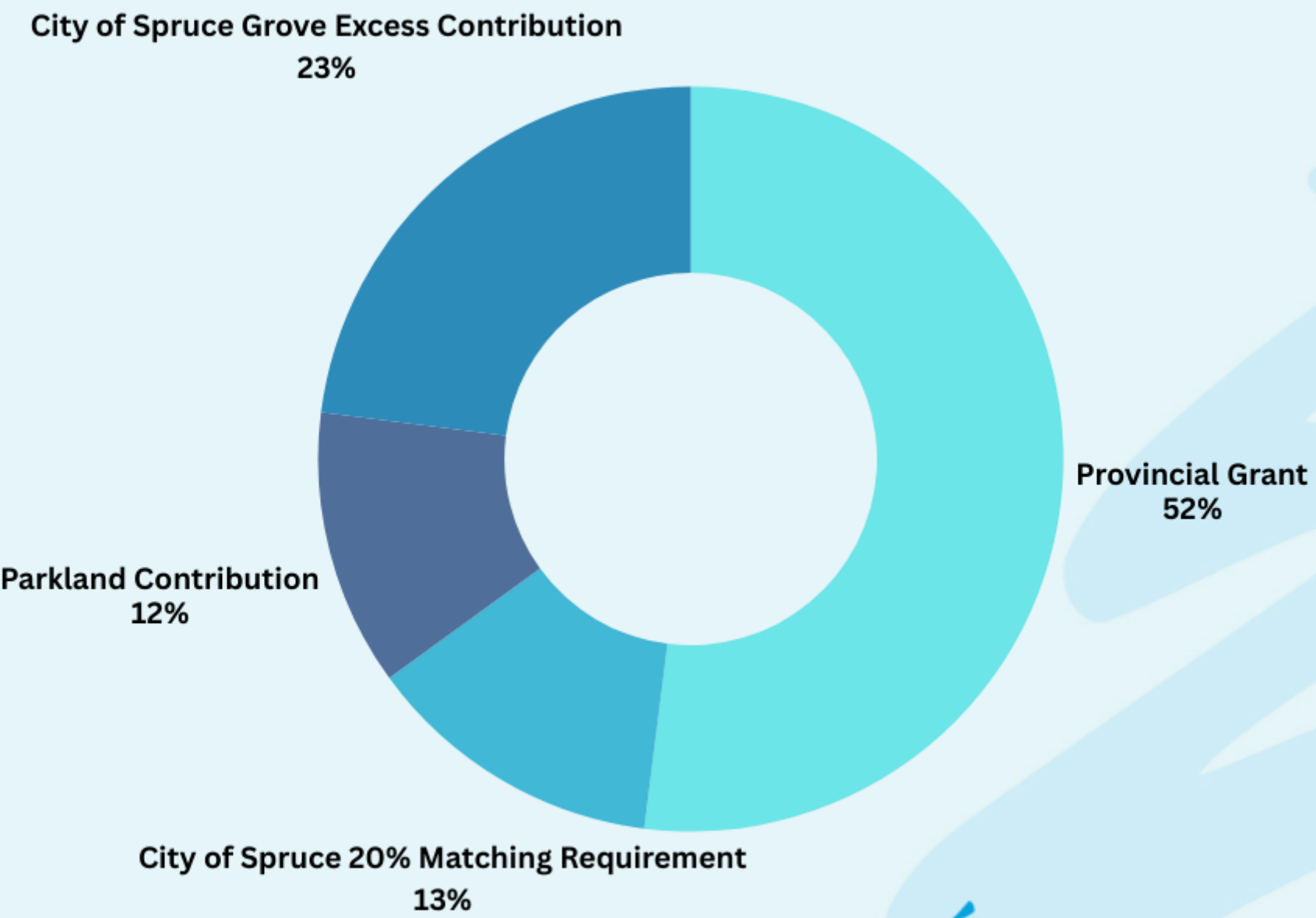


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## Distribution of FCSS Funding by Demographic:



## Sources of FCSS Funding (\$1.6 Million)



# Gaps, Needs and Challenges

- Complexity and interrelatedness of issues
- Continuum of Housing stock for multiple scenarios
- Mental Health Resources – accessibility and criteria
- Lack of Medical Doctors
- Prevention vs Response vs Intervention
- Transition between adult and senior resources

# Looking Forward



## Youth Integrated Services (kickstand)

A convenient, youth friendly location that provides supports across six streams:

- Mental Health
- Substance Use Support
- Physical and Sexual Health
- Peer Support
- Indigenous Wellness
- Social Services

- Create a comprehensive neighbourhood development strategy to address community needs and foster belonging.
- Streamline services to ensure individuals can easily access support.
- Explore and advocate for suitable housing options to assist residents with limited financial resources.
- Maximize utilization of the Community Engagement Space to foster greater community participation and connection.

