



Verbatim Responses

Community Talk

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Survey Question: *How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?*

Once all the responses to this open ended question were received each individual response was grouped with other responses according to similar themes. The following are all the responses in each of these themes.

Question 1) Youth: Spaces/facilities

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- increase understanding for diversity, other cultures, religions, and races- increase conversations about realities in strathcona county - increase accessibility to mental health professionals- decrease costs of extracurricular activities- increase spaces for youth and community gatherings- decrease the mentality that sherwood park is a suburban sheltered perfect Caucasian utopia- address the bad things that happen here openly and in a timely manner- increase walkability and access to shops- promote local business over chains
-Better communication with teenagers-A place to meet!
a place for youth to be themselves
As a community we need a shelter for teens with support services including counselors and help with drug treatment(likely in collaboration with AHS)
Better communication with teenagers.A place to meet!
Build more playgrounds and paths through treed areas instead of paths along major roads that are not safe for young children.
get kids together to make more friends so they can get out more.
Grow bigger and stronger to become one!!!! And build another skate park
Have a place for youth to go that are not interested in sports things like small coffee shops ect
Have a place that anyone can go to to interact and have fun after school.
I feel when I hear stories form friends, sometimes they're afraid to ask for help. I think children/teens aren't well educated about the systems that are available for us. mostly about physical harm but other stuff too.A youth center could be a cool idea for people who need help meeting new people or need something to do.
I think there should be more youth friendly community spaces: more skate parks, youth areas, etc.
I think we also might need mor places for kids to go and have fun so we have less SCREEN time
Make a new skate park with no graffiti

Make more places for teens to connect to each other & with their parents. Places like Beyond Board a board game café where you can put away your phones & connect with people. I feel a place like an arcade or lounge would be greatly appreciated and used.
Make more stores/facilities for teens/children.
make the mall better
Need more schools, less kids squished in a classroom. More affordable housing. Subsidized housing. Stop raising rent for stores, and commercial property. Especially the mall. Our mall sucks. Why are we expanding something that no one puts any thought in to. More parks made for kids under school age too.
Somewhere for teens to hang out since millennium gets so busy
Teens are a vital part of our community, if we open up more places for teens to turn to for help or fun I believe we would be able to make the teens feel more welcomed and safe.
There should be a place where its just for teens 14-17 and it has games.
Um... maybe by making more places for just teens to hang out and have fun. For example make a park where you have a outdoor pool, park, skating rink, games, bowling, laser tag, paint ball, etc. Then maybe teens would feel a lot safer.
we could make more places to hang out
Youth groups such as Boys and Girls need adequate space made available to them to continue to support more youth as more parents need to work away from home.
Total

Question 1) Youth: Activities/Programs/Services

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- more large groups of activity events - cut costs on bask things that kids do - example hockey- maybe no cost for younger people at rec centre
-Make more affordable housing optional-Greater opportunities for youth to participate and be leaders in our community-Ensure there are ample and affordable childcare options for our residents
Affordable housing to buy or rent. Getting youth involved in building the county. Are we being heard at government level.
As a community we need a shelter for teens with support services including counselors and help with drug treatment(likely in collaboration with AHS)
Creating more opportunities for people to become involved -- you are doing a good job with committee's
Focus on our youth. Drug and alcohol use, lack of sexual boundaries, poor digital citizenship, and lack of low and no cost fun activities to engage in are limited. Kids who are athletic have lots to do/belong to (at a cost), but the rest of our kids have little or nothing. Belonging increases positive behaviour and good decision making.
Focus on what can be funded or supported for already, established community groups that involve teens. When my kids got to junior high age - they HATED Sherwood park as all the parks are geared to tots. Unless I paid a lot of \$\$ to put them in organized sports. I don't know how to 'fix' it - probably healthier families is a good step. So many people are alcoholics here, there are 5 liquor stores within 1.5 kms of my house - its ridiculous. I guess the County gives out permits for businesses and there is no limit to how many booze outlets are in 1 neighborhood? I don't even know - anyways, just my observation. Youth need to give, and be part of making a difference to feel like they are valued.
For making transportation accessible you could put some bus stops in further into the country so that kids could get to sports and stuff if their parents couldn't drive them or other personal reasons.
Forums will not help.Start with the children getting back to basics of quality of life, inter generational activities.Help each other more, set an example.
get kids together to make more friends so they can get out more.

Get the Highschoolers more involved.
Give kids more freedom
Give kids more freedom in their life.
Give us something to do at night so we don't just get baked and drink or sit in our cars and vape
Have more activities to do here in Sherwood park. As a teenager I find this community extremely boring and I end up spending a lot more time in Edmonton.
Have more groups in schools
Have more options for kids to be entertained
Help fund the boys and girls club
Holding or promoting more events, for the people to enjoy. Not just holidays, but just because maybe. E.g watch a concert in the agora etc. Have activities for teens so they get involved with community.
I guess just more outside of school activities - not just sports. Book clubs, drama clubs, stuff like that.
I think programming to encourage young kids to read and do sports are really useful, and kids would probably be willing to fundraise for that through their schools. As well, resources for people suffering from domestic violence or abuse should be more available, like help lines and therapists or shelters
I would like to see more older children's programs offered at later times in the evening, 6:30-7pm or later as both parents working full time cannot make it to many of the 4-5pm start times.
Improve programming for youth - visible youth outreach often youth appear fine but are struggling Maintain green spaces, trees and rural areas - keep sherwood park a park. expand transit services to rural areas.
Keep engaging with youth and the community and keep providing services that help with these issues
Look at providing more space throughout urban and rural areas for affordable fun activities and sports for pre-teens and teens to gather and enjoy being active. This may curtail any boredom which sometimes leads to mischief that causes grief and added cost for the whole community. It would be money well spent for all.
Make more places for teens to connect to each other & with their parents. Places like Beyond Board a board game café where you can put away your phones & connect with people. I feel a place like an arcade or lounge would be greatly appreciated and used.
More community events with things for youth and young adults. Much of the programming in our community is for young children.
More neighbourhood level activities/functionsKeep teams together year after year where possible for example if the kids are on the same hockey team every year kids and parents develop long term friendships and a stronger feeling of community
more outside of school support systems for youth, more transportation options, and more opportunities to volunteer for free in the community.
More youth outreach programs organized by our youth.
No tolerance for disrespect by employees (county and otherwise) who treat our teens poorly (its ageism and not ok to stereotype based on age), more activities for teens but also a crackdown on the teens that are getting into trouble (I've seen a lot of verbal sexual harassment by groups of teens at large events like the cavada day celebration). Safe spaces and support groups for our LGBTQ population, an atheist or secular humanism support group rather than just churches everywhere.
Offer more counselling groups at school or in the community, they can be private or with a group. Also I think some people would appreciate not more job oppurtunities but more auditions. Like more chances to get into the filming/acting/singing/dance industry. I feel like being in such a small community we never get any of those.
Physical education for teens and kids
Property taxes are too high especially when there were surplus this year- more RCMP response to growing theft / B&E's- Boys & Girls Club / YMCA this is available (&free) for youth

Reaching out to the younger generation in the community as they are the future of our community. There is a problem with parent and child disconnection in the community due to current busy lifestyles. Most parents have their kids in competitive sports which takes a chunk of time out of their family life. I feel the County should invest time into approaching the schools and hosting various workshops to let the students know how important it is to have a strong community. Then maybe the students can educate the parents.
Sport programs for young teensRunning club for teens
Teens are a vital part of our community, if we open up more places for teens to turn to for help or fun I believe we would be able to make the teens feel more welcomed and safe.
There may be a need for more inter-generational contact. How do the senior members of our society learn to understand the younger generations if we do not TALK.
Transit buses from rural areas, more functions and groups for young adults
Um... maybe by making more places for just teens to hang out and have fun. For example make a park where you have a outdoor pool, park, skating rink, games, bowling, laser tag, paint ball, etc. Then maybe teens would feel a lot safer.
We can encourage children to do good, so when they get older they older they already know how to respect people.
we could make more places to hang out
Working with youth to build a better community.
Workshops, teaching children when they are young.
Total

Question 1) Youth: Mental health

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Offer mental health groups for teens and adults - More ways to make money
1. Look at helping mental health issues in schools / senior facilities2. Improve physical activities - the cost for any sports outside of school is very expensive for low income / single mom / senior households3. Better access for seniors for patient care, e.g., physicians, classes available
As a community we need a shelter for teens with support services including counselors and help with drug treatment(likely in collaboration with AHS)
Have more help for teens that may have emotional problem or depression
I feel amongst younger people there is a racial stigma as well as a lack of mental health care. Get more and better counsellors in schools (address suicide). Right now the counsellors say "it'll be alright" and just tell the parents.Teaching young people how to deal with illegal work activities.
I think that it's important to help people handle stress. I have watched people in my life start to give up and fall due to the stress that has been put on them. I have seen this a lot in high school and in jr. high. Kids have too much pressure now. They go to school all day and most kids now have nights full of activity. By the time they get home to due homework they end up exhausted. Kids get not nearly enough sleep, and are completely stressed out if they take the time to get a good nights sleep.
Mental health is something that a lot of youth lack. We need to improve the school system to reduce stress and promote having time for yourself as well as educate people on how to deal with mental illnesses.
Offer more counselling groups at school or in the community, they can be private or with a group. Also I think some people would appreciate not more job oppurtunities but more auditions. Like more chances to get into the filming/acting/singing/dance industry. I feel like being in such a small community we never get any of those.
Specialized organizations for minority youth that feel left out or discriminated (clubs and safe places for youth).Community charity events for families struggling to support themselves.

We can reduce the bullying of students to help with the overall mental health of the younger generation of the community
We can work together to stop self harm
Total

Question 1) Youth: Advocacy

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Have more support in schools as most problems that manifest in homes affect children. A majority of children and even youth don't hear about resources such as kids help phone. These resources should be more widely talked about and therefore made more available.
I feel amongst younger people there is a racial stigma as well as a lack of mental health care. Get more and better counsellors in schools (address suicide). Right now the counsellors say "it'll be alright" and just tell the parents. Teaching young people how to deal with illegal work activities.
I feel young people are usually disrespected, more by police (RCMP) than anyone, although myself and other have also been disrespected by them. Therefore, they have lost a lot of respect and lack of trust. People feel more "picker on" than "protected by the RCMP.
I think Strathcona County needs to work on the importance of youth involvement and reaching out to younger generations and their opinions. Youth Council is a great way to encourage youth to speak their thoughts and feel like they are adding to decisions, however, there are many who are not able to participate in youth council because of prior commitments. Transportation in regards to an LRT system I think is a valid discussion because it is a different option to go into Edmonton. An LRT line would be beneficial because students in university or those who do not have a car have a cost and time effective way to get around Edmonton without a long public transport bus ride. All in all I think we have done a fair job, although there is much more to add to make Strathcona County the best place to live.
Make gender identity and sexuality part of the outline in CALM as well as educate young children about discrimination and work to develop therapy and psychiatric facilities more readily available.
More youth outreach programs organized by our youth.
no idea, other than pay more for jobs. my husband has wanted to apply for so many SCounty jobs but they don't pay enough to support our family. He would love to work in the community he lives in. If I were to work FT the childcare costs would almost swallow up my whole income so its not worth it for me to work. So he feels stuck in a job because it pays just enough when he'd rather work in SCounty. He has a heart for improving the future through youth work.
No tolerance for disrespect by employees (county and otherwise) who treat our teens poorly (its ageism and not ok to stereotype based on age), more activities for teens but also a crackdown on the teens that are getting into trouble (I've seen a lot of verbal sexual harassment by groups of teens at large events like the cavada day celebration). Safe spaces and support groups for our LGBTQ population, an atheist or secular humanism support group rather than just churches everywhere.
Reaching out to the younger generation in the community as they are the future of our community. There is a problem with parent and child disconnection in the community due to current busy lifestyles. Most parents have their kids in competitive sports which takes a chunk of time out of their family life. I feel the County should invest time into approaching the schools and hosting various workshops to let the students know how important it is to have a strong community. Then maybe the students can educate the parents.
Set a cap price on food. Also have a friendlier environment that encourages empathy within young adults. Diversify Strathcona employment opportunities. I personally know a family with 6 plus members that work for the county. More surveys that are linguistically better asked for better results. It's hard to put a value range on emotions.
Total

Question 1) Youth: Finding jobs

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?	
- Offer mental health groups for teens and adults - More ways to make money	
1. Change education system more focus on hands-on learning, trades, practical/social skills, & mental health. University education needed only in certain fields .Stop copying USA look at successful education in rest of world.Change junior high to on-job work experience. Students give feedback about different job/volunteer situations and get work force experience. Requirement of ed. should be volunteering in community.2) Need Low cost drop in child care for parents (especially single mothers) working part time.3) Transportation: Need better hours especially at night. Amalgamate with others for joint bus system. Train/rapid transit between Sherwood park, Edmonton, St. Alberta. Other countries offer free bus rides. let's get on board.	
Encourage schools and public forums to demonstrate respect and kindness in dealing with customers, opponents etc. Children and adults should be provided opportunities for education which will result in their ability to increase job opportunities, income and quality of life.	
Encourage work ethic for students. Sherwood park in particular is extremely privledged and I fear many of my fellow students are going to be due for a rude wake up call.	
Have more jobs for teenagers.	
I don't know im a high school student and this is below my priority's i rather just make money and spend money live a life with a dog and just be there fix it we cant	
Improved bus schedule, affordable housing, employment opportunities for young workers (with appropriate job specific training)	
More job opportunities for young people as well as affordable living.	
More job opportunities for people my age (11-17)	
More jobs for youth	
One way could be to encourage employers in Sherwood Park to hire locally more often...my 16 year old son has been looking for a part time job for almost a year now, with no success, and I was recently told that Sherwood Park employers won't hire local teenagers because they believe that our teenagers are lazy and entitled. This isn't fair to my son, he is extremely responsible and is a hard worker!	
Right now I think jobs as well as adequate income are an issue for our youth. High income employment is becoming less available	
Strathcona County should make a new occupation somewhere so all like the teenagers always are at Mullinum Place.	
You could make more jobs that younger teenagers can do (payed).	
Total	

Question 1) Advocacy: Provincial/Federal

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?	
Valid	Affordable housing to buy or rent. Getting youth involved in building the county. Are we being heard at government level.
	Boycot the ndp
	mellenium too expensive and someone my age should be able to work there. too little jobs so things like melenium are expensive when notley and trudeau make everything so expensive. do ur job guys
	Promote increasing the funding to AISH recipients by soliciting provincial gov't. there's a need for public rural transportation - especially for elderly people.

	Stop in-council in-fighting. If our council is not achieving the above goals, then I don't think they can represent us. Work closer with Provincial government.
	The government needs to start helping out instead of screwing around with people's money.
	Trying to make the community more aware and engaged to what is happening, more promotion programs to inform of events. This would get more people engaged. Make events that appeal to all age groups to try and interest as many citizens as possible.
	Total

Question 1) Advocacy: Education/awareness

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Education sessions - free- On line tutorials - free- Keep fees for bus, recreation and other essential services low
Actually do you job. Give us decent education. The ardrossan school is garbage , the teachers and staff are rude as heck.
Advertise support groups for troubled people and advise parents to educate themselves about certain social stigmas.
Better Education
Creating awareness, utilizing social media programs exists that people are not aware of.
Education
Education for caregivers financial support for caregivers
Education needs some work
Education on vulnerable population is a good start. Perhaps through newspaper, radio, social media etc.
Education: downfall is not the fault of Strathcona County. The curriculum is the big problem,. The school programs have failed to provide the proper basics - especially in Math!!!
Have some open community get together. Have an openness and a higher quality of education when we are talking to kids about the issues.
I think that we should lower the prices on are houses and make it so we are actually learning what we need to
Identify gaps/shortcomings and put plans in place to close those gaps
If you do not have people's basic needs met you cannot achieve any of the other goals. Provide support for teachers. By this I mean in class support. One problem/special needs child can derail a whole class year.
increase awareness about harmful situations. I don't think many people realize how often young adult and teen boys and girls are approached in ways that make them feel uncomfortable. However we're taught to be polite and don't know what to say. We need to educate our youth so they know when to get out of a situation that could cause them physical or emotional harm.
Make education better, some times it is hard to learn certain stuff because of certain teachers and cericulum
Make more school funds. Have a lake with fish in it so you can catch fish.
make the food at ardrossan jr sr cheaper. i think that the education in the houner classes are good but compared to that the other classes are inadequate, and they do not get the same opportunites.
More education on mental health, gender, sexuality, race/immigration and the role diversity plays in the community, the importance of recognizing and appreciating peoples' differences, and the importance of asking questions and working to understand each other. This can be achieved through advertisement, social programs such as group and community meetings, school and workplace presentations. it is important for there to be resources that every member of our community can find effective and helpful. Resources educate, and education creates acceptance, or at the very least- openmindedness.
More school funds. Harsher penalties for bullying.

More schooling funds and places all around strathcona for kids to go to when they are free or want to connect with friends
More specifically, recreational drugs severely need to be paid more attention to (and thus eliminated), otherwise safety is not too poor in sherwood park, as well as hate crimes, racism, stereotypes, and hating and bias in general need to be put paid in to schools and in the general public.
Our schools are bursting at the seams. We value education but I know that compromise occurs when class sizes are huge and students left feeling less connected to their educational experiences.
School kid dont get enough time in class and are missing out on eductively. No time for more hand on math and reading. Eductivey
Schools need more emotional support and more watchful eyes from Councillors. These figures need to be more "visible" as a good reminder to all. Peer support groups. Extra education support to challenge learners. The support in schools for these children is very poor now.
Try to make jobs and have better education
Trying to make the community more aware and engaged to what is happening, more promotion programs to inform of events. This would get more people engaged. Make events that appeal to all age groups to try and interest as many citizens as possible.
We can encourage children to do good, so when they get older they older they already know how to respect people.
With legalization of marijuana we need to educate our youth on the harmful effects and dangerous impact it can have on kids futures. DO NOT LEGALIZE IT as it normalizes the use of the drug. This is not moving a step forward for our future generations. Keep educating the public, focusing on kids, on the developing trends in out country and world. Try to make positive change.
Total

Question 1) Advocacy: Municipal

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Community gives opportunity to hang out (mall, church, library) Spiritual connection is important, lots of opportunity to connect with God. Robin Hood, good place to do activities (printing, dancing, coloring, drawing) More flexible times at Robin Hood would be good. Love the community
Better government.
better leadership
Connecting with other communities as well, not just the county
Ensure that county employees and representatives don't have their first allegiance to their representative bureaucracies. I feel it is important for individuals to be problem solvers first in most aspects of community interaction. Also it is important to understand the pragmatic scope of their responsibilities
Fort Saskatchewan could be involved in more opportunities.
Get the right community leaders.
I would like to see our member of council contract us – in person or by phone – occasionally (not just at election time) in order to discuss local issues – roads, nuisance's, maintenance, etc. When people move around the area they become aware of problems – talking with people – observations. I've heard this called "management by walking about".
maybe could try harder as to whether the county cares enough about the people of the community and actually try to fix the issues that some people have
More money into public services
Spend money better

Stick to what is municipal mandate and ensure the province is not downloading social services, education, housing, childcare, homecare to the municipalities. How do you see adequate income an municipal responsibility? It isn't. Municipalities may only advocate hand administer provincial programs. Let's not forget this.

Vote on issues

Total

Question 1) Mental Health: Awareness/reduce

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- We've seen residents that are isolated, one is the caretaker of their dying husband and there is no other family here to support them. The services support the husband, but not the wife looking after him. - We've seen many mental health issues. One gentleman is living in a house that should be looked at for hoarding/health concern issues)_I've had difficulty with a number of times with people under the age of 65, who are on AISH that cannot find help doing their weed control or snow removal. I tried to find resources this year (I called the province, I called FCS and volunteer centre). They all stated it is up to the person to find help themselves because there is no program for them. One person this year is isolated (driven away her children), alone 90% of the time, doesn't leave her house, has hardly any money, physically unable to do the work herself and has no money. -
Campaigns on where and how to access AHW mental health services. Children especially but also adult services.
Education on domestic violence, sexual assaults, substance abuse and mental health issues, do NOT legalize pot, jobs
Focus more on mental health and helping people with mental illnesses, especially students with anxiety and depression.
Focusing on health issues like mental health or physical health more than getting to know everyone in the community
I feel amongst younger people there is a racial stigma as well as a lack of mental health care. Get more and better counsellors in schools (address suicide). Right now the counsellors say "it'll be alright" and just tell the parents. Teaching young people how to deal with illegal work activities.
I think that it's important to help people handle stress. I have watched people in my life start to give up and fall due to the stress that has been put on them. I have seen this a lot in high school and in jr. high. Kids have too much pressure now. They go to school all day and most kids now have nights full of activity. By the time they get home to do homework they end up exhausted. Kids get not nearly enough sleep, and are completely stressed out if they take the time to get a good night's sleep.
I think that people should be aware of self harm because more and more people do it. As well as depression and stress.
I think we have ample opportunity to get involved in the community, and the county does a good job of making people aware of events.
I would like to see easier access to mental health care - both for people in crisis and ongoing, preventive and proactive care for those with chronic mental illness.
If you know someone being abused, report it. You can relieve someone from great stress. Make a poster with that on it.
In schools I think you should focus on how to help with stress, especially near finals. Also with self harm and depression. And I think the construction workers for roads need to hurry up.
Increased awareness of resources for mental health available in Strathcona County.
Make an effort to understand and help people with mental illnesses and stuff.
Make me not depressed
Maybe talking to people, teens about bullying and self harm because it is common for someone like me to come across and experience these things
Mental health centres And mental health interventions
more awareness on physical and mental health
More communication about mental health, mainly in the school systems. Better education when it comes to mental and sexual health, mainly towards the LGBT community, but everyone else as well.
More mental health awareness/ affordable help. More affordable child care
Perhaps make mental health resources more known.
Promote and advertise the resources people can access and get rid of the stigma of feeling bad about the way you are.

Provide more free public health information focusing on mental health. Provide more people with proper information.
raise awareness for mental health
Social media encourages people encourages people to be self centered self indulgent, essentially selfish. How you break the cycle of me first, I deserve it, I'm entitled to... I honestly don't know how you get people to take responsibility for their physical spiritual and e,notional health, to place others needs before there own...
Start to do something on my life that make me feel happy completely physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness. After then I can be a better person for my community.
Stop spending money on cops that pull you over for not singling and start focusing on keeping people safe.and but some more focus on mental health
Teach people to have thicker skin
We need more things to do around sherwood park, it is literally so boring here it can cause crippling depression.
We need to help residents be more aware of the wonderful programs we have for mental health and depression. I feel the residents aren't aware like they should be.
Total

Question 1) Mental Health: Increase services/access

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Better support for mental health issues (depression, anxiety, and more resources – support groups.
- increase understanding for diversity, other cultures, religions, and races- increase conversations about realities in strathcona county - increase accessibility to mental health professionals- decrease costs of extracurricular activities- increase spaces for youth and community gatherings- decrease the mentality that sherwood park is a suburban sheltered perfect Caucasian utopia- address the bad things that happen here openly and in a timely manner- increase walkability and access to shops- promote local business over chains
-- More childcare facilities-- Lower public transportation fare-- Provide more help to lower income families-- Mental health assistance
-Easier access to mental health professionals -Strong council which listens to community input-Would like to see a larger shopping center with various merchandisers -Perhaps a small to medium size venue for seniors activities, especially light exercises geared toward seniors only, with adequate above-ground parking or a bus route
-More access and quicker access to community health/mental health facilities- Better public transportation into acreage community- Better services available to take care of community property ie: painting fences- More attention to tax payers as decreases relate to their community vs needs/wants of municipal/provincial government.
Affordable house needs to be more available- for all family sizes more resources for mental health, especially for children/youth.
Also: Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly, and Work together to make our community stronger.- Having more groups (like self-esteem), more programs for women (that are dealing with abuse)- Have a community organization that people can come to if they are needing support (ex. child with cancer - organizations can fundraise or help family)
by having more mental health areas for people who may be uncomfortable talking to their family doctor, etc.
Childcare more affordableMore programs for mental health wellness (postpartum depression and stress management)
Counselling, personal trainers

Crack down on harassment of peers in schools. Self-harm is becoming a bigger and bigger issue and it needs to be looked at more thoroughly.
Develop new, affordable neighbourhoods, seniors housing, resources to help people who are stressed and depressed.
Ensure we have easy access for mental health assistance for adults and youth in the school system.
For people dealing with depression or anxiety there should be free or cheap classes that could help those illnesses. Free anger management classes.
Fully functional hospital more resources for mental health more affordable housing, childcare
Help Groups
I think maybe we should advise people going through hard time to a professional and put the word out that in order to make a community stronger we all need to work together
I think people need to get more mental health help when needed
I think that it's important to help people handle stress. I have watched people in my life start to give up and fall due to the stress that has been put on them. I have seen this a lot in high school and in jr. high. Kids have too much pressure now. They go to school all day and most kids now have nights full of activity. By the time they get home to do homework they end up exhausted. Kids get not nearly enough sleep, and are completely stressed out if they take the time to get a good nights sleep.
I think that people should be aware of self harm because more and more people do it. As well as depression and stress.
I think the maximum income for low income programs is too low. There are many families who are barely making ends meet but are working poor, and still do not qualify for programs. Also I hope to not lose programs through FCS. We've been using counselling for 5 years (5 of our family members), I would hate to have to start again with someone who no background.
I would like to see easier access to mental health care - both for people in crisis and ongoing, preventive and proactive care for those with chronic mental illness.
In schools I think you should focus on how to help with stress, especially near finals. Also with self harm and depression. And I think the construction workers for roads need to hurry up.
Increase mental health support in Strathcona's Family and Community Services. Wait lists are too long and seeking services elsewhere are prohibitively expensive (\$190/hr!!!) even with benefits.
Increased awareness of resources for mental health available in Strathcona County.
Low cost housing.Mental Health services
Make gender identity and sexuality part of the outline in CALM as well as educate young children about discrimination and work to develop therapy and psychiatric facilities more readily available.
Make sure there are plenty of options for people who have mental health issues/ health issues, more hospital beds
make sure those who do self harm get treatment. Watch for bullies. Make sure that also everyone feels safe but we all need to work together as a community. Its nice being safe and not feeling scared.
making sure that people do not harm themselves and if they do they not only need help but they need their loving family members.
Meeting needs of low income seniors and new Canadians. Outreach programs that easily accessed and affordable.
mental health programs for homelesssheltersneighbourhood gatherings to encourage community spirit and connection between neighbours- online chat groups for parents / families to connect
More affordable housing.Mental Health Care
More access to mental health supports. Need mental health supports to. Be able to keep a job, budget, etc
more affordable housing for young and old; more counselling and support services for mental and emotional health issues.
More affordable housing. More mental and emotional health programs. More community programs bringing people together
More assistance with emotional wellness.Affordable childcare.

More community free event for those that are unable to afford it. Support groups.
more effective fundraising (seniors, minorities, etc). new systems for people in need of counselling
More help for children with mental illnesses. They don't have a lot of help for children with illnesses and it makes it harder on their family.
More mental health supports in our community. Currently supporting someone with mental health issues (specifically suicide) and I find it quite difficult to get supports locally. I am accessing walk-in counselling off of Whyte and other supports through the 211 services. My family member who is suicidal has to also receive services outside of our community due to waitlist at FCS and mental health. Quite frustrating. We need more available counsellors.
More rental for low income. More care avail for those with mental illness-re housing-drop in centre and more reasonable child care prices
more resources are needed for mental health and how to handle stresses for people who can not afford professional help before it hits a critical point. If we were able to help people early on perhaps it wouldn't be a crisis.
More resources to support mental health.
More time given to the hiring of emotional (mental health) care workers: the wait times are very long.
Offer more support for people with mental health issues
People themselves must be responsible and accountable for feeling valued, being healthy, etc., but StrathCo can help them with strategies to work towards feeling valued (David Irvine) or give them the resources to attain that goal.
Provide private online counselling and quick help for kids/adults that feel unvaluable/unworthy or disrespected.
Reach out and bring health to people as they may not reach out for it themselves, such as through schools and work places.
Strathcona County has been affected by the job loss in the oil and gas industry. The trickle down effect has implications on families, lifestyles and health both mental, emotional and spiritual. People need to de-stress and that comes with regular exercise, a balanced diet and harmony at work and at home. There needs to be a way of funding family passes to Millenium Place and the Kinsman Center to allow families and individuals to work together or individually.
support groups for specific things such as mental wellness, anxiety, etc. community groups for lonely people
There is a lack of accesible programs for the mentally challenged beyond the scope of what is provided by disability services. I've social groups and community kitchens easy transport etc mostly the concern is a lack of social stimulus
There is not one goal to focus on at first. Many need to be looked at. In any case, being healthy and safe are the top in my opinion. If these two exists, the other ones can follow because the population will be more receptive and capable of success. The community also needs to attract more health care professionals, have a high end and multi-functional hospital. As the community is family focused, we need a high quality maternity ward with specialists available. Also, have more services available to focus on mental health.
There's little to no therapy/counselling services in Strathcona, for those involved with sexual assaults. Always need to go into Edmonton for affordable, reliable help. As a victim of such things, it's very difficult to go into Edmonton based from school and work.
Though Sherwood Park has good mental health services, I believe there should be more openness when talking about it which starts with better and more accessible mental health education. Physical health facilities should also be more affordable. Also, there aren't many places of worship for people of any faith other than protestant Christian.
We are all fortunate to live in the best proactive community in Canada. Mental health is a real challenge. I would like to see easy access for youth, adults and families to mental health care providers.
We can provide programs to increase the amount of help given so people become stronger emotionally and physcially
We need to improve access to mental health resources here in the Park, and make more people aware of the struggles that some are suffering so silently.

We need to work together, and offer Cheep, it not free counseling for adults, teens, and if needed, children.
Yes, no neurological psychologist available for brain injury via Primary Care Network.
You can tell the strength of a community by how they treat their most vulnerable. Unfortunately food security, domestic violence and mental health need more resources.
Total

Question 1) Mental Health: Advocacy

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Council should focus on more areas of concern (e.g. affordable housing, health etc) instead of focusing on items that pertain to only one individual or household.
Do things good like. Improve mental care for citizens.
If you know someone being abused, report it. You can relieve someone from great stress. Make a poster with that on it.
improve efforts towards mental health and reduce crime rates including theft
Start offering mental health courses in schools.
We ca supports each other by providing a more efficient lifestyle to those that don't have a healthy life
You have started and I think what you are doing is wonderful. I just wish I was able to get more involved. I have been suffering from depression and it has been hard to get involved in things and get what I need. I even got my MLA involved and that is even going no where. People should not have to struggle this much when they are ill and trying to get better.
Total

Question 1) Mental Health: Affordable

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Affordable counselling for mental health - Anti-bullying programs in schools - Better school Councillors who have had mental health training.
- need affordable housing- need to be more inclusive of difference and diversity- more counselling/family support (cheap)- low income housing (more)
Family and individual counseling free of chargeAdequate policingControl of nuisance trees and weeds on County and private property eg. female cottonwood poplar trees and dandelions
For people dealing with depression or anxiety there should be free or cheap classes that could help those illnesses. Free anger management classes.
Free mental health and educational support to all residents of all ages
Have free councillors so that people can talk and get better without costing ur family which is in an financial crunch
Healthy, physically, mentally very important as well making this more affordable to do as a family would be great.
I think the maximum income for low income programs is too low. There are many families who are barely making ends meet but are working poor, and still do not qualify for programs. Also I hope to not lose programs through FCS. We've been using counselling for 5 years (5 of our family members), I would hate to have to start again with someone who no background.

Insure that these goals are for all residents in Strathcona County. Unfortunately, many of the programs and services offered by FCSS are for low income earners. Just because someone or a family are not low income earners, does not mean they can afford all the programs and services that are offered to low income earners.
Meeting needs of low income seniors and new Canadians. Outreach programs that easily accessed and affordable.
More affordable counselling.
More mental health awareness/ affordable help. More affordable child care
More mental health supports in our community. Currently supporting someone with mental health issues (specifically suicide) and I find it quite difficult to get supports locally. I am accessing walk-in counselling off of Whyte and other supports through the 211 services. My family member who is suicidal has to also receive services outside of our community due to waitlist at FCS and mental health. Quite frustrating. We need more available counsellors.
more resources are needed for mental health and how to handle stresses for people who can not afford professional help before it hits a critical point. If we were able to help people early on perhaps it wouldn't be a crisis.
There is not much available for those struggling with mental health issues unless you have the money to pay for it or get admitted to hospital. For those who struggle every day to avoid having suicidal thoughts or overwhelming and debilitating depression there is no help/outreach unless you can pay for it.
We need to work together, and offer Cheep, it not free counseling for adults, teens, and if needed, children.
Total

Question 1) Abuse: Mental/Emotional

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
all of the above can be worked on at one time. The paper (Strathcona News) is a divisive and slanderous on- it does not help to take an attitude to ridicule people, but not look at the issue council is voting on. It has become slanderous and is a perfect example of the secret abuse that inlies a lot of the behavior of administration. We have been harassed by a neighbour who uses bylaws to harass us by c/o if the tongue of the vehicle is over the edge or the driveway (out of sight on my back porch). This is an example of abuse.
Also: Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm, and Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.
Better address physical and mental abused. Counselling is an important way to prevent and help address these issues.
Don't be mean
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Work together to make our community stronger.Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
For starters have more teachers help and look out for physical and verbal abuse.
Have a place where people can go away from emotional and physical harm
More child care and be more free from emotional or physical harm.
more police patrolling schools and streets.more watch on social media for cyber bullying.watch for self-harm marks,people always wearing long sleeve/always covering legs/stomach and bruises.

Respect others more feel welcome in the community treat everyone fair no matter the circumstances
Some houses even though are small still cost a small fortune because of Alberta's total income while some people can only work at minimum wage jobs and can't afford a suitable house. And the physical harm or emotional is hard to judge because the harmer tells the harmie that if he/she tells anyone they will get abused even more.
Support for women and children in do ,estimated abuse situations. Better adversTising of what is available for young families
Total

Question 1) Abuse: Physical

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Also: Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm, and Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.
Better address physical and mental abused. Counselling is an important way to prevent and help address these issues.
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Work together to make our community stronger.Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
For starters have more teachers help and look out for physical and verbal abuse.
Have a place where people can go away from emotional and physical harm
More child care and be more free from emotional or physical harm.
Respect others more feel welcome in the community treat everyone fair no matter the circumstances
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Support for women and children in do,estimated abuse situations. Better adversTising of what is available for young families
we can help people who are harmed by other people
Would could help the people who are doing physical harm. And help them control their anger.
Total

Question 1) Abuse: Domestic

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Addressing barriers to disabled individuals, addressing domestic violence and also petty crime rates

Encourage employers to look inside their own community for workers - those with disabilities. If they are not a part of an organization it is difficult to find work for these individuals. More quality in personal health and safety. Focus on violence against women and nothing the other way. It is a two way street that needs to be addresses.
Focus on education/busing/age of schools
I think programming to encourage young kids to read and do sports are really useful, and kids would probably be willing to fundraise for that through their schools. As well, resources for people suffering from domestic violence or abuse should be more available, like help lines and therapists or shelters
Make child care less expensive. My parents are always stressing about the bill for daycare. I also think that if someone in your house is getting emotionally, physically, or sexually assaulted, you must tell.
More affordable housing More domestic violence supports Group counselling sessions for community members More "play" group/connecting meetings to create more bonds with the community
More groups created for survivors of domestic abuse, etc. raise awareness about those types of situations in public places.
More help for people in abusive homes- there is little to no help for abused women. My abusive ex seems to have many more rights than I do and no help for me to get out
Resources and assistance for those leaving abusive relationships, a dedicated position to help make sure basic needs are met for these people: food, longer term shelter (locating as well as funding), establishing a home again with nothing, resources for making it through the first 6 months and then continued support for longer term. Finding help such as financial services. , navigating the legal system, finding sources for help such as santas anonymous, food bank and more. Restraining orders and child custody etc etc etc
You can tell the strength of a community by how they treat their most vulnerable. Unfortunately food security, domestic violence and mental health need more resources.
Total

Question 1) Abuse: Substance

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Focus on our youth. Drug and alcohol use, lack of sexual boundaries, poor digital citizenship, and lack of low and no cost fun activities to engage in are limited. Kids who are athletic have lots to do/belong to (at a cost), but the rest of our kids have little or nothing. Belonging increases positive behaviour and good decision making.
Focus on teen drug abuse
I've been trying to help a relative with an addiction for years. There needs to be more help and efficiency in the system. One central place to call and receive help without being constantly redirected and never getting anywhere. I believe there is also a shortage of housing for middle class seniors.
Start taking the pressure off the hospitals and police as a bandaid fix for people that have drug addiction. This is an epidemic and this county has nothing for people. Families need a safe mandatory rehabilitation facility for their children that are not safe to be in the home. These kids are ending up on the streets of Edmonton. Find a building, put people in there to help them detox and get the care they need instead of sending them downtown to Edmonton. People are scared!!
Total

Question 1) Abuse: Access/services

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Create a talk session that is anonymous so that people who are being abused can feel safe while asking for help/ advice/ share their story
Have a place to go when having family issues.
Have a place where people can go away from emotional and physical harm
Have a section on your website for "Have you been abused?" So anyone can tell you if they have or they know someone who has
Have help if you are being harmed
I am 2 years into trying to break free from an abusive marriage. The justice system has failed me and my small children again and again. We are stuck without a decent quality of life, I can't afford childcare, I am balancing work and online school to try make ends meet, but I can no way afford any kind of suitable housing for me and my children. We are stuck in a one room basement room and will be for the foreseeable future, all because the courts have failed again and again to recognize and provide for our needs in a timely manner. My ex is living the high life, paying very minimal in child support although he is making over 6 figures, and continues to be verbally, mentally, emotionally abusive towards my children and myself. At this point, there is nothing in place I can access that is able to help me. I just want to be free from abuse and provide a safe place for me and my kids to call home. Sincerely, Trapped
I think programming to encourage young kids to read and do sports are really useful, and kids would probably be willing to fundraise for that through their schools. As well, resources for people suffering from domestic violence or abuse should be more available, like help lines and therapists or shelters
I've been trying to help a relative with an addiction for years. There needs to be more help and efficiency in the system. One central place to call and receive help without being constantly redirected and never getting anywhere. I believe there is also a shortage of housing for middle class seniors.
if there are any people that are harmful, tell someone.
People should tell someone in authority to deal with abuse
Resources and assistance for those leaving abusive relationships, a dedicated position to help make sure basic needs are met for these people: food, longer term shelter (locating as well as funding), establishing a home again with nothing, resources for making it through the first 6 months and then continued support for longer term. Finding help such as financial services. , navigating the legal system, finding sources for help such as santas anonymous, food bank and more. Restraining orders and child custody etc etc etc
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stop the abuse
There is zero affordable or low income housing to keep single families residents of Sherwood aPark. Income support is ridiculous and only covered my rent as I am not receiving low income. I was consistently harassed by children services and RCMP while trying to leave abusive relationship. Based on my ex testimony to RCMP I was kicked to the street with nowhere to go with 4 kids. No help with paying utility bills that are mandatory, food bank is only once a month and give expired food and no actual meat etc. RAP program is excellent but busing subusidy is still not affordable. More needs to Recreation facilities like the zoo, Fort Edmonton, trampoline places etc. School fees and supplies are ridiculous. Have so many complaints about living here and day by day it just isn't affordable anymore
We need to have more jobs and stop family abuse.
Total

Question 1) Abuse: Bullying

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Affordable counselling for mental health - Anti-bullying programs in schools - Better school Councillors who have had mental health training.
-address bullying at schools-support for block parties (admin/coordination)-we have a hard time finding a good babysitter, would be good to provide some linking services-kids younger than 10 have more limited options for physical fitness. They are not allowed to go to the gym at all. If they are supervised shouldn't be an issue. Gym space is also limited if they want to kick a ball around.
-volunteer-talk to people-help people who are being bullied
Actually do you job. Give us decent education. The ardrossan school is garbage , the teachers and staff are rude as heck.
all of the above can be worked on at one time. The paper (Strathcona News) is a divisive and slanderous on- it does not help to take an attitude to ridicule people, but not look at the issue council is voting on. It has become slanderous and is a perfect example of the secret abuse that inlies a lot of the behavior of administration. We have been harassed by a neighbour who uses bylaws to harass us by c/o if the tongue of the vehicle is over the edge or the driveway (out of sight on my back porch). This is an example of abuse.
All of the goals are admirable. And they are true for select lucky proportion of our population. There are people living in poverty. There are people living in abusive situations. There are people who are bullied and people who are made to feel unwelcome. We act like this is not so. I have heard people say, "We don't have poor people here." I have heard negative comments about people's ethnicities, gender preferences, age and religion. No one is taking the lead on identifying these issues and working to educate people on a better way. Survey doesn't come close to identifying issues that need to be dealt with in order to achieve these lofty goals.
Be respected to everyone no bullying.
bullying free exerciseducation on harm being caused in the community
Crack down on bullying in schools
Crack down on harassment of peers in schools. Self-harm is becoming a bigger and bigger issue and it needs to be looked at more thoroughly.
Have harsher punishments for bad behaviours such as bullying
I feel like if there is someone that is in need of help, it shouldn't be treated lightly, for example, if someone is struggling in social life, like getting bullied, it shouldn't be treated as lightly as it is now.
I'd say that for people being respected fairly we need to decrease the amount of bullying to 0.Because lots of kids feel isolated and that they don't belong here
If we work together and don't fight and don't bully maybe try to make the kids better at school because I see poeple who get bullied at school
Make sure that teens are better educated on how words and actions can affect others.
make sure those who do self harm get treatment. Watch for bullies. Make sure that also everyone feels safe but we all need to work together as a community. Its nice being safe and not feeling scared.
Many schools still hav3 bullying issues, bullying should be taken more seriously in every school. And teachers should know what theyre learning and be helped, not judged or bashed by the people they should count on.
More anti bullying advertisements, not just in schools.
more antibully
more police patrolling schools and streets.more watch on social media for cyber bullying.watch for self harm marks,people always wearing long sleeve/always covering legs/stomach and bruises.
More school funds.Harsher penalties for bullying.

No tolerance for disrespect by employees (county and otherwise) who treat our teens poorly (its ageism and not ok to stereotype based on age), more activities for teens but also a crackdown on the teens that are getting into trouble (I've seen a lot of verbal sexual harassment by groups of teens at large events like the cavada day celebration). Safe spaces and support groups for our LGBTQ population, an atheist or secular humanism support group rather than just churches everywhere.
Not to bully anyone
People should be encouraged to talk about their spiritual beliefs and everyone should learn to listen and question without being insulting and without assuming they already have the answers. Far more bullying and fear of being judged happens in this area than in the LGBTQ issue.
Re-evaluate how bullying is handled in school and by the RCMP.
Residents are not respected by council or administration. We have the history
See bullieing in high school cause that's how drugs stop
stop bullyingrespect for everyone
stopping bullying
to monitor cyber bullying and bullying within the classroom @lexiwoods
treated respectfully because people still are being bullied
We can reduce the bullying of students to help with the overall mental health of the younger generation of the community
We can set a zero tolerance bullying rule so we all feel safe at school. All children deserve to feel protected we should take action.
Work harder and make others feel safe from bullying and other things that may affect.
Total

Question 1) Seniors: Isolation/abuse/mental health

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-- Build lodges for Seniors in the outlying areas - Ardrossan, Cooking Lake-- Build more affordable houses for Seniors in Sherwood Park itself-- Build affordable housing for young adults in transition-- Do more for widows/single parents
1. Look at helping mental health issues in schools / senior facilities2. Improve physical activities - the cost for any sports outside of school is very expensive for low income / single mom / senior households3. Better access for seniors for patient care, e.g., physicians, classes available
1. More affordable housing2. Communication - easier for seniors to access for what's available3. Senior's abuse - more people helping4. Why should seniors pay education tax?5. Services to help seniors stay in homes6. Medical issues - hip/knee replacements takes TOO LONG. Things that are going good:Great rec department - Library/ BookmobileFCSS great for supportGreat support of county for our 55+ clubOutreach program is great!
I feel sorry for all the senior ladies who live alone and are not aware of what the county offers.All the Dr.'s in the county should be contacted about what is available for seniors by pamphlet or visit by staff.
improve mental health services for age 65 + over (seniors).
More connectedness for house bound seniors
To keep connected with the seniors program. Let's Talk is a good initiative so it would be good to keep it going.
Total

Question 1) Seniors: Housing

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Affordable housing for seniors in Strathcona County is #1 issue! Lack of same is growing! County Council has to address this by providing land access, builders, etc into our area of seniors needs etc.- Health issues - navigating health system. Healthy navigator assigned to hospitals, PCN's, etc would assist everyone in addressing and planning appropriate health care delivery efficiently (cost effective)- Transportation - mobility bus is helpful, especially for medical appt's. Between the excellent programming provided by Recreation Dept, Library, FCSS etc addressing needs of Seniors, attempting to keep them informed and active - I feel we are blessed to be living in Sh Prk, S'cona County. Friends of mine have accessed FCSS for help w/ their housing concerns, financial issues, income tax etc
- As a senior in the community, I feel the need for more choices for seniors housing is going to be required in the very near future. - Health care is definitely a concern - Ambulance service ect.
- have subsidized childcare- more seniors housing
- Interact more with the community – especially rural areas - Senior housing availability
- Need adequate senior facilities and programs that are financially available. - Support for seniors to remain in their own homes, to give financial aid to make senior homes viable.
- Offer subsidized housing options- Need more seniors housing- Accessibility to FCSS
- wanted to live in this community but could not afford to after retirement- improve the equability in living expenses between Edmonton and Sherwood Park. We recently wanted to buy a home but could not find anything in our price range in Sherwood Park. so we have recently relocated to Edmonton. we still do some of our shopping in Sherwood Park.
-Affordable housing for seniors-Healthcare: appointments take too long-Current hospital doesn't serve needs of county residents
-more affordable housing for seniors-better bus services-extend use of hospital (more services)
A fully operational hospital. Larger shopping would be great. Need more senior housing which is affordable.
A high percentage of the county population falls into the "senior" category. At present, new construction doesn't appear to address the housing/facility needs of seniors.
Adequate housing and child care for the people (often new Canadians) working in the service industry is essential. A strategy for meeting the needs of seniors housing is critical. We could help this process by encouraging developers specializing in these types of development projects to speak into the consultation process.
Affordable and accessible housing for low income and seniors
Affordable daycareaffordable senior housing
Affordable housing for seniors
Affordable housing for seniors on a low fixed income. Affordable services and tax base for seniors on low fixed income.
Affordable housing for seniors.
Affordable housing for seniors.The comment that one country councilor made that, "we can't build our way out of this", is absolutely ludicrous. That is one of the things that we need to do. That some councilors cannot see this worries me and I will remember this in the next election.
Affordable housing for single parent families, single people and seniors so they can afford stay in Sherwood Park

Affordable housing needs to be addressed. People should not have to leave their community to be able to leave. *There are major issues that this survey has not even addressed: caregiving, supports regarding death care, burial, cemeteries. There are a lot of people in the county who are providing care to loved ones. There NEEDS to be an affordable option to county residents for end of life.
An independent affordable smaller housing - stop warehousing seniors in just condo's and apartments. Think of leasing the land to make it affordable to build smaller homes, closer together.
As a senior I see myself having to move away from Sherwood Park because of the high cost of living here. No affordable housing for low income seniors just very fancy places that cost more than regular Homes!
As a senior, I see a need for better and affordable senior lodges with shorter waiting lists.how about a hospital that is useful to allaffordable day care for the younger families
As our population ages, more effort should be to make senior residences more available. As it currently stands there are hundreds of seniors on wait lists for senior housing. Currently the wait time is about two years. As time progresses the wait times will increase as the population of Strathcona county becomes greater.
Build condos ONLY for seniors.
Build more affordable housing for low income seniors and young people just starting out. Build a senior centre that has a variety of activities.
cheaper child care more senior facilities
Continue to improve community spirit More seniors accommodation
Develop new, affordable neighbourhoods, seniors housing, resources to help people who are stressed and depressed.
Do what you can to improve affordable housing, especially until seniors
Give elders homes
Have more affordable housing for people over 55.
Have more affordable housing for seniors and young people.More available housing for seniors. There appears to be very limited options for seniors.Fully operational Hospital.People are great serving us at the Hospital.
Have more senior housing available (affordable)
Have Silver Birch Court through Heartland Housing Corp receive more funding. A 3 bedroom apartment is still 1,035 with one parking stall. (that does not include power and phone, internet) I receive on CCCP and Aish,,, \$1,688.00 per month....still paying out over 75-80% of income in just housing alone. Please could we help single parents moms & dads to afford a decent place to live without having to pay 3/4 of the gross total income to rent, Sherwood Park is a safe place to live and even though we are low income single parents we want to continue to live here. We do not want to leave the Park to move to Edmonton because we cannot afford to live here...Please, Please help this group of people Thank you very much!!
Housing for low income seniors is a REAL need. I know some seniors will sell their homes and/or divest themselves of their wealth (i.e., give to their families) in order to qualify for housing in Silver Birch or Cloverbar and these people take housing whic is really intended for low income seniors.
I agree on all the other points but I think that there should be more affordable housing for seniors
I feel we need more affordable housing for seniors. The building going up at present seems to be for the more affluent. There is not enough care facilities. It poses quite a problem for families when the elders requiring more care have to move out of the community. Most seniors would prefer to stay in their homes so more help may be required for a them to do so! If one is fortunate to age with few health concerns it would be good to know that their future health issues are going to be addressed!

I think that there should be more rentals available for seniors as they get into their 80's. At this point a lot of them will likely want to sell their houses and live off that money for their remaining years. Likely there should be more nursing homes and senior's lodges. Another thing about transportation is perhaps bus stops could be at a number of the shopping areas for the senior's who can not drive anymore. This would help them to stay physically active and make them feel safe in the community.
I think that we are going in the right direction in beginning to provide affordable housing for seniors and for our young people. We have a way to go. Childcare and transportation are areas that need some serious looking at. Increasing the frequency of buses and expanding the local bus route are good places to start.
I've been trying to help a relative with an addiction for years. There needs to be more help and efficiency in the system. One central place to call and receive help without being constantly redirected and never getting anywhere. I believe there is also a shortage of housing for middle class seniors.
Increase minimum wage, lower fees for university students so they can afford the education affordable lower income housing rates for seniors.
Increase number of affordable seniors housing accommodations.
Increased subsidized seniors housing and family housing – inclusive of those that hover just above the poverty lines Increased subsidized transportation for senior Caregiver support / respite options
Look into the need for senior housing. There is already a limited amount and will become a bigger problem in a few years.
More adequate housing and community resources for seniors
More affordable adult living and senior lodging is desperately needed!!! Why are there numerous unnessecary hotels being built near the Emerald hills area and yet no new senior care places? Affordable living for our ageing community is so important. Sherwood Park needs 10X the amount it currently has. Of course there's outrageous wait lists. Just think, If an initiative program was put into place today to focus on this desperate need, YOU might have a nice place to retire to without leaving your hometown AND you might actually get in without waiting on a list for years. I'm not even 40 and I have no personal loved one in this situation as of yet but even I can see this is a big and (somewhat ignored) issue.
More affordable housing for both seniors and young people so they don't have to move out of area. Rural childcare needed.
More affordable housing for seniors and more facilities for disabled seniors to reside and get proper care
More affordable housing for seniors. More flexible options (eg: we can food). more information sharing sessions.
More affordable transitional housing for seniors - i.e. AFFORDABLE & SUFFICIENT bungalows. Only bungalows available to purchase for seniors with attached garages and main floor laundry are far too expensive - i.e. very few in the \$500,000 or less price range - most are around \$600,000 to \$750,000. Seniors can't afford to take on a mortgage in order to transition to a smaller bungalow home. Also get a proper snow clearing bylaw in place so people can safely walk in the community - i.e. snow cleared in 48 hours. Transit service within Sh Pk needs to be improved as well.
More and better quality seniors housing and assisted living.
More care homes for seniors
More handicapped parking at the Emerald Hills Swim Centre. Aging population - housing/long term care needs.
More housing for low income and seniors.

More housing for seniors, more assisted living housing, a hospital that is a real hospital (ie: can perform surgeries and not have to transfer to other hospitals), less attack on parental choice in education. Only when the basic needs of people are met can they feel safe and involved in their community.
more housing options for seniors
More housing options for seniors that doesn't include just condos.
More senior assisted living facilities.
More senior housing
More senior housing (affordable)
More senior housing facilities. The senior population is only increasing and there are wait lists for all buildings. Seniors who shouldn't be living on their own can access homecare etc. however, help can't be there at all times unless living at a lodge, which all have wait lists as well. This is unsafe not only for the resident but for all residents who live there plus stressful for the family. More resources for seniors subsidized cleaning services. There is a wait list and seniors who cannot do those things for themselves are left in a situation where their suite needs to be clean but they cannot do it on their own.
More senior housing.
More Senior's housing. My time is coming when I will need this. I'll have to go elsewhere to get it.
more seniors affordable housing
More seniors long term care and assisted living facilities
More Sr. housing. Bus service that fits people's needs. Infill housing. Better hospital.
Need more housing for low income and disabled people - seniors in general. Some of us can't do stairs such as in apartments. Also, some of us would still like a house so we don't have to give up all of our goods.
need more places for seniors with low income
Need more senior housing!
nursing homes and care centres are a priority right now as we cannot keep our needy seniors in our community as much as we need to.. Also ,, we need more low cost housing, as so many seniors need to down size and we do have many people who are on low income, housing is not affordable for first time home buyers as the cost of housing is pretty high for low income people. would be nice if out young people could afford to stay in the community
Partner with others to ensure that low income and senior housing needs are met in a variety of different ways in both large and small projects now. Don't delay.
provide adequate senior housing for low and mid income seniors moving from their homes
Provide more affordable seniors housing.
Seniors housing is very inadequate
Seniors housing-NOT low income, NOT high income. "The forgotten middle income"
seniors housing. Improved affordable transportation.
Seniors need more affordable housing
Smaller, affordable housing for independent seniors
Some are unrealistic in a society that has such varied personal valuesI agree on all the other points but I think that there should be more affordable housing for seniors
Some schools class rooms are bigHousing for seniors with medical needsA lot of money is spent in certain areas on trees and plants where it could be spent better
Start building care facilities. Get a REAL hospital.
Strongly need more Senoir housing and care subsidized housing based on income levels
Support community build housing projects for seniors.

Take a page from Edmonton where they are much more involved in providing affordable seniors' apartments that are based on income. I have lived in Sh. Park for 43 years and am still in my home but expect I'll be forced to relocate to Edmonton as I don't want to buy again but prefer renting at this stage in my life. I have a livable pension but am by no means wealthy.
The county should focus on ALL of the above goals. The county should be a strong advocate for seniors - housing, dental care, vision care, and hearing care. Families should not be paying for busing for children to school. More remedial services should be provided within the schools - ex. math and reading.
There is a definite need for more affordable housing. This is needed for both seniors and low-income families alike. DESPERATE need for emergency housing for low-income women.
Transportation system better designed for both rural and urban use. Childcare locations need to be increased, and made affordable. Increase housing for senior residents.
We already have a police force to ensure our safety. We already have FCSS who provide residents with supports (abuse, counseling, & a wide variety of valuable information sessions; so the wheel doesn't need to be reinvented here. This survey, sounds like County Council is just looking for a pat on the back, when all these goals are already being addressed...some are lacking & need more attention, but for the most part I found this survey redundant! What needs to happen - is to change the mind set of Council to realize that we're not all rich & wealthy. For instance, studies have been done, task forces have been created and nothing concrete has come of them. The Affordable housing issue has been on the table since 2008, and here we are still with nothing. Take a look around at the faces when out shopping - driving about - SENIORS are abundant. Every day 60 people in Alberta turn 65. We got the pools, the walking trails the schools & the recreation facilities - geared towards families - bu
We do need more affordable housing and care facilities for our aging population.
We need more affordable housing/care centres for seniors and young families.
We need more Affordable Senior housing
We need more senior facilities
When i as a senior in my own home want to sell and move into a smaller accommodation i would like an assistant to help me negotiate the process and a way of finding out the costs associated with renting a smaller place for a senior right now i see that i have to get out and go from one place to another and ask there is not one place i can go to that will show me all my options and costs...the cost is what is confusing for example: the units across from our library...going there i just get confused on the high costs and wonder where else to go for something nice, cheaper and safe...safety is a high priority for me. I feel lost so i just stay in my old home and hope for the best.
With senior population increasing in the next few years - need to have affordable housing for the coming population boom as well as adequate transportation - wellness and fitness classes geared to this age group.
with seniors housing i find that i have to go to each condo or rental unit and inquire of the rules and availability I am not clear on the costs to buy or rent apartments or condos as they all are different. As a senior who is right now healthy and taking care of her own independent home i worry about my future when i have to downsize and move....where to go? how much it will cost? am i subsidized? I would like all the information to be simplified and contained in one area or booklet or office (we are not all on computers) so i can understand what my options are when i have to move. ps...i have no children nor husband so being alone in sherwood park i have only myself to depend upon.
Total

Question 1) Seniors: Transportation

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Affordable housing for seniors in Strathcona County is #1 issue! Lack of same is growing! County Council has to address this by providing land access, builders, etc into our area of seniors needs etc.- Health issues - navigating health system. Healthy navigator assigned to hospitals, PCN's, etc would assist everyone in addressing and planning appropriate health care delivery efficiently (cost effective)- Transportation - mobility bus is helpful, especially for medical appt's. Between the excellent programming provided by Recreation Dept, Library, FCSS etc addressing needs of Seniors, attempting to keep them informed and active - I feel we are blessed to be living in Sh Prk, S'cona County. Friends of mine have accessed FCSS for help w/ their housing concerns, financial issues, income tax etc
Affordable housing-cheaper transportation for seniors.
Alternative transportation for seniors
Better senior transportation
Better transportation for seniors needing to access facilities in Edm
Buses not convenient to seniors especially Saturday and Sunday. Also some buses are not equipped to handle walkers or carts (not senior friendly).
Get better and affordable transportation for all seniors.
Get transportation for seniors in lodges and home care and not make them pay thru the nose - when they have appointments with Dr's and eye specialists and they do not have family to take them.
Improve seniors transportation (mobility) re: available, immediately when needed for sudden needs, as is only by taxi which isn't always financially available by some seniors.
Increase awareness of programs and services presently available ie: 1. Fridge magnets with contact numbers for Senior's Outreach Program and Family Community Services2. Representation at monthly meetings eg: 55+ Club to present current and updated info3. Bulletin Board at 55+ Club and other facilities4. Subsidized transportation costs
More bus service for seniors, special price for seniors around the park. Would like more get togethers, more special people came in and talk about services for seniors. Housing help.
More public transportation for seniors at a reduced fare
More transport for seniors i.e. bus stops outside old age condos.
Promote increasing the funding to AISH recipients by soliciting provincial gov't. there's a need for public rural transportation - especially for elderly people.
Revise county transit and provide some transit incentives for seniors.
seniors housing. Improved affordable transportation.
transportation: Sundays regular service to Edmontonseniors: bus pass ends at 3pm. senior 55+ activities end at 4:00pm. extend pass times.reinstate radar. speeding in park terrible.
Total

Question 1) Seniors: Program/services/activities

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Need adequate senior facilities and programs that are financially available. - Support for seniors to remain in their own homes, to give financial aid to make senior homes viable.
1. Look at helping mental health issues in schools / senior facilities2. Improve physical activities - the cost for any sports outside of school is very expensive for low income / single mom / senior households3. Better access for seniors for patient care, e.g., physicians, classes available

1. Get involved with affordable housing!!!2. Adequate evaluation for home care3. Work with other groups4. More inexpensive transportation
1. More affordable housing2. Communication - easier for seniors to access for what's available3. Senior's abuse - more people helping4. Why should seniors pay education tax?5. Services to help seniors stay in homes6. Medical issues - hip/knee replacements takes TOO LONG. Things that are going good:Great rec department - Library/ BookmobileFCSS great for supportGreat support of county for our 55+ clubOutreach program is great!
A high percentage of the county population falls into the "senior" category. At present, new construction doesn't appear to address the housing/facility needs of seniors.
Affordable housing for seniors on a low fixed income. Affordable services and tax base for seniors on low fixed income.
Affordable housing needs to be addressed. People should not have to leave their community to be able to leave. *There are major issues that this survey has not even addressed: caregiving, supports regarding death care, burial, cemeteries. There are a lot of people in the county who are providing care to loved ones. There NEEDS to be an affordable option to county residents for end of life.
better follow up with our seniors/ vulnerable people on their services they receive in home , i.e. We Care
Build more affordable housing for low income seniors and young people just starting out. Build a senior centre that has a variety of activities.
Continue dances
County needs to work with senior groups to encourage seniors to come together
Goal # 4 - Just not for disabled seniorsInadequate income related to the recessionEducating people about the life of caregivers to the general populationsMore quality nursing homes with a year long minimum More empathetic doctors
Have more programs for seniors.
Have more swim classes for 55+
Have seniors dances Monday nights, every week!
Have someone help with shoveling. Both of us need the help.
Home care free for those who qualify (low income)
I feel we need more affordable housing for seniors. The building going up at present seems to be for the more affluent. There is not enough care facilities. It poses quite a problem for families when the elders requiring more care have to move out of the community. Most seniors would prefer to stay in their homes so more help may be required for a them to do so! If one is fortunate to age with few health concerns it would be good to know that their future health issues are going to be addressed!
improve the availability of affordable housing provide more opportunities to the aging population (seniors)more affordable childcaremake the community hospital a fully operational facility ...please!
Increase awareness of programs and services presently available ie: 1. Fridge magnets with contact numbers for Senior's Outreach Program and Family Community Services2. Representation at monthly meetings eg: 55+ Club to present current and updated info3. Bulletin Board at 55+ Club and other facilities4. Subsidized transportation costs
Maybe more accommodations for seniors and senior care.
More activities for seniors, no fees!
More adequate housing and community resources for seniors
More advertising about social programs and health programs to target stay at home moms or moms who are battling depression, especially moms that live out in the country and dont read or receive the Sherwood Park News. There needs to be more inclusive programs for senior's ie: bringing daycare kids to the seniors places.
More affordable housing optionsPrograms for new members of our community Help for aging population
More bus service for seniors, special price for seniors around the park. Would like more get togethers, more special people came in and talk about services for seniors. Housing help.

More facilities for senior citizens. Places where they can get meals if desired.
More handicapped parking at the Emerald Hills Swim Centre. Aging population - housing/long term care needs.
More lower income housing; senior care; programs for children to access sports and other opportunities at reduced costs; subsidized child care
More senior facilities
More senior housing facilities. The senior population is only increasing and there are wait lists for all buildings. Seniors who shouldn't be living on their own can access homecare etc. however, help can't be there at all times unless living at a lodge, which all have wait lists as well. This is unsafe not only for the resident but for all residents who live there plus stressful for the family. More resources for seniors subsidized cleaning services. There is a wait list and seniors who cannot do those things for themselves are left in a situation where their suite needs to be clean but they cannot do it on their own.
need more places for seniors with low income
Neighborhood watch programs. Police mentor programs. Senior centers with programs for seniors.
Provide services that are geared towards seniors. If you do then they need to be advertised more.
Safer biking... baseline road is far too narrow for both car and bike. More seniors programs, rural public transportation, more timely snow removal. Safe walking areas...again range roads are too narrow, traffic is fast, in winter roads are snow covered. Occasional police presence....never see police unless there is a major incidence.
There are large gaps in child care and elderly care. Lack of space and facilities.
There may be a need for more inter-generational contact. How do the senior members of our society learn to understand the younger generations if we do not TALK.
Try and improve the care on seniors and people that are sick. Try and see if transportation for people that don't have cars is available whether a taxi or a bus. Try and maybe notice some of the things people and children say to each other that is negative and change their mind to say something positive.:)
We need a seniors centre with exercise programs, education in caring for ourselves. There is a need to support those people who are becoming disconnected as a result of health problems, transportation and financial problems, lack of family and friends. They are isolated and need support.
We need to know about help for seniors who want to live in their own homes. (light housework, gardening-pulling weeds etc. snow clearing, transportation for groceries and doctor appointments etc.) Ages 85 and 86. Residents of Sherwood Park for 56 years.
When i as a senior in my own home want to sell and move into a smaller accommodation i would like an assistant to help me negotiate the process and a way of finding out the costs associated with renting a smaller place for a senior right now i see that i have to get out and go from one place to another and ask there is not one place i can go to that will show me all my options and costs...the cost is what is confusing for example: the units across from our library...going there i just get confused on the high costs and wonder where else to go for something nice, cheaper and safe...safety is a high priority for me. I feel lost so i just stay in my old home and hope for the best.
Total

Question 1) Seniors: Mobility

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Buses not convenient to seniors especially Saturday and Sunday. Also some buses are not equipped to handle walkers or carts (not senior friendly).
I would like to add accessibility to this list. I am a person living with a disability. I have found that it is difficult to get out when there are not benches present to take a rest or handicap buttons to open doors, among other things. As someone who has a disability, I still want to enjoy what others do in the community.

Improve seniors transportation (mobility) re: available, immediately when needed for sudden needs, as is only by taxi which isn't always financially available by some seniors.
More bus service for seniors, special price for seniors around the park. Would like more get togethers, more special people came in and talk about services for seniors. Housing help.
Total

Question 1) Seniors: Recreation

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-Easier access to mental health professionals -Strong council which listens to community input-Would like to see a larger shopping center with various merchandisers -Perhaps a small to medium size venue for seniors activities, especially light exercises geared toward seniors only, with adequate above-ground parking or a bus route
We need a seniors centre with exercise programs, education in caring for ourselves. There is a need to support those people who are becoming disconnected as a result of health problems, transportation and financial problems, lack of family and friends. They are isolated and need support.
Total

Question 1) Seniors: Advocacy

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Need adequate senior facilities and programs that are financially available. - Support for seniors to remain in their own homes, to give financial aid to make senior homes viable.
- Pay more attention to the needs of the people who live outside Sherwood park - lower taxes for seniors (or raise the rebate for more people increased rebate. - anything to make things more affordable for seniors - More seniors education – always free
1. More affordable housing2. Communication - easier for seniors to access for what's available3. Senior's abuse - more people helping4. Why should seniors pay education tax?5. Services to help seniors stay in homes6. Medical issues - hip/knee replacements takes TOO LONG. Things that are going good:Great rec department - Library/ BookmobileFCSS great for supportGreat support of county for our 55+ clubOutreach program is great!
Communication. Regular assessment of senior community members
Focus on seniors.
Include the seniors
Meeting needs of low income seniors and new Canadians. Outreach programs that easily accessed and affordable.
More help for elderly, more consideration of environment, more small local businesses, more crime prevention
More senior involvement to achieve senior goals
need a system to check on all seniors. Food programs
People in Sherwood Park are getting older
Respondent did not check any items on goals re basic needs but commented "Right now I am OK as a senior." She also circled the small print at the bottom of this question and commented "very important."

The county should focus on ALL of the above goals. The county should be a strong advocate for seniors - housing, dental care, vision care, and hearing care. Families should not be paying for busing for children to school. More remedial services should be provided within the schools - ex. math and reading.
We need to know about help for seniors who want to live in their own homes. (light housework, gardening-pulling weeds etc. snow clearing, transportation for groceries and doctor appointments etc.) Ages 85 and 86. Residents of Sherwood Park for 56 years.
When i as a senior in my own home want to sell and move into a smaller accommodation i would like an assistant to help me negotiate the process and a way of finding out the costs associated with renting a smaller place for a senior right now i see that i have to get out and go from one place to another and ask there is not one place i can go to that will show me all my options and costs...the cost is what is confusing for example: the units across from our library...going there i just get confused on the high costs and wonder where else to go for something nice, cheaper and safe...safety is a high priority for me. I feel lost so i just stay in my old home and hope for the best.
Total

Question 1) Community Events: Grass roots/non-County

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Build community engagement through local neighbourhood leagues. Need sustainable drivers for this to happen. Need to also build trust in elected officials. How can we work together if certain officials won't work together
Continue to support volunteer groups that provide ground level services.
Encourage more participation from the community at large and make it easy for individuals to participate
Help first time buyers as a community. Support non profit groups helping to take care of families in the communities over the holidays. Like Christmas Community Blessings
I believe we need to focus on having a reconizable (brorded) event, area, symbol that brings together a community and makes it a place people want to gather and interact as a community. Example: St. Albert downtown or Vegerville Egg
Increase opportunities for community building between diverse groups of residents
Increase the connectivity from the bottom up - involve people at the grass roots level for each and everyone to embrace these goals.
More buy-in and accountability on community members to engage one another and work together. Maybe more community events that are not driven buy the County.
This survey is a start. I think more projects like these are excellent and the community or town hall meetings are also helpful. I think basic needs are usually where we need to start and then we can focus on belonging and valuing each other more deeply.
Total

Question 1) Community Events: County

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Bussing system could use improvement. The only affordable housing option I am aware of is to rent a room from someone. Asthma rates are high. I often don't find out about community events, it would be nice to have a county page that posts everything from parades to community garage sales, farmers markets, special speakers, concerts and plays coming to festival place. Etc.
By getting more buildings and stuff

By having community votes on situations.If the county did community potlucks/parties hosted by the county. Any bad actions can be spotted there, help families to come together.
Continue and build on events like First Night and Canada Day events. Get involved with the court system and first appearance officer for traffic fines. The first appearance officer is rude and causes more court dates.
Continue building community events through the county programs. Offer many different types of programs for all ages and different interests.
Continue community awarenessProvide opportunity and encouragement for involvement and participation in community events - support systems and programs.Resources that are available and easily accessed by all residents.
county employees will need to take the lead. Residents are very busy with their lives. We are very fortunate here to have everything we have.
Holding or promoting more events, for the people to enjoy. Not just holidays, but just because maybe. E.g watch a concert in the agora etc. Have activities for teens so they get involved with community.
host community meeting
I believe we need to focus on having a reconizable (brorded) event, area, symbol that brings together a community and makes it a place people want to gather and interact as a community. Example: St. Albert downtown or Vegerville Egg
I feel that all these goals are important, but I believe that as a municipality, we only have the ability to do so much. If we're connected to others, I feel this could provide a foundation to build on. The basic needs goal is extremely important, but I believe that the province should be taking the lead on that one. If we could have more community events throughout the year that are smaller (so hopefully less expensive), I think that could be a good place to start. For example, events like we used to have (the Haunted Hike, Centennial Days, Clover Bar Ranch garage sale) gave us the opportunity to get out and meet our neighbours in a casual, relaxed setting - that was also fun.
I think that we should have more county events that would make the community stronger because it gets people from the community working and being together
Keep engaging with youth and the community and keep providing services that help with these issues
lobby prov. gov't to stop spending so much on private education, especially religiously based home schooling.build more housing for families needing rent support continue to use local newspaper to communicate with residents (not everyone is always on-line)support agricultural services like weed control and animal controlcontinue community events like July 1st fireworks, support for free public skating at the various arenascontinue support for community hallsbuild walking and bike trails to help connect rural subdivisions to urban areas.
More community events
More community free event for those that are unable to afford it. Support groups.
More neighbourhood events - ex. pond party as a way to connect neighbours. These are usually not coordinated by individuals and will be more successful if its a county organized event. More RCMP patrols through neighbourhoods - more presence.
more social networking
Not sure about improving but continue to hold public community events - Canada Day, Christmas, etc. Brings the majority of the community out to get active and meet/enjoy each other.
Offer more community building activities maybe like community fairs/other group activities to bring everyone together.
Small businesses - my friend who lives here had no idea of some of the resources available from EDT. Thoughts on getting volunteers for Canada Day - let families volunteer together, promote that and maybe you'll get more volunteers.
Srathcona County should host more events to connect others and have idea sharing events to better the resorces accessible by County residents.
To do more activities as this one (Celebration of lights)
We could have a town/city events

we could put together more community events so the people can become closer
We need more things to do around sherwood park, it is literally so boring here it can cause crippling depression.
Total

Question 1) Community Events: Neighbourhood-based

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- encourage block parties- encourage small group connections - opportunity to serve and meet local needs - plug into Facebook "Sherwood Park Moms Community" It's where I heard about today's activities and why we came as a family.
-better networks for stay at home parents-encouraged activities that foster relationships with neighbours- walkable neighbourhoods with community building programs-parks and recreation programs at all parks (not just Broadmoor)
-Know your neighbour program-Community sponsored events (Ex. Foxboro, Cloverbar)-Leverage existing underutilized programs-Active 30-40 club
a way for new people to connect to their neighbors. An easy method to break the ice and introduce to each other, it's difficult for introverted people to reach out and meet people.
Better transit during non-peak hours its hard for students / part-time workers to get around. it can take 45 min to 1 hr to get from Wye Rd to Baseline. Need community leagues to help people get to know each other.
Block parties ... Meet your neighbours. Community events Community events to raise funds for common goal... Food bank.... Animal rescue ... Etc
Build community leagues. Develop the smaller communities
By following regulations that are set regarding our neighbours
By getting to people who live by me.
By having clubs activities
By having community votes on situations.If the county did community potlucks/parties hosted by the county. Any bad actions can be spotted there, help families to come together.
Community events that are more accessible. Ie: parking can be so hard to find so we tend not to go. Neighbourhood events.....get to know your neighbours!
community events with activities included to intentionally introduce other community members
community leagues to improve neighbourhood engagement and interactions.
Community outreach programs. Neighbours meeting neighbours - give them a reason to meet.
Could put together a community night every 3 - 4 months to know the people and families in the community.
Encourage block parties and "meet your neighbors" events.
Encourage fun neighbourhood functions. Quite often there is very little interactions with residents on a given street
Encouraging neighborhood involvement i.e. block parties, play dates, etc.
Forums will not help.Start with the children getting back to basics of quality of life, inter generational activities.Help each other more, set an example.
Have some open community get togethers. Have an openness and a higher quality of education when we are talking to kids about the issues.
Help people/families get to know each other in their home district and come together from time to time socially and then politically.
I believe we need more "community" based activities for families

I would suggest additional family opportunities where there is social interaction between families and community growth. Family and neighborhood opportunities/activities so neighbors get to know each other better.
Just keep listening. Perhaps more programs/ group gatherings for single, divorced people.
know your neighbours
Make better child care and make the streets great for families.
mental health programs for homelesssheltersneighbourhood gatherings to encourage community spirit and connection between neighbours- online chat groups for parents / families to connect
More community events
More emphasis on block parties, snow angels, etc. Getting people to meet each other and care about each other.
More encouragement and stimulus to build local communities - like block parties etc. County provides some good resources however not all residents are aware. More monitoring and active stimulation may be needed in some areas due to lack of an interested individual willing to take the lead.
More local community events so neighbours get to know each other. Improve policing in rural areas. Improve access to recreational activities for low income and seniors with lower cost and more suitable activities. More community input and involvement in activities. Lower taxes and bring in more jobs. Better and more seniors housing and amenities including a seniors recreation centre with multiple activities.
More neighbourhood events - ex. pond party as a way to connect neighbours. These are usually not coordinated by individuals and will be more successful if its a county organized event. More RCMP patrols through neighbourhoods - more presence.
More neighbourhood level activities/functionsKeep teams together year after year where possible for example if the kids are on the same hockey team every year kids and parents develop long term friendships and a stronger feeling of community
More open neighbourhoods and affordable childcare (watches, block parties)
Seems to be a higher crime rate around theft and vandalism. I have lived in Woodbridge for 3 yrs, Glen Allan before that. Never have I seen police roaming the area creating a presence. Very rarely do I see them.More community programs for kids 11 -16 yrs around internet safety...for parents too actually. Computer courses for the same age...defense classes for them.I really liked in Glen Allan the community league. You got out to events to know your neighbors and folks in the area.
Set up opportunities or foster a platform for informal volunteering within a neighbourhood (between neighbours)
Strathcona county is doing a great job in making people feel like they belong to a community. They have sponsored projects (Westboro accessible playground) but I think if they tried to do more of these projects by themselves and listen to people this goal would improve.
Stress that help is available through Family and Community Services. When jobs are lost it can impact on a family in many ways. I know my neighbours but I know many don't. Perhaps we need block parties in the different neighbourhoods to connect with others. Only then can we help with the issues.
This survey is a start. I think more projects like these are excellent and the community or town hall meetings are also helpful. I think basic needs are usually where we need to start and then we can focus on belonging and valuing each other more deeply.
We can have a community group
we could put together more community events so the people can become closer
We should also care about beautifying our community. With so much time being spent near our homes, the lol of our neighbourhoods matters.
Total

Question 1) Community Events: Promotion

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-address bullying at schools-support for block parties (admin/coordination)-we have a hard time finding a good babysitter, would be good to provide some linking services-kids younger than 10 have more limited options for physical fitness. They are not allowed to go to the gym at all. If they are supervised shouldn't be an issue. Gym space is also limited if they want to kick a ball around.
Advertise community events more
Continue community awarenessProvide opportunity and encouragement for involvement and participation in community events - support systems and programs.Resources that are available and easily accessed by all residents.
Develop strategies that bring people together more frequently for events.
I think we have ample opportunity to get involved in the community, and the county does a good job of making people aware of events.
More advertising for community events
More community events like the Edson ball tournament. Give us something that we can be proud about for our community
More housing for families, as there are too many adult only apartments. More community events and awareness of these events.
More information about getting involved in the community, why it's important and how to get involved.
More knowledge on community events.
Perhaps make community event s more clear to the public. Also i feel there needs to be a local lgbt support group for all ages, if there is one it is not well knwon
We can promote community events that anyone in the community can participate in
Total

Question 1) Community Events: Multicultural events

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
community events with activities included to intentionally introduce other community members
Have more multicultural events. And representation of minorities
Hold more festivities that can bring all the ethnicity and other groups/community just like the LGBTQ+ And more activities that young children and or adults can participate in.
Increase opportunities for community building between diverse groups of residents
More community events that celebrate diversity.
More community events, celebrating multiculturalism.Improve the process for licensing child care facilities.
Stop teaching your kids to be rude, thanks.Please build more safe spaces for all minoritiesMore connections opportunities
Total

Question 1) Community Events: More events in general

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- By having community events, to bring people together for a common goal- By letting the community know how they can help their fellow citizens; i.e., fundraising for a specific cause within the community
- more large groups of activity events - cut costs on bask things that kids do - example hockey- maybe no cost for younger people at rec centre
- More local community fairs and programs to become involved with. - Increase environmental initiatives.- Create larger # of jobs within local community.
Allow for cheaper costs on activities such as sport leagues, recreation sport league and gym memberships Can also encourage more community events to allow people to try different activities and meetc people.
Bring in more low cost social get togethers, such as dances, parties, etc. live music.
By having more community events that attract a large amount of people, and even small events as well
By having more social events.
Community activities
Community activities and events.
community clean up events
Community events
Community events that are more accessible. Ie: parking can be so hard to find so we tend not to go. Neighbourhood events.....get to know your neighbours!
Community events, personal development programs
Community eventsVery Affordable Programs for parents/adults and children
Community focus on family is strong. It would be nice to see more festivals for low income families and festivals throughout the year not just main calendar dates.
community fundraising and more recreational centres for social events and just to meet more different people.
Community outreach programs. Neighbours meeting neighbours - give them a reason to meet.
conferences on how to make a change. People talk. The county listens. Citizens act on it.
Continue to focus on community events and volunteer opportunities.
Continuously providing events for the community to bond and work together
Create more community activities or events
Currently transportation is great, housing seems abundant and I have no say on childcare since my children are 19 and 16.Community events are great to build more friendships as many people feel alone in their struggles.
Education & community events
Encourage social interaction in as many ways as possible - in an affordable way for all.
Get more input from people who live here, more community events needed
Get together events (i.e. summer BBQs for community)
Have as many community events as possible, ones that bring out throngs of families such as the Canada Day celebrations. They don't need to be elaborate but should be participating.
Have events to bring people together.
have fun time
have more community activities
Have more community activities

Have more community events
Have more community events that bring families all together and engage with each other as a community.
have more community events the more a community is defined by its culture the more it will feel like a community
Have more community events to connect, more affordable housing and childcare, and healthcare for people who may not be employed
have more community events/fundraisers
Have more events as a community to bond and such. Maybe attend a charity event.
Have more events that bring the community together in a positive way.
Have more fun places to go
Have more organized events to bring the community together
Have more public activities which are available at a lower cost
Have some community events that focus on a specific goal above. free sessions for improving health
Having an interesting event that people would want to come to. But the admission requires a volunteer work. Or something you have to earn. Conditions should be made.
Having free admission days to mellium place, ardrosson rec center, Garc, and so on, Doing more comunity events like outdoor hockey games or comunity bike races to raise money for cancer.
Hold more festivities that can bring all the ethnicity and other groups/community just like the LGBTQ+ And more activities that young children and or adults can participate in.
I feel like in the future we could work better together by having strong social events, meetings and other events. I think that as the country gets older we are getting better and better at working together. New people from other countries should be allowed to be able to work with us to create a new meaning to working together in a community ro make it stronger.
i love when the Strathcona County library puts on their events like the library sleepover, it gives everyone a chance to meet each other find people from different walks of life.
I think that you can improve the "feel like they belong" goal by hosting a bunch occasions, like fun competitions of any kind, mini fairs etc.
I think we are doing a great job. From my perspective as an Edmontonian who works with this community, I feel like the community is proud and strong. I can't actually live here because it is not affordable, but my daily commute on the Henday is pretty relaxing. I wish Strathcona County had more cultural gathering spaces. The adorable little cafes and craft markets that already exist are wonderful but I don't see as many dances and cultural festivals - but this could be because there are primarily Caucasians in Sherwood Park. We are known for that.
I would love it if there were more community events here, and the ones we have be advertised better. Often I hear about them too late. I am always surpristed to hear of the number of events in Ft. Saskatchewan, and wish there were more here (although maybe more difficult due to our larger population)
If there was more community events the community would be more connected
Increase the scale of popular family friendly events. Family volunteer opportunities (New Years Eve). Canada day festivities: these are wonderful but are being oversubscribed and crowded making it harder to enjoy
It is so important to feel like you belong and are connected. Once you feel like that, then it'll be easier to accomplish the other goals. Not sure how to improve on it. More community events? Outreach programs that are communicated and included within the daily activities that we do. (Grocery stores, banks, etc.)
Keep up with the affordable community events throughout SC, not just in Sh Park. I think there is great effort here, but more is always great.
Maybe more events for the community and try make them interesting for all ages. To be able to do something together as a community and get to see each other and know each other is a good start to many things mentioned in this survey.
More activity

More affordable housing. More mental and emotional health programs. More community programs bringing people together
more bus stops to make it easier to get groceries home, community events for low income people, celebrating successes of people that have overcome addictions-role model for others, affordable, quality childcare, even with subsidy for child care I still can't afford to work, gas and insurance too expensive for me to drive rely on bus service to difficult
more community activities
more community activitiesfurther improve recreation facilities for more affordability
more community based events: Nottingham family picnic for example
more community events
More community events
More community events for adults.Would like to see an fenced in offleash area for dogs right in town.
More community events that celebrate diversity.
More community events to connect with others
More community events with things for youth and young adults. Much of the programming in our community is for young children.
More community events, celebrating multiculturalism.Improve the process for licensing child care facilities.
More community eventsMake sure underprivileged families have what they needAlso please give Sephora and Forever 21 (no stores for teen girls!!!)
More community functions
More community gatherings
More events and resources for rural Strathcona County. Too many of us fall through the cracks because we have to drive to the city for everything, but also don't really count as Sherwood Park residents so we have less sway. It can be hard to join community groups or anything like that when there just isn't time to drive back and forth or kill time in town until a group or class starts.
More events in town (current farmers markets, trade fairs, etc. are good)
More family oriented free programs and eventz
More free family events
More free social events.
more jobs for people, more events for the community
More low cost or free programs. More outreach with schools churches senior centres and news web and otherwise to get people together More events and programming. Library courses could also be used.
More public events throughout the year.
more recreational places
More recreational places
more social networking
More social/community events for all ages (0-->seniors) that are affordable.
More.community events
Offer more community building activities maybe like community fairs/other group activities to bring everyone together.
Organize more community events
prioritize accordingly spend \$\$\$ on education offer activities that people will come and participate in!
Put on community events/sessions.
Star a social party
State park near festival

Stop teaching your kids to be rude, thanks. Please build more safe spaces for all minorities. More connections opportunities
To feel like a closer community we should have more community activities.
We can have community events for everyone to go to
We can improve people feeling like they belong and are connected by doing things that involve the community
We could have more community get togethers.
We could have programs that bring us all together.
We could hold more community events such as parades, fundraisers, meetings, and other activities to get us involved. It would be best if they were always open to all ages so that way more people would be involved and included possibly making others feel accepted in society and forming friendships and other relationships
we could put together more community events so the people can become closer
We haven't even lots of great family activities but maybe more for that group that is in between youth and adult? adult stuff for people with out kids or who want to do more interacting with adults with out their kids
We need to have more community activities
We should have more community activities like the one we had a couple months ago where you went around and took pictures of things and were entered for a draw. That was really fun for me to do and it got me involved in the community. I went to places I hadn't seen in years and really connected with the municipality again. We need to have more events like that and include lots of people in it. We could bring schools in and possibly residents from old folks homes to participate and bring everyone together. I believe we could benefit from this. P.S a Sherwood Park news channel would be so cool!!
You can improve by having more social events around the community so they feel much more connected to others and feel much more belonging in the community than they were before. Maybe hold some physical active events.
Total

Question 1) Transit: Frequency/routes

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Public transportation on weekends is equivalent to that of the early 80s. Three hours to go anywhere does not make for a good public transportation system
- Regular bus service evenings and weekends – current – dial a bus option does not work well - More transparency/ communication from local government/ council/ mayor
- more affordable housing for seniors - better bus services - extend use of hospital (more services)
1. Change education system more focus on hands-on learning, trades, practical/social skills, & mental health. University education needed only in certain fields. Stop copying USA look at successful education in rest of world. Change junior high to on-job work experience. Students give feedback about different job/volunteer situations and get work force experience. Requirement of ed. should be volunteering in community. 2) Need Low cost drop in child care for parents (especially single mothers) working part time. 3) Transportation: Need better hours especially at night. Amalgamate with others for joint bus system. Train/rapid transit between Sherwood park, Edmonton, St. Alberta. Other countries offer free bus rides. let's get on board.
1. Transportation . There are no buses for people in Broadmoor Village within reasonable walking distance. 2. The lane change on the round-about going from Broadmoor Blvd to Strathcona Drive has been made very dangerous since one lane has been blocked. We've had 4 near misses and today had a huge semi not slow to allow us to exit. We need people who, like us, use that round-about on a regular basis to have input. We've been here 34 years and never until now had any concerns.

