

Strathcona in Bloom Society

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What is Communities in Bloom?

It is a national non-profit organization that promotes community beautification and environmental responsibility.

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Strathcona in Bloom is a non-profit society comprised entirely of volunteers, working to promote the national Communities in Bloom program in Strathcona County with the assistance of the County Administration.

What do Strathcona in Bloom volunteers do?

Many of the flowerbeds along major roads in Sherwood Park and in some of the rural communities in the County are planted and maintained by volunteers with the help of County staff and community sponsors. Each year in early June the volunteers plant the beds and over the summer they weed them. County staff till the beds in spring and water and fertilize them all summer.

How does the community judging work?

There are judges that visit the community and look at all of the judging factors for the program. Floral Display is just one aspect of the program. The judges also look at Tidiness, Environmental Programs, Community Involvement, Heritage and Natural Conservation, Urban Forestry, Landscaped Areas and Turf Areas. Overall they score the County on a 1000 point system. In recent years the County has scored over 90%!

How does my yard get judged?

The judging of individual yards is part of the work that Strathcona in Bloom does each year. The "Nominate Your Neighbour" program is run with the support of the Sherwood Park News. If you, or someone you know has a great yard, nominate them! They could win a great prize from a local greenhouse!

If you would like to volunteer to help plant and maintain a flowerbed, or nominate a spectacular yard, **call our hot line at 780-464-8287** and leave your name and number.