# Questions





## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**MEETING DATE:** June 5, 2025

**TITLE:** 2026 Youth Advisory Committee Recruitment Plan

**DIVISION:** Community and Protective Services

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### SUMMARY:

Administration will begin recruitment for the 2026 Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) term.

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### PROPOSED MOTION:

A motion is not required.

### BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The YAC is comprised of 11 youth members residing in the City of Spruce Grove between the ages of 12 and 18. Two members of Council are appointed to the Committee to provide governance insight and mentorship.

In June, Administration will begin recruiting for the 2026 YAC term. There will be at least seven (7) vacancies on the YAC for the 2026 term as seven (7) current members are completing their third term and are not eligible for reappointment. Four current YAC members are eligible for reappointment. While YAC reappointments for eligible members are “automatic”, members need to formally advise the City Clerk’s Office that they want to be reappointed. Eligible members, who are interested in another term on YAC, will be emailed a letter of reapplication that needs to be signed by the member (and parent/guardian) and submitted to the City Clerk’s Office.

### Recruitment Timeline is as follows:

Recruitment Period: June 16 to July 25, 2025  
Discussions with new Applicants: August 19 and 20, 2025  
Council Approval of Appointments: December 2025  
Member Orientation: January 2026



**OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:**

n/a

**CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:**

The Administrative Liaison, City Clerk's Office, and Communications are working in collaboration to plan the recruitment strategy.

**IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:**

A communications plan and strategy for the recruitment process was developed and includes various ways to share the recruitment opportunity within the community. Once the recruitment campaign officially launches, YAC members will be encouraged to share the information with their peers to help promote the opportunity. The YAC postcards will be available to members to assist in promotion.

**IMPACTS:**

n/a

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

n/a



## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**MEETING DATE:** June 5, 2025

**TITLE:** 2025 Canada Day Youth Advisory Committee Booth Planning

**DIVISION:** Community and Protective Services

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### SUMMARY:

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) will plan the activities and logistics of a booth at the 2025 Canada Day event.

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### PROPOSED MOTION:

A motion is not required.

### BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

At the March 13, 2025 YAC meeting, Committee unanimously approved to host a booth at the City of Spruce Grove Canada Day event and, at the May 1, 2025 YAC meeting, Committee started to consider ideas for the event.

It was determined that this event provides an opportunity for the YAC members to share information about the Committee and connect with other local youth. In addition, it aligns with the work plan priority to increase the Youth Advisory Committee's presence in the community.

The YAC members will brainstorm ideas for how they will engage with the public at this event. This will include a fun activity that will draw attention, and an engagement design to gather insight. The YAC will plan out the details, responsibilities, and projected budget.

### OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

**CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:**

The Administrative Liaison will connect with the Recreation and Culture department to register.

**IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:**

The Administrative Liaison will purchase any materials needed for the booth.

**IMPACTS:**

The Youth Advisory Committee will participate and engage in a City event that will:

- provide YAC members with exposure and an opportunity to interact with the community,
- help in the recruitment of new YAC members, and
- assist YAC members in understanding their community and broaden their perspectives.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Costs will be determined during the planning phase and will be covered by the approved YAC operating budget.



## REQUEST FOR DECISION

**MEETING DATE:** June 5, 2025

**TITLE:** Adjournment - Youth Advisory Committee - June 5, 2025

**DIVISION:** Strategic and Communication Services

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### SUMMARY:

Adjournment indicates the end of the meeting and the completion of the agenda items.

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### PROPOSED MOTION:

THAT the Youth Advisory Committee adjourn at TIME p.m.

### BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The Chair shall ask for a motion from the Committee. Once the motion has been made and the members vote, the meeting is now complete.

### OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

### CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT:

n/a

### IMPLEMENTATION / COMMUNICATION:

n/a

**IMPACTS:**

n/a

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

n/a