Although I don't use the transit system, I have heard from friends that it needs improvement with routes and timing (within Sherwood Park) through the day.
better bus services, not from just 1 station (bethel)
Better busing schedules, more affordable drop in rates to millenium
Better public transit, specifically when travelling to Edmonton
Better public transportation for those depending on it - not necessarily a big huge bus, but more frequent smaller vans or micro busses that take people from point a to b, without having to transfer at Bethel for everything. A trip that takes 10 minutes by car takes more than 45 by bus, if it takes people there on time :(
Better public transportation going to other municipalities
Better transit during non-peak hours its hard for students / part-time workers to get around. it can take 45 min to 1 hr to get from Wye Rd to Baseline. Need community leagues to help people get to know each other.
better transit schedule/routes
Better transportation for seniors needing to access facilities in Edm
bring back adequate/comparable transit service to Ordze. Just because more people live around Bethel shouldn't mean that those who live around Ordze should deal with a 2.5 hour bus commute or instead paying for cabs since they (the cabs) are willing to get you someplace quickly. The transit can be improved so that prospective post secondary students won't have to move to around Bethel station to get access to adequate transitNotes from under Goal 1: Feel they belong and are connected to others.Instead of having a north side based transit system, if the local transit area equally than people might actually feel like they belong.Notes from under Goal 3: Feel valued, respected, treated fair.in relation to transit, the south side of the park has essentially been forgottenNotes from under Goal 4: people healthy (physical, mental...)When it takes two and half hours to use the commuter transit system past 6 - 7 o'clock, saying the residents of the south side of the park are emotionally well
Bring back full time bus service to Ordze and develop the older areas of Sherwood Park.
Bus not being late Get more Chickens
bus route increase
Bus service could be more frequent in some areas, more affordable housing options should be available, people should have enough food to eat
Bus service is not to great.
Bus service is too long
Bus service to and from edmonton
bus system faster and come every 15 minutes.
Bus transportation can be unreliable. With the opening of the second terminal (Bethel) the service at Ordze has been negatively affected. Schedule, late arrivals etc.
buses don't run often enough
Busing in the evenings past 6:00 pm for post secondary from NAIT. Currently takes my son 2 hours to get from NAIT to our home in heritage hills
Busses shut down too early in Sherwood Park. No connection with busess from Edmonton in the evening.
Cheaper housing and better public transportation, including to and from Edmonton and surrounding area
Daily bus service from Ardrossan into Sherwood Park and Edmonton for commuters
Decrease costs to get fit,hire teachers that truly care-fire them if they are not doing their job,bus' sticking to times..
Decrease the amount for childcare. Better transportation - early and later routes for bus system.
Easier public transit to Edmonton on weekends
Expand public transportation throughout the County. Increase subsidization for quality child care.

Extend regular transit hours to 10pm including commuter lines and local connections. Dial a Bus is inconvenient. Add a route that connects to the new ets bus terminal on 17th. This would reduce travel for any county users who are accessing areas on the south side of Edmonton.
For transportation, maybe expand the routes and place some more bus stops around Sherwood park. For housing, maybe lower prices?
For transportation, we need better service to Edmonton, longer shifts and more regularly after pick hours
Generate more employment for 21-25 year olds so when they finish their post secondary courses they can find jobs in their field of study. Provide busing to Edmonton post secondary institutions that arrives on time.
Greater advertising of how to access bus routes and more community events and centers
have better bus routes and schedules as well as a better route planner online.have more visible resources advertised for health (specifically mental health)
Have mini-buses for residential areas instead of full size buses . . . as in other cities and counties in Canada
I am a student that is going to Nait. The most common criticism I do hear from my fellow students is the number of times that the bus stops at Nait. The recommendation I would make is there to be more times dedicated going to Nait.
I think that there should be more rentals available for seniors as they get into their 80's. At this point a lot of them will likely want to sell their houses and live off that money for their remaining years. Likely there should be more nursing homes and senior's lodges. Another thing about transportation is perhaps bus stops could be at a number of the shopping areas for the senior's who can not drive anymore. This would help them to stay physically active and make them feel safe in the community.
I think that we are going in the right direction in beginning to provide affordable housing for seniors and for our young people. We have a way to go. Childcare and transportation are areas that need some serious looking at. Increasing the frequency of buses and expanding the local bus route are good places to start.
I would really like to see transit improving for example: more times at stops, more access through Strathcona County.
Improve and expand transit services - especially for the south side of Sherwood Park.
Improve transit service to amalgamate with Edmonton.
Improved bus schedule, affordable housing, employment opportunities for young workers (with appropriate job specific training)
Increase transportation into city
It's all nice that a mental health/general wellbeing focus and is currently trendy but when you need to move to the north-side of Sherwood park in order to get commuter bus service that actually works with post-secondary class schedule and more basic issues exist. They preach "ease of post-secondary education" however when it can take almost 2.5 full hours to get to the south side of Sherwood Park they need to have a disclaimer saying "if you don't live on the north side of the park, you better get a car since Transit around Ordze is a joke!" Local service is great, but when the post-secondary students want to get home after a night class, they shouldn't have to be spending \$50/week for cab fare so they can actually make it to their 8am class instead of getting home close to midnight thanks to getting back through Bethel, and then having to get up at 5:30 in order to be able to catch the bus @ 6:45. But the majority of university students get cars bought for them by their parents and
Labour unions for all service employees. Earlier bus times for Strathcona County residents including Sherwood Park residents. Caps on rental costs (rent control)
Later transportation to and from EdmontonMore housing for single or low income familiesHave incentives for people to rent cheaper to low income or single families
Lower the cost of houses to make life easier on single parent homes
LRT connected to Edmonton.
LRT to Edmonton.
Maintain services like transportation to the more mature neighbourhoods
Make bussing better on the weekend.

Make easier bussing on weekends.
Make low income housing for people. Make more convenient bus stops for people who use the bus system. Cheaper childcare. Community gatherings to come up with ideas for low income people to do together.
maybe more bus stops
More affordable childcare and housing. Have busses run more frequently (NOT Dial a bus) More advertising for free activities like free swim
More affordable housing and fewer wait times at hospital. Additional public transit to Fort Saskatchewan and Edmonton would be great. Additional recreation and fitness class opportunities for rural residents. I live in rural Strathcona County and the nearest fitness facility is 30min away. Not very accessible.
more affordable housing for young people starting out on their own. Rents in Sherwood Park are very high. More affordable housing for seniors who want to leave their present homes and move to something smaller, especially if they are on their own and have lost a spouse. We don't need granite countertops, ceramic tile or hardwood floors. Childcare is very expensive - sometimes it takes one person's whole salary. Transportation - bus service from my home is very poor - if you are handicapped or elderly, it is too long a walk to the bus stop.
More bus routes
more bus stops to make it easier to get groceries home, community events for low income people, celebrating successes of people that have overcome addictions-role model for others, affordable, quality childcare, even with subsidy for child care I still can't afford to work, gas and insurance too expensive for me to drive rely on bus service to difficult
More buses to wait
More buses, it can take a while for a bus to come. We should keep track of what school do with their money. An elementary school that I will keep anonymous is expanding their teacher's lounge instead of getting better stuff for the students.
More frequent 401 buses in the higher times of commute eg: from 4-6 like the 411. Half an hour is too long in between.
more jobs, cheaper housing, more transportation and buses
More parking at Bethel transit / more frequent bus running times at Ordze station
Need a better bus service for Saturday and Sunday
Open more jobs in the community. More bus stops. More childcare. Cleanliness and pricing in daycares
Provide transit for Sherwood Golf: Country Club, Balmoral and Fountain Creek - no sidewalks or transit to get to Wye Road safely. Must walk down a very busy RR233.
Public transportation could be improved. For instance, walking only a couple blocks often requires walking on grass, but for people with mobility issues, this is not possible. The alternative is sometimes to triple the distance walked in order to stay on sidewalks, which is also impossible for people who have difficulty walking, or are in a wheelchair. Also, Millennium Place is a great facility where a lot of community events are centred, but it is difficult to bus there from most residential areas.
Public transportation to universities could be more frequent and available. For instance there is no bus that runs directly to NAIT while many Sherwood Park residents attend school on a daily basis at that location. Many of my own friends have opted for daily driving which is more expensive and less environmentally friendly due to the level of inconvenience they experience when trying to take public transit.
Public transportation. We would like to be able to walk two blocks to our nearest mainstreet and catch a bus that would take us downtown and back. In our case this would be Ridgemont and Ridgehaven. If they ran frequently on a regular schedule we would take it all the time. We are retired so I'm not talking commuting to work but during the day. Check out Ottawa transit. We lived in Kanata and caught a bus close to our door and when to many places with just one bus change. This would be so nice here.
Reliable transportation in the evening and weekends and bus stops that are closer together.

Sherwood Park could definitely do with an improvement to it's transit system. It's ridiculously convoluted to take the bus within Sherwood Park. If it wasn't such an outdated, convoluted mess of a system for bussing, it would help improve quality of life for all. New facilities and new vehicles are great, but focus on fixing the system, schedules, and running times to truly make a difference. Also, Sherwood Park needs more in the way of LGBTQ+ friendly spaces/activities. Or at least it needs to do a better job of advertising that these places exist. I've never felt comfortable to be "out" in Sherwood Park the way I'm comfortable being "out" in places like Edm, VanCity, or Calgary. There's an innate fear of being judged and receiving hostile treatment from upper/middle class folks who are uneducated about LGBTQ+.
Shorter bus routes. I am supposed have a 55 minute bus ride, and my house is less than 15 minutes away from my school. Some days it takes over an hour to get home.
Strathcona County Transit should have better service on weekends!
The bus system does not allow people to get from one area to another on all days easily or affordably. The cost for our family to use the bus is more than to own a car. We can't afford either. Walking and biking in winter with children isn't easy. Biking in general is very difficult, and dangerous in Sherwood park.
The transit system running into Edmonton is atrocious. Specifically out of the Ordze transit center. Running bus's on the half hour, and running bus's later into the evening would help accommodate shift workers, and students.
This community has some very motivated and active community builders, but they do not represent the many who are disengaged, so dialogues like this are so crucial to be sure other voices are being heard. I believe Strathcona County needs a youth shelter, a mental health centre, a newcomer welcome centre, and some more realistic transit routes (e.g. rural to urban, e.g. circle route that includes malls, Millennium Place and the Community Centre) as a start. Thanks!
transit to Ardrossan at least twice a day would be great for the teens who can't drive but want/need to get to Sherwood Park
Transportation could be improved such as more bus routes and times of operation
Transportation; Busing needs to be more frequent! I miss a bus and am 20 minutes late when I should have been 10 minutes early, or have to take two hours on dail a bus to get anywhere!
transportation: Sundays regular service to Edmontonseniors: bus pass ends at 3pm. senior 55+ activities end at 4:00pm. extend pass times.reinstate radar. speeding in park terrible.
Transportation. There are no buses for people in broad moor village within reasonable walking distance. The lane change and round about going from broadmoor Blvd. To strathcona dr. Has been dangerous since one lane has been blocked.
Very inconvenient to get to Superstore by bus (transit) from where we live in a seniors apartment building. The route was changed and now I have to take two transfers!
Weekend service on the 414 route to the university.
Where I live there are no bike paths or busses. For me to be able to bike to school I would have to bike on a high way. I think that there should be busses to all places in strathcona county cause my parents can't drive me to some places so I can't go there because there are no busses near my house which is on the pit skirt of Sherwood park. There should be a bike path on RR 233 and a bus stop
With senior population increasing in the next few years - need to have affordable housing for the coming population boom as well as adequate transportation - wellness and fitness classes geared to this age group.
your transit is expensive and runs too far apart between busesbetter classroom resources for children with special needs * BLA in Edmonton
Total

Question 1) Transit: Cost

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Education sessions - free- On line tutorials - free- Keep fees for bus, recreation and other essential services low
- Work on the basics first - If people do not have subsidized housing (ample), childcare and access to transportation (even rural area) that is affordable - it is hard to achieve the rest.
-- More childcare facilities-- Lower public transportation fare-- Provide more help to lower income families-- Mental health assistance
-Affordable housing and transportation.-To have benefits in healthcare-have decent amount of wage depends where you work-giving respect for who has disability and giving them a regular wage.
-affordable physical activities centre - seniors program is very expensive at Millennium. - Affordable houses- Affordable transportation from home to grocery store, hospital- Awareness and outreach program
-More affordable programs-lessen the transportation cost
-need more counselor at Community services-affordable housing, transportation, recreation
Affordable childcare and bussing
Affordable housingCheaper public transit
Affordable transportation
As a Edmontonian who commutes into the County for work, I don't know if there is a lot of opportunities for me to connect with others. I have considered moving to the county but the availability of housing is very limited and is extremely expensive. I feel like the county is strongly geared towards high income families and not very welcoming or accommodating to other type of people from a racial, ethnic, social status or income level perspective. There seems to be limited opportunity to live and thrive on a lower income as cost of living and availability of housing, affordable transportation and programs and services geared towards young urban professionals doesn't really exist. I doubt i would move to the county based on those criteria.
Basic needs dont have to be as expensive as it is and for transportation the rocks are so bad for rollerblading scootering skateboarding unicycles we could youse salt and it would be way better
Better cist (lowering) for physically/mentally disabled individuals transportation. *mob bus.
bring back adequate/comparable transit service to Ordze. Just because more people live around Bethel shouldn't mean that those who live around Ordze should deal with a 2.5 hour bus commute or instead paying for cabs since they (the cabs) are willing to get you someplace quickly. The transit can be improved so that prospective post secondary students won't have to move to around Bethel station to get access to adequate transitNotes from under Goal 1: Feel they belong and are connected to others.Instead of having a north side based transit system, if the local transit area equally than people might actually feel like they belong.Notes from under Goal 3: Feel valued, respected, treated fair.in relation to transit, the south side of the park has essentially been forgottenNotes from under Goal 4: people healthy (physical, mental...)When it takes two and half hours to use the commuter transit system past 6 - 7 o'clock, saying the residents of the south side of the park are emotionally well
By lowering the cost associated with housing , childcare, and transportation
Create more jobs by improving the sherwood park mallLower down the cost of bus rides so more people could use them
Decrease the amount for childcare. Better transportation - early and later routes for bus system.
Free busing to and from schools
free transit, more tennis courts
Get better and affordable transportation for all seniors.
Lower costs for basic necessities

Make sure that housing and transportation is available and affordable to everyone. Transit service (and cost) needs to be improved.
People with lower incomes should be able to access childcare/transportation/education at a lower cost.
Some people can't drive or get as much money so they can't pay for a bus ticket. I think they should change that.
The bus prices to start with. As a part time student having to pay for the public bus to get to places, 3.25 is a lot to pay.
The bus system does not allow people to get from one area to another on all days easily or affordably. The cost for our family to use the bus is more than to own a car. We can't afford either. Walking and biking in winter with children isn't easy. Biking in general is very difficult, and dangerous in Sherwood park.
transportation is awful. The buses are late, too expensive and slow
Transportation-- make public transit more affordable-- build an LRT from Sherwood Park to the city along Baseline and remove a few lanes to do so
your transit is expensive and runs too far apart between busesbetter classroom resources for children with special needs * BLA in Edmonton
Total

Question 1) Transit: Physical accessibility

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- There is a lack of high quality and affordable child care centres in Sherwood Park. There is only one option for child care that is a not-for-profit model and the quality of that child care centre is questionable (see GOA website). The day home model seems to lack accountability as there are minimal requirements for an individual to operate one. Both my children currently receive care from a not-for-profit child care centre in Edmonton (they were on a wait list for about 18 months) and the monthly cost is more than my and my spouse's monthly mortgage payment. - I wonder if the LGBTQ community and people of colour feel welcomed, included, and their voices/opinions heard in the community. I've heard comments from other community members that are not congruent with the value of all community members being respected. I hope the county ensures all differences are not only welcomed, but celebrated publicly. - Though there have been significant improvements since SCAT became Mobilit
-Affordable housing and transportation.-To have benefits in healthcare-have decent amount of wage depends where you work-giving respect for who has disability and giving them a regular wage.
-Less expensive education because some people may not be able to afford it.- Less expensive housing- All people have access to transportation
Create transportation options for rural areas of Strathcona County.
Have a better education system with better educators. Lower housing costs. Make busses more accessible and the routes easier to access and understand
try to make sure wheel chair people have better access to the transit buses
Total

Question 1) Transit: General improvement to transit system

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-more responsible renting-better bus systems

Also chose healthy and basic needs met, housing for lower socio economic residents. Adequate transportation, bus service not good, I drive but would take bus if better
Balance... Strathcona county waste's to many resources. Strathcona bus service is just one example. They do a good job of moving people to the university's, college's and to interacting with Edmonton transit (even though their buses are a little extravagant. But local service to the neighbourhoods are a waste off peak as the buses are almost always empty. There are many solutions to this, but still the one size fits all system is used. Work with your strengths, not your weaknesses. When you watch sidewalk plots going down sidewalks that don't need plowing. Do not be a make work project that you really are. This will probably be ignored as it doesn't fit the county's mentality.
Better bus service like before
Better parking at Bethel Transit
Better transit
Better Transit options would definitely help with commuting and saving money on parking.
better transit system, cheaper housing
Better transit, in particular mobility transit. More affordable housing options.
Better transportation
Bus transportation can be unreliable. With the opening of the second terminal (Bethel) the service at Ordze has been negatively affected. Schedule, late arrivals etc.
buses should be close to on time.
Bussing system could use improvement. The only affordable housing option I am aware of is to rent a room from someone. Asthma rates are high. I often don't find out about community events, it would be nice to have a county page that posts everything from parades to community garage sales, farmers markets, special speakers, concerts and plays coming to festival place. Etc.
Cheaper housing and better public transportation, including to and from Edmonton and surrounding area
Connect people to other people or services. Make bus services for special needs people more accessible. More support services for caregivers in our community to allow people to stay in community.
Create transportation options for rural areas of Strathcona County.
Decrease the amount for childcare. Better transportation - early and later routes for bus system.
Definitely need more affordable and subsidized housing.Need improved public transportation.....why is the bus stop at Millenium Place, a county facility, so far from an entrance.....not safe on icy days for seniors wanting to stay active. How many buses I need to take to the County building which DOES have a safe bus stop right in front.
Educating / Information on how to live within their means (especially if their income isn't felt to be adequate), increase public transportation options, improve childcare facilities (well-being focused)
Encourage more action from the community, especially the younger people as they are shaping the future for this county. The public transportation system isn't ideal in terms of the amount of buses, but it's a good step for students making their way into the city for school. Promote more diversity in your public advertisements and posters. Too many white skinned, blonde haired girls. Try to destroy the image of "SherWHITE Park". This is especially important for young people of color in the community to ensure that they feel they can be themselves and comfortable, at school and in the public.
ensure that local transit improves for transportation needs, increase affordable rental housing options, increase availability of affordable before/after school care, increase accessibility to children's sports/activities through subsidization
Extend regular transit hours to 10pm including commuter lines and local connections. Dial a Bus is inconvenient. Add a route that connects to the new ets bus terminal on 17th. This would reduce travel for any county users who are accessing areas on the south side of Edmonton.

First, I think it is important to develop a long term risk reduction plan to minimize inequality and inequity in the County. Understanding key sources of division early, can help us reduce them in the long term. Second, I think Sherwood Park needs to establish a more affordable, reliable public transit system, that is intimately connected to the City of Edmonton. Regardless of our feelings and want for autonomy, we need to recognize and respond to the interconnectedness of Sherwood park and the County and Edmonton.
Fix transit! Especially when the weather is terrible. Please! Where you can water the cost of things. Things are expensive and incomes aren't enough to cover everything with mounting debt its hard to do anything but be house poor.
Generate more employment for 21-25 year olds so when they finish their post secondary courses they can find jobs in their field of study. Provide busing to Edmonton post secondary institutions that arrives on time.
Have a better education system with better educators. Lower housing costs. Make busses more accessible and the routes easier to access and understand
Have mini-buses for residential areas instead of full size buses . . . as in other cities and counties in Canada
Have transportation go outside of town.
having more affordable housing change bus systems
I feel there is more affordable housing required so people that work in Strathcona County can live in Strathcona County. I also believe the transit system needs to be reorganized. I live in an older neighborhood in Sherwood Park and had a helpful transit system growing up and when going to university (other than there not being enough NAIT buses), but since the Bethel Transit Centre opened all the bus routes are unhelpful to me. I can drive to work in 8 minutes or 15 minutes if I stop for a coffee. To take the bus would take me 45 minutes to an hour. In the old system it would have taken 20-25.
I think Strathcona County is doing well in most of the goals, particularly the first five. However, we need to increase access to affordable housing and affordable and reliable childcare. I think these goals could be improved through development and zoning incentives to increase the space set aside for affordable housing and childcare. The County could also offer grants or tax rebates to affordable housing providers and affordable childcare providers. I also think it's key to work with our regional partners on the Capital Region Board and our provincial and federal partners for support for affordable housing, affordable childcare, and reliable transit.
I think Strathcona County needs to work on the importance of youth involvement and reaching out to younger generations and their opinions. Youth Council is a great way to encourage youth to speak their thoughts and feel like they are adding to decisions, however, there are many who are not able to participate in youth council because of prior commitments. Transportation in regards to an LRT system I think is a valid discussion because it is a different option to go into Edmonton. An LRT line would be beneficial because students in university or those who do not have a car have a cost and time effective way to get around Edmonton without a long public transport bus ride. All in all I think we have done a fair job, although there is much more to add to make Strathcona County the best place to live.
I think that security at the public library should be strengthened. Also, the public transportation needs to be improved (buses on time, clean buses,friendly bus drivers, more security and attendants at the ordze station. We also need to have more affordable housing and childcare.
I think there could be more transportation facilities.
If anyone needs rides or anything there is no transportation at all!
If we are attempting to be "green" community we need to address the transit
If you want people to take transit, we need more parking at transit centres to utilize this. Property taxes are very highNeed cheaper childcare options
Improve and expand transit services - especially for the south side of Sherwood Park.
Improve and expand transit, keep property taxes lower to make housing more affordable. Lobby governments for more child tax breaks.
Improve for a more reliable public transportation, communicate more about the programs to the peoples of the county.
Improve the bus service so people will be interested in actually using it.

Improve the transit service withing Sherwood Park and into the city. The new transit plan introduced a few years ago added 1 hour to my daily commute and now I arrive 25 minutes before my scheduled start time.
It's all nice that a mental health/general wellbeing focus and is currently trendy but when you need to move to the north-side of Sherwood park in order to get commuter bus service that actually works with post-secondary class schedule and more basic issues exist. They preach "ease of post-secondary education" however when it can take almost 2.5 full hours to get to the south side of Sherwood Park they need to have a disclaimer saying "if you don't live on the north side of the park, you better get a car since Transit around Ordze is a joke!" Local service is great, but when the post-secondary students want to get home after a night class, they shouldn't have to be spending \$50/week for cab fare so they can actually make it to their 8am class instead of getting home close to midnight thanks to getting back through Bethel, and then having to get up at 5:30 in order to be able to catch the bus @ 6:45. But the majority of university students get cars bought for them by their parents and
Light Rail Transit - connect with Edmonton system?
Local bus service poor. More good jobs.
Make it easier to get around Sherwood park and to edmonton
More affordable housing better bus service. Extend use of the present hospital.
More affordable housing, improve transit
more outside of school support systems for youth, more transportation options, and more opportunities to volunteer for free in the community.
More parking at Bethel transit / more frequent bus running times at Ordze station
More Sr. housing. Bus service that fits people's needs. Infill housing. Better hospital.
More street lights better transit into Edmonton Focus on sustainable energy
More work and have a better public transportation.
Oh my goodness I wish I knew! I know from a couple neighbours who don't drive that transportation is an issue. A shuttle more often during the week (doctors appointments, prescriptions etc.)
Provide more out of school care centres. Better bus transportation, possibly even having the lot come here.
public transit and better childcare options - Public?
Public transportation to universities could be more frequent and available. For instance there is no bus that runs directly to NAIT while many sherwood park residents attend school on a daily basis at that location. Many of my own friends have opted for daily driving which is more expensive and less environmentally friendly due to the level on inconvenience they experience when trying to take public transit.
Reliable transportation in the evening and weekends and bus stops that are closer together.
Revise county transit and provide some transit incentives for seniors.
School systems/public bus transportation over crowded school buses. Speed limits in residential area's ex: Aspen Trails.
Sherwood Park transportation is abysmal. How is it acceptable to have simultaneous single land construction on Baseline, Yellowhead and SWPK freeway? For several years, no less. Inside the community is no better. Average time from downtown to home is more than an hour due to a lack of routes to / from Orze station. Increased costs and decreased quality makes it difficult to justify supporting public transit. Healthcare in SWPK is bad. If you want to build a "hospital", do it right next time.
Start providing more parking for county events, quit accomadating the developers and think about how the actual residents are affected. the transit system is inadequate and I cannot take my kids on the bus and take their sports equipment and make it to their practice on time
Strong connection with Capital Region to ensure good access to services - like public transportation from Wye Road, not just from Baseline (Bethel Transit Centre) to provide for people living in south Sherwood Park + rural areas.
The buses in Sherwood Park
The busing system should be improved on.

The LRT can come to Sherwood Park so it is easier for students and many others to get to Edmonton easily and affordably.
Train system into Edmonton (transportation)
Transit system can be improved but other than that: everything are looking great! Thank you!
transit to Ardrossan at least twice a day would be great for the teens who can't drive but want/need to get to Sherwood Park
transportation is awful. The buses are late, too expensive and slow
Transportation system better designed for both rural and urban use. Childcare locations need to be increased, and made affordable. Increase housing for senior residents.
Use smaller buses for dial-a-bus in off hours. Build smaller houses in a community grouping that cost less to build and service. Use land more efficiently for housing - smaller units on older large lots.
Very inconvenient to get to Superstore by bus (transit) from where we live in a seniors apartment building. The route was changed and now I have to take two transfers!
we build parking lots so that people can travel and have free parking to get buses - why not improve the bus service within SC so that people can leave their cars at home and use the services provided internally and for downtown. More leadership from Council as opposed to all of the squabbling - get on the same page or get off.
We can improve some goals by Reducing some taxes and busing.
We need some services for homeless people. I've lived in Sherwood Park since I was a child and for the first time I've started to notice homeless people. This summer there was a regular person picking bottles in my neighbourhood. I work in the Library and we've had homeless people in our space, including visibly homeless people as well as teens who have been kicked out of home as well as people living in their cars. When it's cold outside, there isn't any place in Sherwood Park that we can send them - all the services are in Edmonton and if they don't have money or transportation they can't get back there. I don't know how to solve this problem - a shelter? a 24 hour warm space in the winter like Edmonton is doing with the LRT stations? Some kind of evening transit to Edmonton that is better than Dial a Bus?
We need to improve on having more realible transportation
We need to take care of each other. If people have their basic needs, I believe they can focus on their health. Everyone will feel safer and better because crime should be lower. If family are struggling, kids can't focus in school. Public transportation is difficult in some areas, event in Sherwood Park. I'm not sure that people are aware of all the services that are available through out the County. It's also difficult when you move in this community and you do not speak English. We have a French School in Sherwood Park. We must have a certain number of people that are Francophone. We must welcome the diversity if we want people to feel that they belong and connected. I don't have the answers but those are things we can think about.
With senior population increasing in the next few years - need to have affordable housing for the coming population boom as well as adequate transportation - wellness and fitness classes geared to this age group.
Total

Question 1) Transportation: Traffic

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Rebuild the traffic circle with three roads radiating from the center. - Build LRT to Edmonton.
-have flashing lights at ALL crosswalks-get rid of the traffic circle
-Speed bumps; especially in playground and school zone.-Spray Park-Gymnasium or Indoor skating/pool to allow for more recreational and lesson availability for families without travelling to city.

1. Transportation . There are no buses for people in Broadmoor Village within reasonable walking distance.2. The lane change on the round-about going from Broadmoor Blvd to Strathcona Drive has been made very dangerous since one lane has been blocked. We've had 4 near misses and today had a huge semi not slow to allow us to exit. We need people who, like us, use that round-about on a regular basis to have input.We've been here 34 years and never until now had any concerns.
Affordable housing - I live at Brittany Lane Housing Co-operative: - Brittany Lane loses their subsidy funding when the mortgage is paid off (ETA 2022). Meetings have been conducted to determine course of action (non-subsidy member to pay into a pot [Security of Tenure] to support subsidized units). I work hard and do not feel that is an ethical, appropriate or fair way to do business and how my rental fees should be spent. Municipal, Provincial and/or Federal funding for those that need it would be beneficial.- Rents in Sherwood Park (condos, townhouses and apartments) are way expensive with such little square footage. Cost ratio is ridiculous. It is cheaper for me to live in Edmonton and commute, which may be the only recourse I have when subsidy runs out in Co-op Housing unless there is resolution to the above.Corner of Jim Common and Sherwood Drive intersection (north and south), PLEASE place advance left turn arrows here.
Allocate more revenue towards affordable housing, better traffic improvement (driving practices) and health resources.
better bike lanes and bike paths into Edmonton connect the path along petroleum way to 17street. better bike lanes on baseline road. remove the traffic lights on baseline road over the new bridge
Better control of residential traffic volumes and speeding.
By being active citizens
Change traffic flow at the big circle before there is a fatality there. Get rid of council member who have a vendetta against our mayor.
Continue and build on events like First Night and Canada Day events. Get involved with the court system and first appearance officer for traffic fines. The first appearance officer is rude and causes more court dates.
Fewer traffic lights, more traffic circles
I am just a high school student I have no idea. This is not exactly high on my priority list. We pay taxes for you to do this so instead of paying somebody to come and show us a video then make us do a survey just fix the problems. Speaking of poor use of tax money make the medicenter a hospital, god damn. Also why did you build a 25 meter pool in Emerald hills? We already had 2 make a 50 meter pool. One more thing fix/sync the traffic lights they are so frustrating.
Lights on Baseline (time)Fix the lights (time)
Make the left turn lights a bit longer at Baseline and Sherwood Drive in east and west directions.
Make the lights be triggered from slow streets to busy streets. They take way too long. They are not making the streets safer as we speed more to try and get them or speed because the lights make us late.
Maybe if everyone stopped getting pulled over for going 10 km's over the speed limit we wouldn't be so frustrated
More traffic calming measures eg Campbelltown School traffic circle (diagram provided).
Not exactly sure. Traffic safety is a concern.
Place emphasis on existing infrastructure improvements and also demonstrate sense and pride of community. City hall has beautiful Christmas decorations but both Wye Road and Baseline Road show no pride, look like utility access roads, welcome sign on Baseline has been gone for months.
Planning for school locations. Revisit old allocations to make sure the fit is still valid. Eg Land reduction at Davidson creek. Also Irt to Edmonton. SP is a great community. V clean and orderly. Love amber light at night and general traffic flow. Hope we can manage as we grow. Don't want city congestion.
Putting security cameras in high traffic neighbourhoods.
Respect others more feel welcome in the community treat everyone fair no matter the circumstances
Slow traffic down
Somehow make people know all laws that will help prevent collisions

Stop the "traffic calming" where everyone pays to benefit a few with dollars and inconvenience. The traffic flows onto someone else's street. Money would be better spent.
Strathcona County is very caucasian. I wish it was more diverse and representative of Canada. I think this would be mind-opening for alot of residents and their children, and create a more caring, diverse community.I also wish Sherwood Park wasn't so car-centric. You need to drive almost everywhere, traffic is always heavy and I think this divides neighbourhoods and people. We need more people walking/biking around and interacting.
Stronger impaired driving lawsStronger distracted driving laws
Sync traffic lights on Baseline to ensure the flow of traffic.
To improve our hockey arenasLess traffic lights
Traffic calming does not workTraffic noise needs to be addressedToo many stores with no parking space
Transportation. There are no buses for people in broad moor village within reasonable walking distance. The lane change and round about going from broadmoor Blvd. To strathcona dr. Has been dangerous since one lane has been blocked.
Urge people to walk more and use their cars less
Total

Question 1) Transportation: Bike lanes

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
1.Bicycle lanes on key roads2. Encourage student bodies for school governance for high schools.3. Encourage a carpooling program in the County/neighbourhoods in the County4. Have a Sherwood Park Pride festival5. Create a specific department under FCS or independent, specifically for minority group(especially minority genders and LGBTQ2s) services or for cultural tolerance6. Specific committee to address sexual misconduct/negative attitudes towards sexuality and consent in Sherwood Park
better bike lanes and bike paths into Edmonton connect the path along petroleum way to 17street. better bike lanes on baseline road. remove the traffic lights on baseline road over the new bridge
Safer biking... baseline road is far too narrow for both car and bike. More seniors programs, rural public transportation, more timely snow removal. Safe walking areas...again range roads are too narrow, traffic is fast, in winter roads are snow covered. Occasional police presence.....never see police unless there is a major incidence.
The bus system does not allow people to get from one area to another on all days easily or affordably. The cost for our family to use the bus is more than to own a car. We can't afford either. Walking and biking in winter with children isn't easy. Biking in general is very difficult, and dangerous in Sherwood park.
Where I live there are no bike paths or busses. For me to be able to bike to school I would have to bike on a high way. I think that there should be busses to all places in strathcona county cause my parents can't drive me to some places so I can't go there because there are no busses near my house which is on the pit skirt of Sherwood park. There should be a bike path on RR 233 and a bus stop
Total

Question 1) Transportation: Other modes of transport/alternatives

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Rebuild the traffic circle with three roads radiating from the center.- Build LRT to Edmonton.

1. Get involved with affordable housing!!!2. Adequate evaluation for home care3. Work with other groups4. More inexpensive transportation
add more transportation methods
All of or most of the other counties in Alberta are able to ride ATV vehicles in the ditch. Why not strathcona county? At least in the rural areas it should be legal to
Available taxi service at a reasonable price for seniors in the rural community.
Better homes and more transportation for everybody
By better transportation
By getting a area where it is legal for vehicles, quads, dirt bikes are all able to enjoy off-roading.
Light rail service connecting sh ok and edmonton
Lrt from sherwoodparkTo edmonton
Make more reliable transportation.
Make the basic needs slightly affordable and has a more reliable form of transportation.
More affordable housing and seniors housingLRT to Edmonton
Need a facility to help people with Neurological disease such as Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, etc. Although we have Millennium Place in S.P., not everyone can afford the costs and their programs are not specifically designed to help those of us with Neurological issues. Travelling into Edmonton is not always an option as some of these conditions impair driving. Bussing, cabs, etc. is also costly. Thank you.
Need to be more secure taxi's. Security steps put in place etc. I would not recommend anyone to take a taxi. 2nd would be basic needs met - education/childcare housing etc.
New bus drivers for school and transportation/yellow bus. A new lineup of driver's once in awhile.
Planning for school locations. Revisit old allocations to make sure the fit is still vsolid. Eg Land reduction at Davidson creek. Also lrt to Edmonton. SP is a great community. V clean and orderly. Love amber light at night and general traffic flow. Hope we can manage as we grow. Don't want city congestion.
Provide transit for Sherwood Golf: Country Club, Balmoral and Fountain Creek - no sidewalks or transit to get to Wye Road safely. Must walk down a very busy RR233.
Public transportation could be improved. For instance, walking only a couple blocks often requires walking on grass, but for people with mobility issues, this is not possible. The alternative is sometimes to triple the distance walked in order to stay on sidewalks, which is also impossible for people who have difficulty walking, or are in a wheelchair. Also, Millennium Place is a great facility where a lot of community events are centred, but it is difficult to bus there from most residential areas.
Start providing more parking for county events, quit accomadating the developers and think about how the actual residents are affected. the transit system is inadequate and I cannot take my kids on the bus and take their sports equipment and make it to their practice on time
Transportation is great but there is very few places that are walkable. I'm not sure what can be done on childcare.
Transportation-- make public transit more affordable-- build an LRT from Sherwood Park to the city along Baseline and remove a few lanes to do so
Try and improve the care on seniors and people that are sick. Try and see if transportation for people that don't have cars is available whether a taxi or a bus. Try and maybe notice some of the things people and children say to each other that is negitave and change their mind to say something positive.:)
Total

Question 1) Transportation: Going to appointments

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- More communication on how to get help regarding snow removal, grass cutting etc. Screening done more thoroughly on people moving into affordable living houses. Go back several years on the income tax. - Transportation to medical app'ts - free or very little cost, subsidized transportation through the gov't "Driving Miss Daisy".
A lot of people are leaving Ardrossan because there is no affordable housing and if you don't have a licence, there is no transportation available.(Comment under goal re basic needs: "We need a shuttle bus to take us to Sh Park (Dr appointments, grocery shopping, etc.)))(Comment on goal to be focused upon: "This is very important for you to look into.")
If people are on aish transportation should be half of the for eg. cabs
Oh my goodness I wish I knew! I know from a couple neighbours who don't drive that transportation is an issue. A shuttle more often during the week (doctors appointments, prescriptions etc.)
Provide affordable housing with or without assistance. Transportation for appointments, etc.
Transportation for patient to doc appts, day programs etc.
We need affordable or free transportation for appointments, etc.
Total

Question 1) Transportation: Parking issues

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-Easier access to mental health professionals -Strong council which listens to community input-Would like to see a larger shopping center with various merchandisers -Perhaps a small to medium size venue for seniors activities, especially light exercises geared toward seniors only, with adequate above-ground parking or a bus route
better sidewalks more accessible parking
Community can't feel accepted if students of ABJ are parking in the Emerald Hills recreation centre parking lot.
Start providing more parking for county events, quit accommodating the developers and think about how the actual residents are affected. the transit system is inadequate and I cannot take my kids on the bus and take their sports equipment and make it to their practice on time
The county needs to listen and support residents particularly when a new school is being built in an existing older community. The school has been jammed down residents throats, taking valuable park space away of what little we have- completely disrespecting residents. Better planning and not passing the buck to the school boards problem. So frustrated and still feel disrespected and not supported by the county.
Traffic calming does not work Traffic noise needs to be addressed Too many stores with no parking space
Total

Question 1) Childcare: Affordable

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Consider lowering child care fees - Try to control door to door sales as there is an increased number of scams going around and have been pushy trying to get in.
- have subsidized childcare- more seniors housing
- more child care options - that are affordable- more community based health and fitness programs
- There is a lack of high quality and affordable child care centres in Sherwood Park. There is only one option for child care that is a not-for-profit model and the quality of that child care centre is questionable (see GOA website). The day home model seems to lack accountability as there are minimal requirements for an individual to operate one. Both my children currently receive care from a not-for-profit child care centre in Edmonton (they were on a wait list for about 18 months) and the monthly cost is more than my and my spouse's monthly mortgage payment. - I wonder if the LGBTQ community and people of colour feel welcomed, included, and their voices/opinions heard in the community. I've heard comments from other community members that are not congruent with the value of all community members being respected. I hope the county ensures all differences are not only welcomed, but celebrated publicly. - Though there have been significant improvements since SCAT became Mobilit
- Work on the basics first - If people do not have subsidized housing (ample), childcare and access to transportation (even rural area) that is affordable - it is hard to achieve the rest.
-Basic needs are important. Most have been hit hard given the recession. - Affordable childcare is critical to allow families to work.
-lower property taxes. Way too high.-cost of daycare very expensive
-Make more affordable housing optional-Greater opportunities for youth to participate and be leaders in our community-Ensure there are ample and affordable childcare options for our residents
-subsidized childcare-once you have 2 children you can't afford it.
1. Change education system more focus on hands-on learning, trades, practical/social skills, & mental health. University education needed only in certain fields .Stop copying USA look at successful education in rest of world.Change junior high to on-job work experience. Students give feedback about different job/volunteer situations and get work force experience. Requirement of ed. should be volunteering in community.2) Need Low cost drop in child care for parents (especially single mothers) working part time.3) Transportation: Need better hours especially at night. Amalgamate with others for joint bus system. Train/rapid transit between Sherwood park, Edmonton, St. Alberta. Other countries offer free bus rides. let's get on board.
access to more affordable daycare/home. More children's programs in the evening. (young children 1-3 years)
Adequate housing and child care for the people (often new Canadians) working in the service industry is essential. A strategy for meeting the needs of seniors housing is critical. We could help this process by encouraging developers specializing in these types of development projects to speak into the consultation process.
Affordable / subsidized housing and child care
Affordable and or available childcare is inadequate. For a community of this amount of wealth, it is ridiculous how hard it is to find childcare.
Affordable childcare
Affordable childcare (good quality still)
Affordable childcare and bussing
Affordable childcare is a must with so many young children and working parents in the community.
Affordable childcare is tough when both parents need to work fulltime.
affordable childcare!

Affordable daycareaffordable senior housing
Affordable housing & childcare
Affordable late night / evening childcare that accepts subsidy for those who work shift work.
Affordable part-time daycare options needed to help mothers pick up part-time work. More free activities where parents - both mother and fathers - can mingle and find a support system. Currently, there are lots of mom and tot - or mom and baby but not mom AND dad and baby programs on the weekends/after work.
After I've paid for childcare there isn't much to left to live on but it's more than accessing Alberta works.
As a childcare provider, I see way to many people not have childcare options. There are lot's of childcare centres in Sherwood Park but most are full and I hear parents number 1 complaint is that there is no space for their child. I think by the county being able to rezone places we would be better to serve the community by allowing more childcare centres to be built.
As a senior, I see a need for better and affordable senior lodges with shorter waiting lists.how about a hospital that is useful to allaffordable day care for the younger families
At this point, I think most goals are being met adequately. More affordable childcare would be nice :)
Back to basic education (focus on core subjects and improve those areas first). Provide childcare at a cost similar to surrounding suburban communities. Provide more public opportunities for people in their communities to come together (ie events at community halls or venues that focus on family involvement, ie dances, events, etc.)
basic needs - county provided/subsidised childcare?better advertising of community events (i.e electronic signs on the road side)have events out in rural areas? encourage exploration of outer areas
Basic needs are vital however child care (our future) is also vital to the health of our community
be completing survey's like this work with families and childcare providers to determine a balance on childcare cost
Better education system and affordable daycare.
Better lower cost/available child care
By lowering the cost associated with housing , childcare, and transportation
cheaper child care more senior facilities
Cheaper childcare
Cheaper childcare so that families can have dual incomes to provide better for their families without spending all their money on childcare.
cheaper day care
cheaper housing, affordable care for everyone
Child care needs to be available to all families
Childcare (subsidized spots) are rare = even more rare are daycare and dayhome spots for independent employees or those who cannot afford to be off on maternity leave - they cannot find a place to take their child until the baby is over a year old.
Childcare is a HUGE issue - very expensive & causing a "brain drain" as people are not returning to work due to the expense of childcare
Childcare is extremely expensive here and rental unavailable and overpriced
Childcare is really expensive and if you have more than one child the price is not feasible on a single income even with subsidies.
Childcare more affordableMore programs for mental health wellness (postpartum depression and stress management)
childcare wait lists are long and very expensive making it difficult to justify having a second income for the family and that is if you can get in.
Day careHigher wages
Daycare options and prices are kind of lacking. We are new parents and are finding daycare very expensive and hard to get into. (long wait lists)

ensure quality affordable childcare for everyone that needs it
ensure that local transit improves for transportation needs, increase affordable rental housing options, increase availability of affordable before/after school care, increase accessibility to children's sports/activities through subsidization
Expand public transportation throughout the County. Increase subsidization for quality child care.
Facilitate affordable childcare for parents who have limited income.
For child care we could make it cheaper but still having a good quality
For our family, finding suitable (licensed childcare) for a reasonable amount of \$ is a challenge, but that speaks to a broader provincial issue, which needs to be addressed on the top down. We want qualified childcare workers who are paid according to skills without excessive costs. No idea how to do locally.
Fully functional hospitalmore resources for mental healthmore affordable housing, childcare
Get the affordable housing, efficient transportation and affordable childcare in place. When peoples basic needs are met, they are able to participate more fully in their community. By the way, not having any transit stops in Edmonton, besides at the universities and downtown is a waste.I would love to commute to Sherwood Park by bus, but the stops are too far away. It is annoying to see empty buses heading back to Sherwood Park every 15 minutes what a waste!
Have childcare that people can afford, that doesn't break the bank to ensure your children are well taken care of and are still learning. Our childcare in this community is outrageously priced for what is given. As well the housing market is brutal for those first time home buyers or people trying to come back to the community they had to leave because of prices.
Have more affordable housing and childcare services
Have more community events to connect, more affordable housing and childcare, and healthcare for people who may not be employed
Have subsidised housing, childcare etc. for more vulnerable people (eg.) out of work, disabled elderly etc..
Help families with affordable childcare
Help with costs of childcare and education.
Housing - cheaper rent due to high cost of bills.Child care - I feel the government should have more funding available to those who can't afford it. We work for our government or way or another. They should work for us too. We pay them.
I believe that reducing the amount houses cost, there would be less of the homeless. childcare as well, I hate that people have to give up their babies..
I do feel having young children, the need for more affordable and available childcare would be a goal that I would like to see more attention brought too.
I think as a community we do a good job of involving others and promoting close knit neighbourhoods. We could always use more low income housing and affordable child care.
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I think that we are going in the right direction in beginning to provide affordable housing for seniors and for our young people. We have a way to go. Childcare and transportation are areas that need some serious looking at. Increasing the frequency of buses and expanding the local bus route are good places to start.

I think we should all feel safe and respected and we should be free from any physical harm. We should help make the community stronger by having our basic needs met and the child care "price" should be lowered. And everyone should have an adequate income
If you want people to take transit, we need more parking at transit centres to utilize this. Property taxes are very highNeed cheaper childcare options
improve the availability of affordable housing provide more opportunities to the aging population (seniors)more affordable childcarenmake the community hospital a fully operational facility ...please!
Job creation.,more affordable child care, more full time employment got women.lighting in parks and walkways,
living grants for housing and renossubsidized childcare; share by county with reasonable rates in a bylawsupport local businesses
Lower childcare costs
Lower costs for basic necessities
Lower costs for housing and childcare
Lower daycare costs. More access to food bank needs.
Lower Prices (mostly on houses and childcare)
lower prices of daycares and housing so more people can afford them
lower prices of schooling and childcare for more people to afford them
Lower rentLower daycare cost
Lower school fees, free parking at hospitals, lower fees for access to recreation facilities. provide retraining opportunities for all work industries not just trades. Create more employment opportunities for older members of the workforce. Unrestricted access to affordable childcare.
Lower the price on housing and childcare.
Make better child care and make the streets great for families.
Make child care less expensive. My parents are always stressing about the bill for daycare. I also think that if someone in your house is getting emotionally,physically, or sexually assaulted, you must tell.
Make childcare more affordable for people on aish. Have affordable housing where big dogs are allowed.
Make childcare more affordable, more access to childcare for shift workers.
Make low income housing for people.Make more convenient bus stops for people who use the bus system.Cheaper childcare.Community gatherings to come up with ideas for low income people to do together.
Make more affordable childcare spaces. I have a grandson who needs 1 day per week and we were told it was \$90 per day
Make sure that all housing is affordable, all income is reasonable, affordable childcare and I think that all of that should be improved along with everyone's basic needs to our best capability.
More affordable child care
More affordable child care and kids programs
More affordable childcare and housing.Have busses run more frequently (NOT Dial a bus)More advertising for free activities like free swim
More affordable childcare options.
more affordable childcare would be nice
More affordable childcareHousing too expensive
More affordable house and childcare!
More affordable housing and childcare.
More affordable housing for seniors & childcare for lower income families.

more affordable housing for young people starting out on their own. Rents in Sherwood Park are very high. More affordable housing for seniors who want to leave their present homes and move to something smaller, especially if they are on their own and have lost a spouse. We don't need granite countertops, ceramic tile or hardwood floors. Childcare is very expensive - sometimes it takes one person's whole salary. Transportation - bus service from my home is very poor - if you are handicapped or elderly, it is too long a walk to the bus stop.
More affordable housing, flexible child care for shift workers as difficult times have lead many to not work who could fill jobs locally that otherwise are not being met. Most would agree jobs do not accept 9-5 Monday to Friday commitments making it difficult for most families to balance childcare and work
More affordable housing, public child care
More affordable, quality daycare options
More assistance with emotional wellness. Affordable childcare.
more bus stops to make it easier to get groceries home, community events for low income people, celebrating successes of people that have overcome addictions-role model for others, affordable, quality childcare, even with subsidy for child care I still can't afford to work, gas and insurance too expensive for me to drive rely on bus service to difficult
more cheaper child care
More entry level housing. Affordable childcare.
More low income housing for singles and families and low income day care.
More lower income housing; senior care; programs for children to access sports and other opportunities at reduced costs; subsidized child care
More mental health awareness/ affordable help. More affordable child care
More open neighbourhoods and affordable childcare (watches, block parties)
More rental for low income. More care avail for those with mental illness-re housing-drop in centre and more reasonable child care prices
Need more affordable housing, more affordable child care, more affordable retraining available or funding so that people can be retrained, more financial help fir those that seem to be falling through the crack
no idea, other than pay more for jobs. my husband has wanted to apply for so many SCounty jobs but they don't pay enough to support our family. He would love to work in the community he lives in. If I were to work FT the childcare costs would almost swallow up my whole income so its not worth it for me to work. So he feels stuck in a job because it pays just enough when he'd rather work in SCounty. He has a heart for improving the future through youth work.
Offer more childcare options for working parents.
offer subsidized childcare and more shift child care. Have weight loss programs (free)
Options for childcare enhanced, reduced cost.
People need help, especially their families. Mom and dad need to work; child care is expensive and not overly available.
People with lower incomes should be able to access childcare/transportation/education at a lower cost.
Provide more affordable housing
Provide subsidized childcare to families that have both parents working
Put a cap on childcare Put a cap on rental More affordable housing More lunch programs in certain schools, for lower income families
Quality, affordable child care Family events - free Post secondary courses Affordable sports for children and adults
Racism needs to be discussed- people aren't aware that it exists. School and police should also be trained for this. Shocked by poor policy response to children being assaulted in a park- they didn't care or work to assist. Affordable housing should be a priority. The arguments against this are elitist and disturbing. I don't support govt assistance in child care except for low income families.
reduce childcare costs more affordable housing for families

reduce childcare costs more affordable housing options for families
Reduce housing costs, encouraging owners to have lower rental fees. Lower day care costs.
Registered childcare that accepts subsidy operating outside of regular business hours for shift workers. Provide overnight & weekend options that accepts subsidy. more affordable housing options.
Regulate the childcare fees so every agency does not charge different fees for the same service. One daycare was charging me 1200/ month and then I found another one that charged 900.00/month
Regulating/grant Day care hours and costs most only open until 4:30
some ways you can fix some of these problems is to give a ideal price for a housing because most people cant afford a big house and they have alot of others worries they are thinking about.For childcare most parents cant afford to send there kid to get a good education or there is not enough room for all of the children.They pay for rent in malls is so high it is probaly cheaper for people to just buy there own place.Many people get a job to help pay for clothes and basic needs-ig: @repostbmx
Standard day home fees
Strathcona County should have affordable housing. Jobs are not easily found so the income is not quite good for the family. If the parents don't have good jobs surely their children don't get affordable childcare.
Subsidize childcare
Support and housing for single pregnant mothers educating them in the process to be self sustaining. This would also help with childcare.
There are a lot of shift workers in and around Sherwood Park but there is little to no childcare that offers part time (affordable) options for people and their children in our community
There are large gaps in child care and elderly care. Lack of space and facilities.
Transportation system better designed for both rural and urban use.Childcare locations need to be increased, and made affordable.Increase housing for senior residents.
Try to lower childcare affordability so children can be taken care while their parents work.
Universal affordable public early childhood education and childcare
using our taxes for the more important things such as childcare as opposed to say uping the outside of our community buildings
We need more affordable housing and childcare opportunities for those who don't have great incomes.
Working as a community alongside our government to provide people with jobs, a livable income, high quality affordable childcare. I strongly believe that these can all be achieved in our life time and am interested in seeing as well as taking part in this happening.
Total

Question 1) Childcare: Quality

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
<p>- There is a lack of high quality and affordable child care centres in Sherwood Park. There is only one option for child care that is a not-for-profit model and the quality of that child care centre is questionable (see GOA website). The day home model seems to lack accountability as there are minimal requirements for an individual to operate one. Both my children currently receive care from a not-for-profit child care centre in Edmonton (they were on a wait list for about 18 months) and the monthly cost is more than my and my spouse's monthly mortgage payment. - I wonder if the LGBTQ community and people of colour feel welcomed, included, and their voices/opinions heard in the community. I've heard comments from other community members that are not congruent with the value of all community members being respected. I hope the county ensures all differences are not only welcomed, but celebrated publicly. - Though there have been significant improvements since SCAT became Mobilit</p>

A good child care center is hard to come across but I think Strathcona County should create on big child care center
Adequate housing and child care for the people (often new Canadians) working in the service industry is essential. A strategy for meeting the needs of seniors housing is critical. We could help this process by encouraging developers specializing in these types of development projects to speak into the consultation process.
Better childcare and more kid friendly places
Better/more child care option. Have a fully functional hospital and perhaps more after hours medical clinics. More localized outdoor free hockey rinks with warm up shacks.
Childcare is affordable but definitely not quality. Mediocre at best
Childcare is mediocre at best. I want the best quality childcare regardless of cost.
Educating / Information on how to live within their means (especially if their income isn't felt to be adequate), increase public transportation options, improve childcare facilities (well-being focused)
Focus on quality childcare and providing affordable locations for centres to operate.
For child care we could make it cheaper but still having a good quality
I believe there needs to be registration/annual safety checks for private day homes.
I think Strathcona County is doing well in most of the goals, particularly the first five. However, we need to increase access to affordable housing and affordable and reliable childcare. I think these goals could be improved through development and zoning incentives to increase the space set aside for affordable housing and childcare. The County could also offer grants or tax rebates to affordable housing providers and affordable childcare providers. I also think it's key to work with our regional partners on the Capital Region Board and our provincial and federal partners for support for affordable housing, affordable childcare, and reliable transit.
Improve quality childcareMore options for affordable housingEducation grants for disadvantaged
Improvements in early childhood development and K-12 education
More affordable, quality daycare options
more bus stops to make it easier to get groceries home, community events for low income people, celebrating successes of people that have overcome addictions-role model for others, affordable, quality childcare, even with subsidy for child care I still can't afford to work, gas and insurance too expensive for me to drive rely on bus service to difficult
More unannounced (surprise) check on daycare/day homes to see if mandatory levels are being met (is the the correct ratio of staff to children, the level of cleanliness, reporting done correctly, etc.)
Need quality childcare for babies. Also focus on prevention and early childhood
Provide additional funding to achieve more quality daycare spaces.
public transit and better childcare options - Public?
There are a lot of shift workers in and around Sherwood Park but there is little to no childcare that offers part time (affordable) options for people and their children in our community
There are large gaps in child care and elderly care. Lack of space and facilities.
There needs to be more rural childcare centres. I recently had a baby, and live near Ministik School and there are no accredited daycares or dayhomes in the area that will accept babies (12+ months old). This is a major reason I had to quit my job. My job was in the University area and wait lists for childcare are 1-3 years long, so taking her to work with me wasn't an option either. The only other option I had was to drive into Sherwood Park for childcare, but that would add 20+ minutes to my commute each way. My commute was already 45 minutes- 1 hour long each way.
Total

Question 1) Childcare: Spaces/facilities/availability

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- more child care options - that are affordable- more community based health and fitness programs
-- More childcare facilities-- Lower public transportation fare-- Provide more help to lower income families-- Mental health assistance
A system that can help find suitable childcare.
Affordable and or available childcare is inadequate. For a community of this amount of wealth, it is ridiculous how hard it is to find childcare.
As a childcare provider, I see way to many people not have childcare options. There are lot's of childcare centres in Sherwood Park but most are full and I hear parents number 1 complaint is that there is no space for their child. I think by the county being able to rezone places we would be better to serve the community by allowing more childcare centres to be built.
be completing survey's like this work with families and childcare providers to determine a balance on childcare cost
Better childcare and more kid friendly places
Better/more child care option. Have a fully functional hospital and perhaps more after hours medical clinics. More localized outdoor free hockey rinks with warm up shacks.
childcare wait lists are long and very expensive making it difficult to justify having a second income for the family and that is if you can get in.
Community run programs to continue (library is excellent; however parking is a huge issue); more part time daycares needed
Daycare options and prices are kind of lacking. We are new parents and are finding daycare very expensive and hard to get into. (long wait lists)
ensure that local transit improves for transportation needs, increase affordable rental housing options, increase availability of affordable before/after school care, increase accessibility to children's sports/activities through subsidization
Focus on quality childcare and providing affordable locations for centres to operate.
Have affordable housing Have more daycares
Have more childcare facilities
I do feel having young children, the need for more affordable and available childcare would be a goal that I would like to see more attention brought too.
Improve childcare options for our community
make sure that children living in rural areas of the community are being taken care of properly. Living in rural Sherwood Park, I've seen children who don't have access to a shower and have farm animals living in their home. This is not ok.
More affordable housing, flexible child care for shift workers as difficult times have lead many to not work who could fill jobs locally that otherwise are not being met. Most would agree jobs do not accept 9-5 Monday to Friday commitments making it difficult for most families to balance childcare and work
More child care and be more free from emotional or physical harm.
More childcare options
more childcare outlets continued
More options for FIT childcare in close proximity to schools as well as a bigger focus on quality education from K-6
More support for child care options
Offer more childcare options for working parents.
Open more jobs in the community. More bus stops. More childcare. Cleanliness and pricing in daycares

People need help, especially their families. Mom and dad need to work; child care is expensive and not overly available.
Provide adequate day cares for children and if possible provide hot lunches for kids that may not be eating properly at home.
Provide more out of school care centres. Better bus transportation, possibly even having the lot come here.
Registered childcare that accepts subsidy operating outside of regular business hours for shift workers. Provide overnight & weekend options that accepts subsidy. more affordable housing options.
Regulating/grantDay care hours and costsmost only open until 4:30
There are large gaps in child care and elderly care. Lack of space and facilities.
There needs to be more rural childcare centres. I recently had a baby, and live near Ministik School and there are no accredited daycares or dayhomes in the area that will accept babies (12+ months old). This is a major reason I had to quit my job. My job was in the University area and wait lists for childcare are 1-3 years long, so taking her to work with me wasn't an option either. The only other option I had was to drive into Sherwood Park for childcare, but that would add 20+ minutes to my commute each way. My commute was already 45 minutes- 1 hour long each way.
Transportation system better designed for both rural and urban use.Childcare locations need to be increased, and made affordable.Increase housing for senior residents.
We need more childcare spaces, especially part time care. It is also very difficult to find childcare that falls outside of traditional 8-4 shift work.
Total

Question 1) Childcare: Issues/policy

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Babysitting
By doing surveys like this in the community. First findin out the needs of the community and then working towards those needs. For childcare, looking at policy change in government.
More community events, celebrating multiculturalism.Improve the process for licensing child care facilities.
More unannounced (surprise) check on daycare/day homes to see if mandatory levels are being met (is the the correct ratio of staff to children, the level of cleanliness, reporting done correctly, etc.)
These are difficult socioeconomic issues that will take multiple levels of government and the community. Working on childcare issues is very important for both preschool age children and school age children
Total

Question 1) Housing: Affordable

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- More affordable housing for families- More awareness and visibility of charities operating in the county with volunteer opportunities
- More affordable housing- more police presence to reduce crime
- More communication on how to get help regarding snow removal, grass cutting etc. Screening done more thoroughly on people moving into affordable living houses. Go back several years on the income tax. - Transportation to medical app'ts - free or very little cost, subsidized transportation through the gov't "Driving Miss Daisy".

- need affordable housing- need to be more inclusive of difference and diversity- more counselling/family support (cheap)- low income housing (more)
- Not have expensive housing- Not as expensive bills- Not expensive schooling
- Offer subsidized housing options- Need more seniors housing- Accessibility to FCSS
- wanted to live in this community but could not afford to after retirement- improve the equability in living expenses between Edmonton and Sherwood Park. We recently wanted to buy a home but could not find anything in our price range in Sherwood Park. so we have recently relocated to Edmonton. we still do some of our shopping in Sherwood Park.
- Work on the basics first - If people do not have subsidized housing (ample), childcare and access to transportation (even rural area) that is affordable - it is hard to achieve the rest.
-- Build lodges for Seniors in the outlying areas - Ardrossan, Cooking Lake-- Build more affordable houses for Seniors in Sherwood Park itself-- Build affordable housing for young adults in transition-- Do more for widows/single parents
-Affordable housing and transportation.-To have benefits in healthcare-have decent amount of wage depends where you work-giving respect for who has disability and giving them a regular wage.
-affordable physical activities centre - seniors program is very expensive at Millennium. - Affordable houses- Affordable transportation from home to grocery store, hospital- Awareness and outreach program
-Less expensive education because some people may not be able to afford it. - Less expensive housing- All people have access to transportation
-Make more affordable housing optional-Greater opportunities for youth to participate and be leaders in our community-Ensure there are ample and affordable childcare options for our residents
-more responsible renting-better bus systems
-need more counselor at Community services-affordable housing, transportation, recreation
1. Get involved with affordable housing!!!2. Adequate evaluation for home care3. Work with other groups4. More inexpensive transportation
1. More affordable housing2. Communication - easier for seniors to access for what's available3. Senior's abuse - more people helping4. Why should seniors pay education tax?5. Services to help seniors stay in homes6. Medical issues - hip/knee replacements takes TOO LONG. Things that are going good:Great rec department - Library/ BookmobileFCSS great for supportGreat support of county for our 55+ clubOutreach program is great!
A lot of people are leaving Ardrossan because there is no affordable housing and if you don't have a licence, there is no transportation available.(Comment under goal re basic needs: "We need a shuttle bus to take us to Sh Park (Dr appointments, grocery shopping, etc.)))(Comment on goal to be focused upon: "This is very important for you to look into.")
A truly vital topic to explore is affordable housing--a large majority of individuals in the strathcona-edmonton area live in unaffordable housing (around 41%). By taking care of these basic needs (affordable homes, social services, and affordable childcare, etc.).
A well designed plan to have a more economically diverse community by having a wider range of housing options geared to the low-income end.
Adequate housing and child care for the people (often new Canadians) working in the service industry is essential. A strategy for meeting the needs of seniors housing is critical. We could help this process by encouraging developers specializing in these types of development projects to speak into the consultation process.
Affordable / subsidized housing and child care
Affordable accommodations with easy access to shopping without the use of a car or bus
Affordable and accessible housing for low income and seniors
Affordable house needs to be more available- for all family sizes more resources for mental health, especially for children/youth.
Affordable housing
Affordable Housing

Affordable housing - both rentals and owned. More high-density housing like condos, apartments, duplexes. Also more housing sized/priced for singles or child-free couples. Keeping young adults in the community - affordable housing, entertainment geared to them, affordable/frequent/reliable transportation to many areas in Edmonton so they can live here and still participate there too. Somehow combat that perception that Sherwood Park is white, wealthy, straight, cisgender - not sure how to do that though? My friends who didn't fit that stereotype moved away to Edmonton where they felt included and like they belonged
Affordable housing - I live at Brittany Lane Housing Co-operative: - Brittany Lane loses their subsidy funding when the mortgage is paid off (ETA 2022). Meetings have been conducted to determine course of action (non-subsidy member to pay into a pot [Security of Tenure] to support subsidized units). I work hard and do not feel that is an ethical, appropriate or fair way to do business and how my rental fees should be spent. Municipal, Provincial and/or Federal funding for those that need it would be beneficial. - Rents in Sherwood Park (condos, townhouses and apartments) are way expensive with such little square footage. Cost ratio is ridiculous. It is cheaper for me to live in Edmonton and commute, which may be the only recourse I have when subsidy runs out in Co-op Housing unless there is resolution to the above. Corner of Jim Common and Sherwood Drive intersection (north and south), PLEASE place advance left turn arrows here.
Affordable housing & childcare
Affordable housing for people that just moved here from somewhere that isn't as wealthy a community
Affordable housing for seniors
Affordable housing for single parent families, single people and seniors so they can afford stay in Sherwood Park
Affordable housing for single parent is not affordable anymore. Rent for 2 bedroom is \$1000 in which bills are not included, also food and childcare makes it difficult.
Affordable housing is a stresser especially with unemployment and income levels
affordable housing needed
Affordable housing needs to be a priority. Without a safe, affordable place to live residents cannot meet any other needs.
Affordable housing needs to be addressed, the housing market within the community is crazy
Affordable housing needs to be addressed. People should not have to leave their community to be able to leave. *There are major issues that this survey has not even addressed: caregiving, supports regarding death care, burial, cemeteries. There are a lot of people in the county who are providing care to loved ones. There NEEDS to be an affordable option to county residents for end of life.
Affordable housing options
Affordable housing prices for people just to live in.
Affordable housing to buy or rent. Getting youth involved in building the county. Are we being heard at government level.
Affordable housing-cheaper transportation for seniors.
Affordable housing,
Affordable housingCheaper public transit
Affordable, accessible counseling services with no wait lists. More programs and education to address the rise in domestic violence. More affordable housing for people of all ages. There are very few rental options that are affordable, which influences young people and seniors to move out of Sherwood Park to places they can afford to live.
Affordable, appropriate housing. Adequate disability income-not poverty.
All members of the community need to be valued respected and treated fairly, regardless of socioeconomic status. Regretfully, Sherwood Park has earned a reputation of being "snappy" due to the wealth in the community. Also to note is the cost of housing, property taxes, school fees, etc., which are higher than in surrounding areas, perhaps due to the number of wealthy families in the area. Costs, especially school fees, need be more affordable for those that not wealthy.
Allocate more revenue towards affordable housing, better traffic improvement (driving practices) and health resources.

Also chose healthy and basic needs met, housing for lower socio economic residents. Adequate transportation, bus service not good, I drive but would take bus if better
Also: Are healthy, and Feel like they belong and are connected to others. Much more affordable housing. Strathcona County is doing an amazing job!
An independent affordable smaller housing - stop warehousing seniors in just condo's and apartments. Think of leasing the land to make it affordable to build smaller homes, closer together.
As a community, we need to be able to assist everyone in the hopes for a more welcoming affordable city. Currently, it is very difficult to be able to afford to live here especially with the awful economy. As well as the prices of everything is rising due to the governments plan to raise minimum wage. To support the community, I believe jobs need to be more accessible and there needs to be more supports to those who struggle with their income.
As a Edmontonian who commutes into the County for work, I don't know if there is a lot of opportunities for me to connect with others. I have considered moving to the county but the availability of housing is very limited and is extremely expensive. I feel like the county is strongly geared towards high income families and not very welcoming or accommodating to other type of people from a racial, ethnic, social status or income level perspective. There seems to be limited opportunity to live and thrive on a lower income as cost of living and availability of housing, affordable transportation and programs and services geared towards young urban professionals doesn't really exist. I doubt i would move to the county based on those criteria.
As a senior, I see a need for better and affordable senior lodges with shorter waiting lists.how about a hospital that is useful to allaffordable day care for the younger families
As it stands for a first time house owner it is much easier to buy in Edmonton and drive to Sherwood Park for work then it is to live in Sherwood Park.
Better education, cheaper housing
better transit system, cheaper housing
Better transit, in particular mobility transit. More affordable housing options.
Build more affordable housing for low income seniors and young people just starting out. Build a senior centre that has a variety of activities.
Bus service could be more frequent in some areas, more affordable housing options should be available, people should have enough food to eat
Bussing system could use improvement. The only affordable housing option I am aware of is to rent a room from someone. Asthma rates are high. I often don't find out about community events, it would be nice to have a county page that posts everything from parades to community garage sales, farmers markets, special speakers, concerts and plays coming to festival place. Etc.
By having more affordable housing and the waiting list not to be so long ...special for those for don't have anywhere to go ...and those pregnant people or those who have kids
by having the prices lowered on food or houses.
By lowering the cost associated with housing , childcare, and transportation
Can bring affordable housing programs in Sherwood Park, create more small scale businesses to provide jobs (i.e. would fill the income)
Cheaper housing
Cheaper housing and better public transportation, including to and from Edmonton and surrounding area
cheaper housing, affordable care for everyone
Council should focus on more areas of concern (e.g. affordable housing, health etc) instead of focusing on items that pertain to only one individual or household.
Create a non profit friendship based buddy program/system for those with special needs out of high school. They are truly isolated, especially if they are not affiliated with an organization for handicapped and still live at home. We see a need for an assisted living similar to a senior's facility for those who would like their own/rent a safe, affordable apartment with others with special needs. Not a group home scenario or low cost. They can go to work, enjoy a proper meal there, partake in extracurricular activites, or intramural, be safe and have their own space close to shopping, transportation &other amenities.

Creating support groups based on interests and values, advertising these and existing groups/programs better. Creating more affordable housing options, job opportunities so that people from diverse backgrounds are able to move here, improve diversity.
Decrease the prices of housing
Definitely need more affordable and subsidized housing. Need improved public transportation.....why is the bus stop at Millenium Place, a county facility, so far from an entrance.....not safe on icy days for seniors wanting to stay active. How many buses I need to take to the County building which DOES have a safe bus stop right in front.
Develop new, affordable neighbourhoods, seniors housing, resources to help people who are stressed and depressed.
Do what you can to improve affordable housing, especially until seniors
Don't use some drugs, don't smoke and be more strict to bad people and provide the homeless people some homes and gifts. Always be honest to each other.
ensure that local transit improves for transportation needs, increase affordable rental housing options, increase availability of affordable before/after school care, increase accessibility to children's sports/activities through subsidization
Everything costs too much for things that we don't even need in our life. Even things we need costs too much like food, housing and income.
Find a way to build smaller independent affordable homes in Sherwood Park. Build a community of smaller non market housing that meets the needs of independent single, married and aged adults.
Fix transit! Especially when the weather is terrible. Please! Where you can water the cost of things. Things are expensive and incomes aren't enough to cover everything with mounting debt its hard to do anything but be house poor.
For transportation, maybe expand the routes and place some more bus stops around Sherwood park. For housing, maybe lower prices?
Fully functional hospital more resources for mental health more affordable housing, childcare
Get the affordable housing, efficient transportation and affordable childcare in place. When people's basic needs are met, they are able to participate more fully in their community. By the way, not having any transit stops in Edmonton, besides at the universities and downtown is a waste. I would love to commute to Sherwood Park by bus, but the stops are too far away. It is annoying to see empty buses heading back to Sherwood Park every 15 minutes what a waste!
Getting a more reliable education for everyone. Getting houses at a more affordable price
Hand up instead of hand out - more Habitat housing, subsidized programs so that kids from low income families can participate in more sports and programs, making people needing assistance a part of the conversation instead of just being told what to do i.e. what programs, skills, etc do you need to be successful and feel like a contributing part of the community/
Have a better education system with better educators. Lower housing costs. Make busses more accessible and the routes easier to access and understand
Have a fundraiser to feed all the homeless people that lives in strathcona county and make them feel loved. Don't disrespect them.
Have affordable housing
Have affordable housing for the low to medium income people. The rentals market is so high you have to decide if you are going to live in a clean place and not eat as much or live in a scary place and eat well.
Have affordable housing Have more daycares
Have cheaper housing.
Have childcare that people can afford, that doesn't break the bank to ensure your children are well taken care of and are still learning. Our childcare in this community is outrageously priced for what is given. As well the housing market is brutal for those first time home buyers or people trying to come back to the community they had to leave because of prices.
Have more affordable housing and childcare services

Have more affordable housing for seniors and young people. More available housing for seniors. There appears to be very limited options for seniors. Fully operational Hospital. People are great serving us at the Hospital.
Have more affordable housing options available in the community
Have more community events to connect, more affordable housing and childcare, and healthcare for people who may not be employed
Have Silver Birch Court through Heartland Housing Corp receive more funding. A 3 bedroom apartment is still 1,035 with one parking stall. (that does not include power and phone, internet) I receive on CCCP and Aish,,, \$1,688.00 per month....still paying out over 75-80% of income in just housing alone. Please could we help single parents moms & dads to afford a decent place to live without having to pay 3/4 of the gross total income to rent, Sherwood Park is a safe place to live and even though we are low income single parents we want to continue to live here. We do not want to leave the Park to move to Edmonton because we cannot afford to live here...Please, Please help this group of people Thank you very much!!
Have subsidised housing, childcare etc. for more vulnerable people (eg.) out of work, disabled elderly etc..
Having a community work together with their residents to really look at affordable housing
having more affordable housing change bus systems
Having more well paying jobs. House market prices lower. Have more activities that can help people know each other.
Help first time buyers as a community. Support non profit groups helping to take care of families in the communities over the holidays. Like Christmas Community Blessings
Help to make more affordable housing and better education programs.
Hey create more jobs , or help with affordable housing and funding for the people who are struggling
higher income caps for subsidized programs fees and housing costs based on a sliding scale
Houses are expensive, almost double that of my mortgage. The price of all houses. But Sherwood Park is a great place to live.
Housing
Housing - cheaper rent due to high cost of bills. Child care - I feel the government should have more funding available to those who can't afford it. We work for our government or way or another. They should work for us too. We pay them.
Housing and taxes are too expensive.
Housing is expensive, especially for single parents, sometimes it can be hard to pay the bills and get food as well
Housing that is affordable for every family. Housing is quite expensive.
I believe that reducing the amount houses cost, there would be less of the homeless. childcare as well, I hate that people have to give up their babies..
I feel there is more affordable housing required so people that work in Strathcona County can live in Strathcona County. I also believe the transit system needs to be reorganized. I live in an older neighborhood in Sherwood Park and had a helpful transit system growing up and when going to university (other than there not being enough NAIT buses), but since the Bethel Transit Centre opened all the bus routes are unhelpful to me. I can drive to work in 8 minutes or 15 minutes if I stop for a coffee. To take the bus would take me 45 minutes to an hour. In the old system it would have taken 20-25.
I feel we need more affordable housing for seniors. The building going up at present seems to be for the more affluent. There is not enough care facilities. It poses quite a problem for families when the elders requiring more care have to move out of the community. Most seniors would prefer to stay in their homes so more help may be required for a them to do so! If one is fortunate to age with few health concerns it would be good to know that their future health issues are going to be addressed!
I have lived here since a very young child and do not wish to leave, but the housing and trying to afford to raise a family here is almost starting to become only for the very affluent. Anything that the county can do to help make things more affordable would help.

I think as a community we do a good job of involving others and promoting close knit neighbourhoods. We could always use more low income housing and affordable child care.
I think Strathcona County is doing well in most of the goals, particularly the first five. However, we need to increase access to affordable housing and affordable and reliable childcare. I think these goals could be improved through development and zoning incentives to increase the space set aside for affordable housing and childcare. The County could also offer grants or tax rebates to affordable housing providers and affordable childcare providers. I also think it's key to work with our regional partners on the Capital Region Board and our provincial and federal partners for support for affordable housing, affordable childcare, and reliable transit.
I think that security at the public library should be strengthened. Also, the public transportation needs to be improved (buses on time, clean buses, friendly bus drivers, more security and attendants at the Ordze station. We also need to have more affordable housing and childcare.
I think that the community should make things cheaper like houses because of families with one parent
I think that we are going in the right direction in beginning to provide affordable housing for seniors and for our young people. We have a way to go. Childcare and transportation are areas that need some serious looking at. Increasing the frequency of buses and expanding the local bus route are good places to start.
I think that we should lower the prices on our houses and make it so we are actually learning what we need to
I think the Strathcona County suite development program is a great start for more affordable housing, the county could look for help from local trade oriented businesses to offer a discount for work needed to develop the suites
I think there needs to be more affordable housing. We need to have more places to go that people can feel safe telling people about any violence, addiction or anything like that in the community
I think we are doing a great job. From my perspective as an Edmontonian who works with this community, I feel like the community is proud and strong. I can't actually live here because it is not affordable, but my daily commute on the Henday is pretty relaxing. I wish Strathcona County had more cultural gathering spaces. The adorable little cafes and craft markets that already exist are wonderful but I don't see as many dances and cultural festivals - but this could be because there are primarily Caucasians in Sherwood Park. We are known for that.
I think we are safe here in Sherwood, they just have to improve the security more for everyone. Housing is expensive though which is the downside for me. O
I think we should be more kind to our community and talk around how we have less bill and money so that we don't have to think that we might need to live on the street because of the house bills or that we need to move to a smaller house
I truly believe that we already live in a wonderful community. Thank you! As an area for continued growth, I would like to see more quality programming and housing available for adults with special needs. It brings me joy to see individuals with special needs working in meaningful roles in the community, and I wish there were more incentives and training opportunities for local businesses to support these members of our community. Way to pave a trail for compassion and inclusion, Strathcona County!
I've been trying to help a relative with an addiction for years. There needs to be more help and efficiency in the system. One central place to call and receive help without being constantly redirected and never getting anywhere. I believe there is also a shortage of housing for middle class seniors.
Improve and expand transit, keep property taxes lower to make housing more affordable. Lobby governments for more child tax breaks.
Improve cost of entry level / subsidized housing Match volunteer offerings with needs
Improve quality childcare More options for affordable housing Education grants for disadvantaged
improve the availability of affordable housing provide more opportunities to the aging population (seniors) more affordable childcare make the community hospital a fully operational facility ...please!
Improved bus schedule, affordable housing, employment opportunities for young workers (with appropriate job specific training)
Improving our economy and affordable housing options for all ages (from young families and seniors) needs to be a priority.

In terms of basic needs, Sherwood Park needs more affordable housing options. We need community members to be more supportive of food banks, etc...but I'm not sure how to influence change in that realm.
Income should change for poor families and housing costs should go down as well.
Income support, rent subsidy
Increase in income support benefits.Make housing more affordable for people.
Increase the amount of income by, providing more jobs, clearing low wageing jobs witch will make room for teens to get the needed work experience and lower housing costs by building more condos apartment buildings and power the costs of those said buildings as well as lower utilities costs. Finally I think I can speak for most people we need way more public water fountains.
Increased RCMP presence, keep rent low and affordable, keep tax rate (property) affordable
Infill housing
It's nice to see new commercial development in the park to keep money and employment local. However, there is a gaping hole for affordable housing. Your first job is to define affordable. 1200 a month for rent or 350 000 to buy is not affordable for many.there are alot of new developments popping up...none of which could be considered affordable.
just lower the prices for homes, it is not hard to do and store food prices. Education: make more similar stuff.
Just make sure that everyone has the help and support that they need such as singal parents and seniors. Other than that make sure that the basic needs are all met such as affordable housing because many family's out their I know are struggling for money, even mine so that is really important to me.
Labour unions for all service employees. Earlier bus times for Strathcona County residents including Sherwood Park residents. Caps on rental costs (rent control)
Later transportation to and from EdmontonMore housing for single or low income familiesHave incentives for people to rent cheaper to low income or single families
Less expensive homes.
Less expensive housing
Less expensive housing and clothing
Igbtq+ educationmore affordable/subsidized housingmore employment opportunities
living grants for housing and renossubsidized childcare; share by county with reasonable rates in a bylawsupport local businesses
lobby prov. gov't to stop spending so much on private education, especially religiously based home schooling.build more housing for families needing rent support continue to use local newspaper to communicate with residents (not everyone is always on-line)support agricultural services like weed control and animal controlcontinue community events like July 1st fireworks, support for free public skating at the various arenascontinue support for community hallsbuild walking and bike trails to help connect rural subdivisions to urban areas.
Look at working towards affordable housing.
lots of people dont have the money to afford all these nice things(housing and tranportation we need more things that are less money
Low cost housing.Mental Health services
Lower costs for basic necessities
Lower costs for housing and childcare
Lower housing costs
lower housing prices
Lower housing prices
Lower housing prices because it is too expensive for some families
Lower housing/university prices
Lower Prices (mostly on houses and childcare)

lower prices of daycares and housing so more people can afford them
lower prices on food and housing, or the government can work to help people afford it
Lower rentLower daycare cost
Lower taxes or have some sort of affordable housing options besides the co-ops which have insane waiting lists.
lower the cost of housing
Lower the cost of living for renters
Lower the price for homes and school.
Lower the price of homes
Lower the price on housing and childcare.
Lower the prices a bit so that everyone can have a reasonable price.
Lower the prices of houses. Starter homes are at least \$300000 dollars, and young newlyweds or students just starting out can't afford that.
Lower the prices on housing and food
Make bigger houses less expensive cause it's even harder to afford houses especially ones where the whole family will be comfortable.
Make childcare more affordable for people on aish. Have affordable housing where big dogs are allowed.
Make housing and other things in general cheaper
make housing cheaper
Make housing cheaper so people can live in a house
Make housing more affordable
Make housing more affordable!
Make it cheaper for kids coming out of high school to move out.
Make low income housing for people.Make more convenient bus stops for people who use the bus system.Cheaper childcare.Community gatherings to come up with ideas for low income people to do together.
Make sure that all housing is affordable, all income is reasonable, affordable childcare and I think that all of that should be improved along with everyone's basic needs to our best capability.
Make sure that housing and transportation is available and affordable to everyone. Transit service (and cost) needs to be improved.
Make sure there is affordable housing for everyone.
Make the houses cost less
make the houses less expensive
Make things cheaper and more available to people. Some people have little to nothing and are struggling, nothing happens, nobody helps them. Stop trying to make big fancy houses that cost million and make some that are affordable for people who really need them. Big houses are pointless and un-nessessary. Stop spending money and invest so we have soemtihng to survive on when we need it most.
Maybe have better housing that cheaper from everyone.
More affordable housing.Mental Health Care
More affordable adult living and senior lodging is desperately needed!!! Why are there numerous unnessecary hotels being built near the Emerald hills area and yet no new senior care places? Affordable living for our ageing community is so important. Sherwood Park needs 10X the amount it currently has. Of course there's outrageous wait lists.Just think, If an initiative program was put into place today to focus on this desperate need, YOU might have a nice place to retire to without leaving your hometown AND you might actually get in without waiting on a list for years.I'm not even 40 and I have no personal loved one in this situation as of yet but even I can see this is a big and (somewhat ignored) issue.

More affordable childcare and housing. Have busses run more frequently (NOT Dial a bus) More advertising for free activities like free swim
More affordable childcare Housing too expensive
more affordable homes better paying jobs better hospital
More affordable house and childcare!
more affordable HOUSING
More affordable housing
More affordable housing and childcare.
More affordable housing and community support available.
More affordable housing and fewer wait times at hospital. Additional public transit to Fort Saskatchewan and Edmonton would be great. Additional recreation and fitness class opportunities for rural residents. I live in rural Strathcona County and the nearest fitness facility is 30min away. Not very accessible.
More affordable housing and housing that focuses on scent free environment
More affordable housing and more services available.
More affordable housing and rural transportation options. I live on an acreage and Have an adult that doesn't drive, any rural bussing would be awesome, taxis are expensive.
More affordable housing and seniors housing LRT to Edmonton
More affordable housing better bus service. Extend use of the present hospital.
More affordable housing for both seniors and young people so they don't have to move out of area. Rural childcare needed.
More affordable housing for low income. Single parents, seniors, and students.
More affordable housing for seniors & childcare for lower income families.
more affordable housing for young and old; more counselling and support services for mental and emotional health issues.
more affordable housing for young people starting out on their own. Rents in Sherwood Park are very high. More affordable housing for seniors who want to leave their present homes and move to something smaller, especially if they are on their own and have lost a spouse. We don't need granite countertops, ceramic tile or hardwood floors. Childcare is very expensive - sometimes it takes one person's whole salary. Transportation - bus service from my home is very poor - if you are handicapped or elderly, it is too long a walk to the bus stop.
More affordable housing options needed in every community
More affordable housing options.
More affordable housing options Programs for new members of our community Help for aging population
More affordable housing to keep residents in Strathcona County
More affordable housing, easier access to services.
More affordable housing, improve transit
more affordable housing, more librarys, no lay offs
More affordable housing, public child care
More affordable housing!!! Even rental accommodation here is too expensive for individuals on a fixed income.
More affordable housing.
More affordable housing. More engaged community
More affordable housing. More mental and emotional health programs. More community programs bringing people together
More affordable housing. More work as a community. Less spending on making community buildings so fancy

More affordable housing More community programs for families More advertising/info about current available services
More affordable housing More domestic violence supports Group counselling sessions for community members More "play" group/connecting meetings to create more bonds with the community
More affordable transitional housing for seniors - i.e. AFFORDABLE & SUFFICIENT bungalows. Only bungalows available to purchase for seniors with attached garages and main floor laundry are far too expensive - i.e. very few in the \$500,000 or less price range - most are around \$600,000 to \$750,000. Seniors can't afford to take on a mortgage in order to transition to a smaller bungalow home. Also get a proper snow clearing bylaw in place so people can safely walk in the community - i.e. snow cleared in 48 hours. Transit service within Sh Pk needs to be improved as well.
More affordable housing
more civil service jobs new schools new homes more shops and small business
More food banks. And more affordable items like housing/groceries/normal items.
More housing for lower income/people with disabilities/single parent families
More job opportunities for young people as well as affordable living.
more jobs, cheaper housing, more transportation and buses
More low income housing
More low income housing for singles and families and low income day care.
More low income housing. Too many young families cannot afford to continue living in this community. We are only attracting the affluent.
More low income housing More support for single moms / dads Have a bus system out in the country
More low income/starter/affordable housing, especially for the younger population starting out on their own.
More lower income housing; senior care; programs for children to access sports and other opportunities at reduced costs; subsidized child care
More reasonable or affordable renting or housing is needed.
More rental for low income. More care avail for those with mental illness-re housing-drop in centre and more reasonable child care prices
More work opportunities, lower basic costs, lower housing
Motherhood and Apple Pie - don't know who put this together. Affordable housing. Affordable food. Affordable Utility Bills based on a single users actual usage not some "average usage" based on a large family's usage which "everyone" has to pay
Must have more discussion on affordable housing for seniors and a bigger place for women's shelter. Not enough done provincially and federally.
My parents both have to work in Edmonton because there was no jobs at the time in Sherwood Park that allowed them to be able to afford our house in Sherwood park. I would like when I'm there age to have my job in the town I live in.
Need affordable housing. Need better, newer, facility for women's shelter.
Need more affordable housing for families, single parents, low income.
Need more affordable housing, more affordable child care, more affordable retraining available or funding so that people can be retrained, more financial help fir those that seem to be falling through the crack
Need more housing for low income and disabled people - seniors in general. Some of us can't do stairs such as in apartments. Also, some of us would still like a house so we don't have to give up all of our goods.
Need more low income housing
Need more schools, less kids squished in a classroom. More affordable housing. Subsidized housing. Stop raising rent for stores, and commercial property. Especially the mall. Our mall sucks. Why are we expanding something that no one puts any thought in to. More parks made for kids under school age too.
Need to ensure there are places where people have affordable housing in the county

Need to have approval for more subsidized housing, perhaps Habitat for Humanity housing approval. My concern is particularly focusing on 2020 when federal funding for co-op ends.
not entirely sure, housing is expensive but that is economy based, Sherwood park is very clean and safe community
Not sure how you would do this but try to make houses less expensive.
Offer affordable housing so our young people don't have to leave the community
Our daughter is on AISH and lives in low-income housing in Sherwood Park. Her monthly AISH is \$1588. Her low income rent is \$860. After electricity, cable, and her phone bill, there is very little left for food and necessities. Why is Heartland Housing low income housing so hard on the low income earner?
Partner with others to ensure that low income and senior housing needs are met in a variety of different ways in both large and small projects now. Don't delay.
People who just came here to Sherwood Park might have a harder time paying or renting on their houses. Especially, those who have children they might have a harder time because they have to care and nurture their kids whilst working for food and their house.
plz make housing cheaper we have no money for food and rely on food bank
Proper provision on housing and higher wages
Provide affordable housing with or without assistance. Transportation for appointments, etc.
Provide more affordable housing
Provide more affordable housing.
Provide more options for low income housing.
Put a cap on childcare Put a cap on rental More affordable housing More lunch programs in certain schools, for lower income families
Racism needs to be discussed- people aren't aware that it exists. School and police should also be trained for this. Shocked by poor policy response to children being assaulted in a park- they didn't care or work to assist. Affordable housing should be a priority. The arguments against this are elitist and disturbing. I don't support govt assistance in child care except for low income families.
Real estate and rent too high
Really not sure. Renting property is expensive.
reduce childcare costs more affordable housing for families
reduce childcare costs more affordable housing options for families
reduce house prices more garbage days
Reduce housing costs, encouraging owners to have lower rental fees. Lower day care costs.
Registered childcare that accepts subsidy operating outside of regular business hours for shift workers. Provide overnight & weekend options that accepts subsidy. more affordable housing options.
Rentals in Sherwood Park need to be less costly. If it takes a Whole pay cheque plus part of another to live here. Its way to expensive. Doesn't leave much to live on or put away for a rainy day. That's why I only work here. Can't afford the rent being just myself.
Require family (dual & single parent) and singles to live in quality housing close to schools, playgrounds, etc. that is also financially manageable. Families and singles are struggling and facing financial hardships who do not have 3 digit income(s). In older neighbourhoods, options are available i.e. Victoria (carriage houses) - creativity is needed to promote mother-in-law suites, etc. in current homes.
Services for immigrant youth, children e.g. homework helping, English language help. More low income housing options - so limited.
Sherwood park housing is very expensive. If we look in comparison to Edmonton it is much pricier to rent or own then surrounding communities. Maybe some options of rent controlled apartments for lower income families.

Some houses even though are small still cost a small fortune because of Alberta's total income while some people can only work at minimum wage jobs and can't afford a suitable house. And the physical harm or emotional is hard to judge because the harmer tells the harmie that if he/she tells anyone they will get abused even more.
some ways you can fix some of these problems is to give a ideal price for a housing because most people cant afford a big house and they have alot of others worries they are thinking about.For childcare most parents cant afford to send there kid to get a good education or there is not enough room for all of the children.They pay for rent in malls is so high it is probaly cheaper for people to just buy there own place.Many people get a job to help pay for clothes and basic needs-ig: @repostbmx
start building affordable housing for all ages 1) for our children so that they can afford to stay in Sherwood park 2) for sing parents - folks that are not well off3)for seniors - so that they can afford to move into low cost seniors housing. so that they can continue to be close to friends they have made over the years.
start communicating with others and make houses, food, and water more affordable
Start promoting some reasonable rental cost housing controls.
Stop raising rent in low-income apartment buildings.Get more options for low-income housing.
Strathcona County should have affordable housing. Jobs are not easily found so the income is not quite good for the family. If the parents don't have good jobs surely their children don't get affordable childcare.
Strongly need more Senoir housing and care subsidized housing based on income levels
Supply affordable housing options
Supplying affordable housing and a wide range of jobs
Support and housing for single pregnant mothers educating them in the process to be self sustaining. This would also help with childcare.
The cost of living is so high and it is so hard to make ends meet. Need to bring community together to support each other. We should have more housing that is affordable. If I am only paying my mortgage I cannot participate more in my community.
There has to be more affordable housing for low income families.
There is a definite need for more affordable housing. This is needed for both seniors and low-income families alike. DESPERATE need for emergency housing for low-income women.
There is zero affordable or low income housing to keep single families residents of Sherwood aPark. Income support is ridiculous and only covered my rent as I am not receiving low income. I was consistently harassed by children services and RCMP while trying to leave abusive relationship. Based on my ex testimony to RCMP I was kicked to the street with nowhere to go with 4 kids. No help with paying utility bills that are mandatory, food bank is only once a month and give expired food and no actual meat etc. RAP program is excellent but busing subsidy is still not affordable. More needs to Recreation facilities like the zoo, Fort Edmonton, trampoline places etc. School fees and supplies are ridiculous. Have so many complaints about living here and day by day it just isn't affordable anymore
Upgrading older communities and lowering cost of housing in newer communities
Use smaller buses for dial-a-bus in off hours. Build smaller houses in a community grouping that cost less to build and service. Use land more efficiently for housing - smaller units on older large lots.
Way less expensive clothes, food and houses
We already have a police force to ensure our safety.We already have FCSS who provide residents with supports (abuse, counseling,& a wide variety of valuable information sessions; so the wheel doesn't need to be reinvented here.This survey, sounds like County Council is just looking for a pat on the back, when all these goals are already being addressed...some are lacking & need more attention, but for the most part I found this survey redundant! What needs to happen - is to change the mind set of Council to realize that we're not all rich & wealthy. For instance, studies have been done, task forces have been created and nothing concrete has come of them. The Affordable housing issue has been on the table since 2008, and here we are still with nothing. Take a look around at the faces when out shopping - driving about - SENIORS are abundant. Every day 60 people in Alberta turn 65. We got the pools, the walking trails the schools & the recreation facilities - geared towards families - bu

We can maybe make more affordable housing
we could maybe build small home for some people so they can get away from the harm and the abuse from there family or one that does not have stairs like a ramp for the disabled like the one outside of the home but in the home so it won't be hard for them because they might not have enough money for so fancy stuff to help them cause it is a lot of money for that thing that can help you get up stairs that what I think
we lived in Sherwood Park from March 2005 until Nov 2015. At that time, we were renting a mobile home in Jubilee Landing and looking for a home to buy. We were unable to find a one within our single income range. We were very disappointed, but have settled in Southeast Edmonton Mobile Home Park (Oak Ridge)
We need better health care free ones help the homeless
We need more affordable housing and childcare opportunities for those who don't have great incomes.
We need more affordable housing for young people and seniors. Adequate income, there is so much unemployment, people are suffering.
We need more affordable housing.
We need more affordable housing/care centres for seniors and young families.
We need more Affordable Senior housing
we need to have more houses
Why so many housing with condo fees which are extremely high. Real-estate market shows condos sit longer to sell. Especially in this economy. 1st time buyers and high fees is difficult
With senior population increasing in the next few years - need to have affordable housing for the coming population boom as well as adequate transportation - wellness and fitness classes geared to this age group.
Work on making food and amenities affordable. Rents need to be lowered and we need to be more competitive with Edmonton
Work on ways to get rid of the image that SP is a spoiled rich white kid community More low cost housing
Work together to make our community stronger. having affordable housing - for those on fixed income (renting)
Work towards affordable housing because it's not too good right now.
Work towards greater access to affordable housing. Not low rent, subsidized, but true affordable, single dwelling housing.
Would like to see more affordable housing for seniors in our community
You can make house less one and job easier to find
You should make housing more affordable
Total

Question 1) Housing: Spaces/facilities/availability

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- need affordable housing- need to be more inclusive of difference and diversity- more counselling/family support (cheap)- low income housing (more)
-would like to see less high density developments and more green space
Additional affordable lease space for small businesses so that people don't feel the need to head to the big cities for a date night or for shopping. I am seeing some smaller start-up companies and it's very encouraging. Until we can feel self-sustainable as a community (jobs, amenities within our circle) people continue to spend their time (and money) in the larger centres.

Adequate housing and child care for the people (often new Canadians) working in the service industry is essential. A strategy for meeting the needs of seniors housing is critical. We could help this process by encouraging developers specializing in these types of development projects to speak into the consultation process.
Adequate housing and transportation
Adequate housing is needed
Affordable and accessible housing for low income and seniors
Affordable housing - both rentals and owned. More high-density housing like condos, apartments, duplexes. Also more housing sized/priced for singles or child-free couples. Keeping young adults in the community - affordable housing, entertainment geared to them, affordable/frequent/reliable transportation to many areas in Edmonton so they can live here and still participate there too. Somehow combat that perception that Sherwood Park is white, wealthy, straight, cisgender - not sure how to do that though? My friends who didn't fit that stereotype moved away to Edmonton where they felt included and like they belonged
As a senior, I see a need for better and affordable senior lodges with shorter waiting lists. how about a hospital that is useful to all affordable day care for the younger families
Better homes and more transportation for everybody
Better homes.
Build houses
Build more community housing
Build more houses
By having more affordable housing and the waiting list not to be so long ...special for those for don't have anywhere to go ...and those pregnant people or those who have kids
Create a non profit friendship based buddy program/system for those with special needs out of high school. They are truly isolated, especially if they are not affiliated with an organization for handicapped and still live at home. We see a need for an assisted living similar to a senior's facility for those who would like their own/rent a safe, affordable apartment with others with special needs. Not a group home scenario or low cost. They can go to work, enjoy a proper meal there, partake in extracurricular activities, or intramural, be safe and have their own space close to shopping, transportation & other amenities.
Create more jobs, build more housing
Ensure that our communities are inclusive and supportive of all individuals - especially providing access to those with disabilities (physical and developmental). This starts by ensuring that we have inclusive schools (where all children are included and learning in regular classrooms), all are welcomed into their community programs, transportation, accessible buildings, access to post-secondary, adequate housing in their communities. Not put into special programs or communities.
Having awareness raised for those in sub par living conditions and have community efforts to fix those circumstances.
houses for homeless to sleep in. Cheap places to stay for the night
Housing
Later transportation to and from Edmonton More housing for single or low income families Have incentives for people to rent cheaper to low income or single families
More entry level housing. Affordable childcare.
More houses
More housing
More housing for families, as there are too many adult only apartments. More community events and awareness of these events.
More low income activities for children More shelter options for boys and men
Nobody shows up to clear thistle, grass and trees from properties that are not well kept. Taxes too high. Sherwood Park is getting too big. Need more places for people with dementia.

Run more shelters where people pay for their stay for only a few dollars a day. These shelters would be a place where they could stay for a basic home while they try to earn more money. It would also be a place where they could buy food for a lower price than usual. This could also be a place where different families struggling could get to know each others story and support each other along the way.
Use smaller buses for dial-a-bus in off hours. Build smaller houses in a community grouping that cost less to build and service. Use land more efficiently for housing - smaller units on older large lots.
We can build new schools make new housing and start talking to the builders.
We should have more housing choices for various age groups
Total

Question 1) Housing: Stop building low income housing

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Focus on bringing back, to not only to our community but to Alberta, the basics in education. That is, reading, writing and arithmetic. Fight and stop the carbon tax and quit raising our taxes. This can be done by not wasting tax payers dollars on affordable housing, traffic circles in residential areas (what a waste of dollars) and how much community dollars is going into this community talk program? Do you job of in making sure roads are looked after, make traffic follow more freely by coordinating the lights, stop funding for those people who choose not to work and stop providing services for non-productive people.
Housing
Limit low income housing to avoid transient low-functioning individuals. Increase police surveillance in communities to avoid theft and vandalism to properties.
Stop building multi family buildings and stressing our resources. Growing too big too fast...losing our safe small town feel.
Stop building new low income housing. Sherwoodpark is an affluent upper class community and would like it to stay that way.
Total

Question 1) Housing: # of hospitals/clinics/facilities/doctors

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- As a senior in the community, I feel the need for more choices for seniors housing is going to be required in the very near future. - Health care is definitely a concern - Ambulance service ect.
- Getting proper medical care can be a problem in the community. It can be difficult to access assistance that is meaningful and helpful.
- had to move because of my health (would have liked to stay here, but no option)
-Affordable housing for seniors-Healthcare: appointments take too long-Current hospital doesn't serve needs of county residents
-County needs a proper hospital-To much theft happening
-Get a hospital
-more affordable housing for seniors-better bus services-extend use of hospital (more services)
a fully functioning hospital that can handle all medical needs
A fully operational hospital. Larger shopping would be great. Need more senior housing which is affordable.
add beds to the hospital

Another hospital
Another hospital would help because there aren't that many.
Are healthy goal our pharmacies take forever and our hospital isn't really a hospital
As a senior, I see a need for better and affordable senior lodges with shorter waiting lists.how about a hospital that is useful to allaffordable day care for the younger families
Be more fit to be healthy and have less reasons to go to the hospital We need to learn to connect more with each other
better access to hospital. If all physical needs are met the others will fall into place
Better/more child care option. Have a fully functional hospital and perhaps more after hours medical clinics. More localized outdoor free hockey rinks with warm up shacks.
complete the hospital so we do not have to go to Edmonton!
Ensure police are focused on areas of crime that are most important i.e. drugs, crime, etc., not so much in areas like traffic tickets and minor issues.Adequate hospital access and equipment and doctors, etc.
expand the services at the glorified strathcona health clinic - make it a real hospital.
faster hospitals
for health care, hospital wit times are quite long, you could reduce them by adding more places to help out
From a health perspective I feel we need to push for a full hospital in Sherwood Park. We have a very large population that supports the needs for a full fledged hospital not just a band aid situation we were give. Also it would help relive the overload on the Edmonton hospitals
Full hospital in Sherwood Park
Full service hospital
Get a fully operating hospital. I'm happy we have an emergency centre, but it would be nice to deliver future babies here instead of driving out to Edmonton or St. Albert.
Goal # 4 - Just not for disabled seniorsInadequate income related to the recessionEducating people about the life of caregivers to the general populationsMore quality nursing homes with a year long minimum More empathetic doctors
Had to move because of my health
Have 24 hour hospitals so people can get health care whenever they need it
Have a fully functional hospital with beds for long term patients and more public schools to meet the needs of growing areas of the county.
Have a real community hospital rather than just an emergency clinic.
Have more affordable housing for seniors and young people.More available housing for seniors. There appears to be very limited options for seniors.Fully operational Hospital.People are great serving us at the Hospital.
health care
I am just a high school student I have no idea. This is not exactly high on my priority list. We pay taxes for you to do this so instead of paying somebody to come and show us a video then make us do a survey just fix the problems. Speaking of poor use of tax money make the medicenter a hospital, god damn. Also why did you build a 25 meter pool in Emerald hills? We already had 2 make a 50 meter pool. One more thing fix/sync the traffic lights they are so frustrating.
If there is a way to improve on wait times for surgery, we need a lot of help in this regard.
improve the availability of affordable housing provide more opportunities to the aging population (seniors)more affordable childcarenmake the community hospital a fully operational facility ...please!
Make accessible and affordable access to physical exercises, keep the promise of having a hospital here. Organize accessible discussions on all above subjects.
Make our "hospital" an actual hospital with beds, as opposed to a glorified medi-center.
Make sure the Strathcona Hospital is fully opened - there should be acute care space available here without having to be transferred.

Make sure there are hospitals and health centres close
Maybe we could set up support groups all over strathcona more places for people who have injuries to heal and get well
more affordable homes better paying jobs better hospital
More affordable housing and fewer wait times at hospital. Additional public transit to Fort Saskatchewan and Edmonton would be great. Additional recreation and fitness class opportunities for rural residents. I live in rural Strathcona County and the nearest fitness facility is 30min away. Not very accessible.
More affordable housing better bus service. Extend use of the present hospital.
More financially accessible services ie drug counselling as well as more awareness of options currently available. More financially accessible sports/wellness programs ie subsidized sports programs (house leagues) and/or grants to schools for student sports. More physicians accepting new patients. More police patrols (and funding) for safety (seems to be an increase in vehicle break-ins and vandalism). Increase in seniors residences - waiting list is currently 3 - 4 years in many. Partner with ECE training or similar to offer more childcare options paired with education for those entering the field.
more fully functioning hospitals
More housing for seniors, more assisted living housing, a hospital that is a real hospital (ie: can perform surgeries and not have to transfer to other hospitals), less attack on parental choice in education. Only when the basic needs of people are met can they feel safe and involved in their community.
More medi-centres
More money allotted to hospital
More money towards hospitals and other health care businesses
More police, fire and an increase in hospital funding.
Need a facility to help people with Neurological disease such as Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, etc. Although we have Millennium Place in S.P., not everyone can afford the costs and their programs are not specifically designed to help those of us with Neurological issues. Travelling into Edmonton is not always an option as some of these conditions impair driving. Bussing, cabs, etc. is also costly. Thank you.
Need a full hospital. Existing Strathcona Emergency is a blessing for people in this community.
nursing homes and care centres are a priority right now as we cannot keep our needy seniors in our community as much as we need to.. Also ,, we need more low cost housing, as so many seniors need to down size and we do have many people who are on low income, housing is not affordable for first time home buyers as the cost of housing is pretty high for low income people. would be nice if our young people could afford to stay in the community
Open the hospital as a full service facility (very impressed with the emergency services but need more). Although we are very fortunate to have an exceptional family physician not all are as fortunate.
Our hospital should be fully functional and available to our community
Provide a fully functional hospital!
Provide more family doctors
Push to complete the hospital as originally planned.
sc needs affordable health care and natural care options and more doctors willing to take on new patients
Sherwood Park transportation is abysmal. How is it acceptable to have simultaneous single land construction on Baseline, Yellowhead and SWPK freeway? For several years, no less. Inside the community is no better. Average time from downtown to home is more than an hour due to a lack of routes to / from Orze station. Increased costs and decreased quality makes it difficult to justify supporting public transit. Healthcare in SWPK is bad. If you want to build a "hospital", do it right next time.
Shorter waiting times in hospitals. Higher wages. Cheaper prescribed medicine.
Some people aren't getting all the medical treatment they need till much later. I for one don't have any doctors helping my muscle discomfort.
somehow have enough doctors so everyone can have a family doctor and not need to wait months for an appointment. continue to support our public education system

Start building care facilities. Get a REAL hospital.
Start with a real hospital in Sherwood park. Why has council gone silent on the issue?
Stop having a glorified walk in clinic and have a hospital. Open food banks and welfare offices with more hours. Hire me!!
Strathcona County neglects the focus of some aspects of health of their citizens when they develop so much industry which negatively affects our air and water. We have high rates of asthma and lung and heart disease here. We need less focus on building more pipelines and plants and more on healthy areas that support our natural areas and decrease our emissions. And our "hospital" is not a hospital--there are no in-patient beds or surgeries. If you are that ill that you need an emergency, then you probably will be transferred to a real hospital. There is also way too many vehicle break ins lately in many neighborhoods.
Strathcona Hospital needs to function as a real hospital and not just as a band aid hospital (medi centre)
There is not one goal to focus on at first. Many need to be looked at. In any case, being healthy and safe are the top in my opinion. If these two exists, the other ones can follow because the population will be more receptive and capable of success. The community also needs to attract more health care professionals, have a high end and multi-functional hospital. As the community is family focused, we need a high quality maternity ward with specialists available. Also, have more services available to focus on mental health.
We could open more buildings. Like another library, another recreation center, and a park where people can gather to have fun. We could create a better hospital for those in need so they don't have to travel so far.
We definitely need a working hospital -- a community of this size and with our oil industry needs this.
We need better home care for terminally ill residents.
We need more infrastructure. Another health unit to serve our growing and diverse population would be a good example
We need to improve our healthcare in the county. Our hospital is more of an emergency room.
Yes, we can improve on the community hospital in Emerald Hills because my nan went there and the rooms are small, and the IV needles could be somewhat cleaner so there are less blood infections and the community could be healthier
Total

Question 1) Housing: Affordable health programming

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-affordable physical activities centre - seniors program is very expensive at Millennium. - Affordable houses- Affordable transportation from home to grocery store, hospital- Awareness and outreach program
By having camp for people to be healthy and physical.
Cheaper health careSend to as many people as possible for their opinions.
Create a network where everybody in the community gets access to all services. Make services affordable to everyone. Also reach more people about services offered to the community.
Decrease health care prices
for being healthy you should make more cures for illness and have people do something specific just for them to cure them.
Give health care through jobs that cover everything
Have groups put in place for a range of people to be able to open up about life's challenges and help each other achieve spiritual,mental and physical wellness.
Have more community events to connect, more affordable housing and childcare, and healthcare for people who may not be employed
Have more support groups

I believe if people have resources to focus on all aspects of being healthy and they feel better physically and mentally they are better able to focus on community and all other areas of life.
Increase access for health and wellness programs for all income levels. Also remove unhealthy snack machines in facilities and improve quality food studies programs in schools (healthy food prep instruction)
Lower costs for basic necessities
Lower the price of medicine and care for people
Maybe we could set up support groups all over strathconamore places for people who have ingerees to heal and get well
More affordable gym memberships
More financially accessible services ie drug counselling as well as more awareness of options currently available. More financially accessible sports/wellness programs ie subsidized sports programs (house leagues) and/or grants to schools for student sports. More physicians accepting new patients. More police patrols (and funding) for safety (seems to be an increase in vehicle break-ins and vandalism). Increase in seniors residences - waiting list is currently 3 - 4 years in many. Partner with ECE training or similar to offer more childcare options paired with education for those entering the field.
offer subsidized childcare and more shift child care. Have weight loss programs (free)
Provide easy access to being more healthy, i.e., free classes and free access to resources
sc needs affordable health care and natural care options and more doctors willing to take on new patients
Seniors do not have adequate income (example: my friends has needs and pays \$4000/moth for his special needs if he did not have a nest egg what would he do, live with his daughter???)
Since the economic downturn my husband has seen more blatant theft attempts from the 2 Save on Stores he's worked at in Sherwood Park. With as much connectivity and belonging as can be generated through County facilities and community outreach, maybe this behaviour would decrease as people feel they have help and support available.
Some people aren't getting all the medical treatment they need till much later. I for one don't have any doctors helping my muscle discomfort.
Though Sherwood Park has good mental health services, I believe there should be more openness when talking about it which starts with better and more accessible mental health education. Physical health facilities should also be more affordable. Also, there aren't many places of worship for people of any faith other than protestant Christian.
We need to provide affordable health and basic needs to everyone, Currently the options are there but way too many hoops to jump in order to get simple basic needs addressed in a timely manner. Maybe we can set up a fast track system to at least hear the needs right now and assess from there. Everyone understands that we can't get everything at a moments notice but if we can speak to someone immediately for them to hear us out that would ease the stress. Also, affordable Home Care is a need that it increasing daily.
Total

Question 1) Housing: Education/how to access services/navigate

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Affordable housing for seniors in Strathcona County is #1 issue! Lack of same is growing! County Council has to address this by providing land access, builders, etc into our area of seniors needs etc.- Health issues - navigating health system. Healthy navigator assigned to hospitals, PCN's, etc would assist everyone in addressing and planning appropriate health care delivery efficiently (cost effective)- Transportation - mobility bus is helpful, especially for medical appt's. Between the excellent programming provided by Recreation Dept, Library, FCSS etc addressing needs of Seniors, attempting to keep them informed and active - I feel we are blessed to be living in Sh Prk, S'cona County. Friends of mine have accessed FCSS for help w/ their housing concerns, financial issues, income tax etc
Allocate more revenue towards affordable housing, better traffic improvement (driving practices) and health resources.
have a community therapist that can be by only residents of Strathcona County
have better bus routes and schedules as well as a better route planner online.have more visible resources advertised for health (specifically mental health)
Have some community events that focus on a specific goal above. free sessions for improving health
I feel if individuals are not healthy (physically, mentally, spiritually) it puts everything else in their life in jeopardy. Therefore, these are the goals I feel need more attention and then other issues fall into place as people are more able to make good choices.
More emphasis on secondary school education, affordable taxes, preventive health care and adequate medical information via work shops or town hall meetings.
Please have something for dementia for husband
Provide easy access to being more healthy, i.e., free classes and free access to resources
Total

Question 1) Housing: Waitlist

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- lower cost rec facilities dropin- better access to high qualified (specialists) medical doctors
-Affordable housing for seniors-Healthcare: appointments take too long-Current hospital doesn't serve needs of county residents
Actually do something for our community. Get us basic needs and less wait times.
Better access to Health Care
Better access to health care help ie. AISH/healthcare
By having more affordable housing and the waiting list not to be so long ...special for those for don't have anywhere to go ...and those pregnant people or those who have kids
I don't know if this falls under your umbrella but a RELIABLE medi-center would be a huge help. Half of them aren't open or turn people away and this leads to the abuse of the EMERGENCY at the hospital.
Increase mental health support in Strathcona's Family and Community Services. Wait lists are too long and seeking services elsewhere are prohibitively expensive (\$190/hr!!!) even with benefits.
Make surgery waits lessSupply more healthy foodsMake child services easier to contactMake police more easy going when it comes to children and their parents
More money allotted to hospital
We need health care that is appropriate and especially timely. Waiting to see doctors for weeks or months is wrong.

We need to provide affordable health and basic needs to everyone, Currently the options are there but way too many hoops to jump in order to get simple basic needs addressed in a timely manner. Maybe we can set up a fast track system to at least hear the needs right now and assess from there. Everyone understands that we can't get everything at a moments notice but if we can speak to someone immediately for them to hear us out that would ease the stress. Also, affordable Home Care is a need that it increasing daily.

Total

Question 1) Housing: Basic needs

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Also chose healthy and basic needs met, housing for lower socio economic residents. Adequate transportation, bus service not good, I drive but would take bus if better
Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual, and emotional wellness).
Basic food needs - do we provide breakfast for children who arrive at school without having eaten?
By awareness of the needs and meeting those needs in an adequate and appropriate way for each situation.
By having a place where people can use cars if they don't have one. Where they can have their basic needs.
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Work together to make our community stronger.Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).Have regular appointments by the year.
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Work together to make our community stronger.Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).I can't think of anything at this time.
Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Work together to make our community stronger.Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Focus 1 basic needs, second healthy, third belong and connected
Have groups put in place for a range of people to be able to open up about life's challenges and help each other achieve spiritual,mental and physical wellness.
Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).Get volunteers to be trained that help caregivers and providers.
Having basic needs met because not everybody has a proper income and some people are living on the streets and some people dont have enough money to get there kids through school. Some people cant even afford food and clean water. I am a little mad.
I also feel:Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Work together to make our community stronger.Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Improve on basic needs
Increase 'healthy' initiatives in the community and more importantly as a daily part of the work place and schools. More flexibility in delivery of services. More flexibility at the work place. People work long hard hours in Strathcona and we need to balance this with opportunities throughout the day and week for healthy activities.

Lower daycare costs. More access to food bank needs.
Make surgery waits lessSupply more healthy foodsMake child services easier to contactMake police more easy going when it comes to children and their parents
Make the basic needs slightly affordable and has a more reliable form of transportation.
Marked healthy and work together goals to focus on too.
More money allotted to hospital
plz make housing cheaper we have no money for food and rely on food bank
Services for immigrant youth, children e.g. homework helping, English language help. More low income housing options - so limited.
The goals we should focus on first in the community include:Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Are healthy.Have their basic needs met.
There is not one goal to focus on at first. Many need to be looked at. In any case, being healthy and safe are the top in my opinion. If these two exists, the other ones can follow because the population will be more receptive and capable of success. The community also needs to attract more health care professionals, have a high end and multi-functional hospital. As the community is family focused, we need a high quality maternity ward with specialists available. Also, have more services available to focus on mental health.
We can make decisions cohesively (through surveys and observations) and make sure we have our basic needs met and make sure people don't feel intimidated by a strongly one-race community.
We need better haelth health care free ones help the homeless
We need to provide affordable health and basic needs to everyone, Currently the options are there but way too many hoops to jump in order to get simple basic needs addressed in a timely manner. Maybe we can set up a fast track system to at least hear the needs right now and assess from there. Everyone understands that we can't get everything at a moments notice but if we can speak to someone immediately for them to hear us out that would ease the stress. Also, affordable Home Care is a need that it increasing daily.
You can promote personal health as it's quite important. Also promote being safe from physical abuse by having meetings to have people talk about their problems.
Total

Question 1) Housing: Healthy food

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Eat healthier and workout. Go outside.
Find a way to budget for healthy, organic food at gatherings.
For being healthy, try to balance out healthy and sugary food/drinks every once in awhile
Have more recreational centers and parks, and encourage people to get out and exercise. Have more healthy food choices (restaurants/fast food). Create more club teams for every sport, so that kids can play the sports they love, all year round.
Lower the prices on housing and food
Make our community healthier by suppling more healthy foods instead of processed foods and stop making all of the natural healthy food more expensive than processed foodsMake police more easy going when it comes to children and their parents
maybe we would have more fresh fruits and vegetables in our grocery stores
well you could get all classes with a dietion or someone like that so everyone will know how important it is the stay healthy and in good shape
Total

Question 1) Recreation: Affordable

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
We can make sports and other things more affordable. For example, soccer and other sports cost ALOT of money. I feel they should 100% cost less than the cost at the moment. so that we have more money for our basic needs.
- Education sessions - free- On line tutorials - free- Keep fees for bus, recreation and other essential services low
- increase understanding for diversity, other cultures, religions, and races- increase conversations about realities in strathcona county - increase accessibility to mental health professionals- decrease costs of extracurricular activities- increase spaces for youth and community gatherings- decrease the mentality that sherwood park is a suburban sheltered perfect Caucasian utopia- address the bad things that happen here openly and in a timely manner- increase walkability and access to shops- promote local business over chains
- lower cost rec facilities dropin- better access to high qualified (specialists) medical doctors
-Keep the cost of exercise programs reasonable-Offer a variety of exercise programs (i.e. Tai Chi, yoga)-Offer more FREE programs
-need more counselor at Community services-affordable housing, transportation, recreation
-Open communication-Do some program that parents can afford it-lots of summer camps that people can afford
1. Look at helping mental health issues in schools / senior facilities2. Improve physical activities - the cost for any sports outside of school is very expensive for low income / single mom / senior households3. Better access for seniors for patient care, e.g., physicians, classes available
Activities are available in a community that people of all ages can participate in must be accessible and affordable
Affordable facilities for recreation so everyone can enjoy and not to worry about hurting the budget
Allow for cheaper costs on activities such as sport leagues, recreation sport league and gym memberships Can also encourage more community events to allow people to try different activities and meetc people.
Are Healthy - I think recreation costs are generally very high and somewhat achievable mainly with those who have a high income. I also find that when I want to register my children for activities they fill up very quickly resulting in them not being able to participate. In general terms, I would like to see more activities available, not cost prohibitive and should reserve a certain percentage of spots for those people who live in Strathcona County and open up a lesser amount to those who travel here from Edmonton as our programs are closer and of better quality. I find that Edmontonians are taking up valuable recreation spots from my family members and I feel that this restricts residents from being able to participate.
As far as physical well being. Families get to claim part of the cost for extra curricular activities on income tax. Adults should be able to claim part of the cost for extra curricular activities on their tax forms. It keeps cost of hospitalization down because they are staying out of hospitals
Better busing schedules, more affordable drop in rates to millenium
Bring in more low cost social get togethers, such as dances, parties, etc. live music.
by adding all different kinds of things in the community so their can be more leisure activities
Community eventsVery Affordable Programs for parents/adults and children
Continue to build affordable recreational facilities that promote health and fitness and well-being.Continue to connect neighbourhoods and businesses through walking trails, pathways and parks.
Continue to offer the Everyone Gets to Play program. If possible increase the income cut off. Plant edible berry trees whenever possible. Try to decrease taxes. I think over all the county does extremely well.
Decrease costs to get fit,hire teachers that truly care-fire them if they are not doing their job,bus' sticking to times..

Do lots of things where people can do things and not have to pay alot
ensure that local transit improves for transportation needs, increase affordable rental housing options, increase availability of affordable before/after school care, increase accessibility to children's sports/activities through subsidization
Ensuring there is access to free, or minimal cost resources that will help and give the community the tools they need to live a mentally, and physically healthy lifestyle.
Every sport should be free or cheaper than now There should be a cheerleading club in Sherwood park
families who struggle to afford to out their kid(s) into sports such as hockey, coming from a home with only a mother, money is tight but the game is apart of my life. Im lucky to have someone who works hard to make it happen, but not everyone has the chance i have.
For children activities can be expensive.--maybe more accessible activities are need for families with several children (I have 3) or not as financially capable (especially sports, physical activity)
For students a reduced price on millenium passes. This is personally what I would like because once you turn 18 while you are in university it is very hard to stay healthy. With a reduced price on these cards it allows more students to become active and healthy within the community.
Free gym memberships
Giving more affordable rates for millenium passes. It's great to get out with the family meeting new people in rec centres but the yearly cost for a family of 4 is steep to most families.
Hand up instead of hand out - more Habitat housing, subsidized programs so that kids from low income families can participate in more sports and programs, making people needing assistance a part of the conversation instead of just being told what to do i.e. what programs, skills, etc do you need to be successful and feel like a contributing part of the community/
Have more public activities which are available at a lower cost
Having free admission days to mellium place, ardrosson rec center, Garc, and so on, Doing more comunity events like outdoor hockey games or comunity bike races to raise money for cancer.
Healthy, physically, mentally very important as well making this more affordable to do as a family would be great.
higher income caps for subsidized programs fees and housing costs based on a sliding scale
I honestly believe that Strathcona County is doing a great job. It would be nice to be able to use the RAP program cards online, or let RAP children apply a day early in certain activities prime times, especially swimming as the lessons fill up so fast. Can't always make it to a rec centre on time to get a decent spot , even with the new pool. Surprising, because people with low income generally have less flexibility in their schedules - these prime time slots are very important.
I know there are community programs that are inaccessible to families. A lot of programs and facilities are prohibitively expensive. Particularly sports and music. Summer camps and summer programs run through the County are prohibitively expensive. Something like the Edmonton Green Shack program would serve communities in Sherwood Park very well.
I think surveys like this are a great first step. It's difficult to tackle problems unless you know what they are. I think making sure that there is awareness in the community about what resources are available to people to ensure their health and safety is important, as well as keeping these things free (in the case of need) or as affordable as possible. I personally love and respect all the great recreation services the county has to offer, for a low price, and that there are helpful non-profits right in our community for those in need. I think we could be encouraged to help those non-profits more, whether it be through donation or volunteering our time, and not ignore that "big city" problems like family violence, racism and other bigotry, poverty, hunger and homelessness do happen right here in Strathcona County too. The more we accept one another and work together, and the more we see our community leaders and politicians doing this too, the better our whole community becomes.
I think that recreational centres should be free to everyone and only ask for donations.
I would like to see recreation facilities ie swimming pools, arenas and sports fields free or almost free for residents to use.

Increase police patrols of neighborhoods to discourage crime. Encourage youth to help seniors with visits and yard work. Form volunteer groups to communicate and connect with lonely seniors and new citizens through phone calls and visits. Offer mental health workshops and talks to the public. Offer budgeting and meal planning sessions to help interested citizens provide affordable, healthy meals to their families. Provide lower income families with fun sporting activities for their children. Encourage the citizens of Strathcona County to connect with each other, volunteer and generally get involved to make Strathcona County a family friendly community that is the envy of other communities.
Keep the cost of recreation facilities as low as possible to allow maximum access to all.
lobby prov. gov't to stop spending so much on private education, especially religiously based home schooling.build more housing for families needing rent support continue to use local newspaper to communicate with residents (not everyone is always on-line)support agricultural services like weed control and animal controlcontinue community events like July 1st fireworks, support for free public skating at the various arenascontinue support for community hallsbuild walking and bike trails to help connect rural subdivisions to urban areas.
Locally funded or discounted passes for physical activity or rented facilities.Volunteer position postings.
Look at providing more space throughout urban and rural areas for affordable fun activities and sports for pre-teens and teens to gather and enjoy being active. This may curtail any boredom which sometimes leads to mischief that causes grief and added cost for the whole community. It would be money well spent for all.
Lower costs for basic necessities
Lower school fees, free parking at hospitals, lower fees for access to recreation facilities. provide retraining opportunities for all work industries not just trades. Create more employment opportunities for older members of the workforce. Unrestricted access to affordable childcare.
Lower the cost of children's sports. I read the story about Natasha, I had to keep my 3 boys out of hockey this year because of the cost. Hockey is all they had out here and now I can't even afford to let them play. Back home in BC, it would of been \$850 for all 3, same amount of ice time
Make accessible and affordable access to physical exercises, keep the promise of having a hospital here. Organize accessible discussions on all above subjects.
Make easier access for lower income families to sports centres
Make gym costs at recreational facilities More flexible for students
Make monthly rec centre passes more affordable; create more walkable communities; support local athletic clubs with discounted rec centre usage fees
Make physical activities more affordable - millennium place is SUPER expensive for a young family. It cost \$20 for myself, husband and 2 month old to swim for 20 minutes. Complete waste of money. Unfortunately with my husbands work schedule he cannot do the free baby swim during the week so weekends are our only time to swim as a family
Make sports more affordable for kids with low income families. Little things like being nicer and encouraging male kids to play sports so they can be more affordable.
Melenium place prices
mellenium too expensive and someone my age should be able to work there. too little jobs so things like melenium are expensive when notley and trudeau make everything so expensive. do ur job guys
More affordable activities for families skating, skiing etc
More affordable child care and kids programs
More affordable rec centres and sports programs
more community activitiesfurther improve recreation facilities for more affordability

More financially accessible services ie drug counselling as well as more awareness of options currently available. More financially accessible sports/wellness programs ie subsidized sports programs (house leagues) and/or grants to schools for student sports. More physicians accepting new patients. More police patrols (and funding) for safety (seems to be an increase in vehicle break-ins and vandalism). Increase in seniors residences - waiting list is currently 3 - 4 years in many. Partner with ECE training or similar to offer more childcare options paired with education for those entering the field.
More free options or times for families at rec centers-cut cost of rec center prices. It makes it hard for families to enjoy when it is so expensive to go
More local community events so neighbours get to know each other. Improve policing in rural areas. Improve access to recreational activities for low income and seniors with lower cost and more suitable activities. More community input and involvement in activities. Lower taxes and bring in more jobs. Better and more seniors housing and amenities including a seniors recreation centre with multiple activities.
More low cost or free programs. More outreach with schools churches senior centres and news web and otherwise to get people together More events and programming. Library courses could also be used.
More low income activities for children More shelter options for boys and men
More lower income housing; senior care; programs for children to access sports and other opportunities at reduced costs; subsidized child care
More programs and family focused activities (low cost or free).
Need a facility to help people with Neurological disease such as Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, etc. Although we have Millennium Place in S.P., not everyone can afford the costs and their programs are not specifically designed to help those of us with Neurological issues. Travelling into Edmonton is not always an option as some of these conditions impair driving. Bussing, cabs, etc. is also costly. Thank you.
No incentive for people to live healthy - possible tax breaks could work.
Not put one minorities rights over another. Decrease the cost of rec & fitness programs and facilities
Photo radar is a waste of tax dollars we should be spending them more appropriately Life guards should not be paid \$20 an hour as that is another waste of tax dollars
Property taxes are too high especially when there were surplus this year- more RCMP response to growing theft / B&E's- Boys & Girls Club / YMCA this is available (&free) for youth
Provide more affordable physical activities
Quality, affordable child careFamily events - freePost secondary coursesAffordable sports for children and adults
Starting with a base of "health" will build upon all the other goals. It's important for individuals in our community to feel that they are can have their health as a base to build upon. Free & subsidized recreation is an important example of this in order to include all residents that may not otherwise be able to access.
Strathcona County has been affected by the job loss in the oil and gas industry. The trickle down effect has implications on families, lifestyles and health both mental, emotional and spiritual. People need to de-stress and that comes with regular exercise, a balanced diet and harmony at work and at home. There needs to be a way of funding family passes to Millenium Place and the Kinsman Center to allow families and individuals to work together or individually.
Subsidized mind/body programming, eg. yoga and wellness workshops, ethics, values, empathy taught in schools and beyond
We could make kids and adult sports more affordable to be in, so families with less money can participate, and have fun. For most sports, it cost thousands of dollars, and I think there should be programs that are free, that kids can enjoy sports.
You can make monthly passes to Millennium more affordable to families
Total

Question 1) Recreation: Proximity

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Add a skatepark that's accessible for people to walk to in Sherwoodpark
Definitely need more affordable and subsidized housing. Need improved public transportation.....why is the bus stop at Millenium Place, a county facility, so far from an entrance.....not safe on icy days for seniors wanting to stay active. How many buses I need to take to the County building which DOES have a safe bus stop right in front.
Make monthly rec centre passes more affordable; create more walkable communities; support local athletic clubs with discounted rec centre usage fees
More sidewalks and bike trails that allow commuting away from major roadways. More crosswalks. Better use of riverfront for recreation. Bike trail to Ardrossam from Sherwood Park.
Total

Question 1) Recreation: Physically accessible

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
I would like to add accessibility to this list. I am a person living with a disability. I have found that it is difficult to get out when there are not benches present to take a rest or handicap buttons to open doors, among other things. As someone who has a disability, I still want to enjoy what others do in the community.
More handicapped parking at the Emerald Hills Swim Centre. Aging population - housing/long term care needs.
More local community events so neighbours get to know each other. Improve policing in rural areas. Improve access to recreational activities for low income and seniors with lower cost and more suitable activities. More community input and involvement in activities. Lower taxes and bring in more jobs. Better and more seniors housing and amenities including a seniors recreation centre with multiple activities.
Need a facility to help people with Neurological disease such as Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, etc. Although we have Millennium Place in S.P., not everyone can afford the costs and their programs are not specifically designed to help those of us with Neurological issues. Travelling into Edmonton is not always an option as some of these conditions impair driving. Bussing, cabs, etc. is also costly. Thank you.
Please make the pool water warmer - requested by one of the swim instructors
Provide infrastructure to meet physical, mental and emotional needs
There are places that need to be more handicap accessible.
we could maybe build small home for some people so they can get away from the harm and the abuse from their family or one that does not have chairs like a ramp for the disabled like the one outside of the home but in the home so it won't be hard for them because they might not have enough money for so fancy stuff to help them cause it is a lot of money for that thing that can help you get up stairs that's what I think
Total

Question 1) Recreation: Facilities

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
A CENTER LIKE SAVILE WHERE THERE IS TURF FIELDS, basketball courts, soccer fields and to add another hockey rink

A swimming pool built in Lamont county to ease the over populated pool in strathcona county and for saskatch
Add a basketball court
Add a skatepark that's accessible for people to walk to in Sherwoodpark
Another large Sherwood Park Rec CentreMore outdoor community spaces (i.e. Broadmoor Park)
Better childcare and more kid friendly places
Build a basketball court or two in the ardrossan recreational centre so people can stay healthy and active through the day. I know I would use it!!
build a indoor football stadiumso that people can train for football
build a new conference center
build a new rink
Build a skate park near festival
Build a skate park near Festival. Basketball courtMore vending machines
build another rec center
Build another skate park (indoor)
Build more racetracks
By building a mini golf and promoting it so it does not go out of business
Community can't feel accepted if students of ABJ are parking in the Emerald Hills recreation centre parking lot.
community fundraising and more recreational centres for social events and just to meet more different people.
create a place were people can stunts race and experiment with their automobiles in a safe place
Fix soc dressing rooms
For the belong one build more park so kids get to know one another
free transit, more tennis courts
Have a basketball court put in the rec centre
have a gym where everyone can work out
have a gymnasiums at ardrossan rec
Have better leisure centers
Have more access by school's to the County's services including swimming facilities (some schools have lessons, others do not). Curling facilities + others.
Have more facilities for gyms, and let people have jobs to pay for family and let kids play sports.
Have more fun places to go
Have more recreational centers and parks, and encourage people to get out and exercise. Have more healthy food choices (restaurants/fast food). Create more club teams for every sport, so that kids can play the sports they love, all year round.
Have more workout gyms and sports facilities.
I am just a high school student I have no idea. This is not exactly high on my priority list. We pay taxes for you to do this so instead of paying somebody to come and show us a video then make us do a survey just fix the problems. Speaking of poor use of tax money make the medicenter a hospital, god damn. Also why did you build a 25 meter pool in Emerald hills? We already had 2 make a 50 meter pool. One more thing fix/sync the traffic lights they are so frustrating.
I believe there is a need for a tool by which people in Strathcona become aware of these goals. I find a lot of disconnect because of the lack of things that bring about connection, perhaps a radio station.. a spot on the television..a better newspaper..no central core (downtown) meeting place.
I think more community halls and everything is just fine the way it is

I think that there should be some more out door hockey rinks, and also a new millenium place that is bigger kinda like the medows in edmonton.
I would like to see recreation facilities ie swimming pools, arenas and sports fields free or almost free for residents to use.
Ice Rinks And Pools And Sweet Basketball Courts, That Would Be So Sweet.
Indoor skate park
Lower taxesMore parks
make a separate gym for basketball at mellimuimn place because their are so many basketball players i can barley do anything their.
Make an effort to put more services for people who live in the south part of Strathcona County. e.g. swimming pool. Repairs to ice surface at Fultonvale Curling Club.
Make another soccer field, a bigger skate park, and another hockey arena for the home of the kings.
Make better Dirt jumps with bigger Jumps and technical riding skill levels.
Make more rinks that can be used in the summer
Maybe build better basketball courts so people can get to together
Maybe have a better Education system, more jobs that could be opened, A indoor skatepark and Sweep of the city
More community centers with gyms and stuff
more family facilities
more options of things to do examples rebuilding the adrossan park add maybe a gaming center or some kind of support cause for me and my friends being gamers and not jocks it kinda feels bad and with sports being the focus of the rec center and most buliding in ardrossan and places in sherwood park it doesnt feel right.
More programs and family focused activities (low cost or free).
More recratinal centers for hockey and kids to play
More recreation centres-poor arenas
More recreation facilities in Southeast part of County.
more recreation places
More recreation places
more recreational places
More recreational places
more sports centers
Motocross tracks locally can bring together those involved who might not have known about others involved
no most of them are very well met but i think it would be cool if we had an indoor skatepark in sherwood park that is not to expensive to go to
Please add a center like saville center, with possibly 4-6 basketball/ volleyball courts. It is much needed as we do not have many basketball courts in sherwood park.
Please address the odour of sewage in the women's change room (pool). The goal of healthy will be greatly enhanced if hte sewage is dealth with in the change room. This is my 3rd attempt to have this resolved
Provide more help and build an indoor skate park
Providing more opportunities for families to interact with each other (i.e. more parks)
put a basketball court in the Ardrossan rec center?
Put a basketball court in the ardrossan rec centre so people can stay active and healthy and get to know each other and get closer
Safety and new skatepark

Since the economic downturn my husband has seen more blatant theft attempts from the 2 Save on Stores he's worked at in Sherwood Park. With as much connectivity and belonging as can be generated through County facilities and community outreach, maybe this behaviour would decrease as people feel they have help and support available.
Skate park
There is zero affordable or low income housing to keep single families residents of Sherwood aPark. Income support is ridiculous and only covered my rent as I am not receiving low income. I was consistently harassed by children services and RCMP while trying to leave abusive relationship. Based on my ex testimony to RCMP I was kicked to the street with nowhere to go with 4 kids. No help with paying utility bills that are mandatory, food bank is only once a month and give expired food and no actual meat etc. RAP program is excellent but busing subsidy is still not affordable. More needs to Recreation facilities like the zoo, Fort Edmonton, trampoline places etc. School fees and supplies are ridiculous. Have so many complaints about living here and day by day it just isn't affordable anymore
To be more healthy more places like gyms or millennium place to run around at.
We could open more buildings. Like another library, another recreation center, and a park where people can gather to have fun. We could create a better hospital for those in need so they don't have to travel so far.
We need a drop in community centre connecting people...maybe divided by ages or issues....lots of lonely people who struggle to meet each other in a town that can be full of cliques...a night for single parents, one for those recently, women over 50, theme nights...CONNECTION
We need another rec center, too many people at MP
We should build a new skatepark for the size of our hamlet our skatepark is absolutely tiny. We need a newer, bigger park.
Total

Question 1) Recreation: Program availability

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-address bullying at schools-support for block parties (admin/coordination)-we have a hard time finding a good babysitter, would be good to provide some linking services-kids younger than 10 have more limited options for physical fitness. They are not allowed to go to the gym at all. If they are supervised shouldn't be an issue. Gym space is also limited if they want to kick a ball around.
-better networks for stay at home parents-encouraged activities that foster relationships with neighbours-walkable neighbourhoods with community building programs-parks and recreation programs at all parks (not just Broadmoor)
-Keep the cost of exercise programs reasonable-Offer a variety of exercise programs (i.e. Tai Chi, yoga)-Offer more FREE programs
-Speed bumps; especially in playground and school zone.-Spray Park-Gymnasium or Indoor skating/pool to allow for more recreational and lesson availability for families without travelling to city.
Affordable part-time daycare options needed to help mothers pick up part-time work. More free activities where parents - both mother and fathers - can mingle and find a support system. Currently, there are lots of mom and tot - or mom and baby but not mom AND dad and baby programs on the weekends/after work.
Are Healthy - I think recreation costs are generally very high and somewhat achievable mainly with those who have a high income. I also find that when I want to register my children for activities they fill up very quickly resulting in them not being able to participate. In general terms, I would like to see more activities available, not cost prohibitive and should reserve a certain percentage of spots for those people who live in Strathcona County and open up a lesser amount to those who travel here from Edmonton as our programs are closer and of better quality. I find that Edmontonians are taking up valuable recreation spots from my family members and I feel that this restricts residents from being able to participate.
Counselling, personal trainers

Do yoga and workout
Every sport should be free or cheaper than nowThere should be a cheerleading club in Sherwood park
Have more recreational centers and parks, and encourage people to get out and exercise. Have more healthy food choices (restaurants/fast food). Create more club teams for every sport, so that kids can play the sports they love, all year round.
Have more sports teams for both genders and have everyone's basic needs meet to the same standards
Have more variety of drop in programs available in the evenings for families to do together.
Have yoga classes or recreation leagues. I understand that there are some but try and advertise them.
I honestly believe that Strathcona County is doing a great job. It would be nice to be able to use the RAP program cards online, or let RAP children apply a day early in certain activities prime times, especially swimming as the lessons fill up so fast. Can't always make it to a rec centre on time to get a decent spot , even with the new pool. Surprising, because people with low income generally have less flexibility in their schedules - these prime time slots are very important.
I'd really like more recreational activities and I feel like it'd connect people a lot. When I took an art lesson, there were no young people there, but the old ladies were really funny. I dont really know any other way, sorry
included in sports
Lower the cost of children's sports. I read the story about Natasha, I had to keep my 3 boys out of hockey this year because of the cost. Hockey is all they had out here and now I can't even afford to let them play. Back home in BC, it would of been \$850 for all 3, same amount of ice time
Make activities more available for working families. More weekend selection. We have had some serious issues in town and RCMP have been slow to respond. Reason we moved out of town.
Make more opportunities for sports teams or activities that a community can use within the age gap
More informal sport activities, less organized activities. More pick up activities
More lower income housing; senior care; programs for children to access sports and other opportunities at reduced costs; subsidized child care
more options of things to do examples rebuilding the adrossan park add maybe a gaming center or some kind of support cause for me and my friends being gamers and not jocks it kinda feels bad and with sports being the focus of the rec center and most buliding in ardrossan and places in sherwood park it doesnt feel right.
More preschool programming available
More recreation
Please add a center like saville center, with possibly 4-6 basketball/ volleyball courts. It is much needed as we do not have many basketball courts in sherwood park.
RPC offers lots of programs for youth and seniors but not much for adults over 19 and under 65 such as a sports league or drop in sports. Most activities are geared to families not singles.
Sports
Subsidized mind/body programming, eg. yoga and wellness workshops, ethics, values, empathy taught in schools and beyond
Total

Question 1) Recreation: Promotion of physical activity

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
At school give kids gym everyday like the recommended 60 minutes, not have gym only 3 days a week.

Better/more child care option. Have a fully functional hospital and perhaps more after hours medical clinics. More localized outdoor free hockey rinks with warm up shacks.
Build a basketball court or two in the Ardrossan recreational centre so people can stay healthy and active through the day. I know I would use it!!
Eat healthier and workout. Go outside.
Encourage people to work out once a day
Feel well connected with sports and physical necessities.
Focusing on health issues like mental health or physical health more than getting to know everyone in the community
Have more recreational centers and parks, and encourage people to get out and exercise. Have more healthy food choices (restaurants/fast food). Create more club teams for every sport, so that kids can play the sports they love, all year round.
Increase 'healthy' initiatives in the community and more importantly as a daily part of the work place and schools. More flexibility in delivery of services. More flexibility at the work place. People work long hard hours in Strathcona and we need to balance this with opportunities throughout the day and week for healthy activities.
More activity
No incentive for people to live healthy - possible tax breaks could work.
We can provide programs to increase the amount of help given so people become stronger emotionally and physically
You can stop promoting being healthy because it makes bad commercials.
Total

Question 1) Recreation: Walkable communities

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- increase understanding for diversity, other cultures, religions, and races- increase conversations about realities in strathcona county - increase accessibility to mental health professionals- decrease costs of extracurricular activities- increase spaces for youth and community gatherings- decrease the mentality that sherwood park is a suburban sheltered perfect Caucasian utopia- address the bad things that happen here openly and in a timely manner- increase walkability and access to shops- promote local business over chains
-better networks for stay at home parents-encouraged activities that foster relationships with neighbours- walkable neighbourhoods with community building programs-parks and recreation programs at all parks (not just Broadmoor)
A healthy environment is a basic need. maintain I expand green spaces for public use.
Continue to build affordable recreational facilities that promote health and fitness and well-being.Continue to connect neighbourhoods and businesses through walking trails, pathways and parks.
Don't support living in a bubble - report and disclose crime real-time and publicly; focus on creating healthy communities - more walkable between residential and commercial developments; bike friendly; pet friendly stores and coffee shops
I find it a bit difficult to find a place to possibly work in the future that is near my house and within walking distance so maybe have more job opportunities
Improve programming for youth - visible youth outreach often youth appear fine but are struggling Maintain green spaces, trees and rural areas - keep sherwood park a park. expand transit services to rural areas.
Make monthly rec centre passes more affordable; create more walkable communities; support local athletic clubs with discounted rec centre usage fees

make more activities for people to do in the community. Not just going home or playing on a sports team but things like walking trails
Make the county more pedestrian friendly e.g. joined up paths, more major road crossings, fewer intersection light buttons (like Edmonton)
Maybe we can get the community in a active game or some actives
More green spaces that are available for walking without interference from bikes, runners, skateboards, etc. Focus on communing with nature. Pace in community has gotten to fast and to crowded.
Public transportation could be improved. For instance, walking only a couple blocks often requires walking on grass, but for people with mobility issues, this is not possible. The alternative is sometimes to triple the distance walked in order to stay on sidewalks, which is also impossible for people who have difficulty walking, or are in a wheelchair. Also, Millennium Place is a great facility where a lot of community events are centred, but it is difficult to bus there from most residential areas.
Strathcona County is very caucasian. I wish it was more diverse and representative of Canada. I think this would be mind-opening for alot of residents and their children, and create a more caring, diverse community.I also wish Sherwood Park wasn't so car-centric. You need to drive almost everywhere, traffic is always heavy and I think this divides neighbourhoods and people. We need more people walking/biking around and interacting.
The above goals are all important and interconnected -- one goal affects the others -- when focusing on one goal, all the others must be included. Aesthetics are important for people to feel good, have pride in where they live -- more trees, green spaces, no parking of RVs on driveways long term, walking trails, etc.
The county lacks a core area like a mini downtown where people can gather, shop or walk. The only current area is the county hall. We seem to value big box stores over smaller businesses that are unique. The tax system for retail or housing is expensive but I do not think packing apartment buildings in a small area is the solution. I appreciate the sporting facilities like millennium.
Urge people to walk more and use their cars less
Total

Question 1) Cohesive/Connected Community: Feeling a sense of belonging/ acceptance

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- need affordable housing- need to be more inclusive of difference and diversity- more counselling/family support (cheap)- low income housing (more)
-Help make people aware of what is already provided-Encourage religious freedoms-provide education seminars at free charge (Parent link is a good example) with easy access to attend (bus route, childcare, free) to learn more about budgets, running households, child development, and so on.
1.Bicycle lanes on key roads2. Encourage student bodies for school governance for high schools.3. Encourage a carpooling program in the County/neighbourhoods in the County4. Have a Sherwood Park Pride festival5. Create a specific department under FCS or independent, specifically for minority group(especially minority genders and LGBTQ2s) services or for cultural tolerance6. Specific committee to address sexual misconduct/negative attitudes towards sexuality and consent in Sherwood Park
Accepting,respecting, and being safe in the community, putting more programs for people with disability for us to connect to others.
Act fairly to everyone even if you don't like them.

Affordable housing - both rentals and owned. More high-density housing like condos, apartments, duplexes. Also more housing sized/priced for singles or child-free couples. Keeping young adults in the community - affordable housing, entertainment geared to them, affordable/frequent/reliable transportation to many areas in Edmonton so they can live here and still participate there too. Somehow combat that perception that Sherwood Park is white, wealthy, straight, cisgender - not sure how to do that though? My friends who didn't fit that stereotype moved away to Edmonton where they felt included and like they belonged
Also: Are healthy, and Feel like they belong and are connected to others. Much more affordable housing. Strathcona County is doing an amazing job!
Also: Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.
be better be nicer
Be kind never talk behind people's back
Be more accepting of others
Be more respectful of others
Be nice
Be nice to everyone
Be nice to others, if you see something very wrong, try to do something about it.
Be open to multitude of cultural diversity, recognize and work together and acknowledge First Nations issues.
Being more nice and helpful to each other
Belonging- if there are any groups that can help people to feel as though they belong then they aren't overly well advertised so that could be improved upon
Build strong school communities. Children in the community bring people together. Strong school communities create loving and caring environments where people help take care of one another. Creates a smaller niche and allows for people to feel included.
By designing projects that may bring people together and develop a sense of belonging and care. Debates, group discussion on common issues/problems
By following regulations that are set regarding our neighbours
By talking and being kind to others.
by working together and treating each other fairly, share ideas around our community.
caring about each other
Community events that give Sherwood park and identity
Community gatherings
Community involvement mixing people from various sectors, ages, experiences and ethnicities.
Connect rural + urban, specifically agriculture
Continue community awareness Provide opportunity and encouragement for involvement and participation in community events - support systems and programs. Resources that are available and easily accessed by all residents.
Continue to improve community spirit More seniors accommodation
Continue with creating family friendly environments where families and individuals can go to become integrated in the community.
Create relationships with neighbors and people in each community and rally together to make sure everyone is safe and happy.
Create safe environments for people in need. Be welcoming and open to help people. Look at the big picture, but also the details that will get us there.
Education - discipline poor in Ardrossan. The community should focus on the following goals (above): Feel like they belong and are connected. Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Have their basic needs met.

Education to remove ignorance from our population
Encourage more action from the community, especially the younger people as they are shaping the future for this county. The public transportation system isn't ideal in terms of the amount of buses, but it's a good step for students making their way into the city for school. Promote more diversity in your public advertisements and posters. Too many white skinned, blonde haired girls. Try to destroy the image of "SherWHITE Park". This is especially important for young people of color in the community to ensure that they feel they can be themselves and comfortable, at school and in the public.
Encourage schools and public forums to demonstrate respect and kindness in dealing with customers, opponents etc. Children and adults should be provided opportunities for education which will result in their ability to increase job opportunities, income and quality of life.
Encourage ways anyone can volunteer and help out with others' basic needs so that we can be treated fairly and equally in our community. To feel like we can belong, there can be more activities so people can meet one another and build relationships that bring each other together.
end the stigma surrounding poverty or social assistance
Ensure our community is safe for all people. Impress on people to be kind and helpful to everyone. promote love and peace for humanity.
Ensure that our communities are inclusive and supportive of all individuals - especially providing access to those with disabilities (physical and developmental). This starts by ensuring that we have inclusive schools (where all children are included and learning in regular classrooms), all are welcomed into their community programs, transportation, accessible buildings, access to post-secondary, adequate housing in their communities. Not put into special programs or communities.
Everyone should be treated equal
Feel like they belong and are connected to others will lead to achieving the following goals. More forums on environmental security. My impression is that developers overly influence council and we do not have the infrastructure nor should for housing expansion.
Feel like they belong and are connected to others. Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. do not be shy smile hug and help find ways to get involved ask for help
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation). Have regular appointments by the year.
Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Work together to make our community stronger.
Feel well connected with sports and physical necessities.
First, I think it is important to develop a long term risk reduction plan to minimize inequality and inequity in the County. Understanding key sources of division early, can help us reduce them in the long term. Second, I think Sherwood Park needs to establish a more affordable, reliable public transit system, that is intimately connected to the City of Edmonton. Regardless of our feelings and want for autonomy, we need to recognize and respond to the interconnectedness of Sherwood park and the County and Edmonton.
Focus on what can be funded or supported for already, established community groups that involve teens. When my kids got to junior high age - they HATED Sherwood park as all the parks are geared to tots. Unless I paid a lot of \$\$ to put them in organized sports. I don't know how to 'fix' it - probably healthier families is a good step. So many people are alcoholics here, there are 5 liquor stores within 1.5 kms of my house - its ridiculous. I guess the County gives out permits for businesses and there is no limit to how many booze outlets are in 1 neighborhood? I don't even know - anyways, just my observation. Youth need to give, and be part of making a difference to feel like they are valued.
for being healthy I recommend a lot of encouragement towards others to make them even a slight bit concern
for everybody feeling like they belong there could be more activities and things like that for the community to connect.

for some reason talks on respect and the like aren't effective
For students to feel apart of a class and get to know students for it's more difficult for quieter, shy, more anti-social introverted students, maybe have a week or day dedicated to a class for the class to get to know each other, in games, forced interaction...etc. This is important to make student feel comfortable and for a better learning environment.
For those that work with Strathcona County, SC really has to review their HR processes, compassion training. Many managers/senior admin. are trying to advance careers, and loose site of those below them. It happens over time, like starting out dating, until you live with someone for awhile and discover what they are really like. Advancing their career through power, control, and intimidation. Fear is the staff motivator. Those with power are ready to remove you, not work out differences of character, do not recognize different ways to complete work as innovative. Unless you are liked, flexibility to meet basic needs, family, health challenges, aging, is stressful demonstration on employee part. Feel judged which leads to all the points above the meeting basic needs.
For us to work together to make our community stronger and for everyone to feel respected
get involved in community activities and create connections with your neighbours
Getting help when it is needed
Going to schools with maybe well known people and talk to the classes/schools. We all need a bit of reassurance that its okay we arent perfect. It wont matter in 10 years so why does it matter now. We all have our own qualities, unique faces, own bodies and own spirits so why be judged for so? We need to remind ourselves that it doesnt matter if the girl next to you has skinnier thighs, or the guy next to you has bigger arms and more abs. Its the inside that matters. Its our heart which should shine to people. People need to come together and learn this.
Golden rule.
Grow bigger and stronger to become one!!!! And build another skate park
have a place to go where people who feel like they are treated unfairly to go to share their thoughts and opinoins and how they can be improved
Have groups to be able to talk with people about fitting in the community. Talk to people in groups on how to improve the community
Have less discriminating
Having groups that can support people with their problems/requests.
having grown up in Sherwood Park I feel being connected to others is what this has made this community unquie
Having more well paying jobs. House market prices lower. Have more activities that can help people know each other.
Help out others
Help people more, golden rule
I also feel: Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
I am currently in a situation where I asked my MLA to step in and assists me, but I am sorry to say the MLA has not been very helpful in communicating to me, which was my issue in the first place with this other organization. Proper communication would be a start. I have little faith in our system. Finding trust in others will help at least me feel I belong and connected. If I cannot trust all belonging and connection is lost.
I believe that connections are very important for every community. Some of the other goals can be achieved through collaboration, not only within community but also with other similar organizations. I think that a program design to empower the strengths of our community members would be beneficial. As one of my instructor use to say, "Isolation is the enemy". Good initiative anyway.
I feel like people should just be more accepting of others whether it be race, gender or religion. If we all accept each other we'll all get along much better

I feel like some people don't feel like they are safe and cared for.
I feel our community (while I dislike many of the people in it) is strong. However I would like for there to be more LGBT inclusion, more than just a GSA in the high schools. Normalizing LGBT relationships and people would make people feel safer and improve the community as a whole.
I feel that a service that helps lonely people meet others would be beneficial.
I grew up knowing your neighbours, now people just seem to care about themselves + don't even know their neighbour. People need to feel that they belong, open up, get to know one another, not sure if this can ever happen as times have changed so much.
I love sp but find it gas become a culture where if u dont fit in (wealth, sports, etc...) You are ostracized. If we respect each other all other goals are achievable.
I really like Sherwood Park. Me and my kids enjoy living here we feel safe. We are happy to be here in Sherwood Park. It is the best place to live.
I think engaging all demographics in the community is important. I also think having safe, well maintained neighbourhoods through strong policies to reinforce this is important & a good example is the property on the corner of Juniper and Hawthorn. It is a safety concern as well as being unsightly & does nothing to further a safe + connected community.
I think establishing community leagues like in the City of Edmonton could help people feel connected to others. This does depend heavily on volunteers which is always a challenge but I feel this would help connect one another. Community leagues can help raise funds for individuals to register for sports and activities, create community events and gatherings and initiate neighborhood watch programs.
I think information about the helpful services which are available in Sherwood Park needs to be communicated more openly. There is a stigma surrounding poverty and most people do not like to share with others the fact that they are struggling, making it harder to reach out for helpful information. There needs to be more advertising for these services and others need to know they are not alone and there is no shame in struggling during poor economic conditions.
I think just by helping people with what they need.
I think maybe we should advise people going through hard time to a professional and put the word out that in order to make a community stronger we all need to work together
I think that you can improve the "feel like they belong" goal by hosting a bunch occasions, like fun competitions of any kind, mini fairs etc.
I think the goal of feeling value is exceptionally important but I'm rating the basic needs as slightly higher. Policies and practices that encourage a range of housing options, improve accessibility, support childcare, address the needs of traditionally marginalized groups are all important. It's a difficult balancing act, but I believe the County is moving in the right direction. There is a strong sense of place; however, we must be mindful of not unintentionally insisting on homogenization.
I think this is a great community with a great feel - having lived in several major cities. I really appreciate how connected and valued I feel here. I don't believe any shortfalls experienced that you have described fall to the county at all.
I think we can improve these goals by making sure every family has the same opportunities no matter their race or how much they make.
I think we could be a little more specific towards Sherwood park specifically in our goals and making people feel good about themselves and respected
I think we need to focus on connecting those who are isolated due to the physical and emotional harm they are experiencing. Notice houses in huge disrepair. What's the real meaning of the outward sign? People in neighbourhoods do sometimes know who is struggling amongst them. FCS you have done a great job of being relationship based. Keep up the great work. Be out in the community, knowing of course that some of you are counselling in your offices. Keep your prevention mindset as your priority - there is less labelling and more interest by people in sharing if they get this sense.
I'd say that for people being respected fairly we need to decrease the amount of bullying to 0. Because lots of kids feel isolated and that they don't belong here
I'm at a loss. I feel there is a great divide in our community between the haves and the have nots. Sherwood Park is full of elitism. I do not feel a sense of community. All I seem to see is what is mine is mine.

I'm not sure how the county can help with the very few instances of belligerence that's have seen. For the most part, people from Sherwood park are very respectful and that is the reason I live here. Neighbors are friendly and watch out for each other. It feels like a true community, albeit a very large one.
If you add as a goal: to have a safe and friendly environment
implementing a stronger need for programs like block parents and community watch. Also emphasizing the benefit of knowing your neighbors and to live out side your fence line.
Improve opportunities for all age groups to get to know each other.
In order for people to want to stay in the community they need to feel connected. Everything can change in a person's world but most importantly they need to feel love and cared for then everything else will fall into place by the support of those around you. Not just electronic interactions but face to face. People can be lonely especially when those around them are focused on themselves.
Increase diversity efforts More ice rinks, turn festival place into good outdoor rink
Increase tolerance of diversity through education. Working on valuing all members of the community and valuing difference. Giving voice to people in Strathcona County who don't see themselves represented/valued
Interact with others.
It is my strong conviction that religious liberty must be protected at all levels of governance and that we need a renewed dedication to that. One should not be required to participate in or support something that goes against their religious beliefs. Why is refraining from participating in something one believes to be wrong now seen as evil? Is it because of the potential that disagreeing with someone might hurt their feelings? I think that this is faulty reasoning but I seem to be encountering it more frequently.
It is not a mistake I choose to raise my family in Sherwood Park. It is a great place to live. I feel safe and have access to some of the best facilities anywhere.
It's impossible to have everyone treated fairly. Also, it's difficult for me to take my opinions on such things that do not apply to me, because i can't speak on behalf of something that does not affect me. For example, childcare. I do not know how good or how bad the childcare is in the community because I am not exposed to it.
Just keep working like the city has for years. Overall this city is a wonderful place to live for all ethnic populations.
know your neighbours
Lets say there was a new girl in our school, I would let her hang out with me so that she doesn't feel alone and more connected because, when I moved schools my friends did the same thing to me.
Letting people who can't connect help them connect
Like be kind to others, help the community an show love to others
Listen to people in need. Not assume everyone is okay.
Listening to the community
Make all people feel like they belong, especially immigrants and young people.
Make people connect with each other and let them be friends.
Make sure everyone is included and feels safe.
Make sure individually everyone's ok, and happy. Try to be more open on everyone's views.
Make sure that everyone feels safe and welcomed here. Make sure everyone can have a good life.
Make the descrimination of others and regardless of gender, race, sexuality, or age a rare and uncommon occurence.
making people feel comfortable about who they are (no hate on sexually or gender, race and stuff)
Making respectful comments and actions. More acts of kindness
Meeting needs of low income seniors and new Canadians. Outreach programs that easily accessed and affordable.

mental health programs for homeless sheltersneighbourhood gatherings to encourage community spirit and connection between neighbours- online chat groups for parents / families to connect
More affordable housingMore domestic violence supportsGroup counselling sessions for community membersMore "play" group/connecting meetings to create more bonds with the community
More community events that celebrate diversity.
More neighbourhood level activities/functionsKeep teams together year after year where possible for example if the kids are on the same hockey team every year kids and parents develop long term friendships and a stronger feeling of community
more options of things to do examples rebuilding the adrossan park add maybe a gaming center or some kind of support cause for me and my friends being gamers and not jocks it kinda feels bad and with sports being the focus of the rec center and most buliding in ardrossan and places in sherwood park it doesnt feel right.
More promotion of diversity in social and economic strategies. Make people feel welcome and that they are important need. There needs to be more diversity in the community and workplace. Celebrate all that are here not only a particular group
My son is a client of Robin Hood living in Sherwood Park. I visit often. Belonging and connection are related to all of the other goals. If that becomes the focus then working on each of the other issues gradually will achieve the overall goal of making everyone feel that they belong and are connected. Connection can help to implement the other goals.
Not easy to do, but it is important to continue to try and come together as a community - so each and every one of us is cared for, respected and listened to. This survey is a good way to make us all feel included!
Not put one minorities rights over another. Decrease the cost of rec & fitness programs and facilities
Pay more attention to surveys when opinions are requested - valued, respected and treated fairly, more input on facilities - curling locker room is much on the crowded - add lockers down the middle of the room.
People are born with personalities, when somebody says so fit in is not always a good thing. People need to show themselves and be who they are without being forced by others to act. I would like to see people treated fairly on who they are instead of assimilating into people others like. I knew a friend who is currently in love with video games. I want him to pursue that passion and not go after what people want him to.
People call me a he but I'm not a he
People could try to be kinder to each other and be encouraged to treat each other fairly.
people need to feel that being different is okay. Right now it is seen as a weakness to be different. It is a flaw to go against the grain, to have a different thought process. Right now it is seen that being an outsider is wrong, and that if you want to show emotion or be different, it is bad
People need to have their basic needs met before they can focus on their physical and mental health, often these needs need to be met before people feel that they are valued and connected as well.
People should be encouraged to talk about their spiritual beliefs and everyone should learn to listen and question without being insulting and without assuming they already have the answers. Far more bullying and fear of being judged happens in this area than in the LGBTQ issue.
People themselves must be responsible and accountable for feeling valued, being healthy, etc., but StrathCo can help them with strategies to work towards feeling valued (David Irvine) or give them the resources to attain that goal.
Physical needs to be met first. Once they are met we should focus on social needs, building community ie feeling a sense of connection.
Place emphasis on existing infrastructure improvements and also demonstrate sense and pride of community. City hall has beautiful Christmas decorations but both Wye Road and Baseline Road show no pride, look like utility access roads, welcome sign on Baseline has been gone for months.
programs for people who have just moved for example to make them meet other people (cooperative ones) and make friends. an affordable tutoring program because many people are not strong english students
Promote that neighbours work together for this area and to meet each other.
Provide private online counselling and quick help for kids/adults that feel unvaluable/unworthy or disrespected.

Put a basketball court in the ardrossan rec centre so people can stay active and healthy and get to know each other and get closer
Respect everyone
Respect others and be kind.
Respect people.
Rural residents need to feel like they are part of a "community" and that they are welcomed and appreciated. Programs that are geared to acreage owners and NOT just hamlet dwellers are needed.
SC does an amazing job (from what I've seen) of meeting basic needs. It seems like the goal "Feel like they belong and are connected to others" is the first step. Once that is accomplished everything else can fall into place. When you're connected you feel safer and valued and will help make the community stronger.
Send messages to parents
Share Love
Since the economic downturn my husband has seen more blatant theft attempts from the 2 Save on Stores he's worked at in Sherwood Park. With as much connectivity and belonging as can be generated through County facilities and community outreach, maybe this behaviour would decrease as people feel they have help and support available.
speak out, talk to others
Start a help club that the people can go to and relate to each other so they know that they belong
Stop being mean
stop bullyingrespect for everyone
Strathcona county is doing a great job in making people feel like they belong to a community. They have sponsored projects (Westboro accessible playground) but I think if they tried to do more of these projects by themselves and listen to people this goal would improve.
Strathcona County is very caucasian. I wish it was more diverse and representative of Canada. I think this would be mind-opening for alot of residents and their children, and create a more caring, diverse community.I also wish Sherwood Park wasn't so car-centric. You need to drive almost everywhere, traffic is always heavy and I think this divides neighbourhoods and people. We need more people walking/biking around and interacting.
Stress that help is available through Family and Community Services. When jobs are lost it can impact on a family in many ways. I know my neighbours but I know many don't. Perhaps we need block parties in the different neighbourhoods to connect with others. Only then can we help with the issues.
strive for community goals that benefit everyone
Support community connectedness opportunities, enhance chances for all socio economic groups to come together, get rid of " Living. Refined" tag line, very elitist
Talk to people
talk to people / each otherhelp each other
Talking to people
That some people don't feel like they belong here and go somewhere else so we need to make them feel like they belong there.
There has been improvement in physical, emotional and verbal abuse but it is still out there and I hate that.
There's too many drugs, and they are easily accessible
These goals are noble and necessary. However, reaching them will require wide spread buy in and possibly a willingness to help those less fortunate.
This seems kind of a strange focus. I think everything in the County is going pretty good. I think Strathcona County is pretty forward thinking in terms of things like the bookmobile, all the services offered by the library, recreation etc.I don't think taxpayers should have to pay as much as they do for public transportation, since taxpayers are the citizens that probably use public transportation the least.I also think there are a lot of stuck up entitled rude people here, which can be very unwelcoming, so don't know how you address that.But the policing is very good and it is generally a safe community with lots of activities.

This survey is a start. I think more projects like these are excellent and the community or town hall meetings are also helpful. I think basic needs are usually where we need to start and then we can focus on belonging and valuing each other more deeply.
to be nice to the community and feel respected.
To feel valued, we should start being nicer to everyone & make it so no one is considered "better" than anyone else.
to make everyone feel like they are welcome
To open programs for people that want to feel more connected.
to organize workshop gathered all people together bring new ideas, to build new relationships between all
To start being nicer
Treat each other better
Treat everyone equally. Respect religious convictions.
treat everyone fairly.
Treat others the way you want to be treated
Treat others the way you want to be treated.
Treat others the way you'd like to be treated
treat people how you wanted to be treated
Treat people with respect.
Treat people without discrimination, especially on the basis of their sex, race, or age and give them equal opportunity in all levels of society and equal pay when performing same job. Acknowledge a job that is done well and encourage individuals with different needs, or who are disadvantaged in some way, and provide access to work and training. Promote oneness of mankind in schools, work space and community.
Try and improve the care on seniors and people that are sick. Try and see if transportation for people that don't have cars is available whether a taxi or a bus. Try and maybe notice some of the things people and children say to each other that is negative and change their mind to say something positive.:)
Try and make the community feel more connected. Possibly more help for people who may be struggling financially, mentally, etc.
Try to move back to the small community feel we had when I was a kid growing up. Everything is so crowded and busy now. Hard to meet people, even your neighbours.
Trying to help others
unity and law abiding citizens
we can be nice to others. also we can reduce the amount of thieves by giving adequate income
we can help people who are harmed by other people
We can improve by being helpful with each other and be one.
We can improve by being more respectful and do more acts of kindness
We can improve by making people feel respected and wanted
we can improve in the amount of money each person is getting and we can have no one feel like that they are not cared for
We can improve people feeling like they belong and are connected by doing things that involve the community
We can improve the goals of feeling valued and respected by creating social groups where people can join and feel accepted.
We can make people feel more valued and treat them with more respect.
We could hold more community events such as parades, fundraisers, meetings, and other activities to get us involved. It would be best if they were always open to all ages so that way more people would be involved and included possibly making others feel accepted in society and forming friendships and other relationships

We have lived in Sherwood Park for almost 50 years and love it. Have been involved in many activities and feel a part of the community in every way.
We need a drop in community centre connecting people...maybe divided by ages or issues....lots of lonely people who struggle to meet each other in a town that can be full of cliques...a night for single parents, one for those recently, women over 50, theme nights...CONNECTION
We need to improve access to mental health resources here in the Park, and make more people aware of the struggles that some are suffering so silently.
We need to stay connected with each other so we can all help each other . We need to understand each other as a community
We should have more community activities like the one vent a couple months ago where you went around and took pictures of things and were entered for a draw. That was really fun for me to do and it got me involved in the community. I went to places I hadn't seen in years and really connected with the municipality again. We need to have more events like that and include lots of people in it. We could bring schools in and possibly residents from old folks homes to participate and bring everyone together. I believe we could benefit from this. P.S a Sherwood Park news channel would be so cool!!
When we feel like we belong, we will achieve many of the other goals listed above by default because people will be invested. Its ALL about relationship.
When you get called dont for get that call always helps.
While not as important as feeling safe and having basic needs met, the goal of seeing a more relationally connected community is a good one. This is an area of relative weakness presently
while the avg income in ShPk is high, there are still those of us who are not in the upper income levels. lots must be done to be inclusive of those who do not/cannot afford the best of everything. This is what makes ShPk disconnected from each other
With a lot of help from the community.
with conncting with every one in the counnity
work together and listen to others opinions.
Work together and maybe get help
working on a strong economy and everyone treated fairly
working together and helping others to get what they need most
Yes we can improve on being treated fair.
You can improve by having more social events around the community so they feel much more connected to others and feel much more belonging in the community than they were before. Maybe hold some physical active events.
Total

Question 1) Cohesive/Connected Community: Minority inclusion

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- increase understanding for diversity, other cultures, religions, and races- increase conversations about realities in strathcona county - increase accessibility to mental health professionals- decrease costs of extracurricular activities- increase spaces for youth and community gatherings- decrease the mentality that sherwood park is a suburban sheltered perfect Caucasian utopia- address the bad things that happen here openly and in a timely manner- increase walkability and access to shops- promote local business over chains

- There is a lack of high quality and affordable child care centres in Sherwood Park. There is only one option for child care that is a not-for-profit model and the quality of that child care centre is questionable (see GOA website). The day home model seems to lack accountability as there are minimal requirements for an individual to operate one. Both my children currently receive care from a not-for-profit child care centre in Edmonton (they were on a wait list for about 18 months) and the monthly cost is more than my and my spouse's monthly mortgage payment. - I wonder if the LGBTQ community and people of colour feel welcomed, included, and their voices/opinions heard in the community. I've heard comments from other community members that are not congruent with the value of all community members being respected. I hope the county ensures all differences are not only welcomed, but celebrated publicly. - Though there have been significant improvements since SCAT became Mobilit

All of the goals are admirable. And they are true for select lucky proportion of our population. There are people living in poverty. There are people living in abusive situations. There are people who are bullied and people who are made to feel unwelcome. We act like this is not so. I have heard people say, "We don't have poor people here." I have heard negative comments about people's ethnicities, gender preferences, age and religion. No one is taking the lead on identifying these issues and working to educate people on a better way. Survey doesn't come close to identifying issues that need to be dealt with in order to achieve these lofty goals.

As a Edmontonian who commutes into the County for work, I don't know if there is a lot of opportunities for me to connect with others. I have considered moving to the county but the availability of housing is very limited and is extremely expensive. I feel like the county is strongly geared towards high income families and not very welcoming or accommodating to other type of people from a racial, ethnic, social status or income level perspective. There seems to be limited opportunity to live and thrive on a lower income as cost of living and availability of housing, affordable transportation and programs and services geared towards young urban professionals doesn't really exist. I doubt i would move to the county based on those criteria.

Be more accepting and more open to minorities

Be more open and teach more about these things in school, even as early as grade 1-2. Make minorities feel safe and welcome.

Be more open to others especially of minority races and of special needs

By anti racism commercials

By listening to the needs of the diverse communities within Sherwood Park. Resolving issues through discussion.

Community involvement mixing people from various sectors, ages, experiences and ethnicities.

Creating support groups based on interests and values, advertising these and existing groups/programs better. Creating more affordable housing options, job opportunities so that people from diverse backgrounds are able to move here, improve diversity.

Encourage a more diverse culture. Get rid of the "Sherwhite Park" stereotype.

Have more multicultural events. And representation of minorities

Have more representation from visible minorities in county committee

help people who struggle financially to give them better lives and don't cut them off child support. help people from other countries to feel better and more involved in the community by establishing groups specifically for them. help integrate them into our community and feel as welcome as possible.

I feel amongst younger people there is a racial stigma as well as a lack of mental health care. Get more and better counsellors in schools (address suicide). Right now the counsellors say "it'll be alright" and just tell the parents. Teaching young people how to deal with illegal work activities.

I feel people in Sherwood park should understand that there are people from other faiths living here as well who are trying to play a positive role in the community so please don't stare at them as they were some aliens .i agree though that younger age people are more accepting and more welcoming in this community. Also I worry a lot about my children in school as they don't feel safe their and other students comment directly on their skin color! That i believe should be taken a strong note of Childcare is quite expensive as well .I would love to see the cost go down .the daycares are honestly SMELLY :(My children don't like to stay there for a long time. My family members living in Edmonton want to move in Sherwood park but housing and rent is very expensive which is a down side.
I really enjoy the County and having grown up here, it is a great community to raise a family. I left for 12 years and have been back for about 5 years - I have found an increase in the sense of entitlement amongst this community and especially working for the County I see this on a daily basis. I don't think the "living refined" motto helps with the perception that we are accepting and have a sense of community for all income levels, cultural diversity etc. I am not sure how that can be changed but it is the one disappointing thing that I experience everyday. It is very unfortunate.
I think our community would better with more diversity. Right now the 'just a bunch of white people' stereotype holds true.
I think we are doing a great job. From my perspective as an Edmontonian who works with this community, I feel like the community is proud and strong. I can't actually live here because it is not affordable, but my daily commute on the Henday is pretty relaxing. I wish Strathcona County had more cultural gathering spaces. The adorable little cafes and craft markets that already exist are wonderful but I don't see as many dances and cultural festivals - but this could be because there are primarily Caucasians in Sherwood Park. We are known for that.
improve education herehave racial equalities
Inclusions of more varied representatives from the beginning of the discussion. Inclusion is something that should happen WITH and not TO a demographic.
Increase tolerance of diversity through education. Working on valuing all members of the community and valuing difference. Giving voice to people in Strathcona County who don't see themselves represented/valued
Look after our poor and refugees
Make all people feel like they belong, especially immigrants and young people.
Make it illegal not to hire someone to work because of their race.
More opportunities of open dialogue and interactions between minorities and mainstream culture.
More promotion of diversity in social and economic strategies. Make people feel welcome and that they are important need. There needs to be more diversity in the community and workplace. Celebrate all that are here not only a particular group
People really need to take care of themselves first. then focus on respecting diversity. then building healthy relationships.
programs for people who have just moved for example to make them meet other people (cooperative ones) and make friends. an affordable tutoring program because many people are not strong english students
Provide more information about the services provided by the County. Better market what's available for services, supports and programs and assure people they are being supported and that there are services that can help them. Liaise with community partners and field experts to help provide some of those services. Be open to accepting immigrants and perhaps teach people acceptance and tolerance especially around critical events such as the Syrian refugee crisis and the community's role in helping people of all races and denominations.
Racism needs to be discussed- people aren't aware that it exists. School and police should also be trained for this. Shocked by poor policy response to children being assaulted in a park- they didn't care or work to assist. Affordable housing should be a priority. The arguments against this are elitist and disturbing. I don't support govt assistance in child care except for low income families.
Racism needs to be taken seriously and addressed.

Racism will always be a thing but if we can try to watch out for it. How are we supposed to advance as a community if we don't treat people fairly.
Realize there is a diverse demographic in the county
Specialized organizations for minority youth that feel left out or discriminated (clubs and safe places for youth).Community charity events for families struggling to support themselves.
Stop teaching your kids to be rude, thanks.Please build more safe spaces for all minoritiesMore connections opportunities
Stop the nepotism in your hiring process. Hire who is experienced and appropriate for the job not because they were related.
The county needs to get over NIMBY and start valuing diversity.
Treat people without discrimination, especially on the basis of their sex, race, or age and give them equal opportunity in all levels of society and equal pay when performing same job. Acknowledge a job that is done well and encourage individuals with different needs, or who are disadvantaged in some way, and provide access to work and training.Promote oneness of mankind in schools, work space and community.
We need to take care of each other. If people have their basic needs, I believe they can focus on their health. Everyone will feel safer and better because crime should be lower. If family are struggling, kids can't focus in school. Public transportation is difficult in some areas, event in Sherwood Park. I'm not sure that people are aware of all the services that are available through out the County. It's also difficult when you move in this community and you do not speak English. We have a French School in Sherwood Park. We must have a certain number of people that are Francophone. We must welcome the diversity if we want people to feel that they belong and connected. I don't have the answers but those are things we can think about.
we should stop world hunger and stop making jokes about other races because they are people to and they need to be treated fairly
With recent US elections, concerns around radical xenophobia is emerging. As a female minority, this scares me. I think the mayor and council need to voice (IMMEDIATELY) inclusion on our community. People are so anxious with these new results and the soon-to-be leader of the free world. Edmonton recently announced a framework announced by Mayor Don Iveson: The Edmonton we aspire to is a city that embraces and welcomes diversity. STRATHCONA COUNTY SHOULD HAVE THE same INTENTION. If they don't, this is quite unsettling and may maintain racist/noninclusive/xenophobic culture. This does exist here in Strathcona County, what are we doing about it?!?!?
Total

Question 1) Cohesive/Connected Community: LGBTQ inclusion

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
<p>- There is a lack of high quality and affordable child care centres in Sherwood Park. There is only one option for child care that is a not-for-profit model and the quality of that child care centre is questionable (see GOA website). The day home model seems to lack accountability as there are minimal requirements for an individual to operate one. Both my children currently receive care from a not-for-profit child care centre in Edmonton (they were on a wait list for about 18 months) and the monthly cost is more than my and my spouse's monthly mortgage payment. - I wonder if the LGBTQ community and people of colour feel welcomed, included, and their voices/opinions heard in the community. I've heard comments from other community members that are not congruent with the value of all community members being respected. I hope the county ensures all differences are not only welcomed, but celebrated publicly. - Though there have been significant improvements since SCAT became Mobilit</p>
First, get rid of Vick Bidinski, who is clearly against the LGBTQ community. Second, spending lavishly doesn't mean you're getting the best. Spend smarter.

Focus more on the individual- better one on one coaching, and better LGBTQ+ representation in schools and community.
Have a lgbt center in strathcona county
I feel our community (while I dislike many of the people in it) is strong. However I would like for there to be more LGBT inclusion, more than just a GSA in the high schools. Normalizing LGBT relationships and people would make people feel safer and improve the community as a whole.
I think it is crucial to focus on children from kindergarten through grade 12 to ensure that they feel safe and comfortable and happy in school. I do not believe that what our provincial government is promoting with all their new gender policies is helping this cause. This is going to cause an extreme amount of confusion to all kids and consequently create more bullying for both the LGBTQ child and the little girls and boys who are not LGBTQ but now are uncomfortable using their washrooms/changerooms etc... in a place where they are supposed to feel safe. This policy needs to be challenged starting with our municipality.
I think our community would better with more diversity. Right now the 'just a bunch of white people' stereotype holds true.
lgbtq+ educationmore affordable/subsidized housingmore employment opportunities
More communication about mental health, mainly in the school systems. Better education when it comes to mental and sexual health, mainly towards the LGBT community, but everyone else as well.
More LGBTQ+ Support
No tolerance for disrespect by employees (county and otherwise) who treat our teens poorly (its ageism and not ok to stereotype based on age), more activities for teens but also a crackdown on the teens that are getting into trouble (I've seen a lot of verbal sexual harassment by groups of teens at large events like the cavada day celebration). Safe spaces and support groups for our LGBTQ population, an atheist or secular humanism support group rather than just churches everywhere.
Our community still seems uncomfortable with talking about anything regarding LGBT individuals. There is luckily no outright discrimination, but there is a social divide.
People should be encouraged to talk about their spiritual beliefs and everyone should learn to listen and question without being insulting and without assuming they already have the answers. Far more bullying and fear of being judged happens in this area than in the LGBTQ issue.
Realize there is a diverse demographic in the county
Sherwood Park could definitely do with an improvement to it's transit system. It's ridiculously convoluted to take the bus within Sherwood Park. If it wasn't such an outdated, convoluted mess of a system for bussing, it would help improve quality of life for all. New facilities and new vehicles are great, but focus on fixing the system, schedules, and running times to truly make a difference. Also, Sherwood Park needs more in the way of LGBTQ+ friendly spaces/activities. Or at least it needs to do a better job of advertising that these places exist. I've never felt comfortable to be "out" in Sherwood Park the way I'm comfortable being "out" in places like Edm, VanCity, or Calgary. There's an innate fear of being judged and receiving hostile treatment from upper/middle class folks who are uneducated about LGBTQ+.
Total

Question 1) Cohesive/Connected Community: Women's status

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
I think our community would better with more diversity. Right now the 'just a bunch of white people' stereotype holds true.
Must have more discussion on affordable housing for seniors and a bigger place for women's shelter. Not enough done provincially and federally.
Realize there is a diverse demographic in the county

With recent US elections, concerns around radical xenophobia is emerging. As a female minority, this scares me. I think the mayor and council need to voice (IMMEDIATELY) inclusion on our community. People are so anxious with these new results and the soon-to-be leader of the free world. Edmonton recently announced a framework announced by Mayor Don Iveson: The Edmonton we aspire to is a city that embraces and welcomes diversity. STRATHCONA COUNTY SHOULD HAVE THE same INTENTION. If they don't, this is quite unsettling and may maintain racist/noninclusive/xenophobic culture. This does exist here in Strathcona County, what are we doing about it?!?!?

Total

Question 1) Cohesive/Connected Community: FNMI inclusion

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Be open to multitude of cultural diversity, recognize and work together and acknowledge First Nations issues.
I think our community would better with more diversity. Right now the 'just a bunch of white people' stereotype holds true.
More Aboriginal inclusion needed in the community.
Realize there is a diverse demographic in the county
Total

Question 1) Cohesive/Connected Community: Stronger connections/working together/engagement

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Perhaps we can work on strategies especially around education that encompass many of the above goals concurrently. There are personal responsibilities as well as societal/community responsibilities. Maybe we need to declare a "charter of rights and responsibilities" that all community members strive for that includes all of the above goals. We take responsibility for our actions and personal goals as well as the goals of the community. Sort of the "whole village to raise a child" concept.
Suggest asking a more specific question that someone can answer, perhaps about themselves versus a very generic question as to the residents of Strathcona County having adequate income/education. Strathcona County is very large and has a wide spectrum of residents. Check the Canada census for that info. I won't guess about the individual history of residence. When we feel valued, respected and treated fairly, regardless of living in rural or urban Strathcona County, only then will I feel like working together to make our community stronger. We are not there yet, check decisions made in council re: rural/urban decisions. We're definitely not there yet.
- By having community events, to bring people together for a common goal- By letting the community know how they can help their fellow citizens; i.e., fundraising for a specific cause within the community
- encourage block parties- encourage small group connections - opportunity to serve and meet local needs - plug into Facebook "Sherwood Park Moms Community" It's where I heard about today's activities and why we came as a family.
- more focus on helping families purchase their own home - create pride in ownership and care!- help train our teenage children to work in the community - volunteer! Note all learn it at home.- create a mandatory # of community hours for ALL highschool teens to work i.e.: habitat. It should be a highschool credit program for youth - mandatory-training youth is the key!
- Reach out more to other less fortunate citizens

-better networks for stay at home parents-encouraged activities that foster relationships with neighbours-walkable neighbourhoods with community building programs-parks and recreation programs at all parks (not just Broadmoor)

1. Coming together for discussions2. Volunteering and offering the services we as residents possess. 3. Helping out others in what ever way we can4. To work in groups of interests so that the individual groups accomplish the goals properly.

a way for new people to connect to their neighbors. An easy method to break the ice and introduce to each other, it's difficult for introverted people to reach out and meet people.

Accessibility support Community gardensNanny suitesAdopt a grandparent

Affordable part-time daycare options needed to help mothers pick up part-time work. More free activities where parents - both mother and fathers - can mingle and find a support system. Currently, there are lots of mom and tot - or mom and baby but not mom AND dad and baby programs on the weekends/after work.

Affordable, accessible counseling services with no wait lists. More programs and education to address the rise in domestic violence.More affordable housing for people of all ages. There are very few rental options that are affordable, which influences young people and seniors to move out of Sherwood Park to places they can afford to live.

Aid/empower residents to work towards achievement of neighbourhood-level and community-wide social goals of priority importance at their desired level(s) of participation. Minimize government intervention and regulation while maximizing citizen input and effort. This approach will augment ownership of outcomes.

All members of the community need to be valued respected and treated fairly, regardless of socioeconomic status. Regretfully, Sherwood Park has earned a reputation of being "snoppy" due to the wealth in the community. Also to note is the cost of housing, property taxes, school fees, etc., which are higher than in surrounding areas, perhaps due to the number of wealthy families in the area. Costs, especially school fees, need be more affordable for those that not wealthy.

All of these goals are important to create a healthy, dynamic, and supportive community. You can not just focus on one, it needs to be a multi-pronged approach. I'm concerned that you might just pick one of these when all are important because residents do not all have the same concerns. And concerns change over time.

All Retailers should train staff on customer service. They connect with everyone, the good grace will spread.

All trust each other and help anyone in need.Little things help.Another thing is that we should all be more positive.

Also: Are healthy, and Feel like they belong and are connected to others. Much more affordable housing. Strathcona County is doing an amazing job!

Also: Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly, and Work together to make our community stronger.- Having more groups (like self-esteem), more programs for women (that are dealing with abuse)- Have a community organization that people can come to if they are needing support (ex. child with cancer - organizations can fundraise or help family)

Also: work together to make our community stronger, are healthy, and feel valued. Have more information on where to go for help.

Always cooperate in community and give support in this kind of group.

As someone who has volunteered in numerous activities over the years, and I think generally people in S.P. volunteer for a lot, I wonder if there are opportunities to help in ways that could benefit shut-ins, parents with children who are challenged, people grieving or alone for the first time. These may exist already thru the volunteer association.

attend community meetings

Awareness of programs – asking the community for input Creating opportunities for community movements

Be active and informed

Be an active participant: positive change should start within ourselvesContribute even a little of your time

Be friendlier and help your friends and enemies.

Be friendly to neighbours.
Be involved in the community
Be kind never talk behind people's back
Be more connected to the citizens.
Be more open about when and where we can help others in our community.
Be more open with others and talk to others if you have a problem and work together to solve issues and share ideas
Be more respectful of others
Be sure that we listen when members voice concerns
Become informed by attending public meetings and groups.
Brain storm and do something.
Bring all the kids and adults together
Bring people together and make them trust each other.
Bring prices down and work together.
Build community engagement through local neighbourhood leagues. Need sustainable drivers for this to happen. Need to also build trust in elected officials. How can we work together if certain officials won't work together
By achieving it with your community, and making sure everyone is happy.
By being a responsible resident of this community.
By designing projects that may bring people together and develop a sense of belonging and care. Debates, group discussion on common issues/problems
By doing it and working together.
By doing stuff
By getting together annually
By helping each other
By helping people out more often.
By making sure that everyone belongs and connected to others. Asking teens or adults if they feel this way or no. Not just asking normal people if they are OK. But asking everyone and give them advice.
by working together
By working together and meeting new people
By working together and taking care of yourself.
By working together as a collaborative community with all service providers and interested parties
By working together as a community.
By working together to fight for a better community.
By working together with the community
Call a meeting for who thinks we need to be stronger as a community
come together as one
Community involvement mixing people from various sectors, ages, experiences and ethnicities.
community leagues to improve neighbourhood engagement and interactions.
Community resources connect to provide wrap around service to families.
Community-wide participation/events to promote connections and relationships between one another.
Community's coming together
conferences on how to make a change. People talk. The county listens. Citizens act on it.

Continue to work with the faith community which is working on many of these same goals.
Cooperate and support others needs.
County needs to work with senior groups to encourage seniors to come together
Create an atmosphere of support for people seeking county services with streamlined access rather than a bureaucratic multi silo'D system.
Create clubs for all ages and all types of people.
Create community halls in each neighbourhood to allow for organic community connections closer to home. It is nice to know your neighbours and there is no organic way to make this happen in Sherwood Park when everyone just drives straight in and out of their attached garages.
Create opportunities for wellness organizations to interact in the community.
Create relationships with neighbors and people in each community and rally together to make sure everyone is safe and happy.
Create safe environments for people in need. Be welcoming and open to help people. Look at the big picture, but also the details that will get us there.
Creating connections will make people want to work towards a better community. Having spaces for people to meet like minded people will help make those connections.
Creating greater access to resources and education, creating jobs for people, connection with neighbors and communities through planned activities and support for people who are struggling in any area of their life ie. knowing where to go and reaching out for help, by remaining connected to the community.
Creating support groups based on interests and values, advertising these and existing groups/programs better. Creating more affordable housing options, job opportunities so that people from diverse backgrounds are able to move here, improve diversity.
Creating support groups for different interests so people can meet new people and create a support network.
Creating/becoming a community that champions opportunities like Habitat and other initiatives that support persons whose basic needs are not presently met
Do more group stuff where all ages can come and participate.
Do stuff that makes people happy.
Doing this (getting input from the community and working together to achieve it)
Don't use some drugs, don't smoke and be more strict to bad people and provide the homeless people some homes and gifts. Always be honest to each other.
Encourage citizens to participate in athletic clubs a place for socials and all together make a group to work together
Encourage good treatment in workplaces & schools.
Encourage people to become involved.
Encourage people to come out and do activities together that are fun and everyone could be able to do it.
Encourage people to help out.
Encourage social interaction in as many ways as possible - in an affordable way for all.
Encourage ways anyone can volunteer and help out with others' basic needs so that we can be treated fairly and equally in our community. To feel like we can belong, there can be more activities so people can meet one another and build relationships that bring each other together.
Ensure our community is safe for all people. Impress on people to be kind and helpful to everyone. promote love and peace for humanity.
Ensure that all residents (not just the ones looking for help) are included in this process. I think a lot of people "suffer in silence". Family, friends and neighbours should be encouraged to help each other and make sure everyone is taken care of.
Especially in school, we need to focus on treating each other kindly and with respect. We need to be less judgmental as well.
Everyone just get out of the house help the community be supportive and help everyone around us.

Everyone should be made to be treated respectfully, no matter how they dress or look, there should be no comments made about or people being judged about the way they dress or look.
Everyone should have an equal say. We could work to make it easier
Everyone should pitch in to make all of the goals attainable. We need more outreach centers for people to talk at so things don't always get so bad.
face to face talking
Facebook groups to offer support to one another and link each community and then together as a whole
Feel like they belong and are connected to others will lead to achieving the following goals. More forums on environmental security. My impression is that developers overly influence council and we do not have the infrastructure nor should for housing expansion.
Feel like they belong and are connected to others. Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. do not be shy smile hug and help find ways to get involved ask for help
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation). Have regular appointments by the year.
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation). I can't think of anything at this time.
Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Focus 1 basic needs, second healthy, third belong and connected
Focus on the basic needs and help others achieve these needs
Focus on the people who need help before helping the people who have a steady income and who have basic needs met.
For us to work together to make our community stronger and for everyone to feel respected
For working together to make our community stronger we should hold more fundraising events/volunteering opportunities.
Forums will not help. Start with the children getting back to basics of quality of life, inter generational activities. Help each other more, set an example.
Get everyone involved.
get involved in community activities and create connections with your neighbours
get involved in your community, even if it means getting to know your neighbours
Get involved!
Get more people involved as community members rather than individuals.
get people more connected
Get people to work together, to achieve all our goals.
get really involved with the people of the community

Getting everyone to agree and work on goals.
Getting individuals involved and ask for their input.
Going to schools with maybe well known people and talk to the classes/schools. We all need a bit of reassurance that its okay we arent perfect. It wont matter in 10 years so why does it matter now. We all have our own qualities, unique faces, own bodies and own spirits so why be judged for so? We need to remind ourselves that it doesnt matter if the girl next to you has skinnier thighs, or the guy next to you has bigger arms and more abs. Its the inside that matters. Its our heart which should shine to people. People need to come together and learn this.
Greater community outreach events.
Have a building where lots of people meet up to talk
have a safe community and feel free to do whatever but are safe and not harming others work together with others to do what ever you can to achieve whatever you want
Have groups put in place for a range of people to be able to open up about life's challenges and help each other achieve spiritual,mental and physical wellness.
Have help places not only for kids but for adults with their problems.
Have lots of support on others
have more community events the more a community is defined by its culture the more it will feel like a community
Have really good police and teaching people how to work and just letting them do it.
Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).Basic needs met – is the first step to support families to feel stable Only by working together, a community can get stronger
Having awareness raised for those in sub par living conditions and have community efforts to fix those circumstances.
Having everyone be more involved in the community and possibly have a community talk group
Having groups that can support people with their problems/requests.
having grown up in Sherwood Park I feel being connected to others is what this has made this community unquie
Health care system - bring back old ethics and values - it is a privilege, not something you are owed. Feel like nobody cares - people have lost their sense of caring and responsibility.
help each other out, don't hurt each other, work together
Help each other to make our community stronger
Help each other, tell ideas and help the poor
Help others complete their goals or with what ever.
Help out
help out give someone a hand
Help people
help people that have been harmed and hurt
Help people that need help
help the community
Help work together
Helping out others in our community that don't make as much, etc.
Hold sessions where people can work together
Hold those who do inappropriate behaviours accountable... Stop "slapping wrists" and create consequences. This is maybe beyond scope of SC, but would be nice to see it happen.

I also feel: Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).

I am really enjoying the intergenerational programs by parent link and the library that connect young families with seniors. I wish there were more of these kinds of programs, they are relatively easy to run and an excellent way to bring our community together.

I believe if people have resources to focus on all aspects of being healthy and they feel better physically and mentally they are better able to focus on community and all other areas of life.

I believe that when people feel like they belong and are connected to others they are in a better position to reach out to resources, for example, getting the help they need if they are not feeling safe and are in danger of physical and/or emotional harm as well as if they are not having their basic needs met. Feeling valued, respected and treated fairly makes you feel like you belong and have a connection to others. When your basic needs are being met you are also enabled to take advantage of the other resources in the community to keep yourself further involved and engaged through health and wellness pursuits and showing an interest in community. All of the above mentioned goals build from each other and are connected. Becomes a win/win.

I can't think of anything except "staying connected" and keeping busy.

I cannot think of anything. The upcycling/buy and sell pages on Facebook show a great deal of community support. Also, the asking strathcona county page. There's a sense of welcomeness there.

I feel like in the future we could work better together by having strong social events, meetings and other events. I think that as the country gets older we are getting better and better at working together. New people from other countries should be allowed to be able to work with us to create a new meaning to working together in a community to make it stronger.

I feel like we can achieve this if we talk more with each other, and talking with each other more makes our community stronger

I feel people need to get to know their neighbors - get to know them enough to realize when they are experiencing difficulties. That means people have to care about their neighborhood which of course, cannot be legislated. Care and kindness can make a difference but at the same time, it can be taken advantage of. Supporting agencies like the Food Bank and Shelters is a start and knowing who to contact for further assistance, or counselling or free clinics and so on.

I feel that all these goals are important, but I believe that as a municipality, we only have the ability to do so much. If we're connected to others, I feel this could provide a foundation to build on. The basic needs goal is extremely important, but I believe that the province should be taking the lead on that one. If we could have more community events throughout the year that are smaller (so hopefully less expensive), I think that could be a good place to start. For example, events like we used to have (the Haunted Hike, Centennial Days, Clover Bar Ranch garage sale) gave us the opportunity to get out and meet our neighbours in a casual, relaxed setting - that was also fun.

I feel that including local churches and other groups and social organizations would be needed and the county helping promote and facilitate is a good idea. as opposed to the government doing it on their own ignoring these useful entities.

I feel when I hear stories from friends, sometimes they're afraid to ask for help. I think children/teens aren't well educated about the systems that are available for us. mostly about physical harm but other stuff too. A youth center could be a cool idea for people who need help meeting new people or need something to do.

I like the idea of a connect community, the more connected the more awareness of community values and needs. If values and needs are known and met then all of the goals above will be achieved with better accuracy.

I love sp but find it has become a culture where if u don't fit in (wealth, sports, etc...) You are ostracized. If we respect each other all other goals are achievable.

I really enjoy the County and having grown up here, it is a great community to raise a family. I left for 12 years and have been back for about 5 years - I have found an increase in the sense of entitlement amongst this community and especially working for the County I see this on a daily basis. I don't think the "living refined" motto helps with the perception that we are accepting and have a sense of community for all income levels, cultural diversity etc. I am not sure how that can be changed but it is the one disappointing thing that I experience everyday. It is very unfortunate.

I think all of these are important but I think # 2,3,4,6 are the most important. I feel like once we get that cared for then we can work on community.

I think by working together to make our community stronger we can address many of the other goals.

I think engaging all demographics in the community is important. I also think having safe, well maintained neighbourhoods through strong policies to reinforce this is important & a good example is the property on the corner of Juniper and Hawthorn. It is a safety concern as well as being unsightly & does nothing to further a safe + connected community.

I think establishing community leagues like in the City of Edmonton could help people feel connected to others. This does depend heavily on volunteers which is always a challenge but I feel this would help connect one another. Community leagues can help raise funds for individuals to register for sports and activities, create community events and gatherings and initiate neighborhood watch programs.

I think maybe we should advise people going through hard time to a professional and put the word out that in order to make a community stronger we all need to work together

I think surveys like this are a great first step. It's difficult to tackle problems unless you know what they are. I think making sure that there is awareness in the community about what resources are available to people to ensure their health and safety is important, as well as keeping these things free (in the case of need) or as affordable as possible. I personally love and respect all the great recreation services the county has to offer, for a low price, and that there are helpful non-profits right in our community for those in need. I think we could be encouraged to help those non-profits more, whether it be through donation or volunteering our time, and not ignore that "big city" problems like family violence, racism and other bigotry, poverty, hunger and homelessness do happen right here in Strathcona County too. The more we accept one another and work together, and the more we see our community leaders and politicians doing this too, the better our whole community becomes.

I think that we could help by setting up fundraisers to help all the people that are in need.

I think that we should have more county events that would make the community stronger because it gets people from the community working and being together

I think to focus on being connected and getting along by adding more social services.

I think we need to focus on connecting those who are isolated due to the physical and emotional harm they are experiencing. Notice houses in huge disrepair. What's the real meaning of the outward sign? People in neighbourhoods do sometimes know who is struggling amongst them. FCS you have done a great job of being relationship based. Keep up the great work. Be out in the community, knowing of course that some of you are counselling in your offices. Keep your prevention mindset as your priority - there is less labelling and more interest by people in sharing if they get this sense.

I think we should be more kind to our community and talk around how we have less bill and money so that we don't have to think that we might need to live on the street because of the house bills or that we need to move to a smaller house

I think you need to separate out health categories as spiritual and emotional wellness may not be best addressed by the county but by organizations within the county.

I'd really like more recreational activities and I feel like it'd connect people a lot. When I took an art lesson, there were no young people there, but the old ladies were really funny. I don't really know any other way, sorry

I'm at a loss. I feel there is a great divide in our community between the haves and the have nots. Sherwood Park is full of elitism. I do not feel a sense of community. All I seem to see is what is mine is mine.

I'm not sure how to improve anything, but I feel that if people of Strathcona are connected and have that element of trust, maybe we could improve or add goals together.

if there are any people that are harmful, tell someone.
If we can notice and understand what is going on in someones life even if they are trying to hide their feelings. Try to improve their life. I feel like teenagers should be able to share something to an adult without the adult turning it into a problem, there for helping them feel more safe and understood. I also tend to get hurt alot in sports, and when I go to the doctor it takes forever to get in. We need to decrease health care waiting time.
If we could have a place like santa's anonymous out here that we could go out into our own community and give back, it would help connect people.
If we have more widespread community activities.
If we work together and don't fight and don't bully maybe try to make the kids better at school because I see poeple who get bullied at school
implementing a stronger need for programs like block parents and community watch. Also emphasizing the benefit of knowing your neighbors and to live out side your fence line.
In my opinion, achieving the kinds of goals listed, starts with understanding and following the word of God; to love our neighbor as ourselves. This kind of thinking and practice would single-handedly revolutionize our community. No more violence, hatred, theft, discrimination - only love, compassion, kindness, valuing life and truth.
In order for people to want to stay in the community they need to feel connected. Everything can change in a person's world but most importantly they need to feel love and cared for then everything else will fall into place by the support of those around you. Not just electronic interactions but face to face. People can be lonely especially when those around them are focused on themselves.
In order to have change people have to be willing to be part of the change and part of the efforts to get there. If we figure out how to get people engaged we can achieve everything but how to do that...
Include community when starting new campaigns or programs.
Inclusions of more varied representatives from the beginning of the discussion. Inclusion is something that should happen WITH and not TO a demographic.
Inclusiveness.
Increase police patrols of neighborhoods to discourage crime. Encourage youth to help seniors with visits and yard work. Form volunteer groups to communicate and connect with lonely seniors and new citizens through phone calls and visits. Offer mental health workshops and talks to the public. Offer budgeting and meal planning sessions to help interested citizens provide affordable, healthy meals to their families. Provide lower income families with fun sporting activities for their children. Encourage the citizens of Strathcona County to connect with each other, volunteer and generally get involved to make Strathcona County a family friendly community that is the envy of other communities.
Increase the connectivity from the bottom up - involve people at the grass roots level for each and everyone to embrace these goals.
Increase tolerance of diversity through education. Working on valuing all members of the community and valuing difference. Giving voice to people in Strathcona County who don't see themselves represented/valued
Informal gatheringsGetting to know each otherLess structure like the old times
It all starts with the individual. You need to be able to get people on board with these goals and that will not be easy.
It is so important to feel like you belong and are connected. Once you feel like that, then it'll be easier to accomplish the other goals. Not sure how to improve on it. More community events? Outreach programs that are communicated and included within the daily activities that we do. (Grocery stores, banks, etc.)
just by being supportive
Just have to try be a team
Just to listen to one another and not fight and help people get jobs if they don't have on ans need a job
Let the community lead

Lets say there was a new girl in our school, I would let her hang out with me so that she doesn't feel alone and more connected because, when I moved schools my friends did the same thing to me.
Letting people who can't connect help them connect
Like be kind to others, help the community an show love to others
Listen to the peopleWork together
Lose the big words - people need to be happy. This is easily understood by everyone, including every age demographic. Let's roll up our sleeves and understand what that means to our community and TOGETHER work towards achieving the happiest community we can be.
Lots of disconnect between teens
Make a day were people can come and just help with whatever
Make an idea where you can go there and ask for help from community.
Make eye contact, smile, engage with strangers, offer to hold doors and elevators, praise and make comments to people. Find a way to share tips because we are growing quickly and we don't know about everything. Find a way to share food and budget ideas, also books and hobbies.
Make it easy to form connections.
Make it possible for others to talk to others so they can get another opinion on there situation. If they want people in strathcona to talk to others they have to make it possible to do that.
Make public engagement more accessible & easier for people to know how to be a part of it.
Make sure everyone agrees.
Make sure everyone helps a little bit.
make sure that we recycle and work together.
Make sure that we recycle and work together.
make sure those who do self harm get treatment. Watch for bullies. Make sure that also everyone feels safe but we all need to work together as a community. Its nice being safe and not feeling scared.
Make the descrimination of others and regardless of gender, race, sexuality, or age a rare and uncommon occurence.
maybe you could have some type of meeting and people can say what they think this community needs to improve on
mental health programs for homelesssheltersneighbourhood gatherings to encourage community spirit and connection between neighbours- online chat groups for parents / families to connect
More affordable housing. More engaged community
More affordable housing. More work as a community. Less spending on making community buildings so fancy
More emphasis on block parties, snow angels, etc. Getting people to meet each other and care about each other.
More information about getting involved in the community, why it's important and how to get involved.
more jobs work together
More schooling funds and places all around strathcona for kids to go to when they are free or want to connect with friends
my Perfect Goals IS Working Together TO make Your Community Stronger
Not easy to do, but it is important to continue to try and come together as a community - so each and every one of us is cared for, respected and listened to. This survey is a good way to make us all feel included!
Not sure about improving but continue to hold public community events - Canada Day, Christmas, etc. Brings the majority of the community out to get active and meet/enjoy each other.
Offer groups for people to join so they feel connected to people around the community
Our schools are bursting at the seams. We value education but I know that compromise occurs when class sizes are huge and students left feeling less connected to their educational experiences.
Participate

People are born with personalities, when somebody says so fit in is not always a good thing. People need to show themselves and be who they are without being forced by others to act. I would like to see people treated fairly on who they are instead of assimilating into people others like. I knew a friend who is currently in love with video games. I want him to pursue that passion and not go after what people want him to.

People in the community become closer and work together

People in the community can talk to each other and work to achieve our goals and it doesn't just affect us in a good way it affects everyone around us. We can have a safer community by being kind to each other and respecting others as you would want to be. I think people in this community are very nice compared to other places. I feel pretty good living here but that doesn't mean others around me aren't struggling. It is very expensive to live here and I think that's something that needs to be dealt with so people don't have to worry too much about if they will have a place to sleep, food to eat, get to do activities, sports, school, etc.

People need to start talking then they become better friends then we will start working together

People should be encouraged to talk about their spiritual beliefs and everyone should learn to listen and question without being insulting and without assuming they already have the answers. Far more bullying and fear of being judged happens in this area than in the LGBTQT issue.

People to work harder as a community and support people who need it and leadership that helps grow the community better

Perhaps more communications from the county - could be included in utilities billings - an email newsletter etc. "It will take all of us working together..." - this is key to all of the goals mentioned.

programs for people who have just moved for example to make them meet other people (cooperative ones) and make friends. an affordable tutoring program because many people are not strong english students

Promote more involvement from residents on achieving goals (fundraising, volunteering, support, involvement).

Promote that neighbours work together for this area and to meet each other.

Provide support services don't assume, connect with all.

Put up very meaningful posters that can win over someone emotions and make them realize that we need to make change to our community we need to stay strong and stick together so SC does not fall apart

Racism will always be a thing but if we can try to watch out for it. How are we supposed to advance as a community if we don't treat people fairly.

RCMP force can be used to catch criminals committing crimes. Our homes n cars are being violated nightly however there out giving tax paying regular people tickets for items that don't effect crime rates, ie :photo radar, red light , seat belt tickets.... The list goes on. Gain the trust of people again and connect with community n kids This will make a better future for everyone in communi

Reach out to everyone

Recognize and support the role of and value of churches in a community. Our community.

Respect each other.

Respect everyone and treat everyone the same.

Respect everyone and treat others the way you want to be treated.

Run more shelters where people pay for their stay for only a few dollars a day. These shelters would be a place where they could stay for a basic home while they try to earn more money. It would also be a place where they could buy food for a lower price than usual. This could also be a place where different families struggling could get to know each others story and support each other along the way.

See below "It will take all of us working together to continue to build a supported, safe and connected community".

Set up opportunities or foster a platform for informal volunteering within a neighbourhood (between neighbours)

Since the economic downturn my husband has seen more blatant theft attempts from the 2 Save on Stores he's worked at in Sherwood Park. With as much connectivity and belonging as can be generated through County facilities and community outreach, maybe this behaviour would decrease as people feel they have help and support available.
So we all work together as a community so no one is treated differently.
Some people just aren't as kind as others, and stuff is very expensive these days and some people can't afford things.
Some people want to help, but feel out of place with too many people. There should be a way to help, without having to see new people.
Stakeholder engagement important for buy in and moving forward.
start building affordable housing for all ages 1) for our children so that they can afford to stay in Sherwood park 2) for single parents - folks that are not well off 3) for seniors - so that they can afford to move into low cost seniors housing. so that they can continue to be close to friends they have made over the years.
start communicating more in your community Helping out
start interacting more with your community.
Stop cancelling outreach programs without explanation. Why cancel things that connect people .
Support community connectedness opportunities, enhance chances for all socio economic groups to come together, get rid of " Living. Refined" tag line, very elitist
Talk to more people.
talk to people / each other help each other
Talk to people and let them know the needs of citizen
Talking to people
The community should try and come together to be better
The cost of living is so high and it is so hard to make ends meet. Need to bring community together to support each other. We should have more housing that is affordable. If I am only paying my mortgage I cannot participate more in my community.
The county should also work on the following goal: Work together to make the community stronger.
THE GOALS OF FEELING SAFE AND FREE FROM HARM SHOULD BE COMBINED THE ARE HEALTHY GOAL AS THEY ARE CLOSELY LINKED. BY FOCUSING ON THOSE TWO GOALS WE ACHIEVE A THIRD GOAL WHICH IS WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE OUR COMMUNITY STRONGER.
The main goal is work together....building a community where we are proud to live in - Strathcona County. There are many of us who live here and also work for Strathcona County. Always remember who we are and what we stand for.
The only way this can happen if we have one culture something that will pull everyone together to work towards this goal.
The questions above made me think! After consideration, I think that the foundation of building a strong community is when citizens feel valued and respected. In turn, they will feel like the work they're doing to build community will "count". Great question!! :)
there are synergies between most, if not all of these goals. Progress toward 1 of them will probably spawn programs towards others. if possible, some times should be devoted to identifying what these synergies are. it may then be possible to see one or two goals that will generate the most synergies - these should become the key focus. but with the many groups and agencies we have in the county. I think the framework should be allow us to pursue a multi-pronged approach forward.
There needs to be more support between different agencies, supports and schools. I work in education and there seems to be a disconnect between the different agencies and supports that are available to help families and schools.
There seems to be a lot of property thefts, where items are stolen from property or cars on the property. An action plan needs to be developed with the community to stop this.

These are things that need to be done by the people themselves. Not necessarily by Strathcona County. "love thy neighbour" is what makes community a community and needs to be done by ourselves. The County doesn't need to do force this onto people
These goals are noble and necessary. However, reaching them will require wide spread buy in and possibly a willingness to help those less fortunate.
They can be improved by making them for all
things like community gardens to have people work together
To get more people to help us reach our goals for the community
To improve the first goal (feel like they belong and are connected to others). I'd like to see more youth events that allow individuals to meet new people.
to work together
To work together and help everyone!
To work together and raise money
together
Treat other nicely and lower prices
Try and connect with others. However, if people don't want to participate, that's their prerogative.(Respondent wrote that she was responding only for herself and not on behalf of all residents)
Try and convince more people that live in Sherwood Park to work together and make our community stronger.
Try to help each other as much as we can.
Try to move back to the small community feel we had when I was a kid growing up. Everything is so crowded and busy now. Hard to meet people, even your neighbours.
Try to talk to someone who may be troubled and hope to fix what happened
try to work harder
Using a better system of getting people involved would definitely help improve the community.
We all need to be on the same page.
We can all work together as a community
we can all work together to acheave our goles
We can be respectful to everybody and not make fun or hurt anyone.
We can by doing more than one.
We can have meetings with people in our community and talk about what they think is needed to have a better and stable community
We can help others out more and fundraise more.
We can help out others more and worry less about ourselves. I think that if we do this we will be a stronger community
We can improve by being helpful with each other and be one.
We can improve by helping people out when the need a sopprt system
We can improve by working hard
We can improve on meeting our goals by doing more community service. I think that this will help us to achieve our goals and do our best to grow closer as a community and a county
We can improve the goals by all working together and supporting.
We can improve the goals by talking as a community and actually doing it.
We can improve the goals of feeling valued and respected by creating social groups where people can join and feel accepted.
we can pay more attention to the people around us and try and see what could really be wrong if you think something is up so we can try and fix it

We can treat everyone fairly and get along with everyone.
We can work more as a community
We can work together and help one another to make the community better.
We can work together as a community
We can work together as a community to improve these goals. By getting assistance by groups like this
We can work together as a community.
We could help each other in every street, people should be nice to each other
We could improve by giving our people some places to talk about the issues they have.
We need a drop in community centre connecting people...maybe divided by ages or issues....lots of lonely people who struggle to meet each other in a town that can be full of cliques...a night for single parents, one for those recently, women over 50, theme nights...CONNECTION
We need to get more people critically involved/out of their playstation and into activity with others or projects which benefit the community
We need to look in deeper to the community. It's not perfect and it can't be perfect but we can still try to achieve as much as we can.
We need to set up some sort of community club where people try to make our community better and that would help us start it off.
We need to try to connect to others and have a communications.
We need to work together, and offer Cheep, it not free counseling for adults, teens, and if needed, children.
We should have more community activities like the one vent a couple months ago where you went around and took pictures of things and were entered for a draw. That was really fun for me to do and it got me involved in the community. I went to places I hadn't seen in years and really connected with the municipality again. We need to have more events like that and include lots of people in it. We could bring schools in and possibly residents from old folks homes to participate and bring everyone together. I believe we could benefit from this. P.S a Sherwood Park news channel would be so cool!!
We should have some days in a year where we all help out.
We too should be responsible for ourselves.
with conncting with every one in the counnity
work all together
Work as a community. Elect someone smart.
Work as a team
work hard
Work hard at meetinf own goals as a community. Get the community engaged in activities.
work harder
Work harder and be cooperate to community
Work harder to stay connected as a community
Work on all goals equally and at a steady comfortable place.
Work on this as a community.
Work togethe
work together
Work together
work together and help others
work together and listen to others opinions.
Work together and maybe get help

work together and to help others
Work together and treat everyone equally.
Work together as a community
Work together as a community.
Work together in our environment
Work together to help people in need.
Work together to make our community stronger will occur is the remaining statements occur; all the statements are connected.
Work together to make our community stronger.
Work together to make our community stronger. We could all respect each other and care for each other, more than we do now.
Work together to make our community stronger.having affordable housing - for those on fixed income (renting)
Work together.
work toghther
Work where you live. Many people (myself included) want to work in the county. We are forced into Edmonton due to lack of executive level jobs within the county. We should strive to build a community that we don't need to leave
Working as a community alongside our government to provide people with jobs, a livable income, high quality affordable childcare. I strongly believe that these can all be achieved in our life time and am interested in seeing as well as taking part in this happening.
Working in a friendly matter to avoid trouble down the road into community development.
Working to meet the needs of people
working together and helping others to get what they need most
Working together as a community
workshops, information gathering on demographics, better connections
You inclusion or exclusion in a community depends on your own personal involvement in the community and what you or your organization hopes to achieve. No one owes you a living. Why would you think that you can mandate this or make it a community issue? And who is going to pay for all of this?
Total

Question 1) Cohesive/Connected Community: People with disabilities inclusion

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Accepting, respecting, and being safe in the community, putting more programs for people with disability for us to connect to others.
Accessibility should be a goalEx: the video should have captions for anyone with a hearing impairment Inclusivity should be a goalEx: "other" as an option for what gender you identify as is not inclusive, options would be either a completely blank space to type your answer or "neither male nor female describes my gender"
Address the needs of our huge population of special needs adults through workshops/discussions etc. Robin Hood as a service provider can't do it all. Some of us use Wicks or Family managed supports.
Addressing barriers to disabled individuals, addressing domestic violence and also petty crime rates

As someone who has volunteered in numerous activities over the years, and I think generally people in S.P. volunteer for a lot, I wonder if there are opportunities to help in ways that could benefit shut-ins, parents with children who are challenged, people grieving or alone for the first time. These may exist already thru the volunteer association.
Connect people to other people or services. Make bus services for special needs people more accessible. More support services for caregivers in our community to allow people to stay in community.
Create a non profit friendship based buddy program/system for those with special needs out of high school. They are truly isolated, especially if they are not affiliated with an organization for handicapped and still live at home. We see a need for an assisted living similar to a senior's facility for those who would like their own/rent a safe, affordable apartment with others with special needs. Not a group home scenario or low cost. They can go to work, enjoy a proper meal there, partake in extracurricular activities, or intramural, be safe and have their own space close to shopping, transportation & other amenities.
Ensure that our communities are inclusive and supportive of all individuals - especially providing access to those with disabilities (physical and developmental). This starts by ensuring that we have inclusive schools (where all children are included and learning in regular classrooms), all are welcomed into their community programs, transportation, accessible buildings, access to post-secondary, adequate housing in their communities. Not put into special programs or communities.
Have subsidised housing, childcare etc. for more vulnerable people (eg.) out of work, disabled elderly etc..
I feel many businesses in Strathcona County are not wheelchair accessible. All municipal govern places are great.
I think our community would better with more diversity. Right now the 'just a bunch of white people' stereotype holds true.
I truly believe that we already live in a wonderful community. Thank you! As an area for continued growth, I would like to see more quality programming and housing available for adults with special needs. It brings me joy to see individuals with special needs working in meaningful roles in the community, and I wish there were more incentives and training opportunities for local businesses to support these members of our community. Way to pave a trail for compassion and inclusion, Strathcona County!
More and better education for special needs (kindergarten to post secondary in our community). Special needs people are discriminated against in our community (eg. Jobs, school, and in general public). More respect and care if you get to know someone, less judgement. More wheel chair accessibility. More seniors care. Atmosphere of community is good. More counselling at reduced rates. Robin hood needs to have counsellors and advocates speaking up on half of special needs, onsite at robinhood. Someone who can listen to robinhood clients and advocate on their behalf.
Realize there is a diverse demographic in the county
your transit is expensive and runs too far apart between buses better classroom resources for children with special needs * BLA in Edmonton
Total

Question 1) Safety: Crime

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Decrease crime, house and vehicle break-ins- Keep working on the Alberta economy
- County needs a proper hospital- To much theft happening
- curfew's- block parents- community policing (lots of vandals, theft in area) of Strathcona
Address residential crime, ie. Burglaries, vehicle theft, etc.
Addressing barriers to disabled individuals, addressing domestic violence and also petty crime rates
basic neighborhood crime monitoring ... vehicles/garages being targeted

Bigger crime sentence
Don't support living in a bubble - report and disclose crime real-time and publicly; focus on creating healthy communities - more walkable between residential and commercial developments; bike friendly; pet friendly stores and coffee shops
Due to people moving here from other areas, provinces and countries, one improvement would be support to these people in regards to aiding them in setting up their basic needs. This would prevent new comers being swayed into illegal activities to survive. Also as far as safety, more monitoring at schools and wooded areas for illegal substances and activities taking place would be beneficial. Schools within Sherwood Park have a reputation of being high in drug content. I am a parent and see this as well. This affects safety within our community. One suggestion to make the community stronger would be to target each subdivision individually and encourage each subdivision to take ownership on their area. Knowing their neighbors, protecting the area from illegal activities by reporting them and watching for them, and keeping it clean would all be a start to make people feel like part of a smaller community. This would create the feeling of safety and respect. Sometimes it's easier to work o
Ensure police are focused on areas of crime that are most important i.e. drugs, crime, etc., not so much in areas like traffic tickets and minor issues. Adequate hospital access and equipment and doctors, etc.
Have harsher punishments for bad behaviours such as bullying
I feel like crime (property damage, car breakins, house breakins) is an issue and is not addressed by police (who seem to worry more about vehicles tinted windows and speeding)
I feel like we need to control the crime levels in the county. I'm sure until the economy picks up it will continue to be an issue, but I think maybe some "stings" or setups could help control breakins in problem areas.
I feel there is too much youth drug abuse and petty crime.
I would like more information on preventing rural break-ins and an increased police presence in my area. All my neighbors have had their homes broken into at one time or another and recently my neighbor at 2 a.m. on a Tuesday night. A hunting knife was left at the back door. The thieves know it takes the RCMP 30 minutes to arrive. My mailbox has been damaged numerous times and since changing to a Canada Post box, my locks have been cut three times. My road is continually being used as a garbage dump for anything goes, batteries, bikes, beer cases, tires, a truckbox load of large full garbage bags. And an increased traffic volume of speeding vehicles at shift change using the rural roads to cut across from industry on Hwy 15 to Hwy 16. I don't feel safe here any longer. (Rge Rd 211 and Twp Rd 544)
improve efforts towards mental health and reduce crime rates including theft
In my experience a faster response from our RCMP. I called several times about young males running through my property hiding in vehicles. It was never a priority. Until my neighbour was shot and killed. Then they simply closed down the rural children's home. This was a senseless death and a tragic loss of an important youth center.
Increase support for law enforcement due to the huge increase in break and enter of people's home, of the increase in theft of vehicle and the increase of theft from vehicles
Just providing resources right now on an as needed basis. With the economy the way it is I think the hardships are showing up. Crime is increasing with the hard times. The resources need to be in place so these needs are met.
Late night stunting in vehicles. I'm pretty easy going but this needs to be curbed by rCMP.
Mailbox sucurty
Make activities more available for working families. More weekend selection. We have had some serious issues in town and RCMP have been slow to respond. Reason we moved out of town.
Make cops being nicer and more fair . Got a 400 dollar ticket and that he wouldn't take any off and it was my first one
Make it a law - first time - lose your car (re: texting and driving)
Make people more informed and make penalties harsher
Maybe deal with robbers.
more community law enforcement to cut back robberies

More help for elderly, more consideration of environment, more small local businesses, more crime prevention
more nightly patrolling - less break ins/ theft
More RCMP engagment. Drive bys etc. The amount of Car break ins is ridiculous. Always reading "so and so of EDMONTON was charged with breaking in" They come here to break in because they know they won't get caught. Taking these break ins seriously is something the RCMP need to address asap.
Photo radar is a waste of tax dollars we should be spending them more appropriately Life guards should not be paid \$20 an hour as that is another waste of tax dollars
Property taxes are too high especially when there is surplus this year- more RCMP response to growing theft / B&E's- Boys & Girls Club / YMCA this is available (&free) for youth
Public transportation could be improved upon. I have a friend who was involved in an incident, and the driver provided no help. When reported, it was noted and forgotten. Drivers need proper training to deal with sensitive/dangerous situations.
Reduce home break and enters in Sherwood Park
Seems to be a higher crime rate around theft and vandalism. I have lived in Woodbridge for 3 yrs, Glen Allan before that. Never have I seen police roaming the area creating a presence. Very rarely do I see them. More community programs for kids 11 -16 yrs around internet safety...for parents too actually. Computer courses for the same age...defense classes for them. I really liked in Glen Allan the community league. You got out to events to know your neighbors and folks in the area.
Since the economic downturn my husband has seen more blatant theft attempts from the 2 Save on Stores he's worked at in Sherwood Park. With as much connectivity and belonging as can be generated through County facilities and community outreach, maybe this behaviour would decrease as people feel they have help and support available.
Strathcona County neglects the focus of some aspects of health of their citizens when they develop so much industry which negatively affects our air and water. We have high rates of asthma and lung and heart disease here. We need less focus on building more pipelines and plants and more on healthy areas that support our natural areas and decrease our emissions. And our "hospital" is not a hospital--there are no in-patient beds or surgeries. If you are that ill that you need an emergency, then you probably will be transferred to a real hospital. There is also way too many vehicle break ins lately in many neighborhoods.
the radar for traffic (it is a cash cow) not necessary police monitor focus on schools, focus on more serious crime issues most expensive traffic cop (ie. baseline road)
There seems to be a lot of property thefts, where items are stolen from property or cars on the property. An action plan needs to be developed with the community to stop this.
transportation: Sundays regular service to Edmonton seniors: bus pass ends at 3pm. senior 55+ activities end at 4:00pm. extend pass times. reinstate radar. speeding in park terrible.
Try and make an effort to find the people that have been breaking into houses and condemn them
vandalism is a problem, as are B&E's. Tax load is high, I am wary of ambitious new plans which would drive up taxes beyond rate of inflation. Adequate income not being sustained at same rate. Respect tax payers of fixed incomes
We can improve the feeling of safety and security by trying harder to locate the offender and help rehabilitate them so they can feel safer.
We need additional patrolling of our police department. There are underage teens as well as adults that cause far too much property damage as well as theft in our community. Other than driving somewhere I would never think about going outside my home after dark. Do not feel safe in our community.
We need to work on residential crime/property crime. (ie. house/vehicle theft and break ins)
When you have a person killing 2 older people, found guilty sentence - 4 years??? What can I say, protecting myself??
Total

Question 1) Safety: Community

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-curfew's-block parents-community policing (lots of vandals, theft in area) of Strathcona
All should feel all safe and safe and free
Bring back "Block Parents"Patroll high risk areascommunity task forces
By enforcing bylaws so residents are treated fairly in all instances ie: parking on lawns - rv's and cars. Most residents respect the bylaws while others do not. This disregard for bylaws make our community look "poorly".
create a neighborhood watch
Crime watch. Increase police drive bys in specific areas of town where crime is high. Informing the community of car break ins, petafiles in area.
Encourage employers to look inside their own community for workers - those with disabilities. If they are not a part of an organization it is difficult to find work for these individuals.More quality in personal health and safety. Focus on violence against women and nothing the other way. It is a two way street that needs to be addresses.
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Work together to make our community stronger.Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
feel unsafe on sidewalk these days. Education needed re: pedestrian safety
Have a later curfew
Have more security and safer places for people to go with out fear
Have Silver Birch Court through Heartland Housing Corp receive more funding. A 3 bedroom apartment is still 1,035 with one parking stall. (that does not include power and phone, internet) I receive on CCCP and Aish,,,,\$1,688.00 per month....still paying out over 75-80% of income in just housing alone. Please could we help single parents moms & dads to afford a decent place to live without having to pay 3/4 of the gross total income to rent, Sherwood Park is a safe place to live and even though we are low income single parents we want to continue to live here. We do not want to leave the Park to move to Edmonton because we cannot afford to live here...Please, Please help this group of people Thank you very much!!
Have stronger security online and in the community. Some don't always feel safe in the community
Have the police do community talks on how they protect us.
High taxes, but worth if for community & safetylove it hereLove the community activities put on library, June carnival, ect.Have more moms staying @ home to raise their children and programs for that (funded)
I believe we need to collect information from people around the community in terms of their lifestyle and the environment at home. We have to get together as a whole and have discussions on life changes we can make to allow ourselves to be happy.
I think engaging all demographics in the community is important. I also think having safe, well maintained neighbourhoods through strong policies to reinforce this is important & a good example is the property on the corner of Juniper and Hawthorn. It is a safety concern as well as being unsightly & does nothing to further a safe + connected community.
I think its good now, very stable community
I think that security at the public library should be strengthened. Also, the public transportation needs to be improved (buses on time, clean buses,friendly bus drivers, more security and attendants at the ordze station. We also need to have more affordable housing and childcare.

I think to feel safe we should have police roaming every neighbourhood at night because my house has already gotten broken into. I also think that for people to have their basic needs met, the minimum wage should be raised and every child from the age of four should be aloud taking school without paying school fees. Because the main reason kids can't go to school is because it costs too much for the poor families.
making the community safer; more harsh punishments on those who make people feel unsafe, or more places to go for people who feel unsafe in their home
More encouragement and stimulus to build local communities - like block parties etc. County provides some good resources however not all residents are aware. More monitoring and active stimulation may be needed in some areas due to lack of an interested individual willing to take the lead.
More neighbourhood watches to try and fight crime in our neighbourhoods. More police presents in problem areas. It would also be nice if the by-laws were stricter. Example is fines for dogs off leash, etc.
More police presence n have a curfew that is not so late as what we have now.
More street lights better transit into EdmontonFocus on sustainable energy
Neighborhood watch programs. Police mentor programs. Senior centers with programs for seniors.
People in the community can talk to each other and work to achieve our goals and it doesn't just affect us in a good way it affects everyone around us. We can have a safer community by being kind to each other and respecting others as you would want to be. I think people in this community are very nice compared to other places. I feel pretty good living here but that doesn't mean others around me aren't struggling. It is very expensive to live here and I think that's something that needs to be dealt with so people don't have to worry too much about if they will have a place to sleep, food to eat, get to do activities, sports, school,etc.
Provide transit for Sherwood Golf: Country Club, Balmoral and Fountain Creek - no sidewalks or transit to get to Wye Road safely. Must walk down a very busy RR233.
Safe placed to go if bad things are happening.
some roads - speed limit could be reduced eg. says 70 kms but people are going faster - thus running red lights etc.
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There is not one goal to focus on at first. Many need to be looked at. In any case, being healthy and safe are the top in my opinion. If these two exists, the other ones can follow because the population will be more receptive and capable of success. The community also needs to attract more health care professionals, have a high end and multi-functional hospital. As the community is family focused, we need a high quality maternity ward with specialists available. Also, have more services available to focus on mental health.
To feel safe from harm make sure we have safe places where people can speak out without feeling threatened.
Total

Question 1) Safety: Feeling of safety

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Consider lowering child care fees - Try to control door to door sales as there is an increased number of scams going around and have been pushy trying to get in.
-- safe walks for employees working late at night-- good security in workplace settings (e.g., wearing of ID)-- more social groups (moms groups, youth / child groups)
Accepting,respecting, and being safe in the community, putting more programs for people with disability for us to connect to others.
Affordable housing needs to be a priority. Without a safe, affordable place to live residents cannot meet any other needs.

All should feel all safe and safe and free
all work to be fair in employee treatment
Also: Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm, and Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.
be safe
Better control of residential traffic volumes and speeding.
Better security to make us feel safe.
Bring back "Block Parents" Patrol high risk areas community task forces
bullying free exercise education on harm being caused in the community
By making sure everyone is safe by checking on them
Continue to support the RCMP. We must find a way to keep criminals in jail out of society. Judges keep releasing criminals and these criminals keep committing crimes. It is far less expensive to society to keep criminals in jail rather than keep releasing them where they do harm and cost society more than if they had stayed in jail. Judges need to be accountable.
Create a talk session that is anonymous so that people who are being abused can feel safe while asking for help/ advice/ share their story
Create relationships with neighbors and people in each community and rally together to make sure everyone is safe and happy.
Create safe environments for people in need. Be welcoming and open to help people. Look at the big picture, but also the details that will get us there.
Currently there is a lot of break ins in the older neighbourhoods in Sherwood Park. Instead of a request model where the RCMP come out only if requested, a larger unsolicited community presence would go far for helping create a safe place to live.
Discipline if they harm anyone.
Ensure our community is safe for all people. Impress on people to be kind and helpful to everyone. promote love and peace for humanity.
Feel like they belong and are connected to others. Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. do not be shy smile hug and help find ways to get involved ask for help
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation). Have regular appointments by the year.
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation). I can't think of anything at this time.
Feel safe and free from physical and emotional harm
Feel safe from any kind of harm from other people
Feel safe in our community
feel unsafe on sidewalk these days. Education needed re: pedestrian safety
Feeling safe because some people in our community don't feel safe.
Focus more on trying to make people feel safer especially around the sketchy parts

For those that work with Strathcona County, SC really has to review their HR processes, compassion training. Many managers/senior admin. are trying to advance careers, and loose site of those below them. It happens over time, like starting out dating, until you live with someone for awhile and discover what they are really like. Advancing their career through power, control, and intimidation. Fear is the staff motivator. Those with power are ready to remove you, not work out differences of character, do not recognize different ways to complete work as innovative. Unless you are liked, flexibility to meet basic needs, family, health challenges, aging, is stressful demonstration on employee part. Feel judged which leads to all the points above the meeting basic needs.
have a place to go where people who feel like they are treated unfairly to go to share their thoughts and opinoins and how they can be improved
have a safe community and feel free to do whatever but are safe and not harming others work together with others to do what ever you can to achieve whatever you want
Have everyone get their basic needs and feel safe with where they live.
Have really good police and teaching people how to work and just letting them do it.
High taxes, but worth if for community & safetylove it hereLove the community activities put on library, June carnival, ect.Have more moms staying @ home to raise their children and programs for that (funded)
Hold those who do inappropriate behaviours accountable... Stop "slapping wrists" and create consequences. This is maybe beyond scope of SC, but would be nice to see it happen.
I also feel:Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Work together to make our community stronger.Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
I believe if people feel safe, valued and respected then all the other goals will follow. If you feel safe and valued then everything else naturally will fall into place due to positive energy and thinking. They are all important goals to focus on to establish a great community.
I feel like some people don't feel like they are safe and cared for.
I feel our community (while I dislike many of the people in it) is strong. However I would like for there to be more LGBT inclusion, more than just a GSA in the high schools. Normalizing LGBT relationships and people would make people feel safer and improve the community as a whole.
I really like Sherwood Park. Me and my kids enjoy living here we feel safe. We are happy to be here in Sherwood Park. It is the best place to live.
I think it is crucial to focus on children from kindergarten through grade 12 to ensure that they feel safe and comfortable and happy in school. I do not believe that what our provincial government is promoting with all their new gender policies is helping this cause. This is going to cause an extreme amount of confusion to all kids and consequently create more bullying for both the LGBTQ child and the little girls and boys who are not LGBTQ but now are uncomfortable using their washrooms/changerooms etc... in a place where they are supposed to feel safe.This policy needs to be challenged starting with our municipality.
I think residents overall feeling of safety in the county could be improved with a more visible police presence.
I think there needs to be more affordable housing . We need to have more places to go that people can feel safe telling people about any violence , addiction or anything like that in the community
I think this is a wonderful place to start!I haven't had any great ideas; however, feel like organizations, such as Robinhood, boys and girls club, etc should be supported better by our community. Robinhood has been a wonderful support to our family, allowing us to go safely to places such as a playground or the library. Alone this was not possible for us. And our emotional well being has improved with their support.
I think we are safe here in sherwood, they just have to improve th security more for everyone. Housing is expensive though which is the downside for me. O
I think we should all feel safe and respected and we should be free from any physical harm. We should help make the community stronger by having our basic needs met and the child care "price" should be lowered. And everyone should have an adequate income
I think we should improve to make everyone to feel safe

I would like more information on preventing rural break-ins and an increased police presence in my area. All my neighbors have had their homes broken into at one time or another and recently my neighbor at 2 a.m. on a Tuesday night. A hunting knife was left at the back door. The thieves know it takes the RCMP 30 minutes to arrive. My mailbox has been damaged numerous times and since changing to a Canada Post box, my locks have been cut three times. My road is continually being used as a garbage dump for anything goes, batteries, bikes, beer cases, tires, a truckbox load of large full garbage bags. And an increased traffic volume of speeding vehicles at shift change using the rural roads to cut across from industry on Hwy 15 to Hwy 16. I don't feel safe here any longer. (Rge Rd 211 and Twp Rd 544)
If you add as a goal: to have a safe and friendly environment
if you want people safe don't keep bad people here
Improve safety concerns mentioned by residents
Improve safety of neighbourhoods at night.
In my experience a faster response from our RCMP. I called several times about young males running through my property hiding in vehicles. It was never a priority. Until my neighbour was shot and killed. Then they simply closed down the rural children's home. This was a senseless death and a tragic loss of an important youth center.
increase awareness about harmful situations. I don't think many people realize how often young adult and teen boys and girls are approached in ways that make them feel uncomfortable. However we're taught to be polite and don't know what to say. We need to educate our youth so they know when to get out of a situation that could cause them physical or emotional harm.
Job creation.,more affordable child care, more full time employment got women.lighting in parks and walkways,
Make it safe and healthy environment.
make people feel safer
Make sure everyone is included and feels safe.
Make sure that everyone feels safe and welcomed here. Make sure everyone can have a good life.
Make sure that kids are safe on their way to school on the bus, walking, etc.
make sure those who do self harm get treatment. Watch for bullies. Make sure that also everyone feels safe but we all need to work together as a community. Its nice being safe and not feeling scared.
Many schools still hav3 bullying issues, bullying should be taken more seriously in every school. And teachers should know what theyre learning and be helped, not judged or bashed by the people they should count on.
Maybe some tax breaks for people who have retired early. These people can have up to 10 years 55-65 that there is no relief. Sometimes people leave the work place because it is not healthy to stay in it.
Mention more about feeling safe.
neighbourhood watches to help our children feel safe in the streets
No tolerance for disrespect by employees (county and otherwise) who treat our teens poorly (its ageism and not ok to stereotype based on age), more activities for teens but also a crackdown on the teens that are getting into trouble (I've seen a lot of verbal sexual harassment by groups of teens at large events like the cavada day celebration). Safe spaces and support groups for our LGBTQ population, an atheist or secular humanism support group rather than just churches everywhere.
not entirely sure, housing is expensive but that is economy based, Sherwood park is very clean and safe community
Pay closer attention to what the people say, and make sure everybody is safe and secure.
Police to report type and area of crimes being committed in strathcona county as a weekly update for residents to look up. This will open up eyes of residents to type of crime being committed in their own back yards and houses. They will then be able to take the appropriate measures to protect themselves and their families.
Provide a neighbourhood watch program for children
Public transportation could be improved upon. I have a friend who was involved in an incident, and the driver provided no help. When reported, it was noted and forgotten. Drivers need proper training to deal with sensitive/dangerous situations.

put a fine on cruel and insulting words
Put more lights and put more police around neighbourhoods.
Put more police officers and put more security cameras.
Reintegrate the auxiliary RCMP program back into the community for a better presence. When we feel secure we begin to have fun and mesh as a community
safe and supported
Safety and new skatepark
Support organizations that promote safe environments.
The county should also focus on the following goals: Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Are healthy.
The goals we should focus on first in the community include: Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Are healthy. Have their basic needs met.
There should be some way to reassure people that they are safe from harm here, the sherwood park community is generally safe and clean aside from the drug use. It would be nice if someone got on that. It's a pain when I'm driving and suddenly ah yes, the delightful smell of weed. Cool.
To feel safe and to be proud of who you are.
to feel safe from harm
To feel safe from harm make sure we have safe places where people can speak out without feeling threatened.
To make sure everyone feels safe walking outside alone at most times of the day
To not be scared when your home alone
Try and make an effort to find the people that have been breaking into houses and condemn them
We can continue to make people feel better/safer in their community.
We can improve the feeling of safety and security by trying harder to locate the offender and help rehabilitate them so they can feel safer.
we can make sure everyone is safe
We need additional patrolling of our police department. There are underage teens as well as adults that cause far too much property damage as well as theft in our community. Other than driving somewhere I would never think about going outside my home after dark. Do not feel safe in our community.
well yes i think that no matter how good it is there is always room for improvement. such as feeling safe mentally and physically i know many people that don't feel safe and they hide their feelings and act like everything is okay i think that promoting the fact that it is okay to come out and say what they are worried about bringing to light i just think that showing people that you don't have to go through whatever they have happening that is making them feel unsafe
When i as a senior in my own home want to sell and move into a smaller accommodation i would like an assistant to help me negotiate the process and a way of finding out the costs associated with renting a smaller place for a senior right now i see that i have to get out and go from one place to another and ask there is not one place i can go to that will show me all my options and costs...the cost is what is confusing for example: the units across from our library...going there i just get confused on the high costs and wonder where else to go for something nice, cheaper and safe...safety is a high priority for me. I feel lost so i just stay in my old home and hope for the best.
When I have encounters with police off I should feel safe, because their job is to keep us safe. I often feel uneasy, unsafe, scared.
While not as important as feeling safe and having basic needs met, the goal of seeing a more relationally connected community is a good one. This is an area of relative weakness presently
Work harder and make others feel safe from bullying and other things that may affect.
Total

Question 1) Safety: Police presence

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Follow the rules- Call the police if you need to- Respect others and their race- Be responsible
- increase community patrol in residential areas- goal of reducing vehicle / housing robberies- goal of reducing bullying within neighborhoods
- More affordable housing- more police presence to reduce crime
-- safe walks for employees working late at night-- good security in workplace settings (e.g., wearing of ID)-- more social groups (moms groups, youth / child groups)
As someone who drives a lot, the complete disrespect of my person from every "peace" officer I come in contact with is disconcerting. I also used to live in Sherwood Park but had to move because I couldn't afford to live here.
basic neighborhood crime monitoring ... vehicles/garages being targeted
Better copsHigher speed limits
better policing
better security
Bring back "Block Parents"Patroll high risk areascommunity task forces
By enforcing bylaws so residents are treated fairly in all instances ie: parking on lawns - rv's and cars. Most residents respect the bylaws while others do not. This disregard for bylaws make our community look "poorly".
By having better policing or making sure all our doors are locked.
By having police around more and checking up on things.
Continue with police presence and patrols in neighbourhoods
Cops following the speed limits
Crime watch. Increase police drive bys in specific areas of town where crime is high. Informing the community of car break ins, petafiles in area.
Currently there is a lot of break ins in the older neighbourhoods in Sherwood Park. Instead of a request model where the RCMP come out only if requested, a larger unsolicited community presence would go far for helping create a safe place to live.
Ensure proper police patrols, education, school systems.
Ensure we have a good RCMP presence in the park
Ensure we have plenty of RCMP officers to cope with the rapid growth of the county.
Family and individual counseling free of chargeAdequate policingControl of nuisance trees and weeds on County and private property eg. female cottonwood poplar trees and dandelions
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get more police officers
Get rid of the people in city council. The rcmp should patrol residential areas nightly and spend less time at Tim Hortons.
I feel there has been a rise in theft, property damage and break and enter. I would like the county to address this in their new budget re policing.
I like that there is a police presence at the schools but I would like to see it increased around the high schools and around them where the kids hang out after school and on breaks. My child is scared of being beat up.
I personally think that there is not enough law enforcement watching the roads. Just yesterday I saw a truck turn through a red light and almost hit a car. I fell like the Law enforcement is never there when they are needed.

I think residents overall feeling of safety in the county could be improved with a more visible police presence.
I think that we as a community should make sure no one is on the streets and that if younger people are smoking drinking doing any drug our police should be more helpful they are just more. Our police line should be less rude my reasoning for saying that is one time there was a small forest fire and i called 911 and all she was doing was being rude to me.
I think to feel safe we should have police roaming every neighbourhood at night because my house has already gotten broken into. I also think that for people to have their basic needs met, the minimum wage should be raised and every child from the age of four should be aloud taking school without paying school fees. Because the main reason kids can't go to school is because it costs too much for the poor families.
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Increase police patrols in residential neighbourhoods.
Increase police patrols of neighborhoods to discourage crime. Encourage youth to help seniors with visits and yard work. Form volunteer groups to communicate and connect with lonely seniors and new citizens through phone calls and visits. Offer mental health workshops and talks to the public. Offer budgeting and meal planning sessions to help interested citizens provide affordable, healthy meals to their families. Provide lower income families with fun sporting activities for their children. Encourage the citizens of Strathcona County to connect with each other, volunteer and generally get involved to make Strathcona County a family friendly community that is the envy of other communities.
Increase support for law enforcement due to the huge increase in break and enter of people's home, of the increase in theft of vehicle and the increase of theft from vehicles
Increased RCMP presence, keep rent low and affordable, keep tax rate (property) affordable
Larger police presence in neighbourhoods
Limit low income housing to avoid transient low-functioning individuals. Increase police surveillance in communities to avoid theft and vandalism to properties.
Make our community healthier by suppling more healthy foods instead of processed foods and stop making all of the natural healthy food more expensive than processed foodsMake police more easy going when it comes to children and their parents
Make surgery waits lessSupply more healthy foodsMake child services easier to contactMake police more easy going when it comes to children and their parents
Maybe add another police/fire station so that there is equal access throughout Strathcona County
More financially accessible services ie drug counselling as well as more awareness of options currently available. More financially accessible sports/wellness programs ie subsidized sports programs (house leagues) and/or grants to schools for student sports. More physicians accepting new patients. More police patrols (and funding) for safety (seems to be an increase in vehicle break-ins and vandalism). Increase in seniors residences - waiting list is currently 3 - 4 years in many. Partner with ECE training or similar to offer more childcare options paired with education for those entering the field.

More local community events so neighbours get to know each other. Improve policing in rural areas. Improve access to recreational activities for low income and seniors with lower cost and more suitable activities. More community input and involvement in activities. Lower taxes and bring in more jobs. Better and more seniors housing and amenities including a seniors recreation centre with multiple activities.
More neighbourhood events - ex. pond party as a way to connect neighbours. These are usually not coordinated by individuals and will be more successful if its a county organized event. More RCMP patrols through neighbourhoods - more presence.
More neighbourhood watches to try and fight crime in our neighbourhoods. More police presents in problem areas. It would also be nice if the by-laws were stricter. Example is fines for dogs off leash, etc.
more nightly patrolling - less break ins/ theft
More patrols of neighborhoods by police to stop my home from being broken into.
More people working RCMP so vandalism and littering stops.
More police
More Police
More police officers.
More police on night time neighbourhood watch
more police patrolling schools and streets.more watch on social media for cyber bullying.watch for self harm marks,people always wearing long sleeve/always covering legs/stomach and bruises.
More police patrols
More police patrols near schools and at night. I know many vehicles that have had break-ins and some children have been approached by strangers in this community.
More police presence in rural areas
More police presence n have a curfew that is not so late as what we have now.
More police, fire and a increase in hospital funding.
More policing
More policing improving road safety
More RCMP engagment. Drive bys etc. The amount of Car break ins is ridiculous. Always reading "so and so of EDMONTON was charges with breaking in" They come here to break in because they know they wont get caught. Taking these break ins seriously is something the RCMP need to address asap.
More resources put toward providing safe places for victims of family violence andpreventing family violence. Police resources to focus more on personal/property crimes, drugs robberies, & muggings and less resources to traffic enforcement.
More routine police patrols. Driving speed limits in Sherwood Park are unusual.
Need to increase police visibility in rural areas, understanding that Police can not be everywhere all the time. Break ins, illegal dumping, traffic travelling with excessive speed having blatant disregard for rules and limits. We live on a fairly busy road and may have seen police cruisers 3 or 4 times this year! Once saw an individual failing to stop at a stop sign with a cruiser directly behind him and the cruiser failed to apprehend the individual. Maybe we could save some money and remove all stop and speed signage.
patrolling more often at day time n nights
people need to stop treating police like crap every day when they are just trying to protect us
People should tell someone in authority to deal with abuse
Police officers not be biased.
Police presence
Put more lights and put more police around neighbourhoods.
Put more police officers and put more security cameras.

RCMP force can be used to catch criminals committing crimes. Our homes n cars are being violated nightly however there out giving tax paying regular people tickets for items that don't effect crime rates, ie :photo radar, red light , seat belt tickets.... The list goes on. Gain the trust of people again and connect with community n kids This will make a better future for everyone in communi
RCMP relationships with teens enhanced/improved.
Reintegrate the auxiliary RCMP program back into the community for a better presence. When we feel secure we begin to have fun and mesh as a community
Safer biking... baseline road is far too narrow for both car and bike. More seniors programs, rural public transportation, more timely snow removal. Safe walking areas...again range roads are too narrow, traffic is fast, in winter roads are snow covered. Occasional police presence.....never see police unless there is a major incidence.
Security guards
Seems to be a higher crime rate around theft and vandalism. I have lived in Woodbridge for 3 yrs, Glen Allan before that. Never have I seen police roaming the area creating a presence. Very rarely do I see them.More community programs for kids 11 -16 yrs around internet safety...for parents too actually. Computer courses for the same age....defense classes for them.I really liked in Glen Allan the community league. You got out to events to know your neighbors and folks in the area.
Strong police presence. Rehab for repeat offenders.
Stronger police presence in the community
try to make it safer in our community maybe by hiring more police to patrol the streets
We already have a police force to ensure our safety.We already have FCSS who provide residents with supports (abuse, counseling,& a wide variety of valuable information sessions; so the wheel doesn't need to be reinvented here.This survey, sounds like County Council is just looking for a pat on the back, when all these goals are already being addressed...some are lacking & need more attention, but for the most part I found this survey redundant! What needs to happen - is to change the mind set of Council to realize that we're not all rich & wealthy. For instance, studies have been done, task forces have been created and nothing concrete has come of them. The Affordable housing issue has been on the table since 2008, and here we are still with nothing. Take a look around at the faces when out shopping - driving about - SENIORS are abundant. Every day 60 people in Alberta turn 65. We got the pools, the walking trails the schools & the recreation facilities - geared towards families - bu
We can add more security
we can have more police
We need additional patrolling of our police department. There are underage teens as well as adults that cause far too much property damage as well as theft in our community. Other than driving somewhere I would never think about going outside my home after dark. Do not feel safe in our community.
Total

Question 1) Safety: Better training for RCMP on harassment/bullying

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Continue and build on events like First Night and Canada Day events. Get involved with the court system and first appearance officer for traffic fines. The first appearance officer is rude and causes more court dates.
I feel young people are usually disrespected, more by police (RCMP) than anyone, although myself and other have also been disrespected by them. Therefore, they have lost a lot of respect and lack of trust. People feel more "picker on" than" protected by the RCMP.

I like that there is a police presence at the schools but I would like to see it increased around the high schools and around them where the kids hang out after school and on breaks. My child is scared of being beat up.
I think a goal should be to make the cops see that we are people are deserve a chance to speak before they assume the bad! Or help people in need! More homeless shelters
I think personally the peace officer force/school officers overstep their boundaries and are aggressive with their interactions. Their job is to protect and serve not to belittle and instill fear in our youth.
In my experience the RCMP are not trained to deal with some of the issues that are occurring in the community with respect to harassment/bullying. Especially for adults. Yes, there is the criminal code for harassment, but the RCMP do not charge people with the offense if they feel it is not serious. The anti-bullying bylaw should have been passed. Adults are not in school, therefore don't have the benefit of the school system to protect them. At present there is nothing for adults that are bullied or harassed.
Need to improve community police services. The police attitude is generally not consistent with making our community better and safer but rather they are aggressive and overbearing. They need to be taught to de-escalate issues and reminded that they are here to serve.
Our RCMP could be much better.
Re-evaluate how bullying is handled in school and by the rcmp.
Stop spending money on cops that pull you over for not singling and start focusing on keeping people safe.and but some more focus on mental health
There is zero affordable or low income housing to keep single families residents of Sherwood aPark. Income support is ridiculous and only covered my rent as I am not receiving low income. I was consistently harassed by children services and RCMP while trying to leave abusive relationship. Based on my ex testimony to RCMP I was kicked to the street with nowhere to go with 4 kids. No help with paying utility bills that are mandatory, food bank is only once a month and give expired food and no actual meat etc. RAP program is excellent but busing subsidy is still not affordable. More needs to Recreation facilities like the zoo, Fort Edmonton, trampoline places etc. School fees and supplies are ridiculous. Have so many complaints about living here and day by day it just isn't affordable anymore
Total

Question 1) Communication: Frequency

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Communication by media, newspaper, internet- to be made available at anytime
Better communication.
By having these surveys every year and by having more interactions with fellow community members.
By listening to the needs of the diverse communities within Sherwood Park. Resolving issues through discussion.
Communicate with others.
Communicate. Have our council person at least send us information every year not just election year.
Communication. Regular assessment of senior community members
Frequent communication with people.
Good communication.N
I would like to see our member of council contract us – in person or by phone – occasionally (not just at election time) in order to discuss local issues – roads, nuisance's, maintenance, etc. When people move around the area they become aware of problems – talking with people – observations. I've heard this called "management by walking about".

Increase agency visits when needed. Have an "awareness" input system where concerned family, neighbours, etc, can report concerns regarding neighbours.
more communication/working with low income families
Perhaps more communications from the county - could be included in utilities billings - an email newsletter etc. "It will take all of us working together..." - this is key to all of the goals mentioned.
Please continue to have periodic public consultations regarding socio-economic issues that are crucial to residents of Strathcona County. The County officials and Residents can work together for an even better community.
Stay focused on the goals and keep people informed and allow input.
Total

Question 1) Communication: Information

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Communication by media, newspaper, internet- to be made available at anytime
- Education - Communication
- More affordable housing for families- More awareness and visibility of charities operating in the county with volunteer opportunities
- Use social media- Explain who to contact for certain issues- Make individuals feel like they have a say even if they don't have hundreds of people back them.
All important and interrelated. Hard to pick out one. Need coordinated approach.
Also: work together to make our community stronger, are healthy, and feel valued. Have more information on where to go for help.
Be informed on how one can be involved
better communication with all concerned, living in the community
By communicating
By designing projects that may bring people together and develop a sense of belonging and care. Debates, group discussion on common issues/problems
By doing surveys like this in the community. First find out the needs of the community and then working towards those needs. For childcare, looking at policy change in government.
By providing useful, informative and supportive connections for free such as Parent Link
Communication is the key. I think Strathcona County is doing some pretty awesome things but the general population doesn't know about it. Perhaps choose one of the organizations per month and put a "did you know" section in the community papers and let the community know what the org. has accomplished, what they plan on doing or what is upcoming.
Communication.
community talk
Continue to provide information on the programs and resources available.
Create a network where everybody in the community gets access to all services. Make services affordable to everyone. Also reach more people about services offered to the community.
Create awareness of programs and services that Strathcona County offers.
Creating awareness, utilizing social media programs exists that people are not aware of.
Creating support groups based on interests and values, advertising these and existing groups/programs better. Creating more affordable housing options, job opportunities so that people from diverse backgrounds are able to move here, improve diversity.

Crime watch. Increase police drive bys in specific areas of town where crime is high. Informing the community of car break ins, petafiles in area.
Educate the residents on the advantages of meeting the aforementioned goals
Education on the movement and why it is needed. Skip the statistical info and focus on personal connection of WHY the movement is important.
Ensure local newspaper publishes truthful stories and shares information that helps meet these goals (where is help required? Where can I get help if I need it? What services are out there? What community events are happening?)
Focus on new families moving in and help get them information and support to enroll them into our vision.
Gathering information from all groups of people
Getting information out there, so people know what there is offered
Giving more info especially to people who need it.
Good communication with everyone
Have community meetings
Have workshops that explain these goals and how we plan to achieve them.
I am currently in a situation where I asked my MLA to step in and assists me, but I am sorry to say the MLA has not been very helpful in communicating to me, which was my issue in the first place with this other organization. Proper communication would be a start. I have little faith in our system. Finding trust in others will help at least me feel I belong and connected. If I cannot trust all belonging and connection is lost.
I believe there is a need for a tool by which people in Strathcona become aware of these goals. I find a lot of disconnect because of the lack of things that bring about connection, perhaps a radio station.. a spot on the television..a better newspaper..no central core (downtown) meeting place.
I cannot think of anything. The upcycling/buy and sell pages on Facebook show a great deal of community support. Also, the asking strathcona county page. There's a sense of welcomeness there.
I have been disconnected from the community at large for years. I do not know what is happening in this community and for all I know you have already met your goals its just that I have not read or heard about it. I certainly would like to know more about what is happening here. I am finding the cost of living is increasing by leaps and bounds. My property taxes are getting very high. Starting to think of moving to a place that I can afford on my fixed income. Considering the county has a surplus of \$15 million and my taxes keep going up makes me think I am missing information.
I like the idea of a connect community, the more connected the more awareness of community values and needs. If values and needs are known and met then all of the goals above will be achieved with better accuracy.
I think we need to be more aware of our vulnerable people. Often I think we believe that because we are an affluent community that we don't have poverty, family violence and homelessness. Our community has grown more and more ignorant of these issues in our community. In my mind our current curfew for youth is a perfect example of this. Instead of addressing the issues that could be leading to young people being out at night we just do the easy thing through the curfew. We need to better address the root causes of these issues, but first we need to recognize that they exist in our community.
I would love it if there were more community events here, and the ones we have be advertised better. Often I hear about them too late. I am always surprised to hear of the number of events in Ft. Saskatchewan, and wish there were more here (although maybe more difficult due to our larger population)
I'm not really sure but I feel like there are a lot of services available but they aren't really well known
Improve for a more reliable public transportation, communicate more about the programs to the peoples of the county.
Improvement can happen by making resources and information easier to find and access.
Increase agency visits when needed. Have an "awareness" input system where concerned family, neighbours, etc, can report concerns regarding neighbours.

It is so important to feel like you belong and are connected. Once you feel like that, then it'll be easier to accomplish the other goals. Not sure how to improve on it. More community events? Outreach programs that are communicated and included within the daily activities that we do. (Grocery stores, banks, etc.)
Just getting information out to residents is always good. I think the county does a good job at this.
Keep the flow of information timely and out front
Let people know how and where to get info they need, (send out lists)
lobby prov. gov't to stop spending so much on private education, especially religiously based home schooling.build more housing for families needing rent support continue to use local newspaper to communicate with residents (not everyone is always on-line)support agricultural services like weed control and animal controlcontinue community events like July 1st fireworks, support for free public skating at the various arenascontinue support for community hallsbuild walking and bike trails to help connect rural subdivisions to urban areas.
Locally funded or discounted passes for physical activity or rented facilities.Volunteer position postings.
Make sure people are aware of the supports and services that are available to them.
Make the general public aware of what is available in our community that will meet their needs. HOW I don't know! I believe we have a progressive community. As a community, how do you make people feel valued and respected? Hard to know what peoples needs are unless they ask for it I suppose.
Making sure as small individual communities we are aware of what goes on in our neighbourhoods.
Many people with little kids do not really have a time to go through survey. (More likely less to take a survey) Need any information more available and more spread so that people can easily get information.
More affordable housing for seniors. More flexible options (eg: we can food). more information sharing sessions.
More affordable housingMore community programs for familiesMore advertising/info about current available services
more communication/working with low income families
More community awareness
More community initiatives to be involved in charities, the environment, etc. More communication on how to get involved in these things.
More resources allocated, more awareness about resources
not adequately informed
Ongoing information mailed not in local papers only. About current programs and progression of plans
Perhaps more communications from the county - could be included in utilities billings - an email newsletter etc. "It will take all of us working together..." - this is key to all of the goals mentioned.
Please continue to have periodic public consultations regarding socio-economic issues that are crucial to residents of Strathcona County.The County officials and Residents can work together for an even better community.
Promote (move) Strathcona County goals / objectives. More marketing needed.
Provide information through, agencies eg: health, transportation, senior's assistance.
Provide more free public health information focusing on mental health. Provide more people with proper information.
sell your services to strathcona county community better, be visible to strathcona county community more, get your agencies in front of strathcona county citizens more than often, put strathcona county on the global map and proudly show your successes to the strathcona county citizens, show your leadership in saving energy/make the strathcona county environment to be greener to your citizens and finally make the necessary information to be extremely accessible to all citizens by a touch of finger tips.
Small businesses - my friend who lives here had no idea of some of the resources available from EDT. Thoughts on getting volunteers for Canada Day - let families volunteer together, promote that and maybe you'll get more volunteers.
Somehow make people know all laws that will help prevent collisions

Spread awareness for important issues.
start communicating more in your community Helping out
Stay focused on the goals and keep people informed and allow input.
The communication and relaying of groups and programs that are offered
What info is there fir residents to:Know they are safe and free from harmI have no idea what we would need to do in case of emergency (ex. Fort Mac fire)An emergency plan sent out to residence?
When we are healthy, we are more likely to engage in the other areas of community (volunteering, connecting, personal growth etc). There are so many great options in Strathcona County, better communication of these health ADULT options would be great. We are so good at informing for the children, maybe send the infor to companies for their employees also? "Did U Know's" or "Save the Dates" etc/ :)
workshops, information gathering on demographics, better connections
Total

Question 1) Communication: Advertisement

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Communication by media, newspaper, internet- to be made available at anytime
additional advertising of local events
Advertise it
basic needs - county provided/subsidized childcare?better advertising of community events (i.e electronic signs on the road side)have events out in rural areas? encourage exploration of outer areas
Belonging- if there are any groups that can help people to feel as though they belong then they aren't overly well advertaised so that could be approved upon
Encourage more action from the community, especially the younger people as they are shaping the future for this county. The public transportation system isn't ideal in terms of the amount of buses, but it's a good step for students making their way into the city for school. Promote more diversity in your public advertisements and posters. Too many white skined, blonde haired girls. Try to destroy the image of "SherWHITE Park". This is especially important for young people of color in the community to ensure that they feel they can be themselves and comfortable, at school and in the public.
I think advertising more activities would work, for example supposedly there is water yoga at the new swimming pool but I haven't heard any talk except for the people that told me
I think information about the helpful services which are available in Sherwood Park needs to be communicated more openly. There is a stigma surrounding poverty and most people do not like to share with others the fact that they are struggling, making it harder to reach out for helpful information. There needs to be more advertising for these services and others need to know they are not alone and there is no shame in struggling during poor economic conditions.
Increase awareness of programs and services presently available ie: 1. Fridge magnets with contact numbers for Senior's Outreach Program and Family Community Services2. Representation at monthly meetings eg: 55+ Club to present current and updated info3. Bulletin Board at 55+ Club and other facilities4. Subsidized transportation costs
Love the PR the RCMP did on Halloween with the trick or treating children. Whomever thought of that is to be commended!
maybe better advertisements for programs/services for residents of the County. As a social worker and former employee I am aware but I know all my friends who live near have NO idea of all the supports available This is bad question because how do you reach everyone?

More education on mental health, gender, sexuality, race/immigration and the role diversity plays in the community, the importance of recognizing and appreciating peoples' differences, and the importance of asking questions and working to understand each other. This can be achieved through advertisement, social programs such as group and community meetings, school and workplace presentations. it is important for there to be resources that every member of our community can find effective and helpful. Resources educate, and education creates acceptance, or at the very least- openmindedness.
Promote (move) Strathcona County goals / objectives. More marketing needed.
Provide services that are geared towards seniors. If you do then they need to be advertised more.
Put up very meaningful posters that can win over someone emotions and make them realize that we need to make change to our community we need to stay strong and stick together so SC does not fall apart
sell your services to strathcona county community better, be visible to strathcona county community more, get your agencies in front of strathcona county citizens more than often, put strathcona county on the global map and proudly show your successes to the strathcona county citizens, show your leadership in saving energy/make the strathcona county environment to be greener to your citizens and finally make the necessary information to be extremely accessible to all citizens by a touch of finger tips.
Total

Question 1) Communication: Vision

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Perhaps we can work on strategies especially around education that encompass many of the above goals concurrently. There are personal responsibilities as well as societal/community responsibilities. Maybe we need to declare a "charter of rights and responsibilities" that all community members strive for that includes all of the above goals. We take responsibility for our actions and personal goals as well as the goals of the community. Sort of the "whole village to raise a child" concept.
- Keep building awareness. - Regular communication re: resources
-- Establish a respected identity for Strathcona County as a whole so all feel valued and respected-- Cut down on each individual's sense of entitlement
Be informed on how one can be involved
by working together and treating each other fairly, share ideas around our community.
Focus on new families moving in and help get them information and support to enroll them into our vision.
Have city council do their jobs and stop fighting in the newspapers. Priorities are the community, not ego driven power plays.
I believe there is a need for a tool by which people in Strathcona become aware of these goals. I find a lot of disconnect because of the lack of things that bring about connection, perhaps a radio station.. a spot on the television..a better newspaper..no central core (downtown) meeting place.
I like the idea of a connect community, the more connected the more awareness of community values and needs. If values and needs are known and met then all of the goals above will be achieved with better accuracy.
It will be important to communicate these values.
Start focusing on what's important. Be direct and simply. Half of these things mean the same thing.
we build parking lots so that people can travel and have free parking to get buses - why not improve the bus service within SC so that people can leave their cars at home and use the services provided internally and for downtown. More leadership from Council as opposed to all of the squabbling - get on the same page or get off.
We can have meetings with people in our community and talk about what they think is needed to have a better and stable community

We can improve the goals by talking as a community and actually doing it.
When we are healthy, we are more likely to engage in the other areas of community (volunteering, connecting, personal growth etc). There are so many great options in Strathcona County, better communication of these health ADULT options would be great. We are so good at informing for the children, maybe send the info to companies for their employees also? "Did U Know's" or "Save the Dates" etc/ :)
Total

Question 1) Communication: Transparency

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Regular bus service evenings and weekends – current – dial a buss option does not work well - More transparency/ communication from local government/ council/ mayor
-Open communication-Do some program that parents can afford it-lots of summer camps that people can afford
Actually do them. Most of the time I see that they said they will do it. And never do.:(
Better accountability from council.
Better communication follow through on your promises and plans
Build community engagement through local neighbourhood leagues. Need sustainable drivers for this to happen. Need to also build trust in elected officials. How can we work together if certain officials won't work together
Community awareness and feedback
Ensure County funds are being allocated properly to reduce waste. Institute program review board to ensure spending only happens efficiently on current programs and not being wasted on out of date programs.
Ensure local newspaper publishes truthful stories and shares information that helps meet these goals (where is help required? Where can I get help if I need it? What services are out there? What community events are happening?)
Feel we are doing quite a good job now, but in terms of how people 'feel' we might need to focus on continuing to educate more - to continue to talk about what supports are available until people have a good sense of that.
Follow thru with the outcome of the survey.
For the various Boards and Council: don't have the outcome decided on before you ask residents the question
For those that work with Strathcona County, SC really has to review their HR processes, compassion training. Many managers/senior admin. are trying to advance careers, and lose sight of those below them. It happens over time, like starting out dating, until you live with someone for awhile and discover what they are really like. Advancing their career through power, control, and intimidation. Fear is the staff motivator. Those with power are ready to remove you, not work out differences of character, do not recognize different ways to complete work as innovative. Unless you are liked, flexibility to meet basic needs, family, health challenges, aging, is stressful demonstration on employee part. Feel judged which leads to all the points above the meeting basic needs.
Get an unbiased newspaper. Have more freedom to speak out in the editorials.
I have found that the county service offices are polite but complacent. They seem to give more excuses than solutions, even on safety-related topics.
Implement fiscal controls. Welcome a greater social community role for our Public Library. Implement system to investigate and act on wasteful spending by administration and departments. Reduce municipal employee count.

Listening to the community
More transparency in decisions and active engagement of populace about local issues.
Open communication, transparency - news coverage in local papers - very well done
Open, community communication through listening and dialogue
Police officers not be biased.
Politicians need to be more frugal. More responsibility from local politicians for their actions. Examples Bremner and Colchester not good decisions.
spend the time to talk to the people and ask for input. Government at all levels feel too entitled to make decisions that only benefit themselves, and constantly pass the cost onto us.
Start focusing on what's important. Be direct and simply. Half of these things mean the same thing.
Stay focused and have funds used wisely!
When a letter is sent to any member of council including the mayor, it should be answered. How does a citizen feel valued if their input is never acknowledged? A reply should , at the very least, contain a statement of the issue being broached so that the sender knows his/her letter was read.
You must go out and listen to people and if they need help do your best to understand the problem and don't hide behind paperwork or red tape
Total

Question 1) Communication: Resources available

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Education - Communication
- Education-Means to access resources ex. childcare benefits etc
- Keep building awareness. - Regular communication re: resources
- More communication on how to get help regarding snow removal, grass cutting etc. Screening done more thoroughly on people moving into affordable living houses. Go back several years on the income tax. - Transportation to medical app'ts - free or very little cost, subsidized transportation through the gov't "Driving Miss Daisy".
-Help make people aware of what is already provided-Encourage religious freedoms-provide education seminars at free charge (Parent link is a good example) with easy access to attend (bus route, childcare, free) to learn more about budgets, running households, child development, and so on.
A family member went for help to Alberta Works for assistance for the first time, they told him to go to the Hope Mission. That is not help when you are a tradesperson and unemployed. I feel they could do way better than that, they could have pointed in a better direction than Hope Mission.
advertise different groups for people to come for support
Advertise support groups for troubled people and advise parents to educate themselves about certain social stigmas.
All important and interrelated. Hard to pick out one. Ned coordinated approach.
available resources, disability resources
Better education on supports available in the community
Community awareness and feedback
Connect people to other people or services. Make bus services for special needs people more accessible. More support services for caregivers in our community to allow people to stay in community.

Connection. I've lived in Strathcona County for 17 years and I am not as involved as I should be, but honestly I didn't know about the resources available to those who have had life happen to them. Thank you for including this survey and web site for me to learn about what is available. I just naturally think I need to look to Edmonton for these types of things. I will look closer to home now that I know.
Continue to provide information on the programs and resources available.
Creating awareness, utilizing social media programs exists that people are not aware of.
Creating greater access to resources and education, creating jobs for people, connection with neighbors and communities through planned activities and support for people who are struggling in any area of their life ie. knowing where to go and reaching out for help, by remaining connected to the community.
Focus on new families moving in and help get them information and support to enroll them into our vision.
Get more knowledge of the help and go from there. Invest more with people and community.
Have area group talks like Lakeland Drive has community talks 2 times a month Have suggestion boxes in areas so people can write about what 's happeningHave old people group talks so the feel connected
have better bus routes and schedules as well as a better route planner online.have more visible resources advertised for health (specifically mental health)
Have more (quantity) resources available. The ones available are great we just need more.
Have more people know about support lines and talk and communicate more
I feel people need to get to know their neighbors - get to know them enough to realize when they are experiencing difficulties. That means people have to care about their neighborhood which of course, cannot be legislated. Care and kindness can make a difference but at the same time, it can be taken advantage of. Supporting agencies like the Food Bank and Shelters is a start and knowing who to contact for further assistance, or counselling or free clinics and so on.
I feel sorry for all the senior ladies who live alone and are not aware of what the county offers.All the Dr.'s in the county should be contacted about what is available for seniors by pamphlet or visit by staff.
I have to think about this - But I feel like I belong. Community calendar focus on a resident and assets - high lighting a family and what they like (ex. festival place because...., like to see improved)
I think information about the helpful services which are available in Sherwood Park needs to be communicated more openly. There is a stigma surrounding poverty and most people do not like to share with others the fact that they are struggling, making it harder to reach out for helpful information. There needs to be more advertising for these services and others need to know they are not alone and there is no shame in struggling during poor economic conditions.
I think maybe we should advise people going through hard time to a professional and put the word out that in order to make a community stronger we all need to work together
I'm too new to Sherwood Park to know what is in the community
implementing a stronger need for programs like block parents and community watch. Also emphasizing the benefit of knowing your neighbors and to live out side your fence line.
Improve for a more reliable public transportation, communicate more about the programs to the peoples of the county.
Improve our communication to the community about what is currently available and aid people to be in contact with the agents what can help them
Improvement can happen by making resources and information easier to find and access.
Increase agency visits when needed. Have an "awareness" input system where concerned family, neighbours, etc, can report concerns regarding neighbours.
Increase awareness of programs and services presently available ie: 1. Fridge magnets with contact numbers for Senior's Outreach Program and Family Community Services2. Representation at monthly meetings eg: 55+ Club to present current and updated info3. Bulletin Board at 55+ Club and other facilities4. Subsidized transportation costs
Let people know how and where to get info they need, (send out lists)

Make a point of letting the community know we have a Family and Social Services department to help people in need. Most people think we are an affluent community and don't realize there are resources right within our community to help those struggling with the above.
Make an idea where you can go there and ask for help from community.
Make sure people are aware of the supports and services that are available to them.
Make the general public aware of what is available in our community that will meet their needs. HOW I don't know! I believe we have a progressive community. As a community, how do you make people feel valued and respected? Hard to know what people's needs are unless they ask for it I suppose.
maybe better advertisements for programs/services for residents of the County. As a social worker and former employee I am aware but I know all my friends who live near have NO idea of all the supports available This is bad question because how do you reach everyone?
More affordable childcare and housing. Have busses run more frequently (NOT Dial a bus) More advertising for free activities like free swim
More community awareness
More education on mental health, gender, sexuality, race/immigration and the role diversity plays in the community, the importance of recognizing and appreciating people's differences, and the importance of asking questions and working to understand each other. This can be achieved through advertisement, social programs such as group and community meetings, school and workplace presentations. It is important for there to be resources that every member of our community can find effective and helpful. Resources educate, and education creates acceptance, or at the very least- openmindedness.
More financially accessible services ie drug counselling as well as more awareness of options currently available. More financially accessible sports/wellness programs ie subsidized sports programs (house leagues) and/or grants to schools for student sports. More physicians accepting new patients. More police patrols (and funding) for safety (seems to be an increase in vehicle break-ins and vandalism). Increase in seniors residences - waiting list is currently 3 - 4 years in many. Partner with ECE training or similar to offer more childcare options paired with education for those entering the field.
More resources allocated, more awareness about resources
Promote and advertise the resources people can access and get rid of the stigma of feeling bad about the way you are.
Promote county rec centres.
Provide more information about the services provided by the County. Better market what's available for services, supports and programs and assure people they are being supported and that there are services that can help them. Liaise with community partners and field experts to help provide some of those services. Be open to accepting immigrants and perhaps teach people acceptance and tolerance especially around critical events such as the Syrian refugee crisis and the community's role in helping people of all races and denominations.
Small businesses - my friend who lives here had no idea of some of the resources available from EDT. Thoughts on getting volunteers for Canada Day - let families volunteer together, promote that and maybe you'll get more volunteers.
start communicating with others and make houses, food, and water more affordable
Stay focused and have funds used wisely!
Tell more people they can come talk
The communication and relaying of groups and programs that are offered
There's little to no therapy/counselling services in Strathcona, for those involved with sexual assaults. Always need to go into Edmonton for affordable, reliable help. As a victim of such things, it's very difficult to go into Edmonton based from school and work.
We need to know about help for seniors who want to live in their own homes. (light housework, gardening-pulling weeds etc. snow clearing, transportation for groceries and doctor appointments etc.) Ages 85 and 86. Residents of Sherwood Park for 56 years.

When we are healthy, we are more likely to engage in the other areas of community (volunteering, connecting, personal growth etc). There are so many great options in Strathcona County, better communication of these health ADULT options would be great. We are so good at informing for the children, maybe send the info to companies for their employees also? "Did U Know's" or "Save the Dates" etc/ :)
Total

Question 1) Communication: Public opinion

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Use social media- Explain who to contact for certain issues- Make individuals feel like they have a say even if they don't have hundreds of people back them.
A great goal would be to always consider a resident of Sherwood Park over others When hiring for new jobs in the park. Especially if they are very close in qualifications. This goes to supporting the people that have already made the commitment to being a resident of Sherwood Park. If people have an adequate income to cover their basic needs then most of the problems that people face become very minimal.
Able to talk in a safe place. Ask kids what they want to do. Great job so far.
Adequate surveys that are legitimately used: input, info sessions
Affordable housing - I live at Brittany Lane Housing Co-operative: - Brittany Lane loses their subsidy funding when the mortgage is paid off (ETA 2022). Meetings have been conducted to determine course of action (non-subsidy member to pay into a pot [Security of Tenure] to support subsidized units). I work hard and do not feel that is an ethical, appropriate or fair way to do business and how my rental fees should be spent. Municipal, Provincial and/or Federal funding for those that need it would be beneficial. - Rents in Sherwood Park (condos, townhouses and apartments) are way expensive with such little square footage. Cost ratio is ridiculous. It is cheaper for me to live in Edmonton and commute, which may be the only recourse I have when subsidy runs out in Co-op Housing unless there is resolution to the above. Corner of Jim Common and Sherwood Drive intersection (north and south), PLEASE place advance left turn arrows here.
By engaging people from a variety of different backgrounds and making it easy for all to participate in providing feedback.
By having these surveys every year and by having more interactions with fellow community members.
by listening to the community
By making sure that everyone belongs and connected to others. Asking teens or adults if they feel this way or no. Not just asking normal people if they are OK. But asking everyone and give them advice.
Coming together as a community and share ideas on how we could improve the community as a whole (open discussions).
Community-wide participation/events to promote connections and relationships between one another.
Continue monitoring to focus on the needs of the community
Continue to engage the residents.
Create an online community forum to facilitate community participation and discussion (Twitter and Facebook do not meet this need and are heavily censored). There is free software available for this purpose, eg. Voat codebase. Relax rules against domestic commerce, lobby AHS to remove commercial kitchen requirements for farmer's markets. <-- probably the most effective way to grow community commerce.
Do not re-elect the NDP. Spread the word.
Do public votes on major items
Education on the movement and why it is needed. Skip the statistical info and focus on personal connection of WHY the movement is important.

Ensure that all residents (not just the ones looking for help) are included in this process. I think a lot of people "suffer in silence". Family, friends and neighbours should be encouraged to help each other and make sure everyone is taken care of.
Everyone should have an equal say. We could work to make it easier
For the various Boards and Council: don't have the outcome decided on before you ask residents the question
Get an unbiased newspaper. Have more freedom to speak out in the editorials.
Get rid of the ndp
Getting individuals involved and ask for their input.
Have community discussions
Have community meetings
have more community focused surveys and things where people submit things for the community to consider
Have more surveys online.
Keep listening to the community
Listen to people's opinion
Listen to residents
Listen to the people comments
Listen to the people's voices and help them or just DONT IGNORE THEM
Listen to the peopleWork together
listen to what people feel is important
Listen.
Lower taxesQuit sending meaningless surveys
Make them more open to your opinion.
Maybe have a town meeting
Maybe talk more about it with more people.
More community surveys and discussions
More local community events so neighbours get to know each other. Improve policing in rural areas. Improve access to recreational activities for low income and seniors with lower cost and more suitable activities. More community input and involvement in activities. Lower taxes and bring in more jobs. Better and more seniors housing and amenities including a seniors recreation centre with multiple activities.
New schools, people should be able to vote on locations of new schools.
Pay closer attention to what the people say, and make sure everybody is safe and secure.
Pay more attention to what people are saying.
Provide additional opportunities for anonymous feedback and or support.
Providing places for people to talk about what they want to change in the community
Send this survey to as many people as possible and let them know what is wrong and why. We should make Strathcona County stronger.
Send this survey to as many people as possible.
spend the time to talk to the people and ask for input. Government at all levels feel too entitled to make decisions that only benefit themselves, and constantly pass the cost onto us.
Spend time in the community talking to the people
Stay focused on the goals and keep people informed and allow input.
Stop spending tax dollars on feeling surveys

survey
Survey, get to know who the people of our community really are, then put supports in place to address these.
Take action
Take more surveys.
Talk to the residents and get an idea of what the whole community feels needs to be done.
They can do stuff like this presentation
Things like Community Talks surveys are very good.
Try to ask for people's opinions in the community on what we think should happen and start making it happen.
We can have meetings with people in our community and talk about what they think is needed to have a better and stable community
Welcome people to air grievances and voices for events and just in general more often and better publicized
You Can improve This Goals BY Sending Out more surveys
You must go out and listen to people and if they need help do your best to understand the problem and don't hide behind paperwork or red tape
Total

Question 1) Rural: Isolation

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Interact more with the community – especially rural areas - Senior housing availability
-focus on rural-people are more isolated. Insure community events are held to promote inclusions + connections-build support system
Accessibility support Community gardensNanny suitesAdopt a grandparent
People in Josephburg area are far more connected to Fort Saskatchewan because of distance but can't fully be part of that community because of claim on us by county. The county barely remembers us at all.
Rural residents need to feel like they are part of a "community" and that they are welcomed and appreciated. Programs that are geared to acreage owners and NOT just hamlet dwellers are needed.
Some of us in rural areas seem to only interact with the rest of the community on garbage day or tax time. Maybe a bit isolated. I very seldom see much less talk to neighbours.
Total

Question 1) Rural: Seniors

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Pay more attention to the needs of the people who live outside Sherwood park - lower taxes for seniors (or raise the rebate for more people increased rebate. - anything to make things more affordable for seniors - More seniors education – always free
Have a separate survey and focus on seniors. Their needs and goals are unique as indicated by 1 in 3 seniors in Strathcona County living on less than \$40,000 a year. Rural and apartment seniors are isolated at times.

I believe we need to promote more activities, programs, wellness talks etc. in the rural areas of our County. It is difficult to connect with people in the rural areas if you have nothing to offer them as a community. Also our needs are certainly different than in Sherwood Park. For example for us to travel as seniors to Sherwood Park or Ardrossan for activities like exercise is not always that feasible for seniors. We need to ensure that the rural facilities are used to their maximum. The same perimeters do not fit all County buildings.
Total

Question 1) Rural: Transportation

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
A lot of people are leaving Ardrossan because there is no affordable housing and if you don't have a licence, there is no transportation available.(Comment under goal re basic needs: "We need a shuttle bus to take us to Sh Park (Dr appointments, grocery shopping, etc.)))(Comment on goal to be focused upon: "This is very important for you to look into.")
Adequate intersection lighting, in the rural areas. Adequate high speed internet access, at reasonable cost, in the rural areas.
I believe we need to promote more activities, programs, wellness talks etc. in the rural areas of our County. It is difficult to connect with people in the rural areas if you have nothing to offer them as a community. Also our needs are certainly different than in Sherwood Park. For example for us to travel as seniors to Sherwood Park or Ardrossan for activities like exercise is not always that feasible for seniors. We need to ensure that the rural facilities are used to their maximum. The same perimeters do not fit all County buildings.
I would like more information on preventing rural break-ins and an increased police presence in my area. All my neighbors have had their homes broken into at one time or another and recently my neighbor at 2 a.m. on a Tuesday night. A hunting knife was left at the back door. The thieves know it takes the RCMP 30 minutes to arrive. My mailbox has been damaged numerous times and since changing to a Canada Post box, my locks have been cut three times. My road is continually being used as a garbage dump for anything goes, batteries, bikes, beer cases, tires, a truckbox load of large full garbage bags. And an increased traffic volume of speeding vehicles at shift change using the rural roads to cut across from industry on Hwy 15 to Hwy 16. I don't feel safe here any longer. (Rge Rd 211 and Twp Rd 544)
Improve programming for youth - visible youth outreach often youth appear fine but are struggling Maintain green spaces, trees and rural areas - keep sherwood park a park. expand transit services to rural areas.
Living in Ardrossan we could use more transportation to get in and out of Sherwood Park
More affordable housing and rural transportation options. I live on an acreage and Have an adult that doesn't drive, any rural bussing would be awesome, taxis are expensive.
More events and resources for rural Strathcona County. Too many of us fall through the cracks because we have to drive to the city for everything, but also don't really count as Sherwood Park residents so we have less sway. It can be hard to join community groups or anything like that when there just isn't time to drive back and forth or kill time in town until a group or class starts.
Public transportation should be a service for all County residents, not just those who live in Sherwood Park
Safer biking... baseline road is far too narrow for both car and bike. More seniors programs, rural public transportation, more timely snow removal. Safe walking areas...again range roads are too narrow, traffic is fast, in winter roads are snow covered. Occasional police presence.....never see police unless there is a major incidence.
Transportation is a big problem for us who live outside of Sherwood park. We have nothing from Ardossan to our Dr and stores.
Transportation system better designed for both rural and urban use.Childcare locations need to be increased, and made affordable.Increase housing for senior residents.
Total

Question 1) Rural: Transit

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- have better rural bus service
-More access and quicker access to community health/mental health facilities- Better public transportation into acreage community- Better services available to take care of community property ie: painting fences- More attention to tax payers as decreases relate to their community vs needs/wants of municipal/provincial government.
For making transportation accessible you could put some bus stops in further into the country so that kids could get to sports and stuff if their parents couldn't drive them or other personal reasons.
I believe that Strathcona county residents do meet most of there needs but transportation is a very larder issue! For people like me that love in rural area, getting anywhere is so difficult, plz find a quicker transport system for us on the side of highway 14
More low income housingMore support for single moms / dadsHave a bus system out in the country
Strong connection with Capital Region to ensure good access to services - like public transportation from Wye Road, not just from Baseline (Bethel Transit Centre) to provide for people living in south Sherwood Park + rural areas.
Transit buses from rural areas, more functions and groups for young adults
Total

Question 1) Rural: Advocacy

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-focus on rural-people are more isolated. Insure community events are held to promote inclusions + connections- build support system
By ensuring that our smaller rural communities have school that are well supported and valued. We recently found out that EIPS Board has proposed closing our children's school - Ministik Elem. Ministik school is a vital community resource and centre for all the families living along Hwy 14; who love their local school and want their children to attend a local rural school rather than being bused to a bigger school in town.
By listening to residents concerns, especially rural as we feel that we aren't listened to because we don't live in Sherwood Park. Our needs are different so we shouldn't be just placed under the "Sherwood Park Blanket". Our taxes should be calculated differently as we don't have the services (storm sewer pipes, water pipes, street lights), amenities (walking paths, parks, flower beds) like in Sherwood Park. County sponsored programs (Unparented Programs, Pre-K) should have representation at Rural Days to promote the few programs we have in Rural Strathcona County.Have more than one day of Rural Days as needs are different in the Summer and Winter - have it twice a year. These days help neighbors meet other residents in the community.
Keep our farming roots/traditions alive.
More rec sports and fun things
Prioritize rural residents more than urban as they are the most visually vulnerable.
Rural taxing is unaffordable, no services and self-reliant and paying through the nose, check beaver county. Sherwood Park always benefiting but rural gets nothing

Taxes are higher in the Rural area's than the Urban, however the Rural do not receive the same services that the Urban. Very poor quality internet, very poor quality communication with Rural Residents unless you hear it at coffee or attend the meetings as no good internet to view re-Strathcona events or upkeep on what is happening, very poor access to before and after school, or as a matter of fact no or very few daycares in the Rural, and the Rural Roads are not consistant in all range roads and township roads....some are very narrow compared to others, however the taxes seem to be the same.
Total

Question 1) Rural: Recreation

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-Pool at Ardrossan Rec Centre-Grocery in Ardrossan
By listening to residents concerns, especially rural as we feel that we aren't listened to because we don't live in Sherwood Park. Our needs are different so we shouldn't be just placed under the "Sherwood Park Blanket". Our taxes should be calculated differently as we don't have the services (storm sewer pipes, water pipes, street lights), amenities (walking paths, parks, flower beds) like in Sherwood Park. County sponsored programs (Unparented Programs, Pre-K) should have representation at Rural Days to promote the few programs we have in Rural Strathcona County. Have more than one day of Rural Days as needs are different in the Summer and Winter - have it twice a year. These days help neighbors meet other residents in the community.
I believe we need to promote more activities, programs, wellness talks etc. in the rural areas of our County. It is difficult to connect with people in the rural areas if you have nothing to offer them as a community. Also our needs are certainly different than in Sherwood Park. For example for us to travel as seniors to Sherwood Park or Ardrossan for activities like exercise is not always that feasible for seniors. We need to ensure that the rural facilities are used to their maximum. The same perimeters do not fit all County buildings.
More affordable housing and fewer wait times at hospital. Additional public transit to Fort Saskatchewan and Edmonton would be great. Additional recreation and fitness class opportunities for rural residents. I live in rural Strathcona County and the nearest fitness facility is 30min away. Not very accessible.
More events and resources for rural Strathcona County. Too many of us fall through the cracks because we have to drive to the city for everything, but also don't really count as Sherwood Park residents so we have less sway. It can be hard to join community groups or anything like that when there just isn't time to drive back and forth or kill time in town until a group or class starts.
More opportunities for group physical programs in the rural areas.
Rural residents need to feel like they are part of a "community" and that they are welcomed and appreciated. Programs that are geared to acreage owners and NOT just hamlet dwellers are needed.
Total

Question 1) Rural: Access to services

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Pay more attention to the needs of the people who live outside Sherwood park - lower taxes for seniors (or raise the rebate for more people increased rebate. - anything to make things more affordable for seniors - More seniors education – always free
-Pool at Ardrossan Rec Centre-Grocery in Ardrossan
Accessibility support Community gardensNanny suitesAdopt a grandparent

Adequate intersection lighting, in the rural areas. Adequate high speed internet access, at reasonable cost, in the rural areas.
Be sure services for acreage living people are available
By ensuring that our smaller rural communities have school that are well supported and valued. We recently found out that EIPS Board has proposed closing our children's school - Ministik Elem. Ministik school is a vital community resource and centre for all the families living along Hwy 14; who love their local school and want their children to attend a local rural school rather than being bused to a bigger school in town.
By listening to residents concerns, especially rural as we feel that we aren't listened to because we don't live in Sherwood Park. Our needs are different so we shouldn't be just placed under the "Sherwood Park Blanket". Our taxes should be calculated differently as we don't have the services (storm sewer pipes, water pipes, street lights), amenities (walking paths, parks, flower beds) like in Sherwood Park. County sponsored programs (Unparented Programs, Pre-K) should have representation at Rural Days to promote the few programs we have in Rural Strathcona County. Have more than one day of Rural Days as needs are different in the Summer and Winter - have it twice a year. These days help neighbors meet other residents in the community.
Elderly acreage living. Access to their needs. Social and medical. It is hard to have easy access
I believe we need to promote more activities, programs, wellness talks etc. in the rural areas of our County. It is difficult to connect with people in the rural areas if you have nothing to offer them as a community. Also our needs are certainly different than in Sherwood Park. For example for us to travel as seniors to Sherwood Park or Ardrossan for activities like exercise is not always that feasible for seniors. We need to ensure that the rural facilities are used to their maximum. The same perimeters do not fit all County buildings.
I live in rural strathcona county and I may as well live in a foreign country! I have no available childcare in the area, my internet access is an expensive joke which means my kids cannot do what they need to for school. It's like the county forgot that they have rural residence (and I'm not that far out of town)
make sure that children living in rural areas of the community are being taken care of properly. Living in rural Sherwood Park, I've seen children who don't have access to a shower and have farm animals living in their home. This is not ok.
More affordable housing for both seniors and young people so they don't have to move out of area. Rural childcare needed.
More events and resources for rural Strathcona County. Too many of us fall through the cracks because we have to drive to the city for everything, but also don't really count as Sherwood Park residents so we have less sway. It can be hard to join community groups or anything like that when there just isn't time to drive back and forth or kill time in town until a group or class starts.
People in Josephburg area are far more connected to Fort Saskatchewan because of distance but can't fully be part of that community because of claim on us by county. The county barely remembers us at all.
Provide educational free seminars for all to attend on how to help support each other so each individual can have basic needs met, and feels safe, valued, healthy and connected to the community. Perhaps begin some type of support group/program in the rural setting to help one than 1 day a week or 1 day a month. People need support on a daily basis.
Taxes are higher in the Rural area's than the Urban, however the Rural do not receive the same services that the Urban. Very poor quality internet, very poor quality communication with Rural Residents unless you hear it at coffee or attend the meetings as no good internet to view re-Strathcona events or upkeep on what is happening, very poor access to before and after school, or as a matter of fact no or very few daycares in the Rural, and the Rural Roads are not consistant in all range roads and township roads....some are very narrow compared to others, however the taxes seem to be the same.
Treat rural residents as " well" as residents in Sherwood Park, which they are not. All resources go to Sherwood Park proper.
Total

Question 1) Rural: Communication/interaction

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
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Taxes are higher in the Rural area's than the Urban, however the Rural do not receive the same services that the Urban. Very poor quality internet, very poor quality communication with Rural Residents unless you hear it at coffee or attend the meetings as no good internet to view re-Strathcona events or upkeep on what is happening, very poor access to before and after school, or as a matter of fact no or very few daycares in the Rural, and the Rural Roads are not consistent in all range roads and township roads.....some are very narrow compared to others, however the taxes seem to be the same.
Total

Question 1) Income/Economy/Job Security: Low wages

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Decrease crime, house and vehicle break-ins- Keep working on the Alberta economy
As a community, we need to be able to assist everyone in the hopes for a more welcoming affordable city. Currently, it is very difficult to be able to afford to live here especially with the awful economy. As well as the prices of everything is rising due to the governments plan to raise minimum wage. To support the community, I believe jobs need to be more accessible and there needs to be more supports to those who struggle with their income.
Basic needs met: give to charity, have a high enough minimum wage.
Better awareness thru Strathcona County has financial / physical needs. Food Bank, low income, etc..
bring down the part of the 1% that has been controlling society, so people are not constantly screwed over with their income. making new laws for businesses so we can deconstruct the oligopoly that has controlled the first world countries. We should be putting more money into minorities and education.
Day careHigher wages
Goal # 4 - Just not for disabled seniorsInadequate income related to the recessionEducating people about the life of caregivers to the general populationsMore quality nursing homes with a year long minimum More empathetic doctors
Having basic needs met because not everybody has a proper income and some people are living on the streets and some people dont have enough money to get there kids through school. Some people cant even afford food and clean water. I am a little mad.
Having more well paying jobs. House market prices lower. Have more activities that can help people know each other.
Help with benefits with more jobs within benefits
Hig her paying jobs and less waste on fluffy feel good stuff
Increase minimum wage, lower fees for university students so they can afford the education affordable lower income housing rates for seniors.
Increase the amount of income by, providing more jobs, clearing low wageing jobs witch will make room for teens to get the needed work experience and lower housing costs by building more condos apartment buildings and power the costs of those said buildings as well as lower utilities costs. Finally I think I can speak for most people we need way more public water fountains.
Lowering taxes
make minimum wage higher

making more job opportunities and making the pay more equal.
Many people in strathcona support a family and are t able to get a job with ought a degree that pays more than minimum wage.
more affordable homesbetter paying jobs better hospital
no idea, other than pay more for jobs. my husband has wanted to apply for so many SCounty jobs but they don't pay enough to support our family. He would love to work in the community he lives in. If I were to work FT the childcare costs would almost swallow up my whole income so its not worth it for me to work. So he feels stuck in a job because it pays just enough when he'd rather work in SCounty. He has a heart for improving the future through youth work.
Pay people more for what they do. I find some jobs are under payed. If people are making more money then they will be happier. When people are happy it is very easy to get along and have things go smoothly.
Proper provision on housing and higher wages
raise wages
We need to be payed more
Working as a community alongside our government to provide people with jobs, a livable income, high quality affordable childcare. I strongly believe that these can all be achieved in our life time and am interested in seeing as well as taking part in this happening.
Total

Question 1) Income/Economy/Job Security: Lower taxes

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
-lower property taxes. Way too high.-cost of daycare very expensive
All members of the community need to be valued respected and treated fairly, regardless of socioeconomic status. Regretfully, Sherwood Park has earned a reputation of being "snoppy" due to the wealth in the community. Also to note is the cost of housing, property taxes, school fees, etc., which are higher than in surrounding areas, perhaps due to the number of wealthy families in the area. Costs, especially school fees, need be more affordable for those that not wealthy.
base taxes based on a household's income
by having lower taxes
Continue to offer the Everyone Gets to Play program. If possible increase the income cut off. Plant edible berry trees whenever possible. Try to decrease taxes. I think over all the county does extremely well.
Create private sector jobs by reducing taxes. Public sector jobs cost money and don't add to the economy.
Cut red tape/"make-work" jobs/bureaucracy. Lower taxes. Increase incentives for small business. CARE ABOUT RURAL AND FARMERS!!!
Decreasing the taxes, most Men and Women I know living in Strathcona county are laid off and are struggling financially.
Ensure fair and proper taxation process.
Focus on bringing back, to not only to our community but to Alberta, the basics in education. That is, reading, writing and arithmetic. Fight and stop the carbon tax and quit raising our taxes. This can be done by not wasting tax payers dollars on affordable housing, traffic circles in residential areas (what a waste of dollars) and how much community dollars is going into this community talk program? Do you job of in making sure roads are looked after, make traffic follow more freely by coordinating the lights, stop funding for those people who choose not to work and stop providing services for non-productive people.
higher taxes
Housing and taxes are too expensive.

I have been disconnected from the community at large for years. I do not know what is happening in this community and for all I know you have already met your goals its just that I have not read or heard about it. I certainly would like to know more about what is happening here. I am finding the cost of living is increasing by leaps and bounds. My property taxes are getting very high. Starting to think of moving to a place that I can afford on my fixed income. Considering the county has a surplus of \$15 million and my taxes keep going up makes me think I am missing information.
I think we should be more kind to our community and talk around have lees bill and money so that we dont have to think that we might need to live on the street because of the house bills or that we need to move to a smaller house
If you want people to take transit, we need more parking at transit centres to utilize this. Property taxes are very highNeed cheaper childcare options
Improve and expand transit, keep property taxes lower to make housing more affordable. Lobby governments for more child tax breaks.
Increased RCMP presence, keep rent low and affordable, keep tax rate (property) affordable
Less taxes
Less taxes for seniors
Less taxes, smaller government.
Lessen taxes p propert
Lower gas prices and taxes
Lower property taxes
Lower property taxes. They are too high.
lower taxes
Lower taxes
Lower taxes or have some sort of affordable housing options besides the co-ops which have insane waiting lists.
Lower taxes, less money given to the government
Lower taxes.
Lower taxesMore parks
Lower taxesQuit sending meaningless surveys
Lowering taxes
Maybe some tax breaks for people who have retired early. These people can have up to 10 years 55-65 that there is no relief. Sometimes people leave the work place because it is not healthy to stay in it.
More emphasis on secondary school education, affordable taxes, preventive health care and adequate medical information via work shops or town hall meetings.
Nobody shows up to clear thistle, grass and trees from properties that are not well kept.Taxes too high.Sherwood Park is getting too big. Need more places for people with dementia.
Property taxes are too high especially when there were surplus this year- more RCMP response to growing theft / B&E's- Boys & Girls Club / YMCA this is available (&free) for youth
provide lower taxes for the elderly
Provide reduced property taxes for seniors (in addition to current levels) and others on fixed income
Raise tax on big business, lower tax on small businesses and residents
Rural taxing is unaffordable, no services and self-reliant and paying through the nose, check beaver county. Sherwood Park always benefiting but rural gets nothing
Sherwood Park is to expensiveTaxes are to expensive
Somethings cheaper and taxes lower
tax credit for home gardens grownkeeping builders from just making neighbourhoods cement communities - keep nature and trees

Taxes
Taxes are too high.
The cost of taxes alone is too much and the cost of houses here compared to other communities is very expensive for what you get. Definitely have to pay to live here
This seems kind of a strange focus. I think everything in the County is going pretty good. I think Strathcona County is pretty forward thinking in terms of things like the bookmobile, all the services offered by the library, recreation etc. I don't think taxpayers should have to pay as much as they do for public transportation, since taxpayers are the citizens that probably use public transportation the least. I also think there are a lot of stuck up entitled rude people here, which can be very unwelcoming, so don't know how you address that. But the policing is very good and it is generally a safe community with lots of activities.
vandalism is a problem, as are B&E's. Tax load is high, I am wary of ambitious new plans which would drive up taxes beyond rate of inflation. Adequate income not being sustained at same rate. Respect tax payers of fixed incomes
We can improve some goals by Reducing some taxes and busing.
we should not have very expensive taxes and more odr rinks to make us strong
Well by having the government start with removing the carbon tax and to generally lower taxes enough for people to be able to have stable living
Total

Question 1) Income/Economy/Job Security: Education/qualification/training

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
A great goal would be to always consider a resident of Sherwood Park over others When hiring for new jobs in the park. Especially if they are very close in qualifications. This goes to supporting the people that have already made the commitment to being a resident of Sherwood Park. If people have an adequate income to cover their basic needs then most of the problems that people face become very minimal.
All Retailers should train staff on customer service. They connect with everyone, the good grace will spread.
Based on my own personal experience, our county is so attentive to community and its members and even on personal level. The county has shown its commitment to meet every individual and every family's needs. The only thing I haven't personally experienced is the assistance for job search/opportunity.
Education for kids of all ages on drugs and the risks. Education for adults and school aged children on money management.
Encourage employers to look inside their own community for workers - those with disabilities. If they are not a part of an organization it is difficult to find work for these individuals. More quality in personal health and safety. Focus on violence against women and nothing the other way. It is a two way street that needs to be addresses.
Encourage schools and public forums to demonstrate respect and kindness in dealing with customers, opponents etc. Children and adults should be provided opportunities for education which will result in their ability to increase job opportunities, income and quality of life.
I don't know but children should have the opportunity to have a good education and be able to come home to something and so as a community I think we need to be less selfish and focus more on the poor and the less fortunate because we take things for granted a lot and in the 21st century not everyone is like us living under a roof and going to a good school we need to focus more on the others then just ourselves
I truly believe that we already live in a wonderful community. Thank you! As an area for continued growth, I would like to see more quality programming and housing available for adults with special needs. It brings me joy to see individuals with special needs working in meaningful roles in the community, and I wish there were more incentives and training opportunities for local businesses to support these members of our community. Way to pave a trail for compassion and inclusion, Strathcona County!

Increase police patrols of neighborhoods to discourage crime. Encourage youth to help seniors with visits and yard work. Form volunteer groups to communicate and connect with lonely seniors and new citizens through phone calls and visits. Offer mental health workshops and talks to the public. Offer budgeting and meal planning sessions to help interested citizens provide affordable, healthy meals to their families. Provide lower income families with fun sporting activities for their children. Encourage the citizens of Strathcona County to connect with each other, volunteer and generally get involved to make Strathcona County a family friendly community that is the envy of other communities.
Lower school fees, free parking at hospitals, lower fees for access to recreation facilities. provide retraining opportunities for all work industries not just trades. Create more employment opportunities for older members of the workforce. Unrestricted access to affordable childcare.
One way could be to encourage employers in Sherwood Park to hire locally more often...my 16 year old son has been looking for a part time job for almost a year now, with no success, and I was recently told that Sherwood Park employers won't hire local teenagers because they believe that our teenagers are lazy and entitled. This isn't fair to my son, he is extremely responsible and is a hard worker!
Total

Question 1) Income/Economy/Job Security: Unemployment

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- We've seen residents that are isolated, one is the caretaker of their dying husband and there is no other family here to support them. The services support the husband, but not the wife looking after him. - We've seen many mental health issues. One gentleman is living in a house that should be looked at for hoarding/health concern issues)_I've had difficulty with a number of times with people under the age of 65, who are on AISH that cannot find help doing their weed control or snow removal. I tried to find resources this year (I called the province, I called FCS and volunteer centre). They all stated it is up to the person to find help themselves because there is no program for them. One person this year is isolated (driven away her children), alone 90% of the time, doesn't leave her house, has hardly any money, physically unable to do the work herself and has no money. -
A lot of the above depends on the economy. However I think our education system is excellent, so much is done for seniors and we have a good system of transportation all of which I think make the goals viable.
Affordable housing is a stresser especially with unemployment and income levels
As a community, we need to be able to assist everyone in the hopes for a more welcoming affordable city. Currently, it is very difficult to be able to afford to live here especially with the awful economy. As well as the prices of everything is rising due to the governments plan to raise minimum wage. To support the community, I believe jobs need to be more accessible and there needs to be more supports to those who struggle with their income.
Create more jobs by improving the sherwood park mallLower down the cost of bus rides so more people could use them
Creating greater access to resources and education, creating jobs for people, connection with neighbors and communities through planned activities and support for people who are struggling in any area of their life ie. knowing where to go and reaching out for help, by remaining connected to the community.
Creating more jobs to help better the Economy seeing its low as of now
Generate jobs for people who don't have one
Include job security from layoffs due to a weak economy as a basic need. Feeling haunted by looming mass layoffs beyond your control is bad psychologically, financially, physically, etc.
Increase the amount of income by, providing more jobs, clearing low wageing jobs witch will make room for teens to get the needed work experience and lower housing costs by building more condos apartment buildings and power the costs of those said buildings as well as lower utilities costs. Finally I think I can speak for most people we need way more public water fountains.

increasing amount of help centres for people in need such as unemployment offices to ensure everyone can have a stable and readily available job
Job creation.,more affordable child care, more full time employment got women.lighting in parks and walkways,
lgbtq+ educationmore affordable/subsidized housingmore employment opportunities
mellenium too expensive and someone my age should be able to work there. too little jobs so things like melenium are expensive when notley and trudeau make everything so expensive. do ur job guys
more affordable housing, more librarys, no lay offs
more jobs
More work and have a better public transportation.
Open more jobs in the community. More bus stops. More childcare. Cleanliness and pricing in daycares
Provide work for those without a job
Reduce job loss
Strathcona County has been affected by the job loss in the oil and gas industry. The trickle down effect has implications on families, lifestyles and health both mental, emotional and spiritual. People need to de-stress and that comes with regular exercise, a balanced diet and harmony at work and at home.There needs to be a way of funding family passes to Millenium Place and the Kinsman Center to allow families and individuals to work together or individually.
Stress that help is available through Family and Community Services. When jobs are lost it can impact on a family in many ways. I know my neighbours but I know many don't. Perhaps we need block parties in the different neighbourhoods to connect with others. Only then can we help with the issues.
We need more affordable housing for young people and seniors. Adequate income,there is so much unemployment, people are suffering.
With unemployment rising, it is important to tackle these issues head on. Make sure funds and other such programs are set up to build a stronger community to deal with the rising unemployment in our community.
Total

Question 1) Income/Economy/Job Security: Underemployment

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Create more jobs for people, specifically for someone with an engineering degree. This is important so that everyone's family has a strady income and can afford the basic necessities along with extra stuff ex. Eating out a reustrant, buying new cloths.
Creating support groups based on interests and values, advertising these and existing groups/programs better.Creating more affordable housing options, job opportunities so that people from diverse backgrounds are able to move here, improve diversity.
Have more jobs
Having groups that can support people with their problems/requests.
Help people with getting better homes and jobs, make sure children have what they need
I do belive that strathcona could be improved if more work oppertunitys were available. With Justin Trudeau clossing many job oppertunities for familys by being completetly against the oil and gas industry.. More job oppertunitys would be great
Making more jobs available, Food banks, more donation centres
More better jobs for everyone and more easier communication.
Possibly make more jobs in Strathcona and the surrounding area and make housing more affordable.

Right now I think jobs as well as adequate income are an issue for our youth. High income employment is becoming less available
Shorter waiting times in hospitals. Higher wages. Cheaper prescribed medicine.
Strathcona County should have affordable housing. Jobs are not easily found so the income is not quite good for the family. If the parents don't have good jobs surely their children don't get affordable childcare.
Supplying affordable housing and a wide range of jobs
Working
Total

Question 1) Income/Economy/Job Security: Increased incentive for small businesses

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
bring down the part of the 1% that has been controlling society, so people are not constantly screwed over with their income. making new laws for businesses so we can deconstruct the oligopoly that has controlled the first world countries. We should be putting more money into minorities and education.
Building more structures for businesses to move in such as mini golf
Busnisses in Strathcona County should give priority of employment for people living at Strathcona County
Can bring affordable housing programs in Sherwood Park, create more small scale businesses to provide jobs (i.e. would fill the income)
Create private sector jobs by reducing taxes. Public sector jobs cost money and don't add to the economy.
Cut red tape/"make-work" jobs/bureaucracy. Lower taxes. Increase incentives for small business. CARE ABOUT RURAL AND FARMERS!!!
Expand our mall and have more popular stores in it. :)
living grants for housing and renossubsidized childcare; share by county with reasonable rates in a bylawsupport local businesses
Lower the rent on some businesses because not every job can pay the amount of rent and when you raise the prices on food or on the product when there's already not ALOT of people going lower the rent so it's affordable
Make more businesses and make it fair for everyone
More community eventsMake sure underprivileged families have what they needAlso please give Sephora and Forever 21 (no stores for teen girls!!!)
More help for elderly, more consideration of environment, more small local businesses, more crime prevention
Raise tax on big business, lower tax on small businesses and residents
Uhh idk... You could probably focus on maybe local businesses within the area
utilize the existing business community to help in the achievement of a better living community.
Total

Question 1) Income/Economy/Job Security: More jobs

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Actually have half decent paying jobs
Create more jobs so more people can find a job that has a good income and one that like.

Create more jobs, build more housing
Find ways people can get good paying JOBS!
for having basic needs met you should add more job
Generate more employment for 21-25 year olds so when they finish their post secondary courses they can find jobs in their field of study. Provide busing to Edmonton post secondary institutions that arrives on time.
Get more jobs for the oil industry
have community events
Have more job opportunities!
Have more jobs
Have more security
Helping people find a job, my dad is out of work right now and he has been out of work for 11 months.
Hey create more jobs , or help with affordable housing and funding for the people who are struggling
I find it a bit difficult to find a place to possibly work in the future that is near my house and within walking distance so maybe have more job opportunities
improve education and create jobs
Just to listen to one another and not fight and help people get jobs if they don't have on ans need a job
Local bus service poor. More good jobs.
Make a stronger community by making more jobs
Make it easier for single parents to get jobs.
more civil service jobsnew schoolsnew homesmore shops and small business
More Jobs
more jobs for people, more events for the community
more jobs work together
more jobs, cheaper housing, more transportation and buses
More work opportunities, lower basic costs, lower housing
sell more oil and make the economy better
Set a cap price on food. Also have a friendlier environment that encourages empathy within young adults. Diversify Strathcona employment opportunities. I personally know a family with 6 plus members that work for the county. More surveys that are linguistically better asked for better results. It's hard to put a value range on emotions.
We need more job opportunities to meet our needs
We need to have more jobs and stop family abuse.
We should be able to have jobs to get all the basic needs
You can make house less one and job easier to find
Total

Question 1) Income/Economy/Job Security: Adequate income

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?

- We've seen residents that are isolated, one is the caretaker of their dying husband and there is no other family here to support them. The services support the husband, but not the wife looking after him. - We've seen many mental health issues. One gentleman is living in a house that should be looked at for hoarding/health concern issues)_I've had difficulty with a number of times with people under the age of 65, who are on AISH that cannot find help doing their weed control or snow removal. I tried to find resources this year (I called the province, I called FCS and volunteer centre). They all stated it is up to the person to find help themselves because there is no program for them. One person this year is isolated (driven away her children), alone 90% of the time, doesn't leave her house, has hardly any money, physically unable to do the work herself and has no money. -
A great goal would be to always consider a resident of Sherwood Park over othersWhen hiring for new jobs in the park. Especially if they are very close in qualifications. This goes to supporting the people that have already made the commitment to being a resident of Sherwood Park. If people have an adequate income to cover their basic needs then most of the problems that people face become very minimal.
Affordable housing is a stresser especially with unemployment and income levels
All the goals are important and interconnected. To single out one goal suggests the others are not important. Adequate income is basically not in the realm of control of the County but is important.
cheaper school fees
Everything costs too much for things that we don't even need in our life. Even things we need costs too much like food, housing and income.
Give us money
Have enough income to support a family
have people who know what they are actually doing do it and have them speak english and give them fair pay
i think people should get more money from jobs since jobs like a paper rout pay nothing.
I think we should all feel safe and respected and we should be free from any physical harm. We should help make the community stronger by having our basic needs met and the child care "price" should be lowered. And everyone should have an adequate income
Income should change for poor families and housing costs should go down as well.
Increase in income support benefits.Make housing more affordable for people.
increasing minimum wage so people can support themselves and family better, by being able to pay for housing, education, food, etc. and still have extra in case of an emergency.
Improve on everything a little bit.but mostly work on the income.my family isn't poor but we're not rich either. J might not be able to go into sports next year because of it. It would suck cause I really enjoy hockey and other sports!
Make income higher
Maybe higher income and lower prices on items.
Money.
Seniors do not have adequate income (example: my friends has needs and pays \$4000/moth for his special needs if he did not have a nest egg what would he do, live with his daughter???)
Some people can't drive or get as much money so they can't pay for a bus ticket. I think they should change that.
Try to make jobs and have better education
we can be nice to others. also we can reduce the amount of thieves by giving adequate income
We need more affordable housing for young people and seniors. Adequate income,there is so much unemployment, people are suffering.
Total

Question 1) Education: More schools

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Adequate support in schools. Ares for more schools.
Build more schools
Build new schools
Education
Education need more schools
Educational goal -more kindergarten options (full day and afternoon care)
find land for schools that need to be built
Have a fully functional hospital with beds for long term patients and more public schools to meet the needs of growing areas of the county.
More schools
Need more schools, less kids squished in a classroom. More affordable housing. Subsidized housing. Stop raising rent for stores, and commercial property. Especially the mall. Our mall sucks. Why are we expanding something that no one puts any thought in to. More parks made for kids under school age too.
New schools, people should be able to vote on locations of new schools.
School systems/public bus transportation over crowded school buses. Speed limits in residential area's ex: Aspen Trails.
We can build new schools make new housing and start talking to the builders.
We really enjoy all the family activities provided here in Strathcona County. If this could continue & improve that would be valuable for all the young families. We need more schools in Strathcona County (K-6).
Total

Question 1) Education: Proximity

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Planning for school locations. Revisit old allocations to make sure the fit is still vsolid. Eg Land reduction at Davidson creek. Also lrt to Edmonton. SP is a great community. V clean and orderly. Love amber light at night and general traffic flow. Hope we can manage as we grow. Don't want city congestion.
The county needs to listen and support residents particularly when a new school is being built in an existing older community. The school has been jammed down residents throats, taking valuable park space away of what little we have- completely disrespecting residents. Better planning and not passing the buck to the school boards problem. So frustrated and still feel disrespected and not supported by the county.
Total

Question 1) Education: Post-secondary institution

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?

Ensure that our communities are inclusive and supportive of all individuals - especially providing access to those with disabilities (physical and developmental). This starts by ensuring that we have inclusive schools (where all children are included and learning in regular classrooms), all are welcomed into their community programs, transportation, accessible buildings, access to post-secondary, adequate housing in their communities. Not put into special programs or communities.
Increase minimum wage, lower fees for university students so they can afford the education affordable lower income housing rates for seniors.
Lower housing/university prices
More emphasis on secondary school education, affordable taxes, preventive health care and adequate medical information via work shops or town hall meetings.
Post secondary education within the community. It would be nice to not have to go into Edmonton.
Post Secondary opportunities within the county!
quality education including a post secondary institution similar to olds or an out reach association or continuing education ie/ UofC degree hosted at RDC. that way people could do school in the community where they live and have less travel time and more quality time with their families.
Quality, affordable child careFamily events - freePost secondary coursesAffordable sports for children and adults
Strive for post secondary education opportunities or satellite learning centres right here in Sherwood Park.
Total

Question 1) Education: Reliable

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Affordable counselling for mental health - Anti-bullying programs in schools - Better school Councillors who have had mental health training.
1. Change education system more focus on hands-on learning, trades, practical/social skills, & mental health. University education needed only in certain fields .Stop copying USA look at successful education in rest of world.Change junior high to on-job work experience. Students give feedback about different job/volunteer situations and get work force experience. Requirement of ed. should be volunteering in community.2) Need Low cost drop in child care for parents (especially single mothers) working part time.3) Transportation: Need better hours especially at night. Amalgamate with others for joint bus system. Train/rapid transit between Sherwood park, Edmonton, St. Alberta. Other countries offer free bus rides. let's get on board.
Adequate support in schools. Ares for more schools.
All members of the community need to be valued respected and treated fairly, regardless of socioeconomic status. Regretfully, Sherwood Park has earned a reputation of being "snoppy" due to the wealth in the community. Also to note is the cost of housing, property taxes, school fees, etc., which are higher than in surrounding areas, perhaps due to the number of wealthy families in the area. Costs, especially school fees, need be more affordable for those that not wealthy.
Back to basic education (focus on core subjects and improve those areas first). Provide childcare at a cost similar to surrounding suburban communities. Provide more public opportunities for people in their communities to come together (ie events at community halls or venues that focus on family involvement, ie dances, events, etc.)
Be more open and teach more about these things in school, even as early as grade 1-2. Make minorities feel safe and welcome.
Better education system and affordable daycare.
Decrease costs to get fit,hire teachers that truly care-fire them if they are not doing their job,bus' sticking to times..

Education
Ensure proper police patrols, education, school systems.
Fair funding-mention that Catholic schools have more extra activities for kids in elementary eg. volleyball, basketball, etc. would be nice to have in community schools
Focus on bringing back, to not only to our community but to Alberta, the basics in education. That is, reading, writing and arithmetic. Fight and stop the carbon tax and quit raising our taxes. This can be done by not wasting tax payers dollars on affordable housing, traffic circles in residential areas (what a waste of dollars) and how much community dollars is going into this community talk program? Do you job of in making sure roads are looked after, make traffic follow more freely by coordinating the lights, stop funding for those people who choose not to work and stop providing services for non-productive people.
Getting a more reliable education for everyone. Getting houses at a more affordable price
Have a better education system with better educators. Lower housing costs. Make busses more accessible and the routes easier to access and understand
Help with costs of childcare and education.
Hire better teachers in high schools
I believe that our schools need to be teaching us more life skill like how to pay a bill, write a cheque, learn more about taxes, how to live successfully alone, and more important skills that many adults don't know how to do today. I also think we need a drivers ed class in are schools
I don't know but children should have the opportunity to have a good education and be able to come home to something and so as a community I think we need to be less selfish and focus more on the poor and the less fortunate because we take things for granted a lot and in the 21st century not everyone is like us living under a roof and going to a good school we need to focus more on the others then just ourselves
improve education herehave racial equalities
Improvements in early childhood development and K-12 education
Make education more entertaining.
More and better education for special needs (kindergarten to post secondary in our community).Special needs people are discriminated against in our community (eg. Jobs, school, and in general public). More respect and care if you get to know someone, less judgement. More wheel chair accessibility.More seniors care.Atmosphere of community is good.More counselling at reduced rates.Robin hood needs to have counsellors and advocates speaking up on half of special needs, onsite at robinhood. Someone who can listen to robinhood clients and advocate on their behalf.
More education funding in all areas.
More school programs to strengthen these goals
More teachers for children.
People with lower incomes should be able to access childcare/transportation/education at a lower cost.
School tutors/student aid
Set up proper institutions and education programs to help and educate people
Smaller class sizes for better education
Some schools class rooms are bigHousing for seniors with medical needsA lot of money is spent in certain areas on trees and plants where it could be spent better
The county should focus on ALL of the above goals. The county should be a strong advocate for seniors - housing, dental care, vision care, and hearing care. Families should not be paying for busing for children to school. More remedial services should be provided within the schools - ex. math and reading.
Total

Question 1) Education: Make schools fun

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Decrease store costs, make school fun
I think it is crucial to focus on children from kindergarten through grade 12 to ensure that they feel safe and comfortable and happy in school. I do not believe that what our provincial government is promoting with all their new gender policies is helping this cause. This is going to cause an extreme amount of confusion to all kids and consequently create more bullying for both the LGBTQ child and the little girls and boys who are not LGBTQ but now are uncomfortable using their washrooms/changerooms etc... in a place where they are supposed to feel safe. This policy needs to be challenged starting with our municipality.
Total

Question 1) Education: Funding/more resources

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Not have expensive housing- Not as expensive bills- Not expensive schooling
-Less expensive education because some people may not be able to afford it.- Less expensive housing- All people have access to transportation
Better education, smarter teacher
EducationAlthough complete acknowledge is given to how important teachers are (our girls are 8 yr & 10 yr) it would be great if Strathcona County teachers had a full 5 days of teaching. Between early out's and field trips and fun days there is massive advancement opportunities lost because of this. Timing of Fall break sucks. Too early for skiing and too early for a hot vacation. Only picked to allow teachers a cheap holiday.
I think to feel safe we should have police roaming every neighbourhood at night because my house has already gotten broken into. I also think that for people to have their basic needs met, the minimum wage should be raised and every child from the age of four should be aloud taking school without paying school fees. Because the main reason kids can't go to school is because it costs too much for the poor families.
Improve quality childcareMore options for affordable housingEducation grants for disadvantaged
Keep Ministik school open. Don't close it. It is the hub of our community. There is nothing else east of S. cooking Lake. Ministik school brings people and the community together.
lobby prov. gov't to stop spending so much on private education, especially religiously based home schooling.build more housing for families needing rent support continue to use local newspaper to communicate with residents (not everyone is always on-line)support agricultural services like weed control and animal controlcontinue community events like July 1st fireworks, support for free public skating at the various arenascontinue support for community hallsbuild walking and bike trails to help connect rural subdivisions to urban areas.
lower prices of schooling and childcare for more people to afford them
More options for FIT childcare in close proximity to schools as well as a bigger focus on quality education from K-6
more teachers
somehow have enough doctors so everyone can have a family doctor and not need to wait months for an appointment. continue to support our public education system
Total

Question 1) Drug/Alcohol: Illegal

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
legalize kush
legalize weed give us a bus system that actually works expand the LRT
Total

Question 1) Drug/Alcohol: Prescription abuse

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
I'm unsure. I think this requires deep reflection. Awareness and acknowledgement of some of the serious problems in Sherwood Park- we have a pharmaceutical problem.

Question 1) Drug/Alcohol: Trafficking

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Due to people moving here from other areas, provinces and countries, one improvement would be support to these people in regards to aiding them in setting up their basic needs. This would prevent new comers being swayed into illegal activities to survive. Also as far as safety, more monitoring at schools and wooded areas for illegal substances and activities taking place would be beneficial. Schools within Sherwood Park have a reputation of being high in drug content. I am a parent and see this as well. This affects safety within our community. One suggestion to make the community stronger would be to target each subdivision individually and encourage each subdivision to take ownership on their area. Knowing their neighbors, protecting the area from illegal activities by reporting them and watching for them, and keeping it clean would all be a start to make people feel like part of a smaller community. This would create the feeling of safety and respect. Sometimes it's easier to work o
Get rid of the drug houses. I have lived across from one for almost a year now and it's half a block from 2 schools with a total of 1600 kids!! I've taken my complaint to every level of govt. something needs to be done!!
Please fix the rampant drug dealing in Sherwood Park. All of the people I've met in a bad situation are on or selling drugs.
There's too many drugs, and they are easily accessible
Total

Question 1) Drug/Alcohol: Usage

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Do not do drugs.
I feel there is too much youth drug abuse and petty crime.
No drugs

Start taking the pressure off the hospitals and police as a bandaid fix for people that have drug addiction. This is an epidemic and this county has nothing for people. Families need a safe mandatory rehabilitation facility for their children that are not safe to be in the home. These kids are ending up on the streets of Edmonton. Find a building, put people in there to help them detox and get the care they need instead of sending them downtown to Edmonton. People are scared!!
There should be some way to reassure people that they are safe from harm here, the sherwood park community is generally safe and clean aside from the drug use. It would be nice if someone got on that. It's a pain when I'm driving and suddenly ah yes, the delightful smell of weed. Cool.
Total

Question 1) Drug/Alcohol: Addiction

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Focus on what can be funded or supported for already, established community groups that involve teens. When my kids got to junior high age - they HATED Sherwood park as all the parks are geared to tots. Unless I paid a lot of \$\$ to put them in organized sports. I don't know how to 'fix' it - probably healthier families is a good step. So many people are alcoholics here, there are 5 liquour stores within 1.5 kms of my house - its ridiculous. I guess the County gives out permits for businesses and there is no limit to how many booze outlets are in 1 neighborhood? I don't even know - anyways, just my observation. Youth need to give, and be part of making a difference to feel like they are valued.
We need to address the problem with addtiction. Some where where people can get affordable support when recovering and moving forward
Total

Question 1) Drug/Alcohol: Basic access to treatment

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
As a community we need a shelter for teens with support services including counselors and help with drug treatment(likely in collaboration with AHS)
I feel as a basic need we need to have access to treatment for drug and alcohol addictions, rehab and recovery for all ages. We should have this available in our community!
More support programs for families in need, and more accessible addictions services.
Start taking the pressure off the hospitals and police as a bandaid fix for people that have drug addiction. This is an epidemic and this county has nothing for people. Families need a safe mandatory rehabilitation facility for their children that are not safe to be in the home. These kids are ending up on the streets of Edmonton. Find a building, put people in there to help them detox and get the care they need instead of sending them downtown to Edmonton. People are scared!!
We need to address the problem with addtiction. Somewhere people can get affordable support when recovering and moving forward
Total

Question 1) Drug/Alcohol: Better education on adverse effects

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Education for kids of all ages on drugs and the risks. Education for adults and school aged children on money management.
Education on domestic violence, sexual assaults, substance abuse and mental health issues, do NOT legalize pot, jobs
More specifically, recreational drugs severely need to be paid more attention to (and thus eliminated), otherwise safety is not too poor in Sherwood Park, as well as hate crimes, racism, stereotypes, and hating and bias in general need to be put paid in to schools and in the general public.
Total

Question 1) Caregiving: Unofficial volunteering

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Affordable housing needs to be addressed. People should not have to leave their community to be able to leave. *There are major issues that this survey has not even addressed: caregiving, supports regarding death care, burial, cemeteries. There are a lot of people in the county who are providing care to loved ones. There NEEDS to be an affordable option to county residents for end of life.
Education for caregivers financial support for caregivers
Goal # 4 - Just not for disabled seniors Inadequate income related to the recession Educating people about the life of caregivers to the general populations More quality nursing homes with a year long minimum More empathetic doctors
Have an information network to match people's needs with others' resources (time, transportation, handyman services, friendship, emotional support, etc) especially for those who live alone, older, disabled. Information & referral. A Foster parent in Sherwood Park was criticized by neighbours for having 5 Foster kids at her house.
Have people volunteer to help people in their homes.
Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation). Get volunteers to be trained that help caregivers and providers.
I am speaking as a caregiver. After 24 years of looking after my husband and trying really hard to find support, I got connected to "Seniors Outreach." A service like this should be the first support people get. It should be when my husband got diagnosed or our first visit from a social worker or home care.
Total

Question 1) Caregiving: Exhaustion

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
My wife is severely disabled and her care giver with some help from me care in bathing and dressing, I will be eighty three in a couple of months and will be difficult for me to continue much longer, eventually she will need full care in a home., possibly Sherwood Park seniors home, L

Question 1) Caregiving: Isolation

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- We've seen residents that are isolated, one is the caretaker of their dying husband and there is no other family here to support them. The services support the husband, but not the wife looking after him. - We've seen many mental health issues. One gentleman is living in a house that should be looked at for hoarding/health concern issues)_I've had difficulty with a number of times with people under the age of 65, who are on AISH that cannot find help doing their weed control or snow removal. I tried to find resources this year (I called the province, I called FCS and volunteer centre). They all stated it is up to the person to find help themselves because there is no program for them. One person this year is isolated (driven away her children), alone 90% of the time, doesn't leave her house, has hardly any money, physically unable to do the work herself and has no money. -

Question 1) Caregiving: Policy

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Have an information network to match people's needs with others' resources (time, transportation, handyman services, friendship, emotional support, etc) especially for those who live alone, older, disabled. Information & referral. A Foster parent in Sherwood Park was criticized by neighbours for having 5 Foster kids at her house.

Question 1) Caregiving: Financial

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Connect people to other people or services. Make bus services for special needs people more accessible. More support services for caregivers in our community to allow people to stay in community.
Do things without expecting anything in return.
Have an information network to match people's needs with others' resources (time, transportation, handyman services, friendship, emotional support, etc) especially for those who live alone, older, disabled. Information & referral. A Foster parent in Sherwood Park was criticized by neighbours for having 5 Foster kids at her house.
Need more help for caregivers
Total

Question 1) Caregiving: Respite

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Increased subsidized seniors housing and family housing – inclusive of those that hover just above the poverty lines Increased subsidized transportation for senior Caregiver support / respite options

Question 1) General population/Other: Better access to services/programs

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Affordability of basic needs and essential services
- Education-Means to access resources ex. childcare benefits etc
- Hve better control over expenses and where our tax dollars are spend. Spend out money where it counts not on useless programs.
- Offer subsidized housing options- Need more seniors housing- Accessibility to FCSS
- Use social media- Explain who to contact for certain issues- Make individuals feel like they have a say even if they don't have hundreds of people back them.
-affordable physical activities centre - seniors program is very expensive at Millennium. - Affordable houses- Affordable transportation from home to grocery store, hospital- Awareness and outreach program
-Help make people aware of what is already provided-Encourage religious freedoms-provide education seminars at free charge (Parent link is a good example) with easy access to attend (bus route, childcare, free) to learn more about budgets, running households, child development, and so on.
-More affordable programs-lessen the transportation cost
Add little things that could help people to meet their basic needs
Appreciate what we have. Admit we have social issues.
Balance... Strathcona county waste's to many resources. Strathcona bus service is just one example. They do a good job of moving people to the university's, college's and to interacting with Edmonton transit (even though their buses are a little extravagant. But local service to the neighbourhoods are a waste off peak as the buses are almost always empty. There are many solutions to this, but still the one size fits all system is used. Work with your strengths, not your weaknesses. When you watch sidewalk plots going down sidewalks that don't need plowing. Do not be a make work project that you really are. This will probably be ignored as it doesn't fit the county's mentality.
Better awareness thru Strathcona County has financial / physical needs. Food Bank, low income, etc..
By making services and supports available and accessible to the vulnerable people in the community
By providing useful, informative and supportive connections for free such as Parent Link
community engagement is key - good work to offering to communitywe need more resources in community - basic needs, etc - more accessibility
Community programs for all families
Continue to invest in services and programs for the benefit of the greater community . And for community leaders - political, education and businesses - to guard against interest groups that advocate for self-serving agendas such as reduced taxes. I have chosen to remain in Strathcona County because of the services available, and I do not mind paying my fair share of taxes to support those services.
Create a network where everybody in the community gets access to all services. Make services affordable to everyone. Also reach more people about services offered to the community.
Create an atmosphere of support for people seeking county services with streamlined access rather than a bureaucratic multi silo'D system.
Create committees to work directly on these goals
Do you think that the Community Services offered can be better. Central Communication Centre which then "champions" your cause.
Do your best to ensure everyone has the proper help and support so they have as much an opportunity to have their needs met as others.
Easier access to community program
Ensure residents have access to the services they require at the time they require them.
Ensure that all services are available to all of our residents. Many people fall through the cracks.

Focus on what the people can afford and achieve ?
for having basic needs met you should add more job
Give equality
Government funded groups like Community And Family Services need to have a stronger hand in supporting families. Schools need to call the various family support groups more readily, and when they do, the support needs to be there.
Government support for families & communities. Community programs & support.
Have community based organizations.
Have groups put in place for a range of people to be able to open up about life's challenges and help each other achieve spiritual,mental and physical wellness.
Have programs and groups available and in place to support all social issues when they arise
Having adequate services available at a reasonable time.
Having support groups for people who don't fall into the high income level of the perceived majority. The rates for family events are typically quite high for families who are struggling. That could be single parents, currently unemployed because of the economic crash or a minority new to the county.
Help low income families and provide options for them.
Help us become more aware of where help is needed so we can volunteer and assist.
I believe that wee need to increase social programs and lower living costs
I don't know much about Strathcona County, new to area.I would say that having great social programs in place help.
I have been disconnected from the community at large for years. I do not know what is happening in this community and for all I know you have already met your goals its just that I have not read or heard about it. I certainly would like to know more about what is happening here. I am finding the cost of living is increasing by leaps and bounds. My property taxes are getting very high. Starting to think of moving to a place that I can afford on my fixed income. Considering the county has a surplus of \$15 million and my taxes keep going up makes me think I am missing information.
I think to focus on being connected and getting along by adding more social services.
I truly believe that we already live in a wonderful community. Thank you! As an area for continued growth, I would like to see more quality programming and housing available for adults with special needs. It brings me joy to see individuals with special needs working in meaningful roles in the community, and I wish there were more incentives and training opportunities for local businesses to support these members of our community. Way to pave a trail for compassion and inclusion, Strathcona County!
I would like to add accessibility to this list. I am a person living with a disability. I have found that it is difficult to get out when there are not benches present to take a rest or handicap buttons to open doors, among other things. As someone who has a disability, I still want to enjoy what others do in the community.
Improve Administration services
Improved accountability of politicians. Improved decision making for decision making in community.
In relation to goal 2, I am not sure a county can be fully responsible for someone's physical, and emotional being. They can offer help when needed.
increasing amount of help centres for people in need such as unemployment offices to ensure everyone can have a stable and readily available job
It is so important to feel like you belong and are connected. Once you feel like that, then it'll be easier to accomplish the other goals. Not sure how to improve on it. More community events? Outreach programs that are communicated and included within the daily activities that we do. (Grocery stores, banks, etc.)
Just keep listening. Perhaps more programs/ group gatherings for single, divorced people.
Just make sure that everyone has the help and support that they need such as single parents and seniors. Other than that make sure that the basic needs are all met such as affordable housing because many families are out there I know are struggling for money, even mine so that is really important to me.
Keep doing what we are doing and continuing to support those people in need.

keep doing what you are doing
Less emphasis on programs during workweek, more recognition that many parents work full-time and can't access programs at 3 pm on a Wednesday (example - swimming lessons)
Listen to the people's voices and help them or just DONT IGNORE THEM
Lower costs to make things more accessible.
Lower prices
Lower prices of everything
Make a new skatepark , many kids do not like our skatepark so they stay home all day . Make a new skatepark and you will see good and positive results for skateboarding
Make activities more available for working families. More weekend selection. We have had some serious issues in town and RCMP have been slow to respond. Reason we moved out of town.
Make fun activites to do on a staturday or do some really cool deals give people at home a free pizza do stuff like that.
Make sure everyone is good and happy. Make sure help is available to those who need it.
make sure that people with low income get the help they need
make things affordable for people that are stuggling and be there for one another
make things more affordable for families
Making citizens aware of our services, and reaching out to find what they need and want.
making sure more people are working for these things and for us
Many people with little kids do not really have a time to go through survey. (More likely less to take a survey) Need any information more available and more spread so that people can easily get information.
More advertising about social programs and health programs to target stay at home moms or moms who are battling depression, especially moms that live out in the country and dont read or receive the Sherwood Park News. There needs to be more inclusive programs for senior's ie: bringing daycare kids to the seniors places.
More affordable housing and community support available.
More affordable housing and more services available.
More affordable housing, easier access to services.
more free / low cost services
More low cost or free programs. More outreach with schools churches senior centres and news web and otherwise to get people together More events and programming. Library courses could also be used.
More low income housingMore support for single moms / dadsHave a bus system out in the country
More opportunities for free education during the day for adults so they can work at night.
More programsMore information on helping out less fortunate
More support for families struggling.
more support programs for community
Need a facility to help people with Neurological disease such as Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, etc. Although we have Millennium Place in S.P., not everyone can afford the costs and their programs are not specifically designed to help those of us with Neurological issues. Travelling into Edmonton is not always an option as some of these conditions impair driving. Bussing, cabs, etc. is also costly. Thank you.
Perhaps a "one stop shop" app of all the services, events, safety alerts, etc.
Provide easier access to services
Provide more options for people in Sherwood park who are in need of more assistance than others.
Provide options for people who have finance issues, i know a family who moves often because they can't afford houses, even though the mother works twelve hour shifts nearly every day, there is 2 kids in this family and they all struggle with getting enough clothes.

Provide support services don't assume, connect with all.
Public transportation could be improved. For instance, walking only a couple blocks often requires walking on grass, but for people with mobility issues, this is not possible. The alternative is sometimes to triple the distance walked in order to stay on sidewalks, which is also impossible for people who have difficulty walking, or are in a wheelchair. Also, Millennium Place is a great facility where a lot of community events are centred, but it is difficult to bus there from most residential areas.
Reduce overhead in county - salary and costs.
Remove the regulations, restrictions and costs that inhibit anyone from helping another person in the county.
Resources and assistance for those leaving abusive relationships, a dedicated position to help make sure basic needs are met for these people: food, longer term shelter (locating as well as funding), establishing a home again with nothing, resources for making it through the first 6 months and then continued support for longer term. Finding help such as financial services. , navigating the legal system, finding sources for help such as santas anonymous, food bank and more. Restraining orders and child custody etc etc etc
Set some goals for the community
Spend more on public services.
Stop having a glorified walk in clinic and have a hospital. Open food banks and welfare offices with more hours. Hire me!!
Stop treating Sherwood Park as a city and ignoring the County. We should have access to the same facilities including transportation.
Streamlined access to services, reduced duplication of programs within the County, ensuring people have timely access to resources with adequate and reliable information about what programs and services they are able to access. Overall reduction of stigma for those accessing services.
Strong police presence. Rehab for repeat offenders.
Subsidized services
The best way in my opinion is to increase the governments funds, therefore more affordable things to provide the community
To make sure everyone is taken care of.
Try and make the community feel more connected. Possibly more help for people who may be struggling financially, mentally, etc.
we could built more places in sherwood park to get closer together
We need more community leaguesCommunity focused round table discussions on issues that affect all the above mentioned.
We need support of the goverment to start and stick together until the goals are met
Total

Question 1) General population/Other: Addressing basic needs

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- Affordability of basic needs and essential services

- We've seen residents that are isolated, one is the caretaker of their dying husband and there is no other family here to support them. The services support the husband, but not the wife looking after him. - We've seen many mental health issues. One gentleman is living in a house that should be looked at for hoarding/health concern issues)_I've had difficulty with a number of times with people under the age of 65, who are on AISH that cannot find help doing their weed control or snow removal. I tried to find resources this year (I called the province, I called FCS and volunteer centre). They all stated it is up to the person to find help themselves because there is no program for them. One person this year is isolated (driven away her children), alone 90% of the time, doesn't leave her house, has hardly any money, physically unable to do the work herself and has no money. -
- Work on the basics first - If people do not have subsidized housing (ample), childcare and access to transportation (even rural area) that is affordable - it is hard to achieve the rest.
-- More childcare facilities-- Lower public transportation fare-- Provide more help to lower income families-- Mental health assistance
-Basic needs are important. Most have been hit hard given the recession. - Affordable childcare is critical to allow families to work.
A healthy community means people can look after themselves enough to meet their own basic needs, if we just hand out the basics why bother to work hard to accomplish anything, make the basics accessible, transportation, etc., but the best feeling is a sense of accomplishment when you do for yourself (with a little help when needed). A positive outlook on life, with health and mental wellbeing being proactively looked after instead of reactive aftermath is easier on the economy and makes our community more resilient.
A truly vital topic to explore is affordable housing--a large majority of individuals in the strathcona-edmonton area live in unaffordable housing (around 41%). By taking care of these basic needs (affordable homes, social services, and affordable childcare, etc.).
Actually do something for our community. Get us basic needs and less wait times.
Affordable, appropriate housing. Adequate disability income-not poverty.
All of the goals are admirable. And they are true for select lucky proportion of our population. There are people living in poverty. There are people living in abusive situations. There are people who are bullied and people who are made to feel unwelcome. We act like this is not so. I have heard people say, "We don't have poor people here." I have heard negative comments about people's ethnicities, gender preferences, age and religion. No one is taking the lead on identifying these issues and working to educate people on a better way. Survey doesn't come close to identifying issues that need to be dealt with in order to achieve these lofty goals.
All of the other goals flow from people having their basic needs met
Also: Are healthy, and Have their basic needs met.
Also: Have their basic needs met.
Also: Have their basic needs met.Maybe try to see if people need help.
Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Basic needs are vital however child care (our future) is also vital to the health of our community
Basic needs in this economic down turn must be a priority or the other things won't be doable.
Basic needs met: give to charity, have a high enough minimum wage.
Better funding and more government assistance,
Better supports for poor families
Block parties ... Meet your neighbours. Community events Community events to raise funds for common goal... Food bank.... Animal rescue ... Etc
Bring prices down and work together.
By making services and supports available and accessible to the vulnerable people in the community
By prioritizing the cost benefit and addressing the needs appropriately.

community engagement is key - good work to offering to communitywe need more resources in community - basic needs, etc - more accessibility
Community nitty support for families, seniors, teens, exceptional children, and others who need emotional, financial, social support.
Community programs, maybe. In terms of people who do not have their basic needs met, setting up a facility in which to help them.
Community projects to help families in need.
Create more jobs for people, specifically for someone with an engineering degree. This is important so that everyone's family has a strady income and can afford the basic necessities along with extra stuff ex. Eating out a reustrant, buying new cloths.
Creating/becoming a community that champions opportunities like Habitat and other initiatives that support persons whose basic needs are not presently met
discounts for single parents, more community groups/projects that people care about/ are passionate about, report abuse, longer counselor sessions (you guys are changing it to a max of ten which is unfair for those of us with things like ocd that need long term treatment)
Do more to make sure basic needs are met
Do your best to ensure everyone has the proper help and support so they have as much an opportunity to have their needs met as others.
dont make strathcona county an expensive places to live
Due to people moving here from other areas, provinces and countries, one improvement would be support to these people in regards to aiding them in setting up their basic needs. This would prevent new comers being swayed into illegal activities to survive. Also as far as safety, more monitoring at schools and wooded areas for illegal substances and activities taking place would be beneficial. Schools within Sherwood Park have a reputation of being high in drug content. I am a parent and see this as well. This affects safety within our community. One suggestion to make the community stronger would be to target each subdivision individually and encourage each subdivision to take ownership on their area. Knowing their neighbors, protecting the area from illegal activities by reporting them and watching for them, and keeping it clean would all be a start to make people feel like part of a smaller community. This would create the feeling of safety and respect. Sometimes it's easier to work o
Encourage ways anyone can volunteer and help out with others' basic needs so that we can be treated fairly and equally in our community. To feel like we can belong, there can be more activities so people can meet one another and build relationships that bring each other together.
Ensure that there are resources to help everyone that needs it.
Ensuring that most citizens are in a healthy condition; because of the way the economy is, it's important to ensure that we can still have basic needs met here in Strathcona.
Familiarize yourself with upcycling Strathcona county on facebook and you will see how many people are truly "in need "
Feed the homeless
feed the people that do have food and water
Feel like they belong and are connected to others. Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. do not be shy smile hug and help find ways to get involved ask for help
Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
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Find a way to balance all of the needs and wants
Focus 1 basic needs, second healthy, third belong and connected
Focus on assistance to financially and emotionally struggling individuals and families.
Focus on the basic needs and help others achieve these needs
Focus on the people who need help before helping the people who have a steady income and who have basic needs met.
Focus on what the people can afford and achieve ?
For those that work with Strathcona County, SC really has to review their HR processes, compassion training. Many managers/senior admin. are trying to advance careers, and lose sight of those below them. It happens over time, like starting out dating, until you live with someone for awhile and discover what they are really like. Advancing their career through power, control, and intimidation. Fear is the staff motivator. Those with power are ready to remove you, not work out differences of character, do not recognize different ways to complete work as innovative. Unless you are liked, flexibility to meet basic needs, family, health challenges, aging, is stressful demonstration on employee part. Feel judged which leads to all the points above the meeting basic needs.
Free food
Fundraiser
Get the affordable housing, efficient transportation and affordable childcare in place. When people's basic needs are met, they are able to participate more fully in their community. By the way, not having any transit stops in Edmonton, besides at the universities and downtown is a waste. I would love to commute to Sherwood Park by bus, but the stops are too far away. It is annoying to see empty buses heading back to Sherwood Park every 15 minutes what a waste!
Give more options for jobs, more opportunities, so people can live better lives because right now, there are a lot of homeless people out there and it's sad.
give people the money if they need it for their family
Have affordable housing for the low to medium income people. The rentals market is so high you have to decide if you are going to live in a clean place and not eat as much or live in a scary place and eat well.
Have better basic needs
Have everyone get their basic needs and feel safe with where they live.
Have lower bills to pay, gas prices for transportation to be not so high.
Have more sports teams for both genders and have everyone's basic needs meet to the same standards
Have their basic needs
Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation). - more day courses on weekends - subsidies
Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation). Basic needs met – is the first step to support families to feel stable Only by working together, a community can get stronger
Having basic needs met because not everybody has a proper income and some people are living on the streets and some people don't have enough money to get their kids through school. Some people can't even afford food and clean water. I am a little mad.
Help others struggle with money, like maybe reducing extra curricular prices
help out family that needs the help

help people who struggle financially to give them better lives and don't cut them off child support. help people from other countries to feel better and more involved in the community by establishing groups specifically for them. help integrate them into our community and feel as welcome as possible.
Help the homeless more
helping hampers
Homeless shelter with food.
I also feel: Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm. Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly. Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness) Work together to make our community stronger. Have their basic needs met (for example, adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).
I am 2 years into trying to break free from an abusive marriage. The justice system has failed me and my small children again and again. We are stuck without a decent quality of life, I can't afford childcare, I am balancing work and online school to try make ends meet, but I can no way afford any kind of suitable housing for me and my children. We are stuck in a one room basement room and will be for the foreseeable future, all because the courts have failed again and again to recognize and provide for our needs in a timely manner. My ex is living the high life, paying very minimal in child support although he is making over 6 figures, and continues to be verbally, mentally, emotionally abusive towards my children and myself. At this point, there is nothing in place I can access that is able to help me. I just want to be free from abuse and provide a safe place for me and my kids to call home. Sincerely, Trapped
I believe that our schools need to be teaching us more life skill like how to pay a bill, write a cheque, learn more about taxes, how to live successfully alone, and more important skills that many adults don't know how to do today. I also think we need a drivers ed class in are schools
I believe that wee need to increase social programs and lower living costs
I believe that when people feel like they belong and are connected to others they are in a better position to reach out to resources, for example, getting the help they need if they are not feeling safe and are in danger of physical and/or emotional harm as well as if they are not having their basic needs met. Feeling valued, respected and treated fairly makes you feel like you belong and have a connection to others. When your basic needs are being met you are also enabled to take advantage of the other resources in the community to keep yourself further involved and engaged through health and wellness pursuits and showing an interest in community. All of the above mentioned goals build from each other and are connected. Becomes a win/win.
I don't know but children should have the opportunity to have a good education and be able to come home to something and so as a community I think we need to be less selfish and focus more on the poor and the less fortunate because we take things for granted a lot and in the 21st century not everyone is like us living under a roof and going to a good school we need to focus more on the others then just ourselves
I don't live in Strathcona County but I think affordable housing for single parents should be looked at, their are not a lot of choices here.
I feel that all these goals are important, but I believe that as a municipality, we only have the ability to do so much. If we're connected to others, I feel this could provide a foundation to build on. The basic needs goal is extremely important, but I believe that the province should be taking the lead on that one. If we could have more community events throughout the year that are smaller (so hopefully less expensive), I think that could be a good place to start. For example, events like we used to have (the Haunted Hike, Centennial Days, Clover Bar Ranch garage sale) gave us the opportunity to get out and meet our neighbours in a casual, relaxed setting - that was also fun.
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I have lived here since a very young child and do not wish to leave, but the housing and trying to afford to raise a family here is almost starting to become only for the very affluent. Anything that the county can do to help make things more affordable would help.
I suspect that by the "valued, respected, and treated fairly" goal, you have support of minority and vulnerable populations in mind. I'm a little disappointed that wasn't mentioned more explicitly, as I think it is an extremely important goal. I think making sure basic needs are met is very important, but also that if we looked at who is struggling with this in our community, we would find many are members of vulnerable populations. I would like to see both goals pursued together. However, all of the goals are excellent and I hope the County is able to make headway on everything!
I think a goal should be to make the cops see that we are people and deserve a chance to speak before they assume the bad! Or help people in need! More homeless shelters
I think basic needs are very important. So I think that basic needs should be more affordable and it shouldn't be as hard to survive.
I think just by helping people with what they need.
I think something we should try and improve on is more is the price of income is a bit higher and everyone has the there basic needs.
I think that if we can ensure basic needs are met, that the rest will follow. We are an affluent community who are now realizing the downside of affluence with the economic downturn. I am concerned with the increasing cost of everything important to my family, but having to work with a reduced wage.
I think the goal of feeling value is exceptionally important but I'm rating the basic needs as slightly higher. Policies and practices that encourage a range of housing options, improve accessibility, support childcare, address the needs of traditionally marginalized groups are all important. It's a difficult balancing act, but I believe the County is moving in the right direction. There is a strong sense of place; however, we must be mindful of not unintentionally insisting on homogenization.
I think to feel safe we should have police roaming every neighbourhood at night because my house has already gotten broken into. I also think that for people to have their basic needs met, the minimum wage should be raised and every child from the age of four should be aloud taking school without paying school fees. Because the main reason kids can't go to school is because it costs too much for the poor families.
I think we need to be more aware of our vulnerable people. Often I think we believe that because we are an affluent community that we don't have poverty, family violence and homelessness. Our community has grown more and more ignorant of these issues in our community. In my mind our current curfew for youth is a perfect example of this. Instead of addressing the issues that could be leading to young people being out at night we just do the easy thing through the curfew. We need to better address the root causes of these issues, but first we need to recognize that they exist in our community.
I think we should all feel safe and respected and we should be free from any physical harm. We should help make the community stronger by having our basic needs met and the child care "price" should be lowered. And everyone should have an adequate income
If basic needs are being met it will be easier to achieve the others.
If basic needs are met , AIDS in others
if people's basic essential needs are not met (food, shelter) it is impossible for them to work on the other goals.
If you do not have people's basic needs met you cannot achieve any of the other goals. Provide support for teachers. By this I mean in class support. One problem/special needs child can derail a whole class year.
If you do not have the basic needs to survive you are emotionally distraught, affects you physically, mentally and spiritually. I was there. I am NOT now. Took awhile to achieve though. I don't know, I guess a survey helps.
In terms of basic needs, Sherwood Park needs more affordable housing options. We need community members to be more supportive of food banks, etc...but I'm not sure how to influence change in that realm.
Income should change for poor families and housing costs should go down as well.
It's hard as a large family to afford basic needs on one income. It would be nice to see more things cost less like childcare.

Just make sure that everyone has the help and support that they need such as single parents and seniors. Other than that make sure that the basic needs are all met such as affordable housing because many families out there I know are struggling for money, even mine so that is really important to me.
Just providing resources right now on an as needed basis. With the economy the way it is I think the hardships are showing up. Crime is increasing with the hard times. The resources need to be in place so these needs are met.
Less expensive housing and clothing
Look after our poor and refugees
looking at the true needs of people in Sherwood park and having at least 2 hot meals a day available.
Lots of people hurting financially right now. Many can use as much public support as possible - more than we currently have available.
Lower cost of utilities
Lower the costs of school fees or any basic needs for single parent families
Make housing and other things in general cheaper
Make sure everyone has a good amount of basic needs to live a good life.
Make sure everyone has basic needs because without some basic needs people can not be very healthy
Make sure everyone has enough money for homes and food..
Make sure everyone is treated fairly by giving them the same basic needs rather than having some needs more expensive than others so people can not afford them. This will insure that more people will be happy and not as stressed out with their extra money.
make sure people who need food and water also a shelter get that
Make sure that all housing is affordable, all income is reasonable, affordable childcare and I think that all of that should be improved along with everyone's basic needs to our best capability.
Make sure that everyone feels safe and welcomed here. Make sure everyone can have a good life.
Make sure that people who don't have much money can have a warm place to stay
make sure that people with low income get the help they need
Make sure that underprivileged families have what they need to get by
Make the basic needs cheaper
make the food at Ardrossan Jr Sr cheaper. I think that the education in the higher classes are good but compared to that the other classes are inadequate, and they do not get the same opportunities.
Make things cheaper and more available to people. Some people have little to nothing and are struggling, nothing happens, nobody helps them. Stop trying to make big fancy houses that cost millions and make some that are affordable for people who really need them. Big houses are pointless and unnecessary. Stop spending money and invest so we have something to survive on when we need it most.
make things more affordable because some families aren't as rich as others in Sherwood park
Making more jobs available, Food banks, more donation centres
Making sure that EVERYONE has THEIR RIGHTS AND NEEDS COVERED. becoming more technological within the community.
Many initiatives already employed, but a change in community attitude would foster more of the affordability of life for those that are in the community that are not just temporarily struggling. Healthy communities need basic needs met to not worry about safety & mental stability
Many of the goals are inter related. Meeting basic fundamental needs of people achieve a greater well being, thereby, achieving other important individual needs e.g. feeling respected, etc.
Maslow - basic needs #1 - #2 are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness).
Maybe we could add a donation center, or any things like that to help the children who doesn't have education and people that are homeless.
More awareness on the need for food bank donations

more communication/working with low income families
More community eventsMake sure underprivileged families have what they needAlso please give Sephora and Forever 21 (no stores for teen girls!!!)
More flexibility around how and when basic needs are met and what basic needs look like. I.e. when do people need childcare? For the day, or are they working nightshift?
More food banks. And more affordable items like housing/groceries/normal items.
More housing for seniors, more assisted living housing, a hospital that is a real hospital (ie: can perform surgeries and not have to transfer to other hospitals), less attack on parental choice in education. Only when the basic needs of people are met can they feel safe and involved in their community.
More programsMore information on helping out less fortunate
More subsidies
more support programs for community
More support programs for families in need, and more accessible addictions services.
Motherhood and Apple Pie - don't know who put this together. Affordable housing. Affordable food. Affordable Utility Bills based on a single users actual usage not some "average usage" based on a large family's usage which "everyone" has to pay
Need more affordable housing, more affordable child care, more affordable retraining available or funding so that people can be retrained, more financial help fir those that seem to be falling through the crack
Need to be more secure taxi's. Security steps put in place etc. I would not recommend anyone to take a taxi. 2nd would be basic needs met - education/childcare housing etc.
New to the area but feel that we need to ensure basic needs are met first if that is an issue, feeling safe would be the next priority.
People in the community can talk to each other and work to achieve our goals and it doesn't just affect us in a good way it affects everyone around us. We can have a safer community by being kind to each other and respecting others as you would want to be. I think people in this community are very nice compared to other places. I feel pretty good living here but that doesn't mean others around me aren't struggling. It is very expensive to live here and I think that's something that needs to be dealt with so people don't have to worry too much about if they will have a place to sleep, food to eat, get to do activities, sports, school,etc.
People need help, especially their families. Mom and dad need to work; child care is expensive and not overly available.
People need to have their basic needs met before they can focus on their physical and mental health, often these needs need to be met before people feel that they are valued and connected as well.
people with low incomes need more support
Physical needs to be met first. Once they are met we should focus on social needs, building community ie feeling a sense of connection.
Promote diversity and inclusivity, ensure social supports are in place to promote basic needs before moving up the hierarchy
Provide adult education to teach people how to address their basic needs.
Provide educational free seminars for all to attend on how to help support each other so each individual can have basic needs met, and feels safe, valued, healthy and connected to the community. Perhaps begin some type of support group/program in the rural setting to help one than 1 day a week or 1 day a month. People need support on a daily basis.
Provide help for people who don't have those needs or at least figure out who has what they need and who doesn'
Reduce poverty and abuse.
Reduce prices
Relationship Venues / opportunities. There is no way to know if basic needs are being met until we know each other stronger/better.

Require family (dual & single parent) and singles to live in quality housing close to schools, playgrounds, etc. that is also financially manageable. Families and singles are struggling and facing financial hardships who do not have 3 digit income(s). In older neighbourhoods, options are available i.e. Victoria (carriage houses) - creativity is needed to promote mother-in-law suites, etc. in current homes.
Research based decisions!
Resources and assistance for those leaving abusive relationships, a dedicated position to help make sure basic needs are met for these people: food, longer term shelter (locating as well as funding), establishing a home again with nothing, resources for making it through the first 6 months and then continued support for longer term. Finding help such as financial services. , navigating the legal system, finding sources for help such as santas anonymous, food bank and more. Restraining orders and child custody etc etc etc
Set a cap price on food. Also have a friendlier environment that encourages empathy within young adults. Diversify Strathcona employment opportunities. I personally know a family with 6 plus members that work for the county. More surveys that are linguistically better asked for better results. It's hard to put a value range on emotions.
Shorter waiting times in hospitals. Higher wages. Cheaper prescribed medicine.
Some people just aren't as kind as others, and stuff is very expensive these days and some people can't afford things.
some ways you can fix some of these problems is to give a ideal price for a housing because most people cant afford a big house and they have alot of others worries they are thinking about.For childcare most parents cant afford to send there kid to get a good education or there is not enough room for all of the children.They pay for rent in malls is so high it is probaly cheaper for people to just buy there own place.Many people get a job to help pay for clothes and basic needs-ig: @repostbmx
Somehow get more money, so that people who can't afford things that they need, can get their basic needs met. People should also somehow get money so that if they can't afford to get the mental or physical help that they need (therapist, physio) then their needs should be met, also.
Specialized organizations for minority youth that feel left out or discriminated (clubs and safe places for youth).Community charity events for families struggling to support themselves.
start communicating with others and make houses, food, and water more affordable
Start doing them now and don't wait
start helping out the people
Stop homelessness
Stop, look, and listen to our residents.
Support for food bank (basic needs) needs support through this economic downturn
Take more tax money to the homeless and the people who need help.
The best way in my opinion is to increase the governments funds, therefore more affordable things to provide the community
The cost of living is so high and it is so hard to make ends meet. Need to bring community together to support each other. We should have more housing that is affordable. If I am only paying my mortgage I cannot participate more in my community.
There is zero affordable or low income housing to keep single families residents of Sherwood aPark. Income support is ridiculous and only covered my rent as I am not receiving low income. I was consistently harassed by children services and RCMP while trying to leave abusive relationship. Based on my ex testimony to RCMP I was kicked to the street with nowhere to go with 4 kids. No help with paying utility bills that are mandatory, food bank is only once a month and give expired food and no actual meat etc. RAP program is excellent but busing subsidy is still not affordable. More needs to Recreation facilities like the zoo, Fort Edmonton, trampoline places etc. School fees and supplies are ridiculous. Have so many complaints about living here and day by day it just isn't affordable anymore
These goals are noble and necessary. However, reaching them will require wide spread buy in and possibly a willingness to help those less fortunate.

Things need to be more affordable and the law enforcement within the community needs to be treating people more fairly.
This survey is a start. I think more projects like these are excellent and the community or town hall meetings are also helpful. I think basic needs are usually where we need to start and then we can focus on belonging and valuing each other more deeply.
try to reduce homelessness like how they did it in medicin hat, by the gov. buying basic needs
Way less expensive clothes, food and houses
we can improve in the amount of money each person is getting and we can have no one feel like that they are not cared for
We could try and lower prices or give benefits to people who may not have enough money or aren't able to pay for certain things. Maybe using more tax dollars to help people who need support.
We need some services for homeless people. I've lived in Sherwood Park since I was a child and for the first time I've started to notice homeless people. This summer there was a regular person picking bottles in my neighbourhood. I work in the Library and we've had homeless people in our space, including visibly homeless people as well as teens who have been kicked out of home as well as people living in their cars. When it's cold outside, there isn't any place in Sherwood Park that we can send them - all the services are in Edmonton and if they don't have money or transportation they can't get back there. I don't know how to solve this problem - a shelter? a 24 hour warm space in the winter like Edmonton is doing with the LRT stations? Some kind of evening transit to Edmonton that is better than Dial a Bus?
We need to take care of each other. If people have their basic needs, I believe they can focus on their health. Everyone will feel safer and better because crime should be lower. If family are struggling, kids can't focus in school. Public transportation is difficult in some areas, even in Sherwood Park. I'm not sure that people are aware of all the services that are available through out the County. It's also difficult when you move in this community and you do not speak English. We have a French School in Sherwood Park. We must have a certain number of people that are Francophone. We must welcome the diversity if we want people to feel that they belong and connected. I don't have the answers but those are things we can think about.
We should be able to have jobs to get all the basic needs
We should improve on donating more things for the people who have less money.
When people have their basic needs met, they can focus outward to be involved in the community.
While not as important as feeling safe and having basic needs met, the goal of seeing a more relationally connected community is a good one. This is an area of relative weakness presently
Work on making food and amenities affordable. Rents need to be lowered and we need to be more competitive with Edmonton
You can't feel valued if your basic needs aren't met!
You could do some sort of fund raised or donations to help people cut their costs of need be and to help people pay for their basic needs like food water and shelter
Total

Question 1) General population/Other: More funding

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
a great deal of the families are single parent homes and the affordable resources are for low income families... however the middle class (lower end) are missed there should be resources to assist families in this income range RAP program, counselling etc
Adequate funding

Affordable housing - I live at Brittany Lane Housing Co-operative: - Brittany Lane loses their subsidy funding when the mortgage is paid off (ETA 2022). Meetings have been conducted to determine course of action (non-subsidy member to pay into a pot [Security of Tenure] to support subsidized units). I work hard and do not feel that is an ethical, appropriate or fair way to do business and how my rental fees should be spent. Municipal, Provincial and/or Federal funding for those that need it would be beneficial.- Rents in Sherwood Park (condos, townhouses and apartments) are way expensive with such little square footage. Cost ratio is ridiculous. It is cheaper for me to live in Edmonton and commute, which may be the only recourse I have when subsidy runs out in Co-op Housing unless there is resolution to the above.Corner of Jim Common and Sherwood Drive intersection (north and south), PLEASE place advance left turn arrows here.
All members of the community need to be valued respected and treated fairly, regardless of socioeconomic status. Regretfully, Sherwood Park has earned a reputation of being "snoppy" due to the wealth in the community. Also to note is the cost of housing, property taxes, school fees, etc., which are higher than in surrounding areas, perhaps due to the number of wealthy families in the area. Costs, especially school fees, need be more affordable for those that not wealthy.
Better funding and more government assistance,
By donating money to people who need it.
community fundraising and more recreational centres for social events and just to meet more different people.
Education for caregiversfinancial support for caregivers
have more community events/fundraisers
Have more resources
Help Carla? with getting a raise on AISH. We have not had a raise since 2012 and everything is going up. I think his name is David Sparrows and he agrees its about time AISH clients got a raise.
Hey create more jobs , or help with affordable housing and funding for the people who are struggling
I have been disconnected from the community at large for years. I do not know what is happening in this community and for all I know you have already met your goals its just that I have not read or heard about it. I certainly would like to know more about what is happening here. I am finding the cost of living is increasing by leaps and bounds. My property taxes are getting very high. Starting to think of moving to a place that I can afford on my fixed income. Considering the county has a surplus of \$15 million and my taxes keep going up makes me think I am missing information.
I think that we could help by setting up fundraisers to help all the people that are in need.
Lessen on funding things to help the economy
Lots of people hurting financially right now. Many can use as much public support as possible - more than we currently have available.
More community initiatives to be involved in charities, the environment, etc. More communication on how to get involved in these things.
more effective fundraising (seniors, minorities, etc). new systems for people in need of counselling
More funding opportunities
more money to FCS programming to better support families in our community and provide resources to make change
Promote increasing the funding to AISH recipients by soliciting provincial gov't. there's a need for public rural transportation - especially for elderly people.
Proper funding (council approved).
Provide additional government funding initiatives to make this happen.
Re-direct funding
Remove the regulations, restrictions and costs that inhibit anyone from helping another person in the county.
Shovel the snow on public sidewalks more.....
Spend money on what the people need, not what the government wants

The best way in my opinion is to increase the governments funds, therefore more affordable things to provide the community
To work together and raise money
We can help others out more and fundraise more.
We can make a charity and hopefully get some funds for them
We need money to help the issues
With unemployment rising, it is important to tackle these issues head on. Make sure funds and other such programs are set up to build a stronger community to deal with the rising unemployment in our community.
You could do some sort of fund raised or donations to help people cut their costs of need be and to help people pay for their basic needs like food water and shelter
Total

Question 1) General population/Other: Keeping clean environment/environmental friendly

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- More local community fairs and programs to become involved with. - Increase environmental initiatives.- Create larger # of jobs within local community.
1. Fire Pits: Either ban them or cut back on their use eg. only late night so people without them can use their decks or patio, smoke free fresh air.2.Excessive idling: cars, trucks (on street is bad) some are running for half an hour.3.Renting homes: limit amount of people in them. There has been as many as 10-15 people in some on our street.
become more environmentally friendly
Bussing system could use improvement. The only affordable housing option I am aware of is to rent a room from someone. Asthma rates are high. I often don't find out about community events, it would be nice to have a county page that posts everything from parades to community garage sales, farmers markets, special speakers, concerts and plays coming to festival place. Etc.
Capital project management is abysmal So much waste everywhere you turn
community clean up events
Cut down on building over marshlands and swamps and preserve them.
Don't forget about the enviroment.
Feel like they belong and are connected to others will lead to achieving the following goals. More forums on environmental security. Me impression is that developers overly influence council and we do not have the infrastructure nor should for housing expansion.
Focus on education/busing/age of schools
I feel that we have lost the esthetic of our community. Our trees are being wiped out, and limited being replanted. We have wonderful bike paths, but I believe adding more tress/plants/shrubs may add more of an appeal to get out of the house. We are also quite overconnected with social media, how to limit, I don't know? But I think if we band together, find like-minded people, maybe we can create a change?!
I have always been very concerned about air quality in Sherwood Park. I do not think there are clear reports on our air quality. I have spelled the pollution on many days that the index said air quality is fine.
I have lived in Sherwood Park for 39 years and the only "fear" I have is the environmental concerns with the factories. My son had asthma growing up and my grandson now has severe asthma. I want them to continue to live in Sherwood Park but we are very concerned with the environmental impact the refineries have on our health.

I was a farmer for most of my life and the soil here is terrible- lots of cancer in strathcona county. The food we eat? Or Refineries?The county spends way too much of tax payers money on stuff the residents don't even see. I've lived in three provinces and Alberta is the worst as far as economy, inclusion and health. People don't help each other here.
If strathcona can improve on its environment, many other communities will be inspired by this, thus helping its community and the world.
Infill. Shame, really. Infill is not fun.
Keep the community clean and healthy
make sure that we recycle and work together.
Make sure that we recycle and work together.
More community initiatives to be involved in charities, the environment, etc. More communication on how to get involved in these things.
More help for elderly, more consideration of environment, more small local businesses, more crime prevention
More jobs that care for the enviornment because it will help our enviornment be cleaner and safer and it will provide more people with jobs.
More people who care for the environment as their job because some parents/adults have lost their jobs and by having more environmental jobs we can have a better economy and help parents/adults support their family or themselves.
not entirely sure, housing is expensive but that is economy based, Sherwood park is very clean and safe community
Save the environment but also help oil do both
Strathcona County needs to focus on the environment more- county just promotes industry for taxes & jobs, but we have one of the highest asthma rates.
Strathcona County neglects the focus of some aspects of health of their citizens when they develop so much industry which negatively affects our air and water. We have high rates of asthma and lung and heart disease here. We need less focus on building more pipelines and plants and more on healthy areas that support our natural areas and decrease our emissions. And our "hospital" is not a hospital--there are no in-patient beds or surgeries. If you are that ill that you need an emergency, then you probably will be transferred to a real hospital. There is also way too many vehicle break ins lately in many neighborhoods.
Understand we did not work all our lives to become garbage sorters with smelly homes/ yards.Have a "mixed garbage" option for older single or others who think 2x garbage pick up is silly. Charge us for it. Many would pay.
We'll reduce the amount of garbage around the community
Total

Question 1) General population/Other: Better public education and awareness on issues

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
All are equally important. As I travel throughout the Edmonton region and Canada for work, I believe we are undervalued, treated with a certain level of disrespect and unfairly judged by others that live in other parts of the region, and the region treated likewise throughout the country. The County needs to do more work to dispel stereotypes and half truths about the county, and the regional municipalities the same regarding th Edmonton region.
Being in a community with higher income families it is important to focus & recognize other families are struggling every day. There is not the same awareness & campaign in Sherwood Park that is found in Edmonton.

Bring awareness to issues individual face in the community so people are aware of the struggles people face
By continuing to gather data, a more accurate picture of demographics will be able to show need.
Donations or maybe make people more aware of these problems
Educate people about the issues and how the county is helping to solve/meet the issues
Educate the residents on the advantages of meeting the aforementioned goals
Educating / Information on how to live within their means (especially if their income isn't felt to be adequate), increase public transportation options, improve childcare facilities (well-being focused)
Education and awareness is the key for individuals who have to make the tough decisions.
Encourage understanding of social issuesFocus on supporting early childhood and it's importance for future successSocial planning
end the stigma surrounding poverty or social assistance
Ensure that all residents (not just the ones looking for help) are included in this process. I think a lot of people "suffer in silence". Family, friends and neighbours should be encouraged to help each other and make sure everyone is taken care of.
families / parents need to take responsibility for their children and their children's behaviors. Many people feel entitled that they and their children can do as they wish. The respect for others is disgusting and it's evident when you have MANY kids lingering around Millenium place or the skate parks etc and the kids behaviors are disgusting... this originates from home... Behaviors taught at home are showed in public when a child is free to do as they wish.
Goal # 4 - Just not for disabled seniorsInadequate income related to the recessionEducating people about the life of caregivers to the general populationsMore quality nursing homes with a year long minimum More empathetic doctors
I like the idea of a connect community, the more connected the more awareness of community values and needs. If values and needs are known and met then all of the goals above will be achieved with better accuracy.
I think surveys like this are a great first step. It's difficult to tackle problems unless you know what they are. I think making sure that there is awareness in the community about what resources are available to people to ensure their health and safety is important, as well as keeping these things free (in the case of need) or as affordable as possible. I personally love and respect all the great recreation services the county has to offer, for a low price, and that there are helpful non-profits right in our community for those in need. I think we could be encouraged to help those non-profits more, whether it be through donation or volunteering our time, and not ignore that "big city" problems like family violence, racism and other bigotry, poverty, hunger and homelessness do happen right here in Strathcona County too. The more we accept one another and work together, and the more we see our community leaders and politicians doing this too, the better our whole community becomes.
Increased education for people to understand what it means to be part of a community.
Just work harder don't take
Make people aware that this exists and make them know it will impact everyone's lives in a positive way.
Make people more aware
Make people more informed and make penalties harsher
Preventative education
Provide educational free seminars for all to attend on how to help support each other so each individual can have basic needs met, and feels safe, valued, healthy and connected to the community. Perhaps begin some type of support group/program in the rural setting to help one than 1 day a week or 1 day a month. People need support on a daily basis.
Schools need more emotional support and more watchful eyes from Councillors. These figures need to be more "visible" as a good reminder to all.Peer support groups.Extra education support to challenge learners.The support in schools for these children is very poor now.

Some schools class rooms are bigHousing for seniors with medical needsA lot of money is spent in certain areas on trees and plants where it could be spent better
Support for women and children in do,estimated abuse situations. Better adversTising of what is available for young families
We can focus on our money consumption and think of the future.
We need more volunteer and educate people
Total

Question 1) General population/Other: More support and counselling for victims of domestic violence

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
discounts for single parents, more community groups/projects that people care about/ are passionate about, report abuse, longer counselor sessions (you guys are changing it to a max of ten which is unfair for those of us with things like ocd that need long term treatment)
Do not put a limit to counselling services. I will confess that without having Charles as my therapist, I would no longer be here.
Encourage employers to look inside their own community for workers - those with disabilities. If they are not a part of an organization it is difficult to find work for these individuals.More quality in personal health and safety. Focus on violence against women and nothing the other way. It is a two way street that needs to be addresses.
I am 2 years into trying to break free from an abusive marriage. The justice system has failed me and my small children again and again. We are stuck without a decent quality of life, I can't afford childcare, I am balancing work and online school to try make ends meet, but I can no way afford any kind of suitable housing for me and my children. We are stuck in a one room basement room and will be for the foreseeable future, all because the courts have failed again and again to recognize and provide for our needs in a timely manner. My ex is living the high life, paying very minimal in child support although he is making over 6 figures, and continues to be verbally, mentally, emotionally abusive towards my children and myself. At this point, there is nothing in place I can access that is able to help me.I just want to be free from abuse and provide a safe place for me and my kids to call home. Sincerely, Trapped
If you know someone being hurt or abused report it and work together.
Increasing amount of help centres available to public over domestic disputes (counselling etc...)
More affordable housingMore domestic violence supportsGroup counselling sessions for community membersMore "play" group/connecting meetings to create more bonds with the community
More help for people in abusive homes- there is little to no help for abused women. My abisive ex seems to have many more rights than I do and no help for me to get out
More people to help victims
More resources put toward providing safe places for victims of family violence andpreventing family violence. Police resources to focus more on personal/property crimes, drugs robberies, & muggings and less resources to traffic enforcement.
More resources to support victiMS OF CRIME AMD DOMESTIC VIOLEMCE. OFFENDER WAS ARRESTed let out after server all hrs and then we were pretty much hung out to dry mo resources from victims services for two months. Affordable and access to consellers childcare and wait times for care. Only finding out about a lot of the resources now.
You can promote personal health as it's quite important. Also promote being safe from physical abuse by having meetings to have people talk about their problems.
Total

Question 1) General population/Other: Food security

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Another basic need not mentioned is food. Healthy lunches based on Canadian food guide for all schools would help with all of these goals with the exception of feeling safe.
Bus service could be more frequent in some areas, more affordable housing options should be available, people should have enough food to eat
by having the prices lowered on food or houses.
Everything costs too much for things that we don't even need in our life. Even things we need costs too much like food, housing and income.
Food programs in schools (breakfast)
Have open community gardens, better recycling/food donation systems in food businesses.
Housing is expensive, especially for single parents, sometimes it can be hard to pay the bills and get food as well
I feel people need to get to know their neighbors - get to know them enough to realize when they are experiencing difficulties. That means people have to care about their neighborhood which of course, cannot be legislated. Care and kindness can make a difference but at the same time, it can be taken advantage of. Supporting agencies like the Food Bank and Shelters is a start and knowing who to contact for further assistance, or counselling or free clinics and so on.
I think that adults should be educated more on how to properly feed their kids healthier foods to make sure they get the proper nutrients required to stay healthy.
lower prices on food and housing, or the government can work to help people afford it
Make sure children are being raised under proper household conditions, like being fed.
Motherhood and Apple Pie - don't know who put this together. Affordable housing. Affordable food. Affordable Utility Bills based on a single users actual usage not some "average usage" based on a large family's usage which "everyone" has to pay
need a system to check on all seniors. Food programs
Plant more gardens
Provide adequate day cares for children and if possible provide hot lunches for kids that may not be eating properly at home.
Taking care of their eating habits, if they are eating healthy, they are more fit and they can work efficiently which makes their income better and better childcare can be provided. There should be a survey on what they eat on the daily basis to see how fit they would be.
There can be more food drives for the food bank.
things like community gardens to have people work together
Way less expensive clothes, food and houses
You can tell the strength of a community by how they treat their most vulnerable. Unfortunately food security, domestic violence and mental health need more resources.
Total

Question 1) General population/Other: Volunteer

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
- More affordable housing for families- More awareness and visibility of charities operating in the county with volunteer opportunities

- more focus on helping families purchase their own home - create pride in ownership and care!- help train our teenage children to work in the community - volunteer! Note all learn it at home.- create a mandatory # of community hours for ALL highschool teens to work i.e.: habitat. It should be a highschool credit program for youth - mandatory-training youth is the key!
-volunteer-talk to people-help people who are being bullied
1. Coming together for discussions2. Volunteering and offering the services we as residents possess. 3. Helping out others in what ever way we can4. To work in groups of interests so that the individual groups accomplish the goals properly.
As someone who has volunteered in numerous activities over the years, and I think generally people in S.P. volunteer for a lot, I wonder if there are opportunities to help in ways that could benefit shut-ins, parents with children who are challenged, people grieving or alone for the first time. These may exist already thru the volunteer association.
Ask / talk to the community about their opinions and ideasLet people know they need to / can help
Be an active participant: positive change should start within ourselvesContribute even a little of your time
Better hours at food bank (last time I went 9-12), maybe an evening for drop off. Also stronger campaign to get volunteers
Continue to focus on community events and volunteer opportunities.
Donate more food, clothing etc.to homeless people
Encourage getting involved through volunteering
Encourage ways anyone can volunteer and help out with others' basic needs so that we can be treated fairly and equally in our community. To feel like we can belong, there can be more activities so people can meet one another and build relationships that bring each other together.
Feel like they belong and are connected to others.Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.Are healthy (physical, mental, spiritual and emotional wellness)Work together to make our community stronger.do not be shy smile hug and help find ways to get involved ask for help
Have more people help out
Have people volunteer to help people in their homes.
Having an interesting event that people would want to come to. But the admission requires a volunteer work. Or something you have to earn. Conditions should be made.
Help us become more aware of where help is needed so we can volunteer and assist.
Helping the unfortunate people needing a house and food.
I think surveys like this are a great first step. It's difficult to tackle problems unless you know what they are. I think making sure that there is awareness in the community about what resources are available to people to ensure their health and safety is important, as well as keeping these things free (in the case of need) or as affordable as possible. I personally love and respect all the great recreation services the county has to offer, for a low price, and that there are helpful non-profits right in our community for those in need. I think we could be encouraged to help those non-profits more, whether it be through donation or volunteering our time, and not ignore that "big city" problems like family violence, racism and other bigotry, poverty, hunger and homelessness do happen right here in Strathcona County too. The more we accept one another and work together, and the more we see our community leaders and politicians doing this too, the better our whole community becomes.
I think we need to be more aware of our vulnerable people. Often I think we believe that because we are an affluent community that we don't have poverty, family violence and homelessness. Our community has grown more and more ignorant of these issues in our community. In my mind our current curfew for youth is a perfect example of this. Instead of addressing the issues that could be leading to young people being out at night we just do the easy thing through the curfew. We need to better address the root causes of these issues, but first we need to recognize that they exist in our community.
If we all want to work together to make the community stronger, everyone should spend some of their time helping.

Increase police patrols of neighborhoods to discourage crime. Encourage youth to help seniors with visits and yard work. Form volunteer groups to communicate and connect with lonely seniors and new citizens through phone calls and visits. Offer mental health workshops and talks to the public. Offer budgeting and meal planning sessions to help interested citizens provide affordable, healthy meals to their families. Provide lower income families with fun sporting activities for their children. Encourage the citizens of Strathcona County to connect with each other, volunteer and generally get involved to make Strathcona County a family friendly community that is the envy of other communities.
Increase the scale of popular family friendly events. Family volunteer opportunities (New Years Eve). Canada day festivities: these are wonderful but are being oversubscribed and crowded making it harder to enjoy
Make more available charities for schools to participate in.
More community engagement through volunteering and other activities
more outside of school support systems for youth, more transportation options, and more opportunities to volunteer for free in the community.
More volunteer services
Small businesses - my friend who lives here had no idea of some of the resources available from EDT. Thoughts on getting volunteers for Canada Day - let families volunteer together, promote that and maybe you'll get more volunteers.
Volunteer
volunteer opportunities for pre-teen age/teen age to encourage them to be part of community
volunteer, be conscientious
We can improve on meeting our goals by doing more community service. I think that this will help us to achieve our goals and do our best to grow closer as a community and a county
We need more volunteer and educate people
Working or helping with charities
Total

Question 1) General population/Other: Aesthetically pleasing

How can we improve on ANY of the goals mentioned?
Continue to offer the Everyone Gets to Play program. If possible increase the income cut off. Plant edible berry trees whenever possible. Try to decrease taxes. I think over all the county does extremely well.
Nobody shows up to clear thistle, grass and trees from properties that are not well kept. Taxes too high. Sherwood Park is getting too big. Need more places for people with dementia.
The above goals are all important and interconnected -- one goal affects the others -- when focusing on one goal, all the others must be included. Aesthetics are important for people to feel good, have pride in where they live -- more trees, green spaces, no parking of RVs on driveways long term, walking trails, etc.
Total

Community Talk

Verbatim Responses

Survey Question: *What can you do to build a stronger community?*

Once all the responses to this open ended question were received each individual response was grouped with other responses according to similar themes. The following are all the responses in each of these themes.

Question 2) Volunteer: General

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
Volunteer
Volunteer, get out to community events, get to know my neighbours.
- belong to committees that engage individuals- volunteer
- I am a girl guide leader w/teens and try really hard to get in alot of volunteerism- bring the family out at all ages- pet therapy- I cannot believe how many give nothing of themselves and others give everything - there could be happy medium.
- plan activities with neighbours- support local charities and local businesses - volunteer at my children's school - volunteer with their sports teams
- shop local- be involved in our community- volunteer
- Volunteer - I am close to retirement, but could continue to provide services on a volunteer basis
- volunteer- be a good neighbour- tend to my own physical and mental health as much as possible- shop locally as much as possible.
- volunteer- business in sherwood park (work)- shop in sherwood park
- We can all work together-Help each other out- Volunteering
- Work together- Volunteering- Community events- Helping others
-- Be a good neighbour, report suspicious behaviour-- Help / donate to local charities, volunteer
-- Focus on young children-- More volunteering opportunities for introverts
-- Involve in volunteering; neighbourhood activities-- Assist in food bank donations
-be nice-volunteer work-consider everyone else, other than ourselves-focus on our mental health AND others
-support local charity- be a good neighbour -host neighbor events for people to gather and maintain relationships

-volunteer in my community -treat everyone as a valued person
-volunteer-attend events
-volunteer-be a good person
*Supporting schools and school staff and students in extra curricular activities.
• Help others. • Provide care. • Volunteer. • Meet new friends.
1. Get involved2. Volunteer for various events.
Advocate and volunteer
Already an active volunteer
As a 55+ club member - I help other seniors daily - social, help drive them - provide info when needed.
as a stay at home mom, volunteer
At some point I would volunteer to help in situations that are needful of help!.
attend volunteer
attend volunteer opportunities.
Be a friendly face and a helpful neighbour, especially to those who live alone. Contribute by volunteering in an area you are interested in. Keep your property up. Participate in community activities and charity events.
Be a giver and a doer
Be a good citizen and neighbor.Volunteer with organizations to help others.
Be a good neighbour -volunteer
Be a volunteer in the community
Be active and outside interacting with neighbours. Interesting volunteering opportunities
Be an active member, participate and volunteer.
Be available to neighbours. Volunteer. Become aware of what is already happening in the community.
Be aware of opportunities to participate and have my voice heard. Promote inclusion wherever possible.
Be current and stay connected with everything that is going on. Even volunteer when needed.
Be involved
Be involved as a volunteer
Be involved as a volunteer and mentor, encourage others to participate especially with all the County has to offer.
Be involved in community groups, government, attend events in the community and get to know people better. Volunteer within Sherwood Park.
Be kind and continue to volunteer
Be kind and help others. Volunteer within the community.
Be kind, respect my peers & elders & help out wherever. I can as well as being a contribution member to society volunteering.
Be kind,accept everyone, do your part to keep the community safe, volunteer where you can. Be the best citizen you can. Watch out for the children.
Be more active in supporting community events. Volunteer time.
Be more involved volunteer or otherwise
Be nice / respectful. I try my best to do volunteer work and just helping others out.
Be part of community groups, get to know your neighbors, volunteer, sit on committees to voice your opinion and contribute.
Be present/aware of those that may need assistance. Network/volunteerGet invovled
Be supportive to various events.

Be understanding and accepting of people of others of different races or religions. Be aware and speak up if bullying occurs. Be a volunteer. Be as involved as one wishes in the Political works of the Community. Listen and read about things you don't understand in our community.
Be welcoming and helpful to people in the community. Share info about what makes Sherwood park a great place to live. Volunteer
Be willing to contributeVolunteer
Because I work in the County, but don't live in the County, I think sometimes that I don't really know the people I'm serving well enough. I did some volunteer work last year that was a great learning experience and I think I should take some time each year to do something like this.
Become a better volunteer.
Become involved, volunteering, stay connected
Become involved. Volunteer.
Become more involved/volunteer. I'm not sure how to or where to find these opportunities.
Being a volunteer and working with others to make a connection with people in our community
Being aware is number one. Volunteering is a great way to get involved and make a difference.
Being involved with our children's elementary school community.
being nice and volunteer to help out more
Build connections within own neighbourhood; give assistance to those needing help with lawn / sidewalk care
By contributing to society as a whole by being a successful, working individual, who gives back through donations of time and/or money from time to time. e.g. Habitat for Humanity helping to build the less fortunate affordable homes. By holding accountable those in elected positions of authority. By obeying the laws. By showing compassion to those less fortunate.
By volunteering and participating in activities within the community.By being a supportive neighbour and friend to those in my community.
can volunteer for any programs that can help us to build our community stronger
CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY, GET INVOLVED, VOLUNTEER.
Continue and develop my volunteer and other roles in the community.
Continue to be involved in community efforts and volunteering.
Continue to be involved in community/volunteer initiatives.
Continue to be involved in volunteering
Continue to include my son in community events. So builds sense of community and volunteer when older. Thanks volunteers! Fantastic!
Continue to pursue connectedness among residents of the county. Support others and volunteer.
Continue to seek out volunteer opportunities for my family and I. I do have younger kids though, and it is hard to find volunteer opportunities for them.
Continue to support community charitable needs
Continue to support the numerous organizations that provide an impact on residents.
continue to volunteer
Continue to volunteer
Continue to volunteer and encourage others to volunteer to help make this a better community
Continue to volunteer and encourage others to volunteer.
Continue to volunteer for activities that contribute to connectedness within the community. that sense of belonging helps all the other aspects take place.
continue to volunteer in various areas, continue to assist those in need financially and with essentials, continue to smile at people and treat people with respect, setting an example to my children (the next generation) and others.

Continue to volunteer where groups can benefit from my skills & strengths
Continue to volunteer with our most vulnerable and try in my small way to help make their lives better
Continue to volunteerBe an advocate for this community
Continue volunteering.
Continue with current volunteer efforts that contribute to the safety and security of the greater community (i.e. County-wide). Provide input to community-based initiatives, and feedback to the County administration and elected officials where/when deemed appropriate. Keep abreast of ongoing and emerging issues and endeavours of interest.
continue with volunteering for family-oriented programs/events
Continue working with our community as a social worker. Start the work at home - help locally - VOLUNTEER, participate, be kind etc.
Continued volunteerism. Be a good neighbour
cut down smoking, slim down eating habit, stay away from drinking more often, spend more time with family instead of gambling, work harder, pay more taxes and volunteer at community events
Dedicated to raising children to be respectful, volunteering when possible and participating in community activities.
Do community work
do more charity drives, help others
Do more community served and volunteer more and get to know everyone better
Do more community work/volunteering.
Do more volunteer work
Do my part by volunteering and voicing my opinions.
Do some volunteering, from the smallest job like bringing the garbage to the curb, or a bigger job like helping with someone's financial income.
Do volunteer work
Donate time to help in the community and donate to food bank
Encourage community participation in both fun and meaningful activities. Not just recreations, but volunteering and activism.
Encourage families with teens to get together and play ball in the parks - use meet up groups - to skate, or long board, or volunteer as a group.
engage in community events, support community decisions, have a voice in the decision making process, volunteer
Engage in discussions. Volunteer ..become engaged in municipal politics.
Engage neighbours. Participate in County initiatives. Shovel walks for senior neighbours. Be aware of vulnerable neighbours, and assist were possible.
Ensure that our community is aware of the resources available to us. Encourage more volunteerism. Bring back block parents or similar
Events, volunteer with children.
everyone needs to get involved in community activities. Be there for elder seniors, visit them.
Find volunteer work
Finding ways to volunteer in the community.
Get involved
get involved and informed
Get involved and volunteer where needed. Also take responsibility and be a leader and good role model for adults and students.
Get involved in events, do charity work, help others out

Get involved volunteering or do things to help the community.
Get involved with programs and volunteering
Get involved with volunteering.
Get involved, volunteer work and promote to my friends.
Get involved.
Get involved. Attend events, read the paper, join community league, volunteer, get to know neighbors
Get more involved in volunteering, possibly in activities where my you guys children can join me as well. I would like to get involved in group chats and meetings about helping ourselves, neighbours and humanity as a whole and steps we can all take for a healthier existence.
Get people involved. Make volunteering more accessible.
Get to know neighbours, welcome newcomers, volunteer (more opportunities for families to volunteer with younger children), attend community events
Get to know your neighbours and see what is going on in the neighbourhood. Contribute by volunteering on sports teams, special seasonal activities in the Park, etc.
Getting more involved and volunteer
Getting to know all your neighbors and if there are any needs there. Then how can you get involved in the community to assist or volunteer in areas where you are gifted in.County counselor should hold townhall sessions throughout their area a number of times throughout the year to hear community concerns
Giving back to make SC a better place to live is invaluable. I volunteer at SC Victim Services and at my church. I look for opportunities to help/support others in my community.
giving respect to other nationalityfollowing the law and helping others by volunteering.
go to the schools and teach the children how valuable volunteering now and in their future.
Good citizen. Pick up litter. Report suspicious behaviour. Positive attitude to others. Volunteer.
have more advetiment for volinterring
Help at places such as the food bank, make new friends, and help take clean up trash in parks and fields
Help charities
Help clean parks!
Help in charities
Help my neighbour. Give to food banks. Volunteer.
Help others
help others feel involved and to community service
Help others, talk to others, joining more community services, volunteering.
Help out in the community (eg: pick up garbage on the street, volunteer at senior places and homeless shelters, etc)
help out people to meet there needs
Help out with activities.
Help out with events. treat everyone with respect.
Help those in need and do things like volunteering or donating. I know that strathcona already has a lot of volunteer opportunities, so it shouldn't be an issue.
Help volunteer for stuff to help out
Help with just good deeds like shovelling, mowing the lawn, walking neighbours' dogs, etc.
helping everyday people with everyday ordinary tasks, being kind, getting to know neighbours, attend community events, volunteer.
I actively engage myself with the community to gain a better understanding of it, through means of volunteering and working throughout the County. I try to stay aware of the happenings and voicing my opinion if something problematic occurs, through surveys and polls.

I am a disabled younger senior so there is not a lot physically that I could do. I could be on a planning board for affordable housing for seniors of all descriptions.
I am a huge supporter of volunteerism and many times I have received more than I've given and this also gives me the opportunity to be involved in the community.
I am already passionate about volunteering and do a lot of it - so just expand my activities to be the best of my abilities.
I am nearing retirement age and am looking at ways I can volunteer in my community.
I am willing to volunteer my time to help people understand their financial commitments, financial literacy, and other financial education as needed.
I babysit my grandchildren, volunteer at a seniors residence, am active in my church. I can be more outgoing and supportive with my neighbours and take part in more community events, that people work so hard to facilitate.
I believe I am already doing as much as I willing to take on at this point. I organize the adult fitness and yoga in Josephburg. Also the pickleball and arranging speakers for the Travelling Café.
I can babysit for free if people can't afford childcare Help out, be responsible
I can babysit my neighbors kids for free so they don't need to pay for child care; when all these kids are under my supervision we can shovel driveways, rake leaves, do nice things for our neighbours!
I can continue to raise my kids with values. I can actively participate in charitable work and help others in need through vehicles like the food bank.
I can continue to volunteer in youth serving organizations.
i can continue with my volunteer work and encourage other to do likewise. when i find a neighbor in need , i can offer my help. i can try to keep my family strong probably lots more that i cant think of at the moment
I can do community service to get more connected with other members of Sherwood Park. I could also make sure any new members of the community feel safe and respected.
I can get involved with things like volunteering
I can help by volunteering and helping out other people in the community therefore helping people feel safer and have less work to do.
I can know my neighbours and be friendly with all those in my neighbourhood. I can volunteer to organizations that are important to me.
I can offer my support or care to other people going through a tough time. I could also be more active with community and school events or volunteer opportunities.
I can participate in more food drives and charity events. I also can volunteer at community events.
I can support community groups like Common Ground Cafe and the Boys' and Girls' Clubs in Sherwood Park and Fort Sask. When I see inappropriate behavior in our community I can speak up or call the RCMP.
I can try volunteering more often and try including myself more with the festivities.
I can volunteer and help in shelters or at food banks. I can join activities and sports and advertise them to others
I can volunteer and attend community talks.
I can volunteer and help
I can volunteer and willing to share my experience and values that are transcending with all. Create opportunities of discussion and sharing
I can volunteer more of my time to help people who are less fortunate.
I can volunteer more to help others who are in need.
I can volunteer my time towards positive causes and also speak out against instances of injustice I see. I can practice inclusiveness and kindness in my personal and professional life.
I can volunteer on any committees that support helping people with disabilities to obtain subsidized special needs bussing and to help get the word out there about subsidized housing for lower income moms and dads.. I would be glad to help out with these organizations Gladly...
I can volunteer to help build a stronger community

I can volunteer where there is a need and help out financially whenever possible.
I can volunteer.
I continue to volunteer. Also I like to pay back with offering experience & skills that someone else may benefit from.
I could be more friendly to the people around me.
I could volunteer.
I currently only contribute to my family's well being - babysit, help out when needed. I would help more with outside programs ... volunteer, etc. I feel lucky to live here. I think it is a strong community and provides much more support than Edmonton. In general, it is a good, supportive, safe community. I am sure there are those who struggle but I think we have much more help in place than many other communities.
I don't know, but would love opportunities to help.
I donate to the food bank and participate in the community
I live here for almost 10 years, tried to organize neighbourhood social meetings without success. People living on acreages are not friendly and don't want to socialize. The "me, me" attitude very high. Milenium is to expensive for a avarege person. I could volunteer in some capacity.
I need to become more aware of the volunteer opportunities that I can get involved in. My personal situation is positive right now. I would like to be giving back to this community.
I take care of an ageing senior I sing with a community choir
I think not harming others and volunteering, donating and helping out will impact our community.
I think Strathcona County communicates wonderfully about all the options out there for volunteering etc. I can take part in any programs provided.
I volunteer
I volunteer a lot and have 4 this week. I love to take time out of my life to help those in need.
I volunteer a LOT so will just keep going with this.
I volunteer as I do now
I volunteer as much as I can
I volunteer as much as possible in areas I have skills.
I volunteer at my child's school as well as at Capital Care. I am also a community member of the EIPS Audit Committee. I would be willing to volunteer at community events/town hall meetings as my time permits. My focus is on finding a full or part time job to help support my family.
I volunteer but packages i could do more.
I volunteer for different sports programs, so I feel I am contributing to help build a stronger community.
I volunteer for many different groups.
I volunteer my time already, I coach, I mentor.
I volunteer,
I will continue to see volunteer opportunities to connect with people
I will continue to volunteer as much a I can.
I will continue to volunteer in our community.
I would enjoy more opportunities to volunteer, if this was advertised more I believe I'd be more driven to do so.
I would like to volunteer more with groups involved with social issues.
I would like volunteer to help anyway I can with my time. I would like to help seniors or young families in need.
I would volunteer my time.
I'm already doing several things, but I'm sure I could be doing more. I hold several volunteer positions. Our family does contribute to the Food Bank and other local social justice organizations.

I'm doing what I can by volunteering and having my day because I'm in youth council :)
I'm looking forward to volunteering more of my time to your fantastic services and events once my kids are in school full time.
I'm only 17 but I can do my best to volunteer in the community
I'm thinking about volunteering with a woman's group.
Include neighbors more and volunteer more
Increase volunteer activities and participation
Increase volunteerism
Invest in our youth and our seniors by volunteering one's time or by donating to 'youth and senior' initiatives Strathcona County.
Join a group that I believe will build towards those goals. Help my neighbours. Support those who want to stay in community. Find other ways to serve.
join a group to help clean up our town
Join activist groups, maintain contact with government representatives on issues concerning you, volunteer, and get a good education or educate others.
Join activities asking for volunteers.
Join in different charity groupsfundraisers
Just continue to volunteer and be a great member of the Sherwood Park community.
Keep a positive attitude and help out when it is needed
Keep paying my taxes, volunteer.
Keep up to date on available resources, volunteer, identify and contact local municipal leaders of issues.
Keep volunteering
Let me help
Listen genuinely to understand the hopes and concerns of others in my community.Continue to volunteer for events that bring people together to celebrate our community (e.g., New Year's Eve Festival).Model the behaviour I expect form others.
listen to what the people have to say in the community not do what they want and have volunteers
Lobby County to improve deficits, stay connected to my neighbors, volunteer.
Look at the best ways to direct my income, time and effort!
Look for family Volunteer opportunity
Make my opinions knownVolunteerHelp my neighbourBeing a responsible citizen of Sherwood Park
Make sure to help the people around you and volunteer.
Maybe find people that are willing to volunteer for the project.
Maybe I can do some stuff like help clean garbage.
More drop in/non committal volunteer opportunities
More involved in the community volunteering would be a good option
More people can volunteerPeople can put more effort into helping the communityPeople can support each other more
More volunteer groups
More volunteer opportunities
More volunteer opportunities that do not require long term commitments And can be done as a family
More volunteer positions that do not require a high time commitment
More volunteer work for teens
More volunteering

More volunteering.
Most Seniors are willing to volunteer when able and organized.
My mobility is limited. I can visit with people.
Offering to tutor schoolchildren
Participate & volunteer
Participate and volunteer
Participate and volunteer in community outreach programs as well as maybe to contribute in food share programs
Participate in community events – volunteer
Participate in community events. Donate to food bank, etcVolunteer
Participate in community programs and events. Volunteer for the same
Participate in county initiatives, volunteer, make use of services available
participate in more community events (i.e. volunteer)
Participate in more groups and events. Volunteer
Participate in more programs and volunteer.
Participate in some of the volunteering activities or any other activities that involve other people.
participate in volunteer activities.
Participate in volunteer organizations and opportunities.
Participate more in community events and volunteer my time to worthwhile causes.
Participate more on volunteer works
Participate more volunteer
Participate, advocate and encourage where and when possible
participate, volunteer
Participate.
People can do more activities that benefit the community. Volunteer at more organizations that donate to people in need
People should be involved in activities around the community. Use the facilities that are here, shop locally, and volunteer your time.
Perhaps volunteer
possibly volunteering are differed localing
Provide volunteer work
Reach out and connect with your neighbours, volunteer, create social groups
Reach out to others
Right now, I'm studying Human Service Administration through MacEwan University in hopes to help build stronger communities through non-profit services. Right now, I volunteer for my son's hockey team. I also (informally) advocate for the SC Library.
Serve people at soup kitchens and share the help that everybody deserves.
Share, donate and volunteer.
Shop more at local businesses, volunteer, stay connected with friends and family, offer support to those in need
Sign up
Spend more time with my parents and helping them as well as other seniors.
Start by having more people volunteer and work together through things throughout the community.

start volunteering for certain things or donating to different causes, help others in the community with their problems
Stay active by Volunteering
Stay connected with people in community - meet regularly at events and volunteer
Stay healthy with affordable programs and volunteer in future
Stay informed and volunteer.
Stronger is the wrong word. What can I do to continue supporting my diverse community?I can continue advocating for seniors and their issues (like affordable housing).I can continue volunteering.I can continue to support the food bank with my excess vegetable garden produce.I can continue to shovel my elderly neighbors driveways.I can continue to ensure that my neighborhood is safe & healthy by reporting discrepancies. And most of all, continue to participate in County surveys like this.
support a positive initiative of the country administration thru volunteerism
Support community activities and initiatives through participation and volunteering.
Support community eventsVolunteerGet involved
Support everyone and volunteer as much as I can
Take transit more, volunteer to help
Talk to my neighbors, continue volunteering, maintain an awareness of issues & advocate for change...
Talk to my neighbours,get clear on what is important to them. Determine what challenges face them. Get involved in community league type activity. Engage my council person, relay concerns constructively.
Try to help my community through my church, actively recycling, carpooling for the environment, help elders with snow removal
Volunteer
volunteer and participate in the community
volunteer
Volunteer
Volunteer - tell me how I can help
volunteer - take a senior who does drive in for coffee and groceries - visit a a person who lives alone - phone a person who lives alone to make sure they are ok everyday.
Volunteer , fundraising
Volunteer and be a good role model
Volunteer and be involve
Volunteer and be kind to one another.
Volunteer and donate whenever and wherever possible
volunteer and get to know people in the community through volunteering
Volunteer and give my idea.
volunteer and help eachother out
Volunteer and help in the community
Volunteer and help out around the community.
Volunteer and help out as much as possible and be respectful of others in the community.
Volunteer and help out more.
Volunteer and help people in need.
volunteer and host more social events
Volunteer and participate in community events
Volunteer and participate in discussions.

Volunteer and participate in the community
Volunteer and participate on committees.
Volunteer and provide support
Volunteer and stuff.
volunteer and support
Volunteer and treat others with respect
Volunteer around the community
Volunteer as a family
Volunteer at and support various initiatives within the county
Volunteer at local events. Donations to charities
Volunteer at more things around the community so I can help it improve, and me a part of it.
Volunteer at places and donate to things like the food banks.
Volunteer at soup kitchens and stuff
Volunteer at various shelters for different causes
Volunteer awareness
Volunteer but life is too busy. Minimal commitment would be possible but not sure who to contact to do so.
Volunteer for a program
volunteer for an initiative
Volunteer for community events and charitable organizations.
Volunteer for events, do more Random Acts of Kindness for people not just my neighbours. Get out and talk to people (although if we had more LGBTQ+ friendly spaces, that last one would happen more easily).
Volunteer for issues I care. I was a adult education teacher for ten years.
Volunteer for things and donate
Volunteer for various things.
Volunteer Help out
Volunteer help out neighbours, walk dogs
Volunteer help where you can
Volunteer in any capacity
Volunteer in any way possible.
Volunteer in my community
Volunteer in the community.
Volunteer in various capacities.
Volunteer Join after school groups
volunteer more
Volunteer more
Volunteer more frequently.
Volunteer more of my time.
Volunteer more than I currently do
Volunteer more to help the parts of the community that need it, encourage my children to volunteer to so their is a new generation coming up. Looking into areas that don't work in my experience.
volunteer more, listen to other's ideas
volunteer more, participate in community affairs

Volunteer more!
Volunteer more.
Volunteer more. Get to know more of my neighbours but that is difficult.
Volunteer more. Help people in need. Try to make people feel like they belong.
Volunteer moreAttend meetings
Volunteer moreGet out to talk to those on my community.
Volunteer my
Volunteer my time
Volunteer my time and skills to help others in need.
volunteer my time to help others
Volunteer my time when and where needed
Volunteer my time, resources and love.
Volunteer my time, whenever I can
volunteer my time.
Volunteer my time. Except finding volunteer opportunities can sometimes be scarce and hard to come across (because of advertising)
Volunteer my time. Take part in community activities. Shop in Sherwood park and try to give Sherwood park business's my business.
Volunteer on any need.
Volunteer opportunities, anything that helps the minority or even children.
Volunteer or help around the community.
Volunteer time
volunteer to help
volunteer to help others
Volunteer to help people less fortunate than you.
Volunteer to help raise money
Volunteer to help where help is needed.
volunteer when I can. Donate when I can.
Volunteer when possible and talk to your representative regarding need and where help is needed
Volunteer whenever you can and build stronger relationships with everyone in the community.
Volunteer whenever you can get the chance. Show each others respect.
volunteer where I can.
Volunteer which I have done and will continue to do
Volunteer with charities.
Volunteer with community services.
Volunteer with organizations that need extra help; become aware of the issues facing our community.
volunteer work
Volunteer work
Volunteer work in senior housing after I'm done school just to role model to my son the importance of giving back. Help me be an active member of my community.
volunteer work with childcare,
Volunteer work? Maybe?
Volunteer workProvide support to programs etc.

Volunteer,
Volunteer, advocate for those without a voice.
Volunteer, Attend community events
Volunteer, attend community league events/ meetings, read local newspapers to learn what is available and get involved
Volunteer, be a part of the decision making process when it comes to education, healthcare, etc
Volunteer, be a responsible neighbor, raise children who work hard and respect others and themselves.
volunteer, be an active resident in community
volunteer, be aware of needs, make suggestions, be a good neighbour
volunteer, become informed, talk with my neighbours
Volunteer, boards/committees
Volunteer, connect with my neighbors to make sure we all look out for each other. Help those I can when I see a need.
Volunteer, connect with people
Volunteer, continue to build connections and listen to people
Volunteer, get involved
Volunteer, get involved in initiatives and lobby for changes as needed
Volunteer, get to know the various organizations which support our people, addressing and meeting their needs, then advocate for additional support.
Volunteer, get to know your neighbours
Volunteer, go out to public events, get involved, get to know your neighbours. Be supportive of people trying to make a difference.
Volunteer, have somewhat of a friendship with people around you
Volunteer, help people
volunteer, ideas and brainstorming. Wants to help other seniors, not sure how to start. Willing to help out anywhere.
Volunteer, join groups, help my neighbours.
volunteer, make sure to accept everyone for who they are
Volunteer, participate in community events
Volunteer, shop locally, support local events and initiatives, participate in local activities/sports/functions.
volunteer, smile!
Volunteer, spread positive messages, help each other out, teach our children and grandchildren about others in need.
Volunteer, stay informed.
Volunteer, support your neighbor
Volunteer, talk to people, smile to people
Volunteer!
Volunteer?
Volunteer.
Volunteer. Watch council meetings. Talk to my council representative. Spend time with my family so that they are raised with good and similar values
Volunteer. Be part of my community league and local school.
Volunteer. Donate. Help a neighbour. Treat everyone in our community, no matter what they look like, what they believe or how much money they have, as equal.
Volunteer. People always say "I don't have enough time" but it's our responsibility to make the time.

Volunteer. Share my talents.
Volunteer.. there are many opportunities here in Sherwood Park! The County!
Volunteer.Encourage others to be healthy and active
VolunteerAdvocateSupportLearnParticipate
VolunteerBe a role model by treating others respectfully
VolunteerHelp families and to do anything to support them
VolunteerHelp the youth
Volunteering
Volunteering (which I do)Talking to people who need to talkDonating
Volunteering at volunteer centerVolunteering at seniors centre's such as 55+ club.
Volunteering Being aware of community issues.
Volunteering more
Volunteering to help those who wish to feel safe and accepted.
Volunteering, fellowship
Volunteering, supporting local business, getting out there and doing stuff in the community.
Volunteerism in community services.
Volunteerism, know my neighbour, be considerate to all I come across, seek out and accept services for my personal and daughter's health and well-being. I'll add more thoughts online. Thank you!
Volunteerism, stay informed
VolunteerKnow my neighbors
volunteerlive sustainably within means
VolunteerParticipate in activities
VolunteerParticipateShare your knowledge, skills and experiences
Volunteers
VolunteerTalk to our neighboursAttend community/County events
VolunteerVoice my opinion
Volutneer
VoteVolunteerTake part in surveysBe a positive, friendly and helpful member of societyCitizens on patrol
voulenteer work
Voulenteer work
Watch out for friends and neighbors that might need help in home environment.Volunteer for various events though out the year.
We already volunteer in various roles. Also, do lots of informal things to help those around us in ways that we can.
We can have more events where everyone is welcome. We can also have events where people can volunteer to help others.
We can help out other in times of need,and volunteer. Some people need help, especially when all the people in the family are unemployed.
We should try and understand each other . Try volunteering for things in our community
We support the youth programs where possible, volunteer in various events and mentor the younger people in our lives.
Work together. Advisory committees. More senior committees

Work with all level of income earners, and stop the NIMBY attitude and perception of bigger is better. Those who don't have to work two jobs to keep a roof over their heads may have time to contribute to helping others by volunteering or assisting with many of the support groups in the County.
Work with your school to help charities, etc.
Working togetherVolunteering
You can volunteer for things in the community and be kind wherever we go. Always look to be kind and to make you a better person.
You can work together and volunteer.
Total

Question 2) Volunteer: Local

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
Already volunteering, Rotary, Chamber, The Salvation Army, and other Community Events.
Be involved at the community level, volunteer locally, go to community events and meet local people.
Be involved in the community, volunteering and participating in local groups
Continue working with our community as a social worker. Start the work at home - help locally - VOLUNTEER, participate, be kind etc.
Contribute to the community's well-being, such as supporting places such as A Safe Place and volunteering for non-profits, such as the food bank.
Do more volunteer work within the county
I already volunteer as a community coach and participate in County events.
I can continue to encourage my family to buy local, get involved in local team/community outreach events and to spread positivity and local growth. Join in on future "think talks" events to help create/reach common goals.
I can continue to shop local and support local (county clothesline, food bank etc)I can be sure to save for my retirement so that I hopefully do not become a senior who desperately needs to be in a lodge with a waiting list ten miles long.I can continue to volunteer at my children's school and support fundraisers that benefit our schools.I can continue to love my community and welcome anyone who also desires to help build and support it.
I get to know my neighbors. Listen to their stories. Talk to strangers. Make friends. I treat all people with love and respect including those different than I am or who have different views. I also am involved in a local church and active in my kids school and coach local sports.
I help out my immediate neighbours, but that is all I can do at this time.
I volunteer to provide sports opportunities for kids and support a family escaping abuse. I have been asking youth of different backgrounds to tell me their stories so I can be informed about racism in our community in order to help me combat it and support them.
I wish I could do more. Our family is happy to volunteer for events in our school and church, and we do our best to make donations to local fundraising efforts. My husband has also helped organize groups for the Snow Angels shoveling program... I think that's what it's called :) Hopefully teaching our kids to be kind and respectful citizens will also help to build a future generation of strong community members.
Join the conversation, get to know your neighbours. Volunteer, contribute to local charities, show kindness and be helpful.
Participate! Treat others with kindness. Use social media to share important information. Volunteer for local organizations. Donate to the local food bank. Give feedback to improve transit.
Shop local, volunteer locally
Shovel public sidewalks and and help people in need

Support local charities, encourage others to support as wellIn the full page ad in the Sherwood Park News promoting this survey, ktb talked about "community and business." I see nothing in this survey that speaks to business or their responsibility for a caring community. Was the Chamber just short one page of advertising revenue so the County bailed them out?Business does NOT share our community values. Example? Residents are required to participate in recycling programs. Businesses? Voluntary...I guess if it saves \$\$\$ to recycle, they will. If it cost them precious profit, they do not recycle.
Volunteer and help with small businesses instead of getting a job at McDonald's get it at Rosie's or any other non franchise work area.
Volunteer at a local food bank etc.
Volunteer at local events, to get connected with my community.
volunteer with local organizations like charities, non-profits, churches, sports or other extracurricular activities.
Volunteer, work for strathcona county
Volunteer. There are many local organizations seeking willing volunteers to work on the community's valued programs (youth, persons in need, seniors, etc)
We all need to slow down and look past ourselves to be able to help each other. My husband and I currently coach kids athletic teams, sit on a minor sport association board as well as a health charity non-profit board. We also volunteer at the kids schools, Strathcona Christmas bureau and local 4-H clubs. We need everyone to take some ownership in being a part of community and be examples to our kids on the importance of giving back to community.
Total

Question 2) Volunteer: Church

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
-more volunteering for community events-get more involved in church group
Be involved in church community
Do more out reaches with my church
Get to know my neighborsVolunteerGet my church involvedHelp at my kids school
Giving back to make SC a better place to live is invaluable. I volunteer at SC Victim Services and at my church. I look for opportunities to help/support others in my community.
I am involved in my church to create a community for people aged 35+ to connect and share life together. As well, I am going to join the Rotary club this year.
I have made Church my community and I help there, as well as engage with others by walking in the community. It is the face-to-face contacts within my community that I get to know others. When I cut my grass and shoveling my snow I say a greeting to people who walk by.
I volunteer through my church.
I will participate in community building through service clubs, social agencies, church group.
I work primarily through a local church to support families and their spiritual health.
volunteer more of my time in activities promoted by my church or by the County
volunteer with local organizations like charities, non-profits, churches, sports or other extracurricular activities.
Total

Question 2) Volunteer: Community

What can you do to help build a stronger community?

- Get involved with community minded organization/ volunteer
- Work together- Volunteering- Community events- Helping others
-get to know my neighbours better-join my local community league and volunteer more
-more volunteering for community events-get more involved in church group
-voice my opinion/share thoughts and ideas more openly-volunteer within the community
Already volunteering, Rotary, Chamber, The Salvation Army, and other Community Events.
As a health professional, I volunteer at Hope Mission every two weeks. I feel that with the right support, some of my colleagues would be willing to volunteer time to help educate individuals on self care with various disciplines to help with coping skills in this very difficult time.
Be friendly, courteous with everyone. Volunteer in the community.
Be more active in volunteers work in the community. Be violent and watchful in the community – report possible crime.
coaching, education
Community Ambassador type of program. The "Ambassadors" are people who are established, well connected members of the community, who will work closely with local businesses, local non-profit organizations, schools, and service organizations in order to recruit volunteers from the next generation. Not only would volunteers hours among younger people increase, but they would be mentored in the areas of professionalism, community service and self-awareness.
community involvement and volunteer
Community servicing and personal social services
continue to help and work with neighbours. support causes that are valid and meaningful.
continue to volunteer in community events as needed
Continue to volunteer in my community through church, school, and sports teams.
continue to volunteer in the community
Continue to work with various groups in volunteer leadership capacities to work towards bettering the community.
Definitely volunteer more. I am grateful for out churches' involvement in the community, giving us opportunity to get more involved in volunteering for community events i.e. Pitch-In, Canada Day Festivities etc.
Donate to charitiesDo community service
Encouraging stronger good moral values, especially by volunteering in the community. When the morals decline, and people become more self-centred, and the community suffers.
Engage with the public by volunteering and becoming involved in community activities. Also, being informed about what is happening in the community.
Even just volunteering and getting more involved in the community with others is a step towards a stronger more connected community
Fundraisers
Get back involved with youth athletics by coaching.
Get out in the community and volunteer or get to know what the community offers.
Get to know more people in the community and work with them to achieve goals (ex. volunteering)
get to know my neighboursget involved at local community centres
Getting involved in schools. Encouraging & exposing students to what makes a good community member. Offering credit or initiatives for bridging students with the county (ie adopt a grand parent, have snow buster as part of outdoor ed or volunteer credit)
have more time to contribute to my community.

Help around the community like shovelling snow.
Help homeless and help out around the community.
help with new rink
Helping elderly neighbors, volunteering at community events
I already volunteer in many areas of the community. Try not to get ill, need a knee or hip replacement as our community hospital is unable to do too much for us.
I am currently a volunteer coach in the community and plan to continue in this role.
I am focused on supporting my grandchildren + volunteering at their schools. All children are our future.
I am really proud to live in Strathcona County. We have great recreation facilities and community initiatives (communities in bloom, festivals, farmers markets etc). I would like to challenge more people to get out and volunteer in the community! It really makes a difference!
I am taking initiative to spend more time volunteering in the community.
I am volunteer with Heart and Stroke Foundation and I am always ready for any other volunteer work which help me build stronger community
I believe in volunteering in local community leagues and also in trying to know my neighbours and how they are doing.
I can do community work
I can get involved in helping the community and giving back by volunteering and helping people who need help
I can help my neighbours and community in any way I can, and go above and beyond to show them that a sense of community still lives on in the media age we live in today.
I can join things available in the community to volunteer for.
I can volunteer at events and give more to the community.
I can volunteer at these events
I can volunteer my time to community building organizations. I can organize community events to promote understanding between peoples in the County.
I could serve more frequent volunteer hours to help make our community better
I could volunteer around the community
I do volunteer to help new arrivals to our community. I talk with them about our County's history and encourage them to participate in community events.
I think that people just need to be involved in activities in our community, through schools, churches, sports, and other organizations. There are many volunteer opportunities available in our community. These activities will help you get to know the people that live in your community.
I volunteer a lot and am involved in the sport community.
I volunteer a lot at the food bank and my neighbors and i make an effort to stay connected. Think that all is going well.
I volunteer at some community organizations
I volunteer in my community, and participate in local events.
I volunteer with my child's school and sports teams and will continue to do so.
I volunteer within our community. It helps me understand what is going on and I get to meet people with different backgrounds and experiences. Getting out in the community is a great way to build a stronger community instead of just living in a bubble and not getting involved. It would be nice if more people would get involved because it takes a village to help our community become stronger.
I will be retiring soon. I will then be willing to spend some time volunteering to support our community.
I'm already assisting my rural neighbours, mostly seniors, with home maintenance, etc. By walking my dog throughout the neighbourhood, I get to know people better. It's sad to say that my subdivision has come together recently because of a rash of break-ins. Community watch programs should make a comeback.

Involve school children in more community based volunteering programs as part of school. Provide County tax rebates for those who volunteer and make significant contributions to our community.
Join community leagues. Find more volunteering options. Get to know my neighbours a bit better
Keep connected with friends and neighbours as well as participating in events that are happening in our community. I also volunteer with community based organizations and opportunities to provide feedback when asked.
learn and help in my community
Look for more opportunities to volunteer, especially within my own community and with those less fortunate.
Meet my neighbors. Participate in county events.
More volunteering programs to get the community involved
Participate and volunteer in community events as able
participate in services offered by Strathcona County, volunteer work at community centres.
Participate in youth council, spread awareness, join community events, volunteer, support my school, be a good neighbor
participate or volunteer for community activities
spread good news and do community work
support community events and efforts to strengthen community we support. Library Rec/swimming programs / volunteer at Canada Day celebration
Supporting organized community activities.
Supporting organized community activities
Volunteer Babysitting Helping around
Volunteer at community activities
Volunteer (ex. help build new houses, senior centers, etc)
Volunteer and be active in the community. Support neighbours and members of the community.
Volunteer and help out the less fortunate
Volunteer and help with community projects
Volunteer and participate in county programs
volunteer around the community
Volunteer as a firefighter.
Volunteer as needed in the community
Volunteer at a homeless shelter and let people who might not have the same stuff I do feel happy and respected.
Volunteer at public events and show my support for everyone.
Volunteer for a community need
Volunteer for a good cause.
Volunteer for county events Get involved in discussions with other stakeholders when possible Be helpful to neighbours
volunteer help people emotionally
Volunteer in programs helping the community, do things to make the community look better. (Pick up garbage).
volunteer in the community
Volunteer in the community
volunteer in the community, help others,
volunteer more and participate with more community events

Volunteer more around the community and go out of my way to help others.
Volunteer more frequently within this community.
Volunteer more in community events
Volunteer more time to community initiatives
Volunteer moreParticipate in community events
Volunteer my time and expertise in schools and for seniors
Volunteer on the youth council!
Volunteer whenever you can and build stronger relationships with everyone in the community.
Volunteer with community groups. Making sure we all have a place to fit in.
Volunteer within the community; per capita we likely have very dismal volunteerism
Volunteer within the community.
Volunteer, get involved in community groups that are important to me and my family.
Volunteer, help out by picking up garbage, ride my bike whenever I can
Volunteer, sit on advisory boards, provide feedback, sit on committees etc . ensure plans and ideas are implemented not left in their initial stages
Volunteer, support use of my tax dollars towards these goals
Volunteer. Support existing groups, partake activities (seniors)
Volunteer.Be part of community events and organizations.
VolunteerBe part of community groups.
volunteerhelp with random things
volunteering @ community events
Volunteering at the seniors home, helping those in need, volunteering around town, getting a job.
Volunteering in the community is the best way to build a stronger community. Give what you can!
Volunteering in the community. Participating at community events etc
VolunteerParticipate in county functions
volunteer at places around sherwood park to help out & make a difference in our society
We all need to slow down and look past ourselves to be able to help each other. My husband and I currently coach kids athletic teams, sit on a minor sport association board as well as a health charity non-profit board. We also volunteer at the kids schools, Strathcona Christmas bureau and local 4-H clubs. We need everyone to take some ownership in being a part of community and be examples to our kids on the importance of giving back to community.
We already volunteer and give to local charities. More community members doing the same would help achieve this initiative.
We volunteer in the community
We volunteer to charity and minor sports. What we can do is continue.
Will continue to support local small business, volunteer in our community, support businesses that support and employ individuals with disabilities and are community focused in their support. Provide essential services to support individuals with disabilities. Promote information and encourage our membership to get involved in this initiative.
Total

Question 2) Volunteer: Organization

What can you do to help build a stronger community?

Already volunteering, Rotary, Chamber, The Salvation Army, and other Community Events.
Be a more active volunteer. Help at food bank and Christmas beau real.
choose a organization to support
Continue as a member of Rotary.
Continue to be involved in coaching youth.
Continue to volunteer with departments within the County that I value and believe are providing community building capacity.
Did community service by working for Welcome Wagon
help come up with motions from the MS Society
Help out - volunteer in shelters, nursing homes.Be friendly- say hi or how are you doing to people who I think needs someone to talk to.
I am volunteer with Heart and Stroke Foundation and I am always ready for any other volunteer work which help me build stronger community
I am working on the board of my condo and the library The
I belong to the Strathcona County Diversity Committee which is working towards these goals. I am a Scouts Canada Scouter. Our programs support development of youth so they value themselves and others. We work to support the community around us.
I can have conversations with people in the community and advocate for their interests and needs. I work in social services and I can help connect people with services they need through the sharing of knowledge on what is out there. I can alo volunteer for services or programs that matter to me.
I personally love helping out at the food bank, I think it's very touching to see the family's and kids that can't afford it and I feel very good about myself after.
I volunteer at the local gun club
I volunteer for my sons peewee and atom football by engaging with outside communities and showing them how great Strathcona county is.
I volunteer in many ways that benefit the county. What would be helpful is more publicization of the County's state of the county research showing the social and economic challenges we face, e.g. A degree of poverty, abuse - primarily of women and children, social isolation, etc. This would provide a good foundation for determining what action we as a society here need to take.
I volunteer to provide sports opportunities for kids and support a family escaping abuse. I have been asking youth of different backgrounds to tell me their stories so I can be informed about racism in our community in order to help me combat it and support them.
I volunteer with county library all citi Zeus should help the county services
I volunteer with Scouts and in the school to help make stronger well rounded kids. Stronger Kids make for a stronger community.
I will participate in community building through service clubs, social agencies, church group.
Look for more opportunities to volunteer, especially within my own community and with those less fortunate.
My involvement with Rotary gives me more insight into community needs through the speakers that come. More personal knowledge helps see the bigger picture and helps us work for a common good.
Part of the heartland citizens on Patrol
volunteer @ child care facility
Volunteer at establishments around town
volunteer at hope mission, shovel peoples sidewalks
Volunteer at local organizations in need, block parties to connect with neighbours, shop local
Volunteer at places

Volunteer at places like the food bank, Christmas bureau. Report any incidences or concerns to proper authorities, RCMP, Counsellors/ward representatives, County of Strathcona maintenance etc.
volunteer habitat for humanity granted is in Edmonton
Volunteer more with under privileged groups
Volunteer on a boardTake advantage of the programs offered
Volunteer to various projects and belong to an organization.
volunteer with local organizations like charities, non-profits, churches, sports or other extracurricular activities.
Volunteer with various organizations to help where needed. Get to know our neighbors well enough so that we can assist them in any way if and when needed; and make them feel welcome and secure in our neighborhood.
Volunteer.Be part of community events and organizations.
Volunteering at senior centres more.
Total

Question 2) Community Events: Housing – Coordinating

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
-facilitate activities with neighbours
Be part of community groups, get to know your neighbors, volunteer, sit on committees to voice your opinion and contribute.
bring people together
Community activities
Community activities such as fairs, picnic, etc
Community building events while offering 'free' something. Everyone seems to come out if there is a 'giveaway'.
Community events
Community events.
Community fair, big one!
community gardening programs to learn how to use local producecommunity cooking programs for all to learn from budgeting programs and credit management
Continue hosting wonderful community events (e.g. Canada Day, NYE). Would like to see a more vibrant Farmer's Market at the community centre.
Continue to support and build awareness about the opportunities that are available and talk with others about what is possible. Organize opportunities for connections. Connect with staff in other service departments.
Doing more Community Projects IN MY Community
Encourage community participation in both fun and meaningful activities. Not just recreations, but volunteering and activism.
events
Fun, smaller neighbourhood community events...Where the location is in a specific neighbourhood and tickets are only for that community...To help build a community in a community...almost like a block party for a family to pay a minimal fee to get in ... not sure of all the logistics but similar to some school events where we get together to bond as a community
Get involved in events, do charity work, help others out
Have events that unify people
help people and start clubs and other stuff
Hold more activities
Hold more public events.
I am part of a group that plans and executes a community event every summer.
I believe I am already doing as much as I willing to take on at this point. I organize the adult fitness and yoga in Josephburg. Also the pickleball and arranging speakers for the Travelling Café.
I can be par of this, I can help structure this.
I can contribute my opinions to Youth Council, speaking my opinions as well as those I know whoms voices may not be heard. I can also attend/plan activities throughout the community that can assist in building a stronger community.
I can participate in community project to strengthen our community and better understand what it needs.
I can volunteer my time to community building organizations. I can organize community events to promote understanding between peoples in the County.
Inter cultural events finding a good mix. (Proactively)
Keep putting on programs

Make more community events in centre of Sherwood Park where accessible to all residents.
More community activities.
More community events
more community events to bring everyone together
Neighbourhood block party grants, more festivals and events planned by Recreation, Parks and Culture that bring community together.
Organize events.
organize more community get togethers
Organize more community wide events.
Special events and culture are vital to building community. Neighbourhoods working together on a project or event brings people together. Spaces where people can gather at low to no cost important.
Stay connected, be kin, and care/help others. Hold fun community celebrations.
Take part in community projects.
volunteer and host more social events
Volunteer at local events, to get connected with my community.
We can continue to be warm and friendly to all -- people we know and people we encounter on a day-to-day basis. We can contribute to efforts and events and participate, be ambassadors for Strathcona County. We can upkeep our home and yard, contributing to a street, community that says this is a place I want to live, a community I'm proud to be a member of.
We can host activities for all of strathcona county like fairs or baking/art/sewing/craft classes
We could have more local events and find ways to get people to talk to each other and to get people to know their neighbours more
Weekend and evening events
Willing to help with block parties and participate in local community projects
You could have some gatherings.
Total

Question 2) Community Events: Attending

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
Volunteer, get out to community events, get to know my neighbours.
- Continue to foster the sense of community in my family- Support community events like New Years eve and Canada Day festivals
- share events that I do hear about on FaceBook and word of mouth- donate to LOCAL charities
-volunteer-attend events
A community event
Activities lots to do.
Attend as much programs and events that are available to us/my family. To be more connected with this community.
Attend community events
Attend community events and help others when I can.
Attend community events and talks to be informed, especially seniors
Attend courses events and programs. Share knowledge and time with friends family and neighbors.

Attend more community events.
Attend more local social events hosted by community leagues/societies.
Attend senior events-get acquainted with other seniors
Attend such functions to show strong community support.
be a part of the programming the community offers and help spread the word
Be an active participant and supporter...
Be involved as a volunteer and mentor, encourage others to participate especially with all the County has to offer.
Be involved at the community level, volunteer locally, go to community events and meet local people.
be involved in community activites
Be more active in supporting community events. Volunteer time.
be part of events for the community
Be participating in activities around the community, making our community clean.
Become mor active in my area but I do not see any events other than Canada day... Volunteer is good too
Being a part of community info sessions. Having get togethers that encourage people to get out together (ie: the canada day parade, it would be nice to see more community events.
Being involved, however that may look, in your community is essential to help build a stronger one. This can be done through volunteering, taking part in social activities/events, and by supporting your local businesses.
By getting involved and taking advantage of community activities
By having celebrations for Christmas, Easter, Halloween. If they already do then they shoud make sure they present it more because I would never really know
by having fun outdoor activities
By holding events for the community.
By volunteering and participating in activities within the community.By being a supportive neighbour and friend to those in my community.
Community events
Community events.
Community fair, big one!
community gardening programs to learn how to use local producecommunity cooking programs for all to learn from budgeting programs and credit management
Connect with neighbours, participate in the County events.
Continue offering events that bring the community together. For example, Canada Day and New Years celebrations in Broadmoor Lake Park.
Continue spending time at Strathcona County events and help support local businesses
Continue to encourage folks to participate and further the work we have begun.
Continue to have community events and fun play days.
Continue to join in with community activities.
Continue to participate in offered community services and family events.
Continue to stay current on what's happening in our community and make an effor to do so by following social media and attending community events.
Continue with events such as this one - Celebration of Lights.
Create more community events and initiativesAlso focus on programs and services to help/bring community together
Dedicated to raising children to be respectful, volunteering when possible and participating in community activities.

Do more activities together in our community
Do more things to interact people with one another for example Canada day type of events
engage in community events, support community decisions, have a voice in the decision making process, volunteer
everyone needs to get involved in community activities. Be there for elder seniors, visit them.
Find a common goal, or event
Fundraise, take part in community events and talk to people in our community
Get a job and participate in social events.
Get involved in community events!
Get involved. Attend events, read the paper, join community league, volunteer, get to know neighbors
Get people to participate in social activities.
Get to know my neighbours better, help others in need, participate in events.
Get to know neighbours, welcome newcomers, volunteer (more opportunities for families to volunteer with younger children), attend community events
Go to and support events put on. General kindness to all, always a good start.
Going to community events , communication with others
have each neighbourhood or a few together have a place to go like a community hall. it works in red deer and is community run.
Have family out more in comnuit
have more community events
Have more community events
Have more community events and festivals. (ex. Canada Day at Festival Place)
Have more community events so you can be able to talk to people in your community.
Have more community events that bring strathcona together. Eg: Canada day at festival place
Have more involvement in community events.
Have more social events to meet people. Also, more youth programs. There are so many toddler programs and it is hard to find one that is right for me.
Having general events during the year, help mix the community in large numbers to see the variety in cultures were have in our community.
Help in public events or donate to funds to helo the less fortunate
Help others, talk to others, joining more community services, volunteering.
helping everyday people with everyday ordinary tasks, being kind, getting to know neighbours, attend community events, volunteer.
Hold more events.
Host book clubs, or potlucks for each neibourhood or something that brings us together.
I already volunteer as a community coach and participate in County events.
I can be more engaged in upcoming events in strath on a county
I can contribute my opinions to Youth Council, speaking my opinions as well as those I know whoms voices may not be heard. I can also attend/plan activities throughout the community that can assist in building a stronger community.
i can live the values of the community and encourage my friends and family to do the same. I can also support community programs and service providers, and really try to keep my business local.
I CAN Participate AND Help OUT AT Community Events
I can volenteer and help in shelters or at food banks. I can join activities and sports and advertise them to others

I could go to more events because I don't go to any and I think that would be beneficial because you get to know other people
i could participate in the community events and share them to others
I have made a point of meeting all the people who live around me, attending a block party and Christmas gathering, stopping to chat and show I care about my neighbors. I watch the street when I'm home and we communicate with each other about suspicious behavior. We communicate about how we are doing, when one is unwell we shovel each others walks, bring food. We notify each other when going out of town and 'keep an eye' on each others houses. We lift pianos and moose together! We know each others names! We have created a respectful, tight-knit community and I love it!
I love to help the community by listening to them and helping out our women folk (especially) airing their problems, fears, worries, aspirations, dreams and finding ways to offer help through your agency that they can help themselves and start to feel being heard and being helped. Taking part and encouraging others to attend valuable workshops for community members in different areas of life, raising children, cooking, cleaning, baking, computer skills & social etiquette.
I think strathcona is doing a great job with community activities and playgrounds. Maybe crack down on people parking cars on residential streets.
I think that more public events are helping to do this.
I think this city has a strong sense of community which is seen at festivals and activities in the area
I volunteer in my community, and participate in local events.
Increase volunteer activities and participation
Increased community driven events at the smaller community level
Influence others to take greater participation in community events, to create a more sustainable environment for all who live here
involved in decisions with countycounty suggestions or fun outs of new involvement by community members
Join in school/community activities and build relationships with the community.
Keep bringing clients to community events, and making sure they are visible in the community as much as possible.
Keep connected with friends and neighbours as well as participating in events that are happening in our community. I also volunteer with community based organizations and opportunities to provide feedback when asked.
Keep events like Christmas in the Heartland
Make donations when we can. Attending community events. Use local facilities for wellness.
Make us feel more connected by doing more community events
Maybe have more events so you met more people and people will be respectful. More transportation than buses.
Modelling respectful behaviour to ALL of our community members, providing feedback and completing surveys such as this, going to various community events
More community activities
more community activities (ie Canada Day)
more community activities.
More community activities.
More community based events ie Christmas parad. Offer support for low income families.
more community events
more community events and community involvement initiativesmore clubs, societies for youth and young adults to meet new people
More community events such as the ones hosted today
more community events to bring everyone together

More Community EventsMore stuff to do as a community
More community functions and awareness
more community gatherings, encouraging neighbours to meet
More community get togethers and programs for all families
more community oriented festivals (seasonal), sport events, etc.
more community support programs
more events
More events
more events to get people involved
More family activities - big events outside.
More family events
More festivals and free food
more involved and in tune to events and such
More opportunities for the community to come together and more fun activities/places to hang out for youth and young adults.
More positively enforced interacts through events like a community run to raise money for something (example).
More public events
newsletters, mail, emails, signage throughout the neighborhoods and planned get togethers
Not sure but willing to participate
Not sure, community BBQ's/Festivals, etc.
Participate and give input
Participate and volunteer in community outreach programs as well as maybe to contribute in food share programs
Participate as often as possible in social occasions offered - socialize and get to know folks.
participate in as many community events as i can
Participate in community activities
Participate in community activities. Respect and treat people fairly.
Participate in community events
Participate in community events – volunteer
Participate in community events more
Participate in community events, support local businesses, remain community conscious in all aspects of trying to meet basic needs (adequate income, education, childcare, housing, transportation, etc.).
Participate in community events.
Participate in community events. Donate to food bank, etcVolunteer
participate in community eventssupport local businessesutilize local services provided
Participate in community offered programs.
Participate in community programs and events. Volunteer for the same
Participate in county initiatives, volunteer, make use of services available
Participate in local events, and community surveysTalk to your county councillors about your concerns.Get involved !!!! Even it is only once a week.Connect with your neighbours.
Participate in more community activities
Participate in more groups and events. Volunteer

participate in services offered by Strathcona County, volunteer work at community centres.
participate in the activities put on by the county.
Participate in the activities.
participate in these surveys, community events, community groups
Participate more often in community eventsPromote this survey so others can "get in the know".
Participate when and wherever needed.
Participate, contribute
participate, vote and be a part of the community.
Participate! Treat others with kindness. Use social media to share important information. Volunteer for local organizations. Donate to the local food bank. Give feedback to improve transit.
Participate/attend community sponsored events
Participation in community events
Provide events like Christmas in the Heartland.
Provide my opinion and support community events.
Sherwood Park has grown so much and in our household we are retired and I realize we don't participate a lot in functions. The only thing I can say that it is a lovely / safe place to live. Thank you!
Smaller community events
Some more community activities
Special events and culture are vital to building community. Neighbourhoods working together on a project or event brings people together. Spaces where people can gather at low to no cost important.
Stay connected with people in community - meet regularly at events and volunteer
Stay informed. Participate in community events.
Support community activities and initiatives through participation and volunteering.
support community events and efforts to strengthen community we support.LibraryRec/swimming programs / volunteer at Canada Day celebration
support community events with my attendance and fundingmake suggestions for improvement via county connect.keep my residence and land clean and well kept.pay my taxes willingly
Support local events Include others
Support neighbours, schools, sports teams, events by giving positive messaging, getting involved and providing financial assistance
Take advantage of what is available i.e. Rec., Library, Social groups
Take part in community events and make people feel welcomed.
Take part in community events, fundraise and talk to people in the community
Take part in events and help others
Take part in more community activities
Take part in more community events.
Take part in Sherwood park activities and try to shop primarily in Sherwood park.
Talk with ward councillors and bring up issues with the current state of community no matter how minor. Inspire unity between the other residents and attend local events
Teaching or children with open minds/hearts and sharing with action how to support, give to and respect others. Participate in community events and programs.
there need to be more stuff to do
To build a stronger community I think we could hold a bit more interactive and cheap events.
to e involved in community activities.
Volunteer and participate in community events

Volunteer on a boardTake advantage of the programs offered
Volunteer, Attend community events
Volunteer, get to know your neighbours
Volunteer, go out to public events, get involved, get to know your neighbours. Be supportive of people trying to make a difference.
Volunteer, participate in community events
Volunteering in the community. Participating at community events etc
VolunteerTalk to our neighboursAttend community/County events
Watch out in my neighborhood for crime.Purchase asthma inhalers and gas masks to combat the air pollution.Go to Edmonton Emergency departments if I have a real medical emergency or need surgery.Get another job to pay for the high house taxes.Support local community events.
We need more skate parks and need less penalties for skating in a public place. I'm tired of getting tickets.
Well let's see here, first I can participate in further occasions that our community holds, meet more people.
Willing to help with block parties and participate in local community projects
Total

Question 2) Communication: Awareness

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- Seek out offered programs- Share more about what is happening in Strathcona County.
- Talk to each other- Include people- Share information
Accurate and timely communications with reasons for activities
always be aware of your surroundings...report wrong doersconfusing survey
Always look at things from different perspectives.
As a community we work together to keep in contact with the County & RCMP to bring awareness to residential traffic problems.
as a senior, not as much as I used to. BUT I can smile when I greet people anywhere. Say good morning or hello. Help people when I can. Make them know what is available to people living in the park. Be a considerate neighbor.
Attend community events and talks to be informed, especially seniors
Attend courses events and programs. Share knowledge and time with friends family and neighbors.
Aware of what's going on around town.
Awareness, connection to the public
Awareness, tolerance and accessibility
Be available to neighbours. Volunteer. Become aware of what is already happening in the community.
Be aware of the situations of others around me and be open and supportive of those who need my help.
Be aware of what is happening. Do not live with blinders on. Be willing to help when needed. Be mindful of others as there life maybe very bad but are good at trying to cover it up. Don't be so quick to judge.
Be educated on what we can do as a community to create a sense of community. Be genuinely interested in create a better community.
Be more aware of areas within the County that require improvements and get involved in these areas.
Be more aware of community programs offered to seniors.
Be more observant of my surroundings and make an effort to connect with people in a positive way.

Be nice to each other, talk about what's happening in our community and try to fix the negativity that does come up. I think this may help id we do try and keep every one connected.
Be understanding and accepting of people of others of different races or religions. Be aware and speak up if bullying occurs. Be a volunteer. Be as involved as one wishes in the Political works of the Community. Listen and read about things you don't understand in our community.
Be well informed - volunteer service
Become involved and spread the word.
Become more aware of the issues going on in our community.
Being aware is number one. Volunteering is a great way to get involved and make a difference.
Better communication
communicate
Communicate
Communicate with it. By building friendly relations community can become more interconnected and strong.
Communicate with people, make a campaign that would develop the community.
communicate with the people around me
Communication,transparency
Communication! To inform (and remind) people of all the good things going on in the county.
Continue to communicate and offer opportunities to gather.
Continue to share knowledge about community events and reinforce the need for everyone to be an involved citizen
Continue with current volunteer efforts that contribute to the safety and security of the greater community (i.e. County-wide). Provide input to community-based initiatives, and feedback to the County administration and elected officials where/when deemed appropriate. Keep abreast of ongoing and emerging issues and endeavours of interest.
Create programs that people can go for help or just to hang out. But once we get these programs to let people know they are there. Lots of advertisement!!
Currently I'm rasing awareness about a mental health conference in Feb. 18
Each and everyone should get every information about the programs going on in the community and should create the situation to get involved in every program. People living in the community should have love and care about their community.
Educate the public why this is important
Engage with the public by volunteering and becoming involved in community activities. Also, being informed about what is happening in the community.
Ensure that our community is aware of the resources available to us. Encourage more volunteerism. Bring back block parents or similar
Find out what matters to the community that has high impact.
Greater involvement in programs. This an happen with greater awareness of how. Children take time from parents (like me), so contributing means finding a way to involve kids.
Have a conversation with my friends/family.
Have more awareness about the problems in the community and build off of the problems for each other
Have more communication to everyone for services available
Have people become more connected and aware.
Help people feel supported and help them find resources to work towards these goals.
I actively engage myself with the community to gain a better understanding of it, through means of volunteering and working throughout the County. I try to stay aware of the happenings and voicing my opinion if something problematic occurs, through surveys and polls.

I am not sure, and I find the resources for finding this information are not adequate.
I can do my job with empathy and consideration. I try to do this everyday but sometimes I make assumptions good or bad. I really liked the social framework statistics that were collected. That helped me do the tiny social component of my job more effectively.
I can educate myself the best I can, then it's up to the county to make the best decisions for all.
I can have conversations with people in the community and advocate for their interests and needs. I work in social services and I can help connect people with services they need through the sharing of knowledge on what is out there. I can also volunteer for services or programs that matter to me.
I can participate in community project to strengthen our community and better understand what it needs.
I coach youth sports. I think that this is a big way in which we identify as a community and promote health
i could participate in the community events and share them to others
I regularly gather things for people in need and help them get in touch with the right support systems for their needs
I think that we can take time to be aware of others. People can easily put up a front that things are going good because they may be embarrassed.
I've started an annual walk to raise awareness in the community, started a page that identifies local resources (there are very few), started working with FCS committee on the November campaigning for healthy relationships. I would like to see a single resource that can truly provide assistance for these individuals: victims services does not provide this, the new councillor hired to work specifically with the perpetrators of violence, Saffron is for sexual violence, safe place is for emergent situations only, FCS counselling is also for emergency needs only, not sure on the role of the RCMP/FCS liaison officers role. The services should be developed, centrally coordinated and made known to the residents so this group can be helped. There is also a growing number of women leaving abusive situations who are being unjustly arrested by the RCMP, resulting in displacement from their homes as well as the removal of most of their basic needs. These included long term residents of the Coun
Info sessions with participation, awareness, incentives.
Inform others about help sources in our community.
Inform people on the importance of health and fitness. Volunteer
Involvement in programming and activities in the community, including the school system, healthcare, the library. Also communicate the programs that are available in the county to those who may not be aware (i.e. senior's day programs, programs offered through the library are often less known)
It's good to have a hotline for people have something to call about their ideas or concern about our community.
Keep abreast and open-minded as we progress through building the framework. Participate at a level that is comfortable and when time allows.
Keep information available to all members of the community and in different formats
keep strong communication and community engagement. community gardens, outdoor rinks with events so there is 12 months worth of events for all ages. you do a good job but i hope you are able to invest in some new programs from urban farming to bringing high speed internet to rural communities
Keep up to date on available resources, volunteer, identify and contact local municipal leaders of issues.
Keeping informed as usual by attending all the open houses about industry. Encourage green outdoor spaces like St. Albert.
Listen to the voices of vested interested people.
Look at the best ways to direct my income, time and effort!
make memes so others don't have to and give someone a good ol laugh :)))) rawr XDDD
Make people aware of community resources. Try to involve them in the community. Be inclusive and accepting.
Make sure people are committed by communicating with them
Meme awareness

More awareness around the resources and services that are available in the community, and how to access them if needed. (I'm not sure how to do this or help)
More awareness for the community and seniors
More community functions and awareness
More education
more group activities for youth and more advertising for them.less expensive things for youth to do.
More information on all programs
More outreach from our mayor and councillors, even some of our senior administrators. Getting more information out to the community about what is taking place in the county. Let the urbanites in Sherwood Park know what is happening in the rural areas of the county.
More programs like this
Neighbours knowing each other. Local newspaper reporting on diversity of topics actually happening in the County.
Networking, supporting events, promoting, educating...
Not aware
Not everyone has it like I do?
Participate in surveys like this, and keep abreast of what is happening and available, so I can pass this information along to others who are in need of it.
Promote public safety and disaster preparedness
Promote services Strathcona County offers. Share posts on social media.
Provide awareness from personal experiences
Public awareness
Public hearings in schools regarding drugs, as well as parental contact and increased enforcement in the general public, the government does not realize (or if they do, do not enforce) this problem.Such hearings should also be held towards hatred towards peoples, regarding racism and bias towards and/or against color, sexuality, culture and/or other.
Put flyers around your neighbourhood to aware people.
Reach out to more volunteers
Recycle
Remind folks of the benefits of living here - word of mouth is a big motivator.
Report any negative activity.
spread good news and do community work
start communicate betterlisten to each others opions
Stay aware and committed
Stay connected, be kin, and care/help others. Hold fun community celebrations.
Stay informed. Allow all voices to be heard.
Talk to my neighbors, continue volunteering, maintain an awareness of issues & advocate for change...
Talk to neighbors, be involved with community halls and organizations. Educate on what is happening in the county.
talk to people who help other people
This is a goal for after things improve on the other topics, depression and self harm are a disease in this community,don't over look it to focus on making "the community" stronger
To advertise Unparented Programs and Pre-K at SOC, I already post it to the local moms groups to encourage registration. Participate in these days, but if they aren't adequately advertised, it is hard to know when they are.
Volunteer awareness

Volunteer with organizations that need extra help; become aware of the issues facing our community.
Volunteer, attend community league events/ meetings, read local newspapers to learn what is available and get involved
Volunteer, stay informed.
Volunteer.Encourage others to be healthy and active
VolunteerAdvocateSupportLearnParticipate
Volunteerism, stay informed
we have a strong community people just need to find a way to communicate and help each other
We live in a community which has a tendency to ignore the "negatives." I have heard many people say Strathcona County doesn't have poor people living here. We don't have issues that other communities have. There is no discrimination. We need to learn about those people in our community who feel excluded first whatever reason. That is the first step in building stronger community.
word of mouth - professionally and personally remind people of the importance of community and all the community supports that are available
Total

Question 2) Communication: Tools/methods (i.e., social media)

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- advertise initiatives and invite partners to attend initiatives that are happening at in our workplace (you don't have to work with us to participate).- be flexible with our employees and provide adequate time through a lunch hour to participate in health and wellness activities.
-Get involved & give input into engagement activities-Promote Strathcona county with our neighbours and others.-raise concerns
-Help with other people even with small way-open communication
Accurate and timely communications with reasons for activities
Attend courses events and programs. Share knowledge and time with friends family and neighbors.
Better communication
Better communication regarding town hall events
Better social media coverage, facebook, instagram etc.
Communicate
Communicate more about the programs available.
Communicate, engage and participate within the community
Communication
Communication by social media
Continue to communicate with both administration and neighbours .
Continue to stay current on what's happening in our community and make an effort to do so by following social media and attending community events.
Give feedbackHelp othersWelcome new comers
Have a community group that is representative of the states goals that meets regularly to see if goals are being met.
Have better internet in the Rural so that communication can be easier in whole community and not just Urban.
Have conversations around this. Advocate around diversity

Have more town halls on decisions like our new pool in the north. If we are valued, then we should be heard.
Have some sort of place that allows people to express their issue(s) and how to solve them
Hold more grass roots meeting to bring more information to the masses
I can volunteer and help in shelters or at food banks. I can join activities and sports and advertise them to others
I don't know I'm a child Maybe make some youth pamphlets, so I'd know how to help
I think Strathcona County communicates wonderfully about all the options out there for volunteering etc. I can take part in any programs provided.
I'm not sure if there are updates on where volunteer opportunities are mentioned but that could help.
I've started an annual walk to raise awareness in the community, started a page that identifies local resources (there are very few), started working with FCS committee on the November campaigning for healthy relationships. I would like to see a single resource that can truly provide assistance for these individuals: victims services does not provide this, the new councillor hired to work specifically with the perpetrators of violence, Saffron is for sexual violence, safe place is for emergent situations only, FCS counselling is also for emergency needs only, not sure on the role of the RCMP/FCS liaison officers role. The services should be developed, centrally coordinated and made known to the residents so this group can be helped. There is also a growing number of women leaving abusive situations who are being unjustly arrested by the RCMP, resulting in displacement from their homes as well as the removal of most of their basic needs. These included long term residents of the Coun
make memes
Make sure people are committed by communicating with them
More communication through community papers or through community hall gatherings
More outreach from our mayor and councillors, even some of our senior administrators. Getting more information out to the community about what is taking place in the county. Let the urbanites in Sherwood Park know what is happening in the rural areas of the county.
More suicide support lines for attack helicopters. I would also like more Sherwood Park meme pages.
newsletters, mail, emails, signage throughout the neighborhoods and planned get togethers
open form of communication with officials and protection services
Participate in social media Strathcona County health and crime watch pages. Start building a relationship with my neighbors
Participate! Treat others with kindness. Use social media to share important information. Volunteer for local organizations. Donate to the local food bank. Give feedback to improve transit.
Promote services Strathcona County offers. Share posts on social media.
Spread the word
Stronger communication. Less bullshit "feel good" stuff and more social programs that actually benefit people. Cut the fat at the county office. One of the most bureaucratic counties there is. Worse than Lamont!
Support more interaction with social networks that promote more inclusion of seniors, individuals with disabilities in the communities of Strathcona County.
talk more times than you text (I hardly text at all)
To advertise Unparented Programs and Pre-K at SOC, I already post it to the local moms groups to encourage registration. Participate in these days, but if they aren't adequately advertised, it is hard to know when they are.
Work together and communicate. More knowledge equals educated strong minded individuals. Strength in numbers.
Total

Question 2) Inclusive Community: Respect

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- be kind and respectful to all- help fellow members of the community
-let my voice be heard-treat everyone with respect
-volunteer in my community -treat everyone as a valued person
1. I treat all fairly and equally2. I do my part in keeping this place clean and healthy
accept and be nice to everyone, make people feel welcome. help around the community
Act fairly to everybody.
All work together and be treated fairly
Always be open to new people and adventures
as a senior, not as much as I used to. BUT I can smile when I greet people anywhere. Say good morning or hello. Help people when I can. Make them know what is available to people living in the park. Be a considerate neighbor.
Attend community events, support community staff and initiatives, look out for our neighbours, be welcoming and gracious to others
Be a friend to somebody.
Be a good citizen and neighbor.Volunteer with organizations to help others.
Be a good citizen and respect others
be a good citizen in every respect
be a good person
Be a good person, stay healthy and contribute where necessary
Be a role model
Be an active member of Sherwood Park by keeping the city safe, clean & being respectful of others.
Be aware of people around me, be respectful.
be friendly
Be friendly to everyone you meet. Go our of your way to meet and communicate with your neighbour. Take an interest in them and then if they disclose any problems they have to you, direct them to a support group that could meet their needs.
Be friendlyHelpBe happy
Be good law abiding citizens. Respect all nationalities.Treat our neighbours fairly.
be helpful, and friendly
be involved - food bank etcShow kindness to strangers and workers in all areas
Be kind and be a good citizen.
Be kind and contribute
Be kind and help others. Volunteer within the community.
be kind respectful
be kind to everybody
Be kind to everyone
Be kind to everyone and realize that people are all going through something different.
Be kind to everyone.
Be kind to others and respect everyone and their beliefs

Be kind to others and try to bring everyone together
be kind to people
be kind to people and make sure i make good life decisions to avoid bad situations
Be kind towards neighbors and classmates. Give to the less fortunate.
Be kind. Help others.
Be kind/caring towards others.
Be kinder to each other, help each other out, and talk more
Be kinder to people and help people out a lot more often.
Be more aware of what is going on and open to talk with people. Also treat everyone fairly. No judgement, just love.
Be more respectful to people around you.
be nice
Be nice
Be nice / respectful. I try my best to do volunteer work and just helping others out.
Be nice and kind to everyone so know when gets left out of bullied because of these differences.
BE NICE AND NOT A ASSHOLE
Be nice and respectful
Be nice and respectful to all people in our community
be nice I want more fun places, more food.
Be nice to all people, donate all sorts of stuff. Need more hockey rinks
Be nice to each other, talk about what's happening in our community and try to fix the negativity that does come up. I think this may help id we do try and keep every one connected.
Be nice to everyone
Be nice to everyone :)
Be nice to everyone and not be the person nobody likes.
Be nice to everyone and very respectful.
Be nice to other people.
Be nice to people and respect peopleHelp my neighborsWalk the dog with my momdon't break bylaws and follow reasonable rules
Be nice to people: smile, hold doors etc
Be nice to people.
be nicer and help the community out more (free melnieum)
Be nicer to each other and respect each other.
be open and friendly
be polite and friendly and open to helping another person if they needed it.
Be respectful
Be respectful and follow the rules of the community.
Be respectful and treat others fairly
Be respectful of each other in and around our community.
Be respectful of each other.
Be respectful of others and their property. Obey traffic laws and other drivers. Report suspicious behaviour, bullying etc to proper authorities
Be respectful of the communities property and others.

Be respectful, responsible and don't harm others and treat all equally.
Be respectful, teach my kids morals, values and community - spirituality and not to be entitled
be thankful and appreciate what we have and respect everyone no matter their circumstances.
Be the best neighbor I can be, be kind and considerate of those I am in contact with
Become more relaxed and willing to respect others within the community
being a law abiding citizen, I must be a role model of the youth. I respect and follow all the rules that are being implemented. I'll treat everybody fairly and encourage to be physical & mentally fit
Being friendly with others n having a peacefull environment without racism
Being kind to others.
being nice to others.
Buy local, treat residents with fairness and respect
By contributing to society as a whole by being a successful, working individual, who gives back through donations of time and/or money from time to time. e.g. Habitat for Humanity helping to build the less fortunate affordable homes. By holding accountable those in elected positions of authority. By obeying the laws. By showing compassion to those less fortunate.
Continue being a good citizen, upholding the law and treat everyone with respect.
Continue to work on committees. Respect all citizens Respect diversity in all areas Welcome newcomers Advocate for low cost housing Advocate for mental health services.
Continue to work with others in the community to enhance neighborliness, helping each other and improve quality of life for residents. Ensuring others feel valued, respected and heard. Working to instill sustainability in programs and ensuring residents know where to look for supports that meet their needs.
Continue working with our community as a social worker. Start the work at home - help locally - VOLUNTEER, participate, be kind etc.
Cooperate and support the community
Do unto others and you would have others do unto you
don't be a d-bag
don't be a loser head and respect everyone
don't get bullied anymore
Don't know, but would be willing to listen to other suggestions.
Don't treat others differently
Donate to food shelter, help out with charities, and finally treat every one around with respect because you don't always know every ones full story. They could be really struggling at home and one mean comment could toss them of the edge.
Ensure that everyone is cared for and that people feel respected and safe.
Every little bit counts so being nice to everyone. And just helping out, because there are alot of people so if everyone did something to help oit it would make a hige difference.
everyone can improve upon their treatment of others. i firmly believe respect is a priority in any community and each individual should strive to receive it as well as give it.
Everyone is created equal and if we treat others and minority groups as having a louder voice than others, we are not able appreciate everyone's basic human rights. That being said everyone has a right to feel safe physically, spiritually and emotionally
Focus on modelling respect and care in my family in hopes that my kids will become positive and constructive citizens. To be self reliant. To realize that fellow residents sometimes require support to get back on a path of resilience. In this regard I can take actions to help my friends. I can also strive to create a respectful workplace through my occupation. I also believe our municipal and provincial governments play a key role in delivering supports.
For everyone to earn as much respect just like everyone else.

Give dignity and respect to every person I meet. Every single person has value and it is important for them to know that.
Have more respect towards my neighbors and work on having a more positive attitude.
have respect for everyone around me
Help others in anyway possible that I can provide. Do my part in respecting the rule and ways of this community. Take the opportunity when I could have a say on what happens with the community
Help out people in need and just be a kind person in general.
Help out with events. treat everyone with respect.
I believe that to have a stronger community that we should treat each other with more respect and not judge others
I can act lovingly and respectfully to everyone I meet regardless of their differences from me.
I can be kind and help out other people.
I can be kind to people and provide any help I can
I can be more kind to people
I can be nice to everyone.
I can be nicer to everyone, and treat everyone with respect
I can do community service to get more connected with other members of Sherwood Park. I could also make sure any new members of the community feel safe and respected.
I can help for talking with my neighbour and not say anything bad to other people
I can make sure each interaction I have with someone, regardless of their physical, emotional, mental or social health shows I value them and will do my best to support them (no social stigma or shame/blame game)... valued and supported - providing hope....
I can raise my kids to be respectful, hard working and empathetic people.
I can try and improve the way I may be speak to people, because sometimes what I say may not be right. I can try to pick up more garbage laying on our streets. I can also try inviting more people into my group of friends.
I can't do anything but be respectful to everyone I meet
I could help others even though I do, every time I get the chance I will offer. I can invite different people to do activities and make them feel welcomed. I believe that all people of different colors, religions, sexes, etc. are all viewed as equals and should be treated as equals. Nobody should feel alone or sad.
I could help out more and be more respectful
I feel like most people already see us as a strong community, I think that people should be treated equally .
I get to know my neighbors. Listen to their stories. Talk to strangers. Make friends. I treat all people with love and respect including those different than I am or who have different views. I also am involved in a local church and active in my kids school and coach local sports.
I have started by filling out this survey. It starts will the person, basic friendliness and compassion for others. I however, did not learn this just by myself. I learned this with the help of a counselor at the Family and Community Services. There needs to be more services that residents can go to at a minimal cost or sliding scale. A program or workshop on compassion, art therapy workshops for groups or groups for people with social anxiety. More programs for individuals to continue with therapy or self discovery.Also, there has been a change in the amount of time you can be in therapy at the Family and Community Services in Sherwood Park. I believe that all these changes should be based of the individual person. It has taken me almost a year to be comfortable with myself and the people around me and I am still working on a lot of issues. If it was not for my counselor I would not be here. Please base it on an individual need and supports that person has.
I make a conscious effort to be kind to people. I think a strong community starts with that.
I teach my family and my staff at work to always be friendly and helpful, go the little extra mile for anyone they connect with. Good manors, behaviors, attitude and assisting others is always paid forward.

I think as a swimming instructor I can help our children grow to be respectful and responsible.
I think not harming others and volunteering, donating and helping out will impact our community.
I try my best to be my best to my neighbors regardless of their faith or their skin color. I have taught my children to be always respectful to everyone even strangers. In fact my child's teacher comments that my child is one of very respectful students and that's great! I have come to learn many great things in this community and I hope things will be better in the years to come
I will continue to raise my children to be respectful, attentive and aware of their surroundings. I can get to know my neighbors and keep aware of each other.
I wish I could do more. Our family is happy to volunteer for events in our school and church, and we do our best to make donations to local fundraising efforts. My husband has also helped organize groups for the Snow Angels shoveling program... I think that's what it's called :) Hopefully teaching our kids to be kind and respectful citizens will also help to build a future generation of strong community members.
if you treat someone with openness you get big benefits from it, willing to participate, general impressed with services (i.e. home care) more supports than could ask for, in key areas of support (frontline) need to have people who have strong communication skills
Interact with each other and talk with each other
It's the little things, picking up after yourself when out and about, helping a neighbour when shoveling the driveway, opening a door for someone else at the store, taking that couple extra seconds to let a vehicle in to your lane, anything to say without words ' we are in this together ' that is what community means for me.
Join in activities and treat everyone with respect.
Join the conversation, get to know your neighbours. Volunteer, contribute to local charities, show kindness and be helpful.
just all work hard , & treat everyone fairly
Just to be outgoing and kind. To be happy to make others happy.
keep paying taxes keep on smiling and being kind to others keep on swimming
Keep showing kindness to my neighbours
Lead by example. Be polite and considerate to everyone I encounter
Lead by example. Live with integrity as if someone is always watching. Offer kindness even when they don't deserve it. Forgive. And take care of myself!
Learning to have a great community in Sherwood Park and getting a awesome job, be a great person and say hi to people and connect with god. God loves everyone.
like be nice to everyone i meet even if i just met them and don't really know them.
Listen to Others with an open mind. Be a good neighbor.
Listen, respect.
love each other
Make everyone feel welcome and being their friends if they feel like the outsider
Make more friends and be respectful to others, that you want to be treated.
make people feel like they belong and treat others with respect
Make sure all people feel included and be a generally kind person. Always help out others when possible
Make sure no one's getting bullied
make sure there is no bullying and everyone treat everyone good.
Maybe have more events so you met more people and people will be respectful. More transportation than buses.
Modelling respectful behaviour to ALL of our community members, providing feedback and completing surveys such as this, going to various community events
More nice
No bullying

No bullying, talk about any problems
No bullying.
No more bullyingPositive thoughts
not be so stuck up
not litter be kind to one another
Not to do mean things to others and work together.
Offer respect help
Participate in community activities. Respect and treat people fairly.
People can be nice to each other and stop to get to know one another. Instead of everybody being strangers to each other, we can have a little bit of knowledge about them so that we can know how to treat them.
People should be treated the same and they deserve to be talked to, not ignored or grimaced at. I do my best to act friendly to people with hopes that they will be friendly back. I smile at strangers and am very friendly with the hopes that they will do the same.
Pick up garbage and respect everyone
Playing my part by being respectful and inclusive to everyone. Lending out a helping hand to neighbours.
Prevent any mayor from making empty promises like the fake frozen salary and do not allow silly feuds such as that with Councilr Bidzinski. Treat people fairly!
Put respect on people's names
Raise my children to participate in community activities (ie park clean-ups, community activities- participate in townhall forums for feedback- be kind to others and offer help to my fellow community members
Raise my family and practice myself in areas like proper family values, conduct and being respectful of all community members.
Respect and value everyone regardless of their abilities and circumstances
Respect each other & always be available when someone is in need.
Respect each other and increase connection to help each other.
respect everybody around mehelp people who need help treat fairly
Respect for each other. Help out if you can. Be positive in your daily life. Listen to others. Be understanding.
respect one another and meet the basic needs of residence
Respect other people beliefs and value, as well as not segregate people.
Respect others
respect others and not do bad things
Respect the laws and other people.
Respecting others. And not letting your dogs roam the neighbourhood freely.
Show kindness and support to those in need. Refer people struggling to places and resources that can help them.
Show more compassion, kindness, and understanding
Stand up against bullies
Start with yourself. Learn a greeting or thank you from another culture and know when to use it.
Stop bullying and pick up trash
Strive to do better things for and in the community like being a better person and respecting the community.
Support one another and respectfully disagree when needed
Teach my children to be loving, considerate of others and know and act on their duties.
Teaching or children with open minds/hearts and sharing with action how to support, give to and respect others. Participate in community events and programs.

The cleanliness in sherwood park was the help that I can do is to help people in the community to help and respect each other
The Golden Rule...treat people the way I would like to be treated....look out for one another, help in whatever way I can to those in need.....be a friend...
Think positive and give good ideas.
To be friendly, helpful, respectful to others.
To practice being a person people can trust, respect and rely on in the community. We all need to help and support each other. To give back to the community as much as possible
Treat all people with courtesy and respectBecome better acquainted with the facts and share what is reality and what supports are available as opportunities arise
Treat everyone as people and not harm anyone and help those in need
Treat everyone equally.
Treat everyone fairly. Feelings do not reflect reality, but respectfully disagreeing goes a long way.
Treat everyone one right.
Treat everyone with kindness and respect, teach my children to be inclusive of all people and to foster relationships between neighbours and neighbourhoods.
Treat everyone with respect
treat other around you with fairness
Treat others fairly
Treat others in society the same as I want to be treated (respectfully)
Treat others the way you want to be treated
Treat people fair.
Treat people with respect and dignity.
Treat people with respect! Be kind to each other!
Treat people with the respect they deserve
Treat the rural people as if they are part of the community! Make everyday amenities available to people outside of the city
Try to include everyone and don't pry into other people's business unless i think they are in danger
Volunteer and help out as much as possible and be respectful of others in the community.
Volunteer and treat others with respect
Volunteer whenever you can get the chance. Show each others respect.
VolunteerBe a role model by treating others respectfully
We can all respect one other.
We can be hard working and respectful human beings.
We can continue to be warm and friendly to all -- people we know and people we encounter on a day-to-day basis. We can contribute to efforts and events and participate, be ambassadors for Strathcona County. We can upkeep our home and yard, contributing to a street, community that says this is a place I want to live, a community I'm proud to be a member of.
We can help by respecting each other and keeping the surroundings clean
We can help each other and be more nice.
Welcome the new ideas
Work together , love everyone , hold eachother accountable
You can be a nice person!
Total

Question 2) Inclusive Community: Accepting others

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- Listen to people's concerns- Offer programs fitness, good recreation facilities is important- We really appreciate the RCMP in our county.
- Talk to each other- Include people- Share information
-volunteer in my community -treat everyone as a valued person
About all I can contribute at this point in my life is to continue to lobby Council to take a look at the real situation in this community. Many feel it's become a community that doesn't want to welcome all aspects of our society as reflected in the disgusting statement alluded to in Carla Howatt's column that "if you can't afford to live here, then go elsewhere." Not an attitude to be proud of.
accept and be nice to everyone, make people feel welcome. help around the community
Accept people for who they are. Stop danger or harm whenever it is happening, especially in places such as; school, teams, or activities. Try to promote healthy mind sets. And build people up, instead of bringing people down.
Accept people? Stop being outrageously expensive
Acceptance of each other
Accessibility and inclusivity
All work together and be treated fairly
Apply the Golden rule in all situations.
as a senior, not as much as I used to. BUT I can smile when I greet people anywhere. Say good morning or hello. Help people when I can. Make them know what is available to people living in the park. Be a considerate neighbor.
Attend community events, support community staff and initiatives, look out for our neighbours, be welcoming and gracious to others
Awareness, tolerance and accessibility
Be a friend to someone lonely or a newcomer, especially immigrants, foster parents, single mum with kids, the vulnerable. Notice people & speak to them kindly, warmly. Offer to help when I learn of a need. Help someone learn English. Accept & affirm "different" people. Look for opportunities to help. Mentor a teen or young mum. Listen to others. Be kind & gracious & caring. Show appreciation, respect. Encourage. Intervene if I see abuse of a spouse, child or animal. Alert RCMP of suspicious people or activities. Let others know I am available & helpful. Pick up garbage & dog poop or dangerous items scattered in public spaces. Recycle. Compost. Adopt a child or rescue dog. Be considerate of others. Be a good neighbour. Organize a block party.
Be a good citizen and neighbor. Volunteer with organizations to help others.
Be a good neighbour
be a good person
Be aware of what is happening. Do not live with blinders on. Be willing to help when needed. Be mindful of others as their life maybe very bad but are good at trying to cover it up. Don't be so quick to judge.
Be aware of where our children are, watch out for our neighbours and what is happening in our neighbourhood. Stand up for each other if we see behaviour that is not appropriate.
Be engaged in positive communication with community members Be open to change Encourage communication and be open to giving and reaching out to others
Be kind and be a good citizen.
Be kind and help others. Volunteer within the community.
Be kind to everyone
Be kind to others and respect everyone and their beliefs

be kind to people and make sure i make good life decisions to avoid bad situations
Be kind,accept everyone, do your part to keep the community safe, volunteer where you can. Be the best citizen you can. Watch out for the children.
Be kind. Help others.
Be kind/caring towards others.
Be more aware of what is going on and open to talk with people. Also treat everyone fairly. No judgement, just love.
Be more encouraging to others
Be more patient, mindful and kind. Make and effort to get to know others.
Be more welcoming if foreign people
be nice I want more fun places, more food.
Be nice to everyone
Be nice to everyone and not be the person nobody likes.
Be nice to everyone and very respectful.
Be nice to everyone, don't disclude someone because they're different
be nice to the community and people and make everyone feel equally treated fairly.
be open and friendly
Be open minded and accepting of all individuals
Be open to change
Be open to honest conversations and listen to people when they are in need of talking.
Be open.
be polite and friendly and open to helping another person if they needed it.
Be positive
be thankful and appreciate what we have and respect everyone no matter their circumstances.
Be the best neighbor I can be, be kind and considerate of those I am in contact with
Be understanding and accepting of people of others of different races or religions. Be aware and speak up if bullying occurs. Be a volunteer. Be as involved as one wishes in the Political works of the Community. Listen and read about things you don't understand in our community.
Be welcoming and helpful to people in the community. Share info about what makes Sherwood park a great place to live. Volunteer
Be welcoming.
Become more relaxed and willing to respect others within the community
Better understanding
Breakdown stereotypes and be a champion for human rights so others know that WE ALL have a right to live our lives as we want as long as we aren't hurting anyone else. Get to know neighbours and others in the community and reserve judgement as we don't know what someone else's truth is.
By contributing to society as a whole by being a successful, working individual, who gives back through donations of time and/or money from time to time. e.g. Habitat for Humanity helping to build the less fortunate affordable homes. By holding accountable those in elected positions of authority. By obeying the laws. By showing compassion to those less fortunate.
Continue to be supportive, informed and welcoming.
Continue to strive to make certain all people are accepted. Build on the great place Strathcona County is for people to reside. Can't think of anywhere else we would prefer to live.
Continue to work on committees.Respect all citizensRespect diversity in all areasWelcome newcomersAdvocate for low cost housingAdvocate for mental health services.
Doing this surveyInclude othersHelp those in need

Don't bully
Don't discriminate against people you are different and make them feel comfortable and that they belong to this community
Don't treat others differently
Encourage growth in being healthier. Hearing about what the community has to offer and sharing that with people. Educating myself. Being welcoming to neighbours.
Encourage participation and welcome newcomers.
everyone can improve upon their treatment of others. i firmly believe respect is a priority in any community and each individual should strive to receive it as well as give it.
Everyone is created equal and if we treat others and minority groups as having a louder voice than others, we are not able appreciate everyone's basic human rights. That being said everyone has a right to feel safe physically, spiritually and emotionally
Get back to the values and standards of 30 years ago.
Get the community involved in activities and programs that everyone is welcomed
Get to know my neighbours Get to know people outside of my normal "bubble" - people who are different from me
Get to know those around you and make them feel welcome. No indifference.
Give dignity and respect to every person I meet. Every single person has value and it is important for them to know that.
Give feedbackHelp othersWelcome new comers
giving respect to other nationalityfollowing the law and helping others by volunteering.
Having a strict "no discrimination" policy. Consequences for inappropriate behaviour, aka verbally attaching others
Having more community events that is inclusive. Also having a hospital that is effective and provides proper care for everyone
Help other to feel they belong and are important to the community
Help people that I see in need, offer friendship and kindness to people who need it
I am a teacher in our community who tries to foster acceptance, empathy and compassion in our teens.
I believe that to have a stronger community that we should treat each other with more respect and not judge others
I can act lovingly and respectfully to everyone I meet regardless of their differences from me.
I can advocate for groups that are more or less ignored by media and government in our community. People in our community are either uncomfortable with or unaware of issues pertaining to minority groups, LGBT, and immigrants (especially those involved in foreign work exchange)
I can be more kind to people
I can be nicer to everyone, and treat everyone with respect
I can continue to shop local and support local (county clothesline, food bank etc)I can be sure to save for my retirement so that I hopefully do not become a senior who desperately needs to be in a lodge with a waiting list ten miles long.I can continue to volunteer at my children's school and support fundraisers that benefit our schools.I can continue to love my community and welcome anyone who also desires to help build and support it.
I can help to build a stronger community by being kind to each other even in simple ways.
I can make sure each interaction I have with someone, regardless of their physical, emotional, mental or social health shows I value them and will do my best to support them (no social stigma or shame/blame game)... valued and supported - providing hope....
I can try to help people that feel left out or that aren't comfortable become comfortable and feel like they should be here.
I can volunteer my time towards positive causes and also speak out against instances of injustice I see. I can practice inclusiveness and kindness in my personal and professional life.

I could help others even though I do, every time I get the chance I will offer. I can invite different people to do activities and make them feel welcomed. I believe that all people of different colors, religions, sexes, etc. are all viewed as equals and should be treated as equals. Nobody should feel alone or sad.
I don't shame on people for there race etc
I get to know my neighbors. Listen to their stories. Talk to strangers. Make friends. I treat all people with love and respect including those different than I am or who have different views. I also am involved in a local church and active in my kids school and coach local sports.
I make a conscious effort to be kind to people. I think a strong community starts with that.
I teach my family and my staff at work to always be friendly and helpful, go the little extra mile for anyone they connect with. Good manors, behaviors, attitude and assisting others is always paid forward.
I will try my best to accept others
I work for the County so I am challenged every day to meet and exceed the needs of our citizens. I think having an open mind and being accepting and understanding of the differences of everyone is the first place to start. I think that as a parent, you need to be involved in all aspects of your children's life from their school activities to their extracurricular activities to their friends and friends' parents to where they recreate. I think setting our children up with a sense of community and involvement and generosity is a great foundation to build on.
I'm not completely sur but I think a solotion is to work together, listen to others perceptides take them into consideration
Idk show people that they have a place to go
If i see pepole that are not getting treated fairly i will step in and help that person talk about what there are saying to them
included in sports
Inclusion
Inter cultural events finding a good mix. (Proactively)
Invite everyone to come out no matter what to have fun.
keep paying taxes keep on smiling and being kind t others keep on swimming
Keep supporting mental health and wellness
Learning to have a great community in sherwood park and getting a awesome job, be a great person and say hi to people and connect with god. God loves everyone.
Listen and understand other
Listen to Others with an open mind. Be a good neighbor.
love each other
love one another
Make everyone feel included.
Make everyone feel welcome and being their friends if they feel like the outsider
make everyone feel welcome.
Make friends in school and make everyone feel like they belong.
Make people aware of community resources. Try to involve them in the community. Be inclusive and accepting.
Make people feel as if they belong
Make people feel like they belong.
make people feel wanted and get more envolved in the community
Make people feel welcome and wanted in school or help other out
Make sure all people feel included and be a generally kind person. Always help out others when possible
Make sure no ones getting bullied

Making everyone welcome
Making people comfortable when they are new here.
More social and cultural exchanges
N0th1ng th1s area 1s full of m3an p3opl3
not be so stuck up
not litter be kind to one another
outline some goals for the community, talk to other people from different places.
People can be nice to each other and stop to get to know one another. Instead of everybody being strangers to each other, we can have a little bit of knowledge about them so that we can know how to treat them.
People in our community should not be racist, we should welcome anyone to our community because it is a safe place to be. I could clean up the streets and not floe garbage out on the street.
People should be treated the same and they deserve to be talked to, not ignored or grimaced at. I do my best to act friendly to people with hopes that they will be friendly back. I smile at strangers and am very friendly with the hopes that they will do the same.
Playing my part by being respectful and inclusive to everyone. Lending out a helping hand to neighbours.
Raise my children to participate in community activities (ie park clean-ups, community activities- participate in townhall forums for feedback- be kind to others and offer help to my fellow community members
recognize the value in a potential of each personstrive to be open-minded, friendly, & supportive of all people
Respect and value everyone regardless of their abilities and curcumstances
Respect other people beliefs and value, as well as not segregate people.
Share and work with all diverse groups
Some standard city centres such as an LGBT centre.
Start to really connect with the community though personal engagement and ask them what they need to thrive and have success. Then facilitate, and create initiatives that will address those needs. Look to marginalized groups and find out from them what they need. Less top down more grass roots informed decisions and initiatives. Look to broaden the types of people able to live and raise families in the county as it seems very lacking in ethnic diversity.
Start with yourself. Learn a greeting or thank you from another culture and know when to use it.
stop bein pussys and let ppl do what they want to express themselves
Stop being so arrogant!Stop being racistStop being so WHITE and start being ethnic
Stop bullying and pick up trash
stop littering as muchas we do right now and treat everyone with kindness
Stop racism; create more inclusive community; contribute towards reconciliation dialogues which could be hosted by the County
Support more interaction with social networks that promote more inclusion of seniors, individuals with disabilities in the communities of Strathcona County.
Support those around me who need help, accept and embrace people of all backgrounds/mental ability/physical ability/ gender/age
Take your own initiative to make others feel welcome and welcome to speak out and let their inner personality glitter!
Taking care of people, tenneagers that may be abused at home or not supported with a single mother. Seeing other people point of views on the concept
talk and say hi to people
Talk honestly to others.
Talk listen to everyone
Talk to people

Talk to strangers and make them welcome. Be receptive to people of all religions and ethnicities. I attended the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast. I sat at a table with people of the Baha'i faith and an Aboriginal. The only prayers given were all Christian--and very fundamentalist at that! Not one Aboriginal Prayer. Or even a general prayer that incorporated all religions. This should be an Interfaith Service. It sometimes feels as if Strathcona County is trapped back in the 50's. Let's get with the times. We have a very bad reputation for being "white-oriented," rich and snobbish. Donald Trump is alive and well in the County!
Talk to your neighbours and quit judging
Teach my children to be loving, considerate of others and know and act on their duties.
The more education we have the better we can help friends that may not be in a good place to reach out. Educate and remove the stigma that Sherwood park is snobby. A lot of us live pay cheque to pay cheque.
To be friendly, helpful, respectful to others.
treat everyone equally
Treat everyone equally
treat everyone fairly
Treat everyone fairly. Feelings do not reflect reality, but respectfully disagreeing goes a long way.
Treat everyone with kindness and respect, teach my children to be inclusive of all people and to foster relationships between neighbours and neighbourhoods.
treat other around you with fairness
Treat others fairly
Treat others how they want to be treated
Treat others with respect, treat them fair and overall, help out around the community.
Treat people fairly and give what ever needs to be fair.
treat people fairly be kind
Treat people with the respect they deserve
Try to include everyone and don't pry into other people's business unless i think they are in danger
try to put our selves in somelse prstective and try to make their life better
Volunteer at public events and show my support for everyone.
Volunteer for events, do more Random Acts of Kindness for people not just my neighbours. Get out and talk to people (although if we had more LGBTQ+ friendly spaces, that last one would happen more easily).
Volunteer more. Help people in need. Try to make people feel like they belong.
Volunteer with various organizations to help where needed. Get to know our neighbors well enough so that we can assist them in any way if and when needed; and make them feel welcome and secure in our neighborhood.
volunteer, make sure to accept everyone for who they are
Wake up a bit
We can be less threatened by change and support efforts in the community that promote healthy change.
We can help by respecting people around us and keep our surroundings clean.
We can teach our children kindness and acceptance for all starting in our own homes, this will not work with all, but forcing ridiculous policies on to our children is going to backfire.We also need to be encouraging those who choose to homeschool rather than trying to take this option away. Sherwood Park needs to stand up for parents that are trying their best to raise their children but is having our government dictate them.
We live in a community which has a tendency to ignore the "negatives." I have heard many people say Strathcona County doesn't have poor people living here. We don't have issues that other communities have. There was is no discrimination. We need to learn about those people in our community who feel excluded first whatever reason. That is the first step in building stronger community.
We need more culture here.

We need to all do the little things that make our community a more welcoming place
we need to support other people of the communitywe build relationships to connect the community
We need to work on not marginalizing the LGBTQ community. They are leaving the county in droves!
We should help the poor and make people feel like they are welcome in our great community.
We should try and understand each other . Try volunteering for things in our community
We went to the Canada Day Parade and I was so amazed at our unity in our community and the enthusiasm of all involved really showed. I went to a parade in another province in Sept., an area not doing as well financially, and there was not the same level of enthusiasm or joy, as evidenced here. We are blessed to live here!
welcome new people to the community report any issues that we see that are not being met to the County
Welcome people from different cultures
Will continue to support local small business, volunteer in our community, support businesses that support and employee individuals with disabilities and are community focused in their support. Provide essential services to support individuals with disabilities. Promote information and encourage our membership to get involved in this initiative.
Work together , love everyone , hold each other accountable
Work together and get along
Total

Question 2) Inclusive Community: Education/awareness

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- Is it time for a post secondary institution?- More rec facilities, an MP type facility South East side- Senior housing
- Seek out offered programs- Share more about what is happening in Strathcona County.
-Communication is key about Sherwood Park-Information and welcoming for newcomers -That includes all of the above including wellness programs etc then a person feels confident about their new community.
Advocate and educate, talk to people.
As an individual I can be proactive in identifying problems or issues among the community and bring them up to corresponding contacts.
Be a leader in my spiritual community and in my entire community.Communicate community needs with county council.
Be aware of other peoples needs and struggles.
Be cognizant of issues and keep up to date on services that are offered so I can be a community connector, providing advice/solutions to residents and if I see a gap, bring the issue with a proposed solution to council for consideration in ensuring our residents' needs are met.
Communicate with it. By building friendly relations community can become more interconnected and strong.
Continue to be supportive, informed and welcoming.
Educate everyone
Educate others about what you know (whether its your business plan, health, oral health etc) that would make community smarter and better!
Follow the rules that are given to achieve a good understanding of the way we are governed. Offer suggestions when asked by our governing body.
Get a proper education to learn what I can do to help out

Have conversations around this. Advocate around diversity
Have more awareness about the problems in the community and build off of the problems for each other
Having a strict "no discrimination" policy. Consequences for inappropriate behaviour, aka verbally attacking others
help educate people on such ideas
Help the adult education.
I can advocate for groups that are more or less ignored by media and government in our community. People in our community are either uncomfortable with or unaware of issues pertaining to minority groups, LGBT, and immigrants (especially those involved in foreign work exchange)
I can continue to raise my kids with values. I can actively participate in charitable work and help others in need through vehicles like the food bank.
I can help build a stronger community by sharing my story and how I have found the information I needed so as to help others get back on their feet more quickly than I was able to.
I can offer number literacy since I find that is badly lacking in a lot of families and different situations. How can they stretch their dollar? How can they find a better way to survive?
I run a small business employing 20 women. I find my skill set of dealing with time off and expectations from their place of employment is hitting my bottom line. I would like more support from our county for mental, emotional and environmental skills for our youth to flourish in our ever complicated world
I teach gardening workshops, on sustainable landscape design and edible gardening. Plus I offer kindness to all :)
I think the first step is to learn more about what struggles other people are facing - it's hard to know how to help if you can't see the problems.
I wish I could do more. Our family is happy to volunteer for events in our school and church, and we do our best to make donations to local fundraising efforts. My husband has also helped organize groups for the Snow Angels shoveling program... I think that's what it's called :) Hopefully teaching our kids to be kind and respectful citizens will also help to build a future generation of strong community members.
I would love to see the RCMP Officers educated more on Mental health issues, as I have encountered them numerous times (as a professional). Their education doesn't seem to be as thorough as the City Police.
Instead of anti-cyber bullying programs just teach people how to power down the device or uninstall the program
Keep focusing on mental health, well being.
Learn
Let people know of services and resources that are available for their particular situation, be friendly and talk to people in the community, build relationships with neighbors and co-workers, and contribute to a safe community by being a good role model.
Lower mortgages, more understanding and better education
more community programsawareness to diversity!
More police for crime and growing drug problem.
More schools
My personal suggestion would be to encourage school discipline; I have seen countless examples of both friends and just general peers not caring about their education. Being the future generation, we need to care about our future. Besides that, just communication, really.
notice others, and comment
Outreach, community events, diversity education. Sherwood Park needs a bit more diversity
Promote people with disabilities as contributing and valued members in their community.
Racially profile minorities in my area
Share all the knowledge I possibly can.
social programs

Spare where we can and talk about the above issues
Start with yourself. Learn a greeting or thank you from another culture and know when to use it.
Stay connected and understand the needs of the community.
Stop being so arrogant! Stop being racist Stop being so WHITE and start being ethnic
Teach at school, start from the childhood
Teach my children to be loving, considerate of others and know and act on their duties.
Teach/advocate for those who do not know the system well enough to do it themselves.
Tell my friend the things that the county offers seniors.
Volunteer at places like the food bank, Christmas bureau. Report any incidences or concerns to proper authorities, RCMP, Counsellors/ward representatives, County of Strathcona maintenance etc.
We can teach our children kindness and acceptance for all starting in our own homes, this will not work with all, but forcing ridiculous policies on to our children is going to backfire. We also need to be encouraging those who choose to homeschool rather than trying to take this option away. Sherwood Park needs to stand up for parents that are trying their best to raise their children but is having our government dictate them.
Will continue to support local small business, volunteer in our community, support businesses that support and employee individuals with disabilities and are community focused in their support. Provide essential services to support individuals with disabilities. Promote information and encourage our membership to get involved in this initiative.
Total

Question 2) Inclusive Community: Care – help each other

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- be kind and respectful to all- help fellow members of the community
- Get involved with community minded organization/ volunteer
- Help others in my community if they need someone to talk to. - Lead them in the right direction if they need special help
- Seek out offered programs- Share more about what is happening in Strathcona County.
- Talk to each other- Include people- Share information
-be honest/nice/kind-my parents volunteer-I pick up garbage-I help others
-Communication is key about Sherwood Park-Information and welcoming for newcomers -That includes all of the above including wellness programs etc then a person feels confident about their new community.
-Help others around the community-Be an active citizen (participate in community activities).
• Help others. • Provide care. • Volunteer. • Meet new friends.
All work together and help each other out.
Always be looking for ways to encourage people I meet in the community and in my neighbourhood. I feel in a very general way people who live in Strathcona County are too busy with too many activities and not content. Too many forget to think about what a blessed community we live in and take much for granted.
Always be nice to others and try to be the best person you can be.
Always help others in need.
as a senior, not as much as I used to. BUT I can smile when I greet people anywhere. Say good morning or hello. Help people when I can. Make them know what is available to people living in the park. Be a considerate neighbor.

as a teacher I can continue to work with the county's youth to build these values for the future generations
Assist my neighbours
Attend community events and help others when I can.
attend more community events and help out
Basically, what I said to the last question is what I strive to do in my neighborhood and when I'm out in the community I try to be observant of those around me - who needs encouragement, maybe they need someone to talk to. Or direction to someone who really can give them the assistance they need. And in any case, everyone can use a smile.
Be a friend to someone lonely or a newcomer, especially immigrants, foster parents, single mum with kids, the vulnerable. Notice people & speak to them kindly, warmly. Offer to help when I learn of a need. Help someone learn English. Accept & affirm "different" people. Look for opportunities to help. Mentor a teen or young mum. Listen to others. Be kind & gracious & caring. Show appreciation, respect. Encourage. Intervene if I see abuse of a spouse, child or animal. Alert RCMP of suspicious people or activities. Let others know I am available & helpful. Pick up garbage & dog poop or dangerous items scattered in public spaces. Recycle. Compost. Adopt a child or rescue dog. Be considerate of others. Be a good neighbours. Organize a block party.
Be a good boy
Be a good citizen and neighbor.Volunteer with organizations to help others.
Be a good friend and neighbor - help where I can
Be a good neighbor - help others
Be a good neighbour
be a good person
Be a good person and help.
Be a good resident
Be a good, supportive member of the community.
Be a mentor and happily serve those around me
Be able to have a counselor for little to no payment for emotional help
Be able to help others (snow angel) and reporting suspicious activity
Be aware of opportunities to participate and have my voice heard. Promote inclusion wherever possible.
Be aware of the people around and try to recognize if I can do anything to help make their life better.
Be aware of what is happening. Do not live with blinders on. Be willing to help when needed. Be mindful of others as there life maybe very bad but are good at trying to cover it up. Don't be so quick to judge.
Be aware of where our children are, watch out for our neighbours and what is happening in our neighbourhood. Stand up for eachother if we see behaviour that is not appropriate.
Be aware, reach out to others
Be cognizant of issues and keep up to date on services that are offered so I can be a community connector, providing advice/solutions to residents and if I see a gap, bring the issue with a proposed solution to council for consideration in ensuring our residents' needs are met.
Be communicative to others in our community. Be there for each other.
Be friendly to everyone you meet. Go our of your way to meet and communicate with your neighbour. Take an interest in them and then if they disclose any problems they have to you, direct them to a support group that could meet their needs.
Be friendly, courteous with everyone. Volunteer in the community.
Be friendlyHelpBe happy
Be helpful
Be inclusive and do little things to contribute to the community

Be kind
Be kind and continue to volunteer
Be kind and help others. Volunteer within the community.
Be kind and help out other people in the community.
Be kind and patient to all people!
Be kind to everyone and realize that people are all going through something different.
Be kind to one another.
Be kind to others
Be kind to others and set an example for others.
Be kind to others, for example, help seniors with their housework, donate to charities, or help people with groceries.
Be kind to people
Be kind, be involved, facilitate gatherings and events that bring the community together. Communicate clearly with my councillor so she/he knows how I feel and what I want
Be kind, respect my peers & elders & help out wherever. I can as well as being a contribution member to society volunteering.
Be kind. Help others.
Be kinder to each other, help each other out, and talk more
Be mindful of your neighbor. Be a willing helper when and where there is a need.
Be more observant of my surroundings and make an effort to connect with people in a positive way.
Be more patient, mindful and kind. Make an effort to get to know others.
Be more supportive and get out and help the community more.
Be more vocal about requesting help. Having these short simple surveys are a great way to get more people involved.
Be nice
Be nice / respectful. I try my best to do volunteer work and just helping others out.
Be nice and respectful to all people in our community
Be nice to everybody.
Be nice to everyone. Help each other out. Don't hurt anyone.
Be nice to others
Be nice to people
Be nice to people and respect peopleHelp my neighborsWalk the dog with my momdon't break bylaws and follow reasonable rules
Be nice to people and stay safe.
Be nice.
Be niceHelp people
be nicer and help the community out more (free melnieum)
Be nicer to anyone else, help out more, keep our community clean
be polite and friendly and open to helping another person if they needed it.
Be respectful, teach my kids morals, values and community - spirituality and not to be entitled
Be smart about life choices, help each other
Be supportive.
Be the best neighbor I can be, be kind and considerate of those I am in contact with

Be the neighbor you would like have
Be the person who lives these principles.
Be there for friends and family, use education to better myself in order to give back to the community
Be there for others in any way I can
Be there for when people need help
Being a kind and caring person, working hard, getting an education and being flexible in helping out my fellow community members. It can start with the smallest actions.
Being aware of who is around me and help them out where I can.
being nice and volunteer to help out more
Better assistance to help families and individuals in times of need
Block parties to meet neighbours so you know neighbours do over time you may know if they need help/assistance in anyway
By being honest, friendly, and displaying an open attitude to those around me, I feel I can give the presence that I am someone they can talk if in need. This will help create a bond and trust in the community.
By contributing to society as a whole by being a successful, working individual, who gives back through donations of time and/or money from time to time. e.g. Habitat for Humanity helping to build the less fortunate affordable homes. By holding accountable those in elected positions of authority. By obeying the laws. By showing compassion to those less fortunate.
By getting more involved. Showing kindness and respect for everyone
Can help people
Care for those who cross my path during hardships.
Careally and help others who need help whenever I can.
clean up the community help more people out at there house or when they need it and make schooling more cheap for kids around .
Community Ambassador type of program. The "Ambassadors" are people who are established, well connected members of the community, who will work closely with local businesses, local non-profit organizations, schools, and service organizations in order to recruit volunteers from the next generation. Not only would volunteers hours among younger people increase, but they would be mentored in the areas of professionalism, community service and self-awareness.
Connect with and support my friends and neighbours.
Connect with neighbors to look out for each other.
Connect with others and help others when in need.
Continue being a cheerful. caring.helpful. citizen
Continue to be a good neighbour
Continue to be supportive, informed and welcoming.
Continue to build community relationships
Continue to strive for betterment emotionally mentally, spiritually and physically because when I am well in these areas I am able to help others. Continue to be of service.
Continue to strive to be better and help others
Continue to work and support non profits.
Converse with people more often, just talk to them. Strangers are friends you haven't met yet.
Cooperate with the community.Pay taxes.Be a partner and not a problem.
Create programs that people can go for help or just to hang out. But once we get these programs to let people know they are there. Lots of advertisement!!
Do community service
do more charity drives, help others

Do my best at what I do to support the community and continues to sponser events
do things to help your community
Doing this surveyInclude othersHelp those in need
Don't disclude others from anything make them feel welcome.
don't liter and if you see someone do something bad tell an adult so that they would stop doing what they are doing
Donate and be a positive influence/ role model on the community
Donate and help each other
Donate. Help out other people. Run more jobs if I am older.
Each and everyone should get every information about the programs going on in the community and should create the situation to get involved in every program. People living in the community should have love and care about their community.
Encourage people who have illness and need to help
engage with others in community
Enjoy and help others enjoy life physically and mentally/emotionally
Ensure that everyone is cared for and that people feel respected and safe.
Ensure those who need help get help and feel supported.
Every little bit counts so being nice to everyone. And just helping out, because there are alot of people so if everyone did something to help oit it would make a hige difference.
Everyone be nice to each other and help each other
Everyone can help each other out
everyone needs to get involved in community activities. Be there for elder seniors, visit them.
Extend help for others
Extending courtesy to the people who need more of it. ie: retail workers, elderly, youth, people living on welfare. Reaching out to new people.
Feel free to communicate.Building family activities (e.g. make arts and crafts and then sell it for fundraising to help other families' basic needs.)
Find a better way to identify and help those in need - elderly shut in folks, single parent families
Find groups to join, and get involved with helping or leading.
Focus on our immediate neighborhood and look out for the welfare of neighbors
For my part, since I'm a student, I can help to support others at my school.
friendly community helping others
Get in contact with those in need and devote time to doing good for them
Get involved and help others
Get involved and volunteer where needed. Also take responsibility and be a leader and good role model for adults and students.
Get involved in events, do charity work, help others out
get more people to help out
get rid of the adversarial approach eap planning and development. Headquarters have moved due to stupid planning.development attitude of current councilwe are the heroin capital of Canada we close our eyes to homelessness in the community (we do have them)the area around the trees has regular auto break ins due to drug seekers looking for cash.
Get to know my neighbors better & support them in ways they need it.
Get to know neighbours, welcome newcomers, volunteer (more opportunities for families to volunteer with younger children), attend community events

Give back to those in need
Give feedbackHelp othersWelcome new comers
Give more to charity and support community initiatives to help those requiring help.
Give people less of a harder time
give people rides to and from scholl and be there be their friend
give the homeless people a house
Have a better place for everyone to live in and hang out
Have a positive attitude.
Have support groups, have extra financing for woman leaving abusive relationships, for us to be able to find affordable housing, moving costs, furniture food etc
help
Help
Help a neighbor out or help someone who looks like they're having trouble
help a neighbour
Help animalsPick up litterHelp elders
Help anyone that needs it.
Help anyone that needs our help.
Help clean our community
help contribute to the wellbeing of others
Help create a friendly and supporting environment at my Strathcona County workplace.
Help each other
Help each other and people in need!
Help each other out
Help each other out when they need it
Help each other to build a stronger community.
Help each other, give to the poor
Help each other.
Help everyone feel better about themselves.
help everyone feel safe and connected
Help everyone out with basic needs
Help everyone who does not have a gender.
help everyone. people need to be more generous and give a little sometimes
Help family and friends when we can. Donate time /\$ to charity or those from OUR community.
help handicaps more. Better perks
help have fun time
Help in any way I can to help our community grow and prosper
Help in different parts. Free babysitting. Being nicer.
Help make everyone happy
Help more people if they need help
Help my friend and family
Help my kids live here
Help my neighbors when they need it.

Help my neighbour. Give to food banks. Volunteer.
help neighbors shovel side walks and mow the lawn.
help neighbours
help older people and volunteer
Help one another
help other get around
help other people feel better
help other people out
Help others
Help Others
Help others and be happy when I do it.
Help others and be kind.
help others feel involved and to community service
Help others feel that they belong
help others if they need it and when they need it
Help others in anyway possible that I can provide. Do my part in respecting the rule and ways of this community. Take the opportunity when I could have a say on what happens with the community
Help others in need
Help others occasionally... Talk to people...
Help others out
help others out more than we have been doing.
Help others pitch in
help others through their problems
Help others when possible to ensure they are safe and removed from harmful environment if applicable.
Help others when they ask.
Help others who really need
Help others, pickup garbage
Help others, talk to others, joining more community services, volunteering.
Help others.
Help our neighbours.
help out
Help out - volunteer in shelters, nursing homes.Be friendly- say hi or how are you doing to people who I think needs someone to talk to.
Help out anyone in need and be kind. Also to tell someone if you hear that that someone needs to hear
help out around my community with the people and giving feedback like this to help develop a stronger community
Help out in the community
Help out in the community (community service)
Help out in the community (eg: pick up garbage on the street, volunteer at senior places and homeless shelters, etc)
help out more often.
Help out neighbors
help out neighbors to build community in general

Help out other people
Help out people in need and just be a kind person in general.
Help out with the commurty I am a girl Gide so that's really good
Help out.
Help outwork together
Help people
help people and donate
help people and start clubs and other stuff
Help people and talk to them and give the homeless money.
Help people around us
help people feel like they belong and feel safe.
Help people feel supported and help them find resources to work towards these goals.
Help people in any way you can and whenever you can.
Help people in need
Help people in need.
help people or neighbors in my co-op.
Help people or talk to someone
Help people that I see in need, offer friendship and kindness to people who need it
help people that need
Help people that needs help
Help people when there are in need
help people when they need it, and offer things
Help people when they struggle
Help people when you see that they are in need of help.If you see something unsafe happening, then do what you feel is best in the situation.
Help people whit stuff they need help
Help people who are new to the environment by giving them advice and helping them find their way.
Help people who don't have much
help people who need it
Help people with basic needs
help people with homework or other stuff if they don't understand and to not judge a book by its cover (metaphor)
Help people with problems, talk to people who need a friend
Help people with there problems and support people
Help people with what they need. Help a new kid or anyone that needs help.
Help people, not litter and be nice.
Help someone in need.
Help the homeless
Help the homeless, by giving them money, food, water and clothes
Help the less fortunate
Help the lower income to give them their basic needs.
Help the people within the community

help the unfortunate.
Help those in need
Help those in need and do things like volunteering or donating. I know that strathcona already has a lot of volunteer opportunities, so it shouldn't be an issue.
Help those who need it
Help to find and inspire others to make good decisions.
Help us
help when asked
help when I can and follow the rules.
help when you see a need
Help where ever people need me - family, friends, neighbours, community and strangers. Thank you for caring for our community and people in it.
help where needed
Help wherever help is needed - especially where seniors are concerned.Hope that the Councillors listen to constituents and act where a need is pointed out to them.
Help with just good deeds like shovelling, mowing the lawn, walking neighbours' dogs, etc.
Help with support to others and spreading news of community help.
Help work income.
Helping anybody if they were bullied.
helping everyday people with everyday ordinary tasks, being kind, getting to know neighbours, attend community events, volunteer.
helping other people caring for the elderly, shoveling the sidewalks, more comunity events
Helping others
Helping out
Helping out more people
Helping out neighbours
Helping out.
helping people out by holding the door etc..
Helping them if they are having trouble
I am retired and available to help.
I believe in volunteering in local community leagues and also in trying to know my neighbours and how they are doing.
I can babysit my neighbors kids for free so they don't need to pay for child care; when all these kids are under my supervision we can shovel driveways, rake leaves, do nice things for our neighbours!
I can be a responsible, caring member of our community who supports others. I can raise my children to do the same for future generations.
I can be kind and help out other people.
I can be kind to people and provide any help I can
I can continue to raise my kids with values. I can actively participate in charitable work and help others in need through vehicles like the food bank.
I can continue to shop local and support local (county clothesline, food bank etc)I can be sure to save for my retirement so that I hopefully do not become a senior who desperately needs to be in a lodge with a waiting list ten miles long.I can continue to volunteer at my children's school and support fundraisers that benefit our schools.I can continue to love my community and welcome anyone who also desires to help build and support it.

i can continue with my volunteer work and encourage other to do likewise. when i find a neighbor in need , i can offer my help. i can try to keep my family strongprobably lots more that i cant think of at the moment
I can do my job with empathy and consideration. I try to do this everyday but sometimes I make assumptions good or bad. I really liked the social framework statistics that were collected. That helped me do the tiny social component of my job more effectively.
I can get involved in supporting others. My neighbors do this by supporting each other practically.
I can help by volunteering and helping out other people in the community therefore helping people feel safer and have less work to do.
I can help other people who are struggling
I can help out disabled people (i.e. holding a door for someone with a broken leg and is on crutches).
I can help people if they are hurt or sick.
I can help people in need and put others first
I can help people who are having a hard time everywhere like at school, at home, in public, and people on the streets.
I can know my neighbours and be friendly with all those in my neighbourhood. I can volunteer to organizations that are important to me.
I can offer my support or care to other people going through a tough time. I could also be more active with community and school events or volunteer opportunities.
I can offer to visit new comers, single mothers and help them with some of their needs which does not require physical strength. Can drive them to Dr., help with their children education and connect them with other community members. Work with children and junior youth and help them become aware of the contribution they can make to improve their society and become valued member of the community.
I can step in if anyone is being bullied or picked on
I can support my friends and be friendly to strangers. Get involved and give to those in need
I can support other people.
I can try to help people that feel left out or that aren't comfortable become comfortable and feel like they should be here.
I can try to include everyone and be ice to them so they will be nice to me
I can volunteer my time towards positive causes and also speak out against instances of injustice I see. I can practice inclusiveness and kindness in my personal and professional life.
I can walk my dog and the nabours dog
I can work to put as less amount of strain on the community
i could help other people feel happy and safe
I could help people
I could try being friends and nice to all people to make them feel good and possibly 'up' their self esteem.
I currently only contribute to my family's well being - babysit, help out when needed. I would help more with outside programs ... volunteer, etc. I feel lucky to live here. I think it is a strong community and provides much more support than Edmonton.In general, it is a good, supportive, safe community. I am sure there are those who struggle but I think we have much more help in place than many other communities.
I don't know I'm still a school kid, but I could help others live comfortably in a safe, peaceful environment.
I genuinely stop and listen to people - their joys, their anger, their sorrows, their confusions. In my personal life I help them take back their personal power. I link them informally to people and places that can bring out the best in them and their passions. I so appreciate when people do this for me too. I have people like this in my neighbourhood, my community groups.
I guess get what is happening to me and my family out there but no one actually cares becuse they don't want ur problems.but help other out and listen to them I am good at that I just don't talk about my issues.while smiling on the outside but having a war on the inside.

I have made a point of meeting all the people who live around me, attending a block party and Christmas gathering, stopping to chat and show I care about my neighbors. I watch the street when I'm home and we communicate with each other about suspicious behavior. We communicate about how we are doing, when one is unwell we shovel each others walks, bring food. We notify each other when going out of town and 'keep an eye' on each others houses. We lift pianos and moose together! We know each others names! We have created a respectful, tight-knit community and I love it!
I have recently joined the Strathcona Diversity Committee as I would like to be more involved with my community. I have lived in Sherwood park for 3 and a half years and with young children I want to be more involved. Making sure my voice is heard is also what I can do to buidling a stronger community and trying to help those who are less fortunate then myself.
I have started by filling out this survey. It starts will the person, basic friendliness and compassion for others. I however, did not learn this just by myself. I learned this with the help of a counselor at the Family and Community Services. There needs to be more services that residents can go to at a minimal cost or sliding scale. A program or workshop on compassion, art therapy workshops for groups or groups for people with social anxiety. More programs for individuals to continue with therapy or self discovery. Also, there has been a change in the amount of time you can be in therapy at the Family and Community Services in Sherwood Park. I believe that all these changes should be based of the individual person. It has taken me almost a year to be comfortable with myself and the people around me and I am still working on a lot of issues. If it was not for my counselor I would not be here. Please base it on an individual need and supports that person has.
I m not too sure but like to help whatever I could do.
I regularly gather things for people in need and help them get in touch with the right support systems for their needs
I stay connected with the community by staying connected, staying positive and helping my neighbours.
I teach gardening workshops, on sustainable landscape design and edible gardening. Plus I offer kindness to all :)
I teach my family and my staff at work to always be friendly and helpful, go the little extra mile for anyone they connect with. Good manors, behaviors, attitude and assisting others is always paid forward.
I think not harming others and volunteering, donating and helping out will impact our community.
I think the community residents are doing everything that they can to help their community out. But the Mayer and council are to busy taking reward for this and not doing their part by managing the county better. You have lost your business sense and focus only on show boating telling us of all the good things your doing even if it's not really that good, but you make write it up to look good to the weak minded. If your being productive, we the people should be able to see it ourself. If you have know idea where to start (look at your traffic control systems, but how can you can this to even make a more functional street system being you or non of your staff know noting about their operation and your contractor will set them up for they can continue to have repeat service) tell me I,am wrong, eh!!!
I try every day to do one thing that will make another person's life easier.
I try really hard to be kind to all and helpful, if I'm able.
I will be a resource for all the residents that I meet. I will connect them to the person that can assist them within Strathcona County, even if the concern is not directly connected to my work I can be a "connector". I am also sometimes able to see areas where I can connect residents to solve a common problem within a neighbourhood or the larger community.
I will help by helping out friends and people who are close to me with problems they are facing.
I will try to stay positive and do things to help out.
I wish I could do more. Our family is happy to volunteer for events in our school and church, and we do our best to make donations to local fundraising efforts. My husband has also helped organize groups for the Snow Angels shoveling program... I think that's what it's called :) Hopefully teaching our kids to be kind and respectful citizens will also help to build a future generation of strong community members.
I work primarily through a local church to support families and their spiritual health.

I would like volunteer to help anyway I can with my time. I would like to help seniors or young families in need.
I'm a teacher and will continue to provide quality education to my students. I will instill good values in my two children. I will ensure they are active and healthy. I will do my best to take care of all of their mental health needs as well, always be there for them listen when needed.
If i help those right around me and everyone does the same, the community will be stronger. light my candle in my little world..
If someone is in need of help, whether it is dealing with payments, lifting heavy loads, struggling with social life, or anything else, there should be at least a couple of people by their side.
If someone needs me to do something I'll do it but I'm not really sure what I'm expected to do. I'm not even an adult yet lmao. I need some guidance on what to do to help.
If you are in a school setting you could make friends and help out new people in your school
Increase support for those who need their basic needs met.
Interact with each other and talk with each other
It's the little things, picking up after yourself when out and about, helping a neighbour when shoveling the driveway, opening a door for someone else at the store, taking that couple extra seconds to let a vehicle in to your lane, anything to say without words ' we are in this together ' that is what community means for me.
Join a group that I believe will build towards those goals. Help my neighbours. Support those who want to stay in community. Find other ways to serve.
Join the conversation, get to know your neighbours. Volunteer, contribute to local charities, show kindness and be helpful.
Just caring about the people we live with and around. Watch for people who may need help. Report illegal activities. Take the extra time to help others who need it. Getting to know people you live around.
Just Friends Group - no commitment - model to be replicated - giving to one another. One-on-one - that's what community is. Never not step up to the plate if you see a problem.
just try to help
keep an eye out for neighbours properties as they do for us
Keep bringing clients to community events, and making sure they are visible in the community as much as possible.
Keep our community clean by not littering and to recycle.
Kind to others
know my neighbours and work with them to keep our neighbourhood happy
Know your neighbours, look out for one another. When you pay attention to what is going on in your neighbourhood you know when something isn't right. Keeping an eye out for each other will help keep our children, selves and property safe.
Knowing and Treating others fairly and helping each other. :)
Lead by example. Be polite and considerate to everyone I encounter
Learning to have a great community in sherwood park and getting a awesome job, be a great person and say hi to people and connect with god. God loves everyone.
Lend a hand and help out other people
Let people know of services and resources that are available for their particular situation, be friendly and talk to people in the community, build relationships with neighbors and co-workers, and contribute to a safe community by being a good role model.
Let them know if they are struggling with bullying, work and school. All at once let them know if they need help you are not alone.
Look out for each others well being
Look up as we walk around. Be ok with looking others in the eyes. Say hello to people we don't know. Show love. Those who have lots, open your heart and give give give.
Make a building for the homeless and feed them and take care of them more then we do all ready.

Make my opinions known
Volunteer
Help my neighbour
Being a responsible citizen of Sherwood Park
Make people feel welcome and wanted in school or help other out
Make sure all citizens are swell
Make sure all people feel included and be a generally kind person. Always help out others when possible
Make sure that the people I am with feel this way and should feel this way. I should contribute to the community indifferent ways and help out in any way.
Make sure to help the people around you and volunteer.
Make toast for the homeless
Make/send surveys
Help people in need
Be a role model/ responsible.
Maybe understand people better. Smile more often to help spread happiness. Do little good deeds or random acts of kindnesses for people more often. Help people out more where help is needed. And I guess be there for people when help just need someone to talk to.
Maybe when you see a kid or person in pain actually help!
More involved in community development and care.
Not put people down, help a fellow Sherwood Parkin and just try to make most things reasonable,affordable and safe.
Offer help to my neighbours and friends whenever they need it (i.e. babysit their kids, offer items we don't need any more, invite them over for a visit).
Outreach, community events, diversity education. Sherwood Park needs a bit more diversity
Participate in community events, support local businesses, remain community conscious in all aspects of trying to meet basic needs (adequate income, education, childcare, housing, transportation, etc.).
Participate in local events, and community surveys
Talk to your county councillors about your concerns.
Get involved !!!! Even it is only once a week.
Connect with your neighbours.
Participate in surveys like this, and keep abreast of what is happening and available, so I can pass this information along to others who are in need of it.
Pay attention to the needs of others and offer help when a certain need is discovered.
Pay extra attention to the ones around me to make sure how there mental and physical health is and be supportive and create a positive atmosphere for others.
Pay it forward
Pick up garbage and help out people who might not have that much money
Playing my part by being respectful and inclusive to everyone. Lending out a helping hand to neighbours.
Promote community connection
provide care for others
Provide emotional support to other single moms being dragged through our failing legal system.
Provide more support for families affected by recent downturn in the economy and those that are actively looking for work but are unsuccessful.
provide support for those who are mentally unstable.
reach out and talk to people
Reach out to as many people as possible and leave them in a better state when they leave.
Reach out to my neighbours and people I meet at church to see if they need help- help them if I can or connect them with someone who can.
Respect and value everyone regardless of their abilities and circumstances
Respect each other & always be available when someone is in need.
Respect each other and increase connection to help each other.
respect one another and meet the basic needs of residence
say hi and ask how people are doing to be more friendly

Serve people at soup kitchens and share the help that everybody deserves.
Share, donate and volunteer.
Shop more at local businesses, volunteer, stay connected with friends and family, offer support to those in need
Shovel my neighbour's sidewalk
Shovel or walk dogs help move heavy things
Shovel public sidewalks and and help people in need
Shovel sidewalks
Shovel your neighbours driveway.
Show kindness and love to others for example helping people who are unable to do specific tasks.
Since Robin Hood Association is my contact point, I work through them to ensure that my son and his friends (both those with handicapping conditions and those without) play their part as connected citizens of Sherwood Park.
Spare where we can and talk about the above issues
spread love
spread the word through our community and try to help my family and friends
Start a summer can on people who want to help.
Start treating people better
Starting at school, we can all try to help one another that's struggling in any type of way, with work, emotional (stress), and making friends with more people and making them feel wanted.
stop bullying and stand up for victims
Strengthen community involvement to engage and help as many in our community as possible.
support
Support and help the people around you.
Support available resources
Support each other around openly talking about mental health and talk about the effects around suicide. I am for one never knew the complexities and I plead ignorance in that regard. But I think awareness is key that 1 out of 5 people struggle with mental health issues and that is a scary fact that some of these individuals in our community need to access services outside (in Edmonton) as services are unavailable (or huge waitlists). I talk openly about mental health issues.
Support everyone and volunteer as much as I can
Support friends and family by community keeping an open dialogue.
Support kids who are not treated fairly
Support more interaction with social networks that promote more inclusion of seniors, individuals with disabilities in the communities of Strathcona County.
support my friends in need as much as I can
Support my grandchildren to utilize what the community offers to strengthen their values and wellness
support nearby neighbors and people pshovels people drive ways for free
Support neighbours, schools, sports teams, events by giving positive messaging, getting involved and providing financial assistance
Support other people around me.
Support our local businesses.
Support people no matter what.
Support people when they need it.
Support Strathcona programs.

Support the local storesHelp out around the community
Support the programs we are already offering people and providing care so waiting lists and others are not missed that are needing help/re: more available workers in these programs. The need is great. By groups working together and networking we can reach more people in need.
Support the residents through support of municipal administration
Support those around me who need help, accept and embrace people of all backgrounds/mental ability/physical ability/ gender/age
Support those who may have lost a loved one, trouble in school/home, or bullied.
Take care of homeless
take care of my self and my loved ones
Take part
Take part in events and help others
Take part in it surveys, discussion and help people out.
Taking care of people, teenagers that may be abused at home or not supported with a single mother. Seeing other people point of views on the concept
talk to people who help other people
Talk to the people that can make this possible.
Teach my children to be loving, considerate of others and know and act on their duties.
The Golden Rule...treat people the way I would like to be treated....look out for one another, help in whatever way I can to those in need.....be a friend...
The only help I can see myself being is through emotional support. I have no influence on the economy or peoples needs being met.
To be able to connect each other through different way on how to support and help to build, achieve the community we want.This is the best and beautiful community I've ever live.
To help build a strobgwr community I will try and help peoples that are ill, or just need help. This as in helping maybe an old lady walk the street, opening the doors, mowing other peoples lawn.
To help others in need
To make a strong community the members of the group must take ownership of gaps and commit growth. I can commit to being a better neighbour who takes vested interest in developing relationships with people on my block. Through these strong relationships I will take ownership of the well-being of my peers to support them to avoid isolation. Treating members of the community with this "family" orientation will make Strathcona County a more vibrant and inclusive place to live
To make people feel valued by giving advice, helping them emotionally, so that they can feel that they are wanting in this amazing county of strathcona.
To practice being a person people can trust, respect and rely on in the community. We all need to help and support each other. To give back to the community as much as possible
To support others in need or crisis on a personal level.
Try and talk to be people who are going through a rough time.
Try and work together
Try my best in school and when I'm a bit older, help out and work and support the community.
Try to help anyone that I can
Try to include everyone and don't pry into other people's business unless i think they are in danger
try to put our selves in somelse prstective and try to make their life better
Try to support people more often
Try too communicate
Understanding.

Very little at my age though I try to help others in my complex.
Voice my opinions and support the councillors who agree with what I feel needs to be done, Other than that, support my neighbors and friends in whatever way I can, I do volunteer quite a bit, but age is catching up with me fast these days and years/
volunteer - take a senior who does drive in for coffee and groceries - visit a a person who lives alone - phone a person who lives alone to make sure they are ok everyday.
Volunteer and be kind to one another.
volunteer and help eachother out
Volunteer and help in the community
Volunteer and help out more.
Volunteer and help people in need.
Volunteer and provide support
volunteer at hope mission, shovel peoples sidewalks
Volunteer Help out
volunteer in the community, help others,
Volunteer more. Help people in need. Try to make people feel like they belong.
Volunteer opportunities, anything that helps the minority or even children.
Volunteer to help people less fortunate than you.
Volunteer, be a responsible neighbor, raise children who work hard and respect others and themselves.
Volunteer, connect with my neighbors to make sure we all look out for each other. Help those I can when I see a need.
Volunteer. Watch council meetings. Talk to my council representative. Spend time with my family so that they are raised with good and similar values
VolunteerHelp families and to do anything to support them
Volunteerism, know my neighbour, be considerate to all I come across, seek out and accept services for my personal and daughter's health and well-being. I'll add more thoughts online. Thank you!
Watch for people that might need extra help at this time.
Watch out for and help my neighbors
Watch out for friends and neighbors that might need help in home environment.Volunteer for various events though out the year.
Watching out for and helping friends and neighbors
We all need to slow down and look past ourselves to be able to help each other. My husband and I currently coach kids athletic teams, sit on a minor sport association board as well as a health charity non-profit board. We also volunteer at the kids schools, Strathcona Christmas bureau and local 4-H clubs. We need everyone to take some ownership in being a part of community and be examples to our kids on the importance of giving back to community.
We already volunteer in various roles. Also, do lots of informal things to help those around us in ways that we can.
We are connected to our neighbours and know who they are (names at least). We are able to help them when requested. eg check on their homes when they are away. Help with pets , bring in mail, make neighbours aware of services within the community if they need help in some way. We can provide support in times of bereavement, offer transport if needed, bring a meal, lend an ear.
We can be hard working and respectful human beings.
We can be hardworking and helpful human beings
We can be less threatened by change and support efforts in the community that promote healthy change.
We can build a stronger community by helping out those in need and stop being so selfish.

We can connect with other people near us to help build the community bigger
We can help by raising money for people and tell them that we will always be there for them if they need us
We can help each other and be more nice.
We can help other people if they are having trouble or if they can not afford to keep their houses
We can help out other in times of need, and volunteer. Some people need help, especially when all the people in the family are unemployed.
We can stand strong for each other and make "community" a basis for our decisions individually and as families
We can work together and take assistance by groups like this
We could help the old or clean up the place
We have taken a step by creating Christmas Community Blessings here in Sherwood Park. There are so many families in need of the holidays in our own neighbourhoods. More than the Christmas Bureaus can even help. We are just trying to make a difference and have a personal connection to those families we help as well as together as we join to bless those around us.
We help our next door neighbor. She lives alone and has physical and mental challenges. We walk our dog in the neighborhood and smile and greet people along the way. We pick up garbage along the trails. We volunteer when possible. We pay our taxes and do the majority of our shopping, socializing and medical appointments in our community.
We live in a co-op and work together toward our families and community. Co-operatives provide opportunities for people to engage and be a community.
We need to help people know their neighbours and those in their community.
We see many good things here. More better than not. We find it very clean here. People are friendly, good medical care, and in the stores we see how goes out of their way to help.
We should have more places for less fortunate people.
We should help each other in every aspect of life
We spend time talking to neighbors and taking time to watch our neighbourhood.
well kinda looking up for people around you if you know something is going on with someone talk to that person about is and be supportive
When we take care of basic needs community, a sense of connection and belonging, and collective prosperity result. Initiatives such as community talks! Open dialogue and resources are vital.
work
Work each other and always help each other. Be more friends to each other.
Work hard and be helpful.
Work hard and be more helpful
Work hard and be more helpful.
Work hard and help out.
Work to help individuals and families that are struggling on a day to day basis to survive that are struggling either due to loss of employment, physical impairments or mental disability.
work together and put any issues aside
Work together and support people and maybe a LRT to shpk so people are available for and able to get to edmonton cheaper for more jobs, goods, etc.
Work together as a community
work together more
Work together support each other
work together take half an hour out of your day and help someone who needs a little help
Work together/ help others

work togetherbe kindtry to help people out even if you don't know them.
work togetherhelp others
Work with others and help out.
Would first have to know where it is weak – then I would be able to work on that area to start building or make that area stronger.
You can help people by holding doors open for people who need it. You can help them carry things. Its the little things that count and if we help each other we will be a strong community.
Total

Question 2) Neighbourhood and Connections: Know your neighbours

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
Volunteer, get out to community events, get to know my neighbours.
- Become involved in community events.- At a grassroots level, know your neighbors.
- plan activities with neighbours- support local charities and local businesses - volunteer at my children's school - volunteer with their sports teams
- volunteer- be a good neighbour- tend to my own physical and mental health as much as possible- shop locally as much as possible.
-get to know my neighbours better-join my local community league and volunteer more
-get to know your neighbours
-support local charity- be a good neighbour -host neighbor events for people to gather and maintain relationships
1) I work at being connected with my neighbours and being concerned for their welfare and safety2)I tutor students
as a senior, not as much as I used to. BUTI can smile when I greet people anywhere. Say good morning or hello. Help people when I can. Make them know what is available to people living in the park. Be a considerate neighbor.
Attend community events, support community staff and initiatives, look out for our neighbours, be welcoming and gracious to others
attend these forumsget to know my neighbours
Be a friendly face and a helpful neighbour, especially to those who live alone. Contribute by volunteering in an area you are interested in. Keep your property up. Participate in community activities and charity events.
Be a good neighbour
Be a good neighbour -volunteer
Be available to neighbours. Volunteer. Become aware of what is already happening in the community.
Be friendly to everyone you meet. Go our of your way to meet and communicate with your neighbour. Take an interest in them and then if they disclose any problems they have to you, direct them to a support group that could meet their needs.
Be friendly.
Be good law abiding citizens. Respect all nationalities.Treat our neighbours fairly.
Be involved in community events, interact with neighbours and support them when I can
Be involved. Be more informed.
Be mindful of your neighbor. Be a willing helper when and where there is a need.
Be more friendly
Be more involved in my own community and get to know my neighbours better

Be part of community groups, get to know your neighbors, volunteer, sit on committees to voice your opinion and contribute.
Be responsible, be a good neighbour
Be the best neighbor I can be, be kind and considerate of those I am in contact with
become friends with people
become involved with your neighbours. Maybe host a subdivision block party
Block parties bring people together and is a good way to meet your neighbors.
Breakdown stereotypes and be a champion for human rights so others know that WE ALL have a right to live our lives as we want as long as we aren't hurting anyone else. Get to know neighbours and others in the community and reserve judgement as we don't know what someone else's truth is.
build friendships between neighbours, be kind
Build good relationships with neighbors
Build relationships with my neighbours, those closest to me.
by making new friends
By volunteering and participating in activities within the community.By being a supportive neighbour and friend to those in my community.
Complete surveys, spread the word, volunteer, make a stronger effort to get to know my neighbors.
Connect with city council/my neighbours.
connect with each other
Connect with my neighbors
Connect with my neighbors and community,smile and care about our community
connect with my neighbours and help build a sense of community
Connect with neighbors and ensure everyone is receiving all they need and contributing all they can
Connect with neighbors to look out for each other.
Connect with neighbours, participate in the County events.
Connect with other mothers and encourage them in their mothering journeys. Value every human life, whether or not I agree with their ideals or lifestyle.Be friendly and courteous!Get to know my neighbors.Be positive and uplifting in all of my interactions.
connect with others
Connect with others, contribute to the county programs, voice opinion & attend community meetings
Connecting people so we are a village raising our children not individuals
Connection with each other.
Continue connecting with our neighbours. Take more interest in decisions I can have an influence on.
Continue conversations like these. I'm excited to talk to my family and neighbours about it
Continue to be involved in my community - we live in a rural area where we all know and watch out for each other.
Continue to plan our regular block parties to include neighbors and get them to know each other. Be friendly with people while walking - start conversations.
Continue to reach out to people in my community.
Converse with people more often, just talk to them. Strangers are friends you haven't met yet.
Depends if it is Strathcona as a whole will be difficult, I think we need to start in neighbourhoods.
Develop relationships with neighbors in my immediate vicinity.
Encourage neighbours to work together to create stronger sense of community
Engage more with my neighbours

Engage neighbours. Participate in County initiatives. Shovel walks for senior neighbours. Be aware of vulnerable neighbours, and assist where possible.
Engage with neighbours, be involved with community.
Engaging with neighbours
Everyday connections with neighbours
Get involved in the community. Get to know my neighbors better.
Get involved with the programs that are already being offered. Particularly the community hall ones so you get to know those who live close. Be intentional at meeting people. Yes it is hard and awkward at times but the more you do it the more connections you create and you learn the skills to make it easier. Those are my goals anyway.
Get involved. Attend events, read the paper, join community league, volunteer, get to know neighbors
Get involved. Get to know neighbours. Volunteer. Support and attend our many churches. Attend local events. Speak up against something we see as wrong.
get people out and communicating with others
Get to know more of the neighbors, in the estates.
Get to know more people in the community and work with them to achieve goals (ex. volunteering)
Get to know my coworkers and learn what opportunities exist for single people on a fixed income in the county. There isn't much in the way of affordable housing so my options are limited. Also as a single person i feel very disconnected from other single professionals since the county caters so strongly to families of higher income earners. Perhaps Strathcona County could do something similar as the City of Edmonton and offer discounts to employees to use the public facilities. I would probably get a gym pass and stay more often in the community, and consider moving into the county if there was incentives like affordable housing, better transportation options and incentives to live and play in the County.
get to know my neighbors
Get to know my neighbors
Get to know my neighbors and become involved in community initiatives that connect people and groups.
Get to know my neighbors better & support them in ways they need it.
Get to know my neighborsVolunteerGet my church involvedHelp at my kids school
Get to know my neighbours better, help others in need, participate in events.
Get to know my neighbours even better, reach out further.
Get to know my neighbours Get to know people outside of my normal "bubble" - people who are different from me
Get to know my neighbours.
Get to know my neighbours. Perhaps people could foster tool libraries on street.
get to know my neighboursget involved at local community centres
get to know my numbers and find out if they need anything
Get to know neighbours
Get to know others in my community and support my neighbours as best I can.
Get to know our neighbors
GET TO KNOW OUR NEIGHBORS. AS A SOCIETY WE ARE BECOMING MORE AND MORE ISOLATED FROM THOSE AROUND US. LIFE IS BUSY BUT WE SHOULD NOT FORGET OUR NEIGHBORS AND OTHERS THAT MAKE UP OUR SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. HAVING A NETWORK OF PEOPLE FOR SUPPORT CAN HELP THOSE IN NEED OR AT THE VERY LEAST HELP TO FIND THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO SOLVE WHATEVER ISSUE IS AT HAND. PEOPLE SHOULD NOT FEEL THAT THEY HAVE NO ONE TO REACH OUT TO FOR HELP.
Get to know our neighbours and keep an eye out for criminal activities in our neighbourhoods, as a group.

Get to know our neighbours.
Get to know the neighbors and build those relationships.
Get to know the neighbors in the neighbourhood
get to know your neighbours and get more involved in the community
Get to know your neighbours and see what is going on in the neighbourhood. Contribute by volunteering on sports teams, special seasonal activities in the Park, etc.
Get to know your neighbours, get involved in church, school and community ventures. Make your voice heard by your local councillor or school trustee.
Get to know your neighboursjoin community / neighbourhood leagues
Getting to know all your neighbors and if there are any needs there. Then how can you get involved in the community to assist or volunteer in areas where you are gifted in.County counselor should hold townhall sessions throughout their area a number of times throughout the year to hear community concerns
Getting to know my neighbors. Helping with needs assessments like these. Being an active part of community development as a resident of strathcona county
Getting to know my neighbours better.
Have more social events to meet people. Also, more youth programs. There are so many toddler programs and it is hard to find one that is right for me.
Having more events where you get to know you community, which will make your community stronger.
help a neighbour
Help neighbours with activities such as lawn mowing and shovelling.
Help out neighbors
helping everyday people with everyday ordinary tasks, being kind, getting to know neighbours, attend community events, volunteer.
I am currently involved in Cadets working with the youth to develop leadership, and citizenship within our community. I also strive to meet my neighbours and develop a relationship with them.
I am involved in various community organizations and participate in my neighbourhood good will.
I babysit my grandchildren, volunteer at a seniors residence, am active in my church.I can be more outgoing and supportive with my neighbours and take part in more community events, that people work so hard to facilitate.
I believe in volunteering in local community leagues and also in trying to know my neighbours and how they are doing.
I can become closer and stronger with the people around me that i may not notice right now but I should like my neighbors so i can see if anythings wrong and at school i can report anything i see that could be bullying instead of just standing there and not doing anything.
i can continue with my volunteer work and encourage other to do likewise. when i find a neighbor in need , i can offer my help. i can try to keep my family strongprobably lots more that i cant think of at the moment
I can get to know all my neighbours and encourage connection in my neighbourhood.
I can help for talking with my neighbour and not say anything bad to other people
I can know my neighbours and be friendly with all those in my neighbourhood. I can volunteer to organizations that are important to me.
I get to know my neighbors. Listen to their stories. Talk to strangers. Make friends. I treat all people with love and respect including those different than I am or who have different views. I also am involved in a local church and active in my kids school and coach local sports.
I have made a point of meeting all the people who live around me, attending a block party and Christmas gathering, stopping to chat and show I care about my neighbors. I watch the street when I'm home and we communicate with each other about suspicious behavior. We communicate about how we are doing, when one is unwell we shovel each others walks, bring food. We notify each other when going out of town and 'keep an eye' on each others houses. We lift pianos and moose together! We know each others names! We have created a respectful, tight-knit community and I love it!

I help out my immediate neighbours, but that is all I can do at this time.
I like to help build a stronger community by making personal connections with my neighbors. I've grew up in a very close knit crescent and that's how I want my kids to grow as well. We've made strong connections already with our neighbors. We support each other and the kids are building lasting friendships with other kids on our street. We also teach our kids that it's fun to help others. To cut their grass, shovel their drive, or make them a meal. It's often reciprocated.
I think that we can offer lots of opportunities for people to make friends.
I think the first step to building a supported, safe and connected community is to get to know your neighbours and that they know you and build from there.
I try my best to be my best to my neighbors regardless of their faith or their skin color. I have taught my children to be always respectful to everyone even strangers. In fact my child's teacher comments that my child is one of very respectful students and that's great! I have come to learn many great things in this community and I hope things will be better in the years to come
I will continue to raise my children to be respectful, attentive and aware of their surroundings. I can get to know my neighbors and keep aware of each other.
I'm already assisting my rural neighbours, mostly seniors, with home maintenance, etc. By walking my dog throughout the neighbourhood, I get to know people better. It's sad to say that my subdivision has come together recently because of a rash of break-ins. Community watch programs should make a comeback.
I'm fortunate enough to have grown up in this community and still live, work, and play in this community. I think that getting out and meeting (and actually learning their names and something about them) will be a good first step.
I'm vigilant about paying attention in my particular neighbourhood to watch for the safety of my neighbours.
Include neighbors more and volunteer more
It's as simple as getting to know your neighbours. Being willing for your neighbours to get to know you. Reaching out and connecting.
Join a group that I believe will build towards those goals. Help my neighbours. Support those who want to stay in community. Find other ways to serve.
Join community leagues. Find more volunteering options. Get to know my neighbours a bit better
Join the conversation, get to know your neighbours. Volunteer, contribute to local charities, show kindness and be helpful.
Just caring about the people we live with and around. Watch for people who may need help. Report illegal activities. Take the extra time to help others who need it. Getting to know people you live around.
Keep connected with friends and neighbours as well as participating in events that are happening in our community. I also volunteer with community based organizations and opportunities to provide feedback when asked.
Know and support my neighbors
know my neighbours and work with them to keep our neighbourhood happy
Know your neighbors
Know your neighbors.
Know your neighbors. Stay connected to the community
Know your neighbour and be a connected community in person not with electronics.
Know your neighbours, look out for one another. When you pay attention to what is going on in your neighbourhood you know when something isn't right. Keeping an eye out for each other will help keep our children, selves and property safe.
Let people know of services and resources that are available for their particular situation, be friendly and talk to people in the community, build relationships with neighbors and co-workers, and contribute to a safe community by being a good role model.
Listen to Others with an open mind. Be a good neighbor.
Listen when a neighbor has a problem and try to do the most possible to help.

Lobby County to improve deficits, stay connected to my neighbors, volunteer.
Make more friends and be respectful to others, that you want to be treated.
Make my opinions knownVolunteerHelp my neighbourBeing a responsible citizen of Sherwood Park
Make new friends
Make programs for people to come together and have these people get together and be friends and know each other
Meet my neighbors. Participate in county events.
Meet my neighborsSupport community initiatives
more community gatherings, encouraging neighbours to meet
More fundraisers to greet other people
More mommy & baby programs throughout Neighbourhoods that promote talking to each other- parking at Parentlink is a huge discouragement! I would like to meet other parents in my neighborhood
Neighbor connections
Neighbours knowing each other. Local newspaper reporting on diversity of topics actually happening in the County.
Participate in social media strathcona county health and crime watch pages. Start building a relationship with my neighbors
Partipate in community and school events Get to know my neighbors
Pay my taxes on time, stay out of the criminal system, take advantage of our wonderful recreation and park spaces in Strathcona County, and look after my neighbours.
People highly connect with the local, particularly their neighbourhoods. being active in their neighbourhood, getting to know their neighbours are simple but effective ways to increase community cohesion.
Personally, I will continue to be a reliable and friendly neighbour in my neighborhood. I feel like this is one of the most basic and necessary actions to make a community stronger, safer, and enjoyable.
promoting neighbourhood involvement. Get to know your neighbour. It may led to forming support groups.
Provide community/neighbourhood support. We tend to follow a "closed door" mentality which doesn't provide support within the community.
Reach out and connect with your neighbours, volunteer, create social groups
Recently moved to Sherwood Park, so working at getting to know my neighbours a little better, it's a nice mix of seniors and young families.
say hi and ask how people are doing to be more friendly
Share resources and connect with neighbors
Starts with close neighbours and neighbourhoods. We can do better by getting to know our neighbours better.
Starts with the block party our street has been putting on for 30+ years.Get to know your neighbour
Stay active in Sherwood Park and support what is going on. Be a good neighbor and approach suspicious activity.
Stay connected and meet more people
Stay in touch.
Staying connected with neighbours
Staying connected with others and involved in day to day living within our neighbourhoods.
support nearby neighbors and people pshovels people drive ways for free
Supporting local businesses, contribute to discussion, value your neighbor and neighborhood.
take care of the people in my neighbourhood
Talk to members
talk to more people and more freindes

Talk to more people I don't know
Talk to my neighbors and watch for criminal behaviour.
Talk to my neighbors more
Talk to my neighbors rather than avoid them
Talk to my neighbors, continue volunteering, maintain an awareness of issues & advocate for change...
talk to my neighbours
Talk to my neighbours
Talk to neighbors, be involved with community halls and organizations. Educate on what is happening in the county.
talk to people
Talk to people ?
talk to people more frequently
Talk to people who need help
Talk to people.
Talk to people. Maybe if there is a new couple in the neighbourhood we could be really warm and welcoming.
Talk to people/neighbors
Talk to the community and make new friends.
Talk to your neighbours and quit judging
Talk with people in the area.
Talking to people who live by me.
Tell others.
Tell people to be positive and figure out call strathcona
To make a strong community the members of the group must take ownership of gaps and commit growth. I can commit to being a better neighbour who takes vested interest in developing relationships with people on my block. Through these strong relationships I will take ownership of the well-being of my peers to support them to avoid isolation. Treating members of the community with this "family" orientation will make Strathcona County a more vibrant and inclusive place to live
Treat everyone with kindness and respect, teach my children to be inclusive of all people and to foster relationships between neighbours and neighbourhoods.
try connecting more with others
Volunteer and be active in the community. Support neighbours and members of the community.
volunteer and get to know people in the community through volunteering
Volunteer for county eventsGet involved in discussions with other stakeholders when possibleBe helpful to neighbours
Volunteer more. Get to know more of my neighbours but that is difficult.
Volunteer moreGet out to talk to those on my community.
Volunteer with various organizations to help where needed. Get to know our neighbors well enough so that we can assist them in any way if and when needed; and make them feel welcome and secure in our neighborhood.
Volunteer, be a responsible neighbor, raise children who work hard and respect others and themselves.
volunteer, be aware of needs, make suggestions, be a good neighbour
volunteer, become informed, talk with my neighbours
Volunteer, connect with my neighbors to make sure we all look out for each other. Help those I can when I see a need.

Volunteer, have somewhat of a friendship with people around you
Volunteer, join groups, help my neighbours.
Volunteer. Donate. Help a neighbour. Treat everyone in our community, no matter what they look like, what they believe or how much money they have, as equal.
Volunteerism, know my neighbour, be considerate to all I come across, seek out and accept services for my personal and daughter's health and well-being. I'll add more thoughts online. Thank you!
VolunteerKnow my neighbors
VolunteerTalk to our neighboursAttend community/County events
We are connected to our neighbours and know who they are (names at least). We are able to help them when requested. eg check on their homes when they are away. Help with pets , bring in mail, make neighbours aware of services within the community if they need help in some way. We can provide support in times of bereavement, offer transport if needed, bring a meal, lend an ear.
We are new to Sherwood Park - hence the neutral ratings. We look forward to learning about and joining our new community.
we attend / promote community eventswe make extra effort to get to know our neighbours and promote unity on our street
We could have more local events and find ways to get people to talk to each other and to get people to know their neighbours more
We organized neighbour hood basic etc, which really helped form a sense of community. People know they can call on their neighbors if needed.
We spend time talking to neighbors and taking time to watch our neighbourhood.
Whatever happened to Community Leagues, like we had in Edmonton when I was a kid? Just wondered if that could be a useful model. Maybe it takes too much work for a few individuals. I see wonderful things that retired individuals and groups are doing for the community. Unfortunately, I still have to work and raise a last child and don't have much time to contribute now. Hopefully I'll retire someday and help more. In the mean time I don't break laws, know where my kids are, and try to be a good neighbor!
Work at a local level on events and programs for neighbours in the rural areas so they get to know each other. Neighbourhood watch expanded. Rural programs for seniors and retirees and housing and amenities in the rural areas. Expand rural transportation links and put seniors housing in rural areas so we can stay in our communities.
You can talk to your neighbors and get more involved in the community
You have to know who leave around you
Total

Question 2) Neighbourhood and Connections: Work with others – Common goals

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
Help others out and work together with everyone
- plan activities with neighbours- support local charities and local businesses - volunteer at my children's school - volunteer with their sports teams
- We can all work together-Help each other out- Volunteering
- Work together- Volunteering- Community events- Helping others
-- Be a good neighbour, report suspicious behaviour-- Help / donate to local charities, volunteer
-- Involve in volunteering; neighbourhood activities-- Assist in food bank donations
-Help with other people even with small way-open communication
-Improve intergenerational relationships-Improve neighborhood/community

-Stay connected, help in any way to improve the areas that need improving
All chip in somehow to make the community a better place
All of us working together to continue to build a supported, safe and connected community.
All work together and be treated fairly
All work together and help each other out.
All work together and not harm each other
all work together as a community and be friends!
As a community we work together to keep in contact with the County & RCMP to bring awareness to residential traffic problems.
As a high school student, I think that I build a stronger community by being active in my school community and encouraging others to be active in Strathcona County. Knowing who my counselor representing me will also add to being a stronger community member so I can send emails, letters, and express the issues that are heavy on my heart. I also think that having a positive attitude, spending time with friends and family in the community can add to a stronger community.
as a teacher I can continue to work with the county's youth to build these values for the future generations
As someone who works for the County, I feel there is a great opportunity to lead by example and to have interactions with citizens. I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to help the County achieve certain goals and ensure the procedures, policies, and other things that support participation on the democratic process are in place.
Be a mentor and happily serve those around me
Be an active member, participate and volunteer.
Be aware of what is happening around you then how can I help
Be educated on what we can do as a community to create a sense of community. Be genuinely interested in create a better community.
Be engaged in positive communication with community membersBe open to changeEncourage communication and be open to giving and reaching out to others
Be involved in neighborhood, connect with neighbors, involved in social agencies and church
Be more involved.
Be nice to each other, talk about what's happening in our community and try to fix the negativity that does come up. I think this may help id we do try and keep every one connected.
Be open to working together to create a better community!
Be open to working with others
Be responsible each other as a citizen
Be the neighbor you would like have
Become involved with the community and find out what the most important needs are required for a healthy and vibrant community.
Being a volunteer and working with others to make a connection with people in our community
Belong and contribute to senior events
Bring people together in our neighbourhood.
Bringing together various service providers to create a multi discipline team along with interested community members.Takes a village!
Build connections within own neighbourhood; give assistance to those needing help with lawn / sidewalk care
Build on the saying "it takes a village to raise a child"
By being involved in my community and helping out where needed.
By bringing people together

By staying together and working together
By working together
Choose a goal that I would like to work towards to achieve and set up a plan to achieve it and then achieve it with my fellow citizens.
citizens on patrol
collaborate with other community agencies
communicate and work together
communicate with each other and build good things
Community development and community
connect to people more often.
CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY, GET INVOLVED, VOLUNTEER.
Connect with neighbors and ensure everyone is receiving all they need and contributing all they can
Connect with other mothers and encourage them in their mothering journeys. Value every human life, whether of not I agree with their ideals or lifestyle.Be friendly and courteous!Get to know my neighbors.Be positive and uplifting in all of my interactions.
connect with others
Connect with others, contribute to the county programs, voice opinion & attend community meetings
Connect with people in my community and talk about things we would like to see change.
Continue to encourage folks to participate and further the work we have begun.
Continue to get the opinions of the community.
continue to help and work with neighbours. support causes that are valid and meaningful.
Continue to pursue connectedness among residents of the county. Support others and volunteer.
Continue to remain on frh Community League Board and encourage others to join.
Continue to understand what is needed in our community and assist or start programs.
Continue to volunteer for activities that contribute to connectedness within the community. that sense of belonging helps all the other aspects take place.
Continue to work in strathcona county. Use resources, businesses within Strathcona county as much as possible.
Continue to work together with other members in our community to make the community stronger.
Continue to work with advocacy groups.
Continue to work with others in the community to enhance neighborliness, helping each other and improve quality of life for residents. Ensuring others feel valued, respected and heard. Working to instill sustainability in programs and ensuring residents know where to look for supports that meet their needs.
Continue what is being done, community is doing good and engaging all residents to develop "neighbour" type relationships will help us all
Continued to be connected and involved at a community level. Encouraging others to be involved.
do it together
do more with the community and feel safe
Do things (activities) together with other people.
Doing things to help your community
eat healthy do sports incorrage people to do sports
Encourage folks to get involved
Encourage more interaction and involvement of residents Eg. more community gardens
Encourage neighbours to work together to create stronger sense of community

Everybody work together
everyone do their part to help in the community
Everyone has to get along and work together
everyone working together
everyone working together to build a strong economy
Facilitate home school resources and community. Build relationships.
Figure out where we are lacking first and what obstacles we have that are holding our community back.
Find a better way to identify and help those in need - elderly shut in folks, single parent families
Focus on important things and work together.
For everyone to come together.
foster more volunteer involvementmodel a culture of support and safety in the administration, staff are great ambassadors in the community so we have to walk to the talk internally
Get everybody to work together!
Get involved connect with people and try to make a difference
Get involved in more.
Get involved with community groups and organizations.
Get involved, share our stories, ensure that the county provides services that are accessible (eg. voting), doing business in the community, hiring inclusively, helping a neighbour. (it's difficult being a bedroom community of Edmonton - we need to encourage more community activities). Has the county explored "Abundant Communities"? (I believe that Edmonton and St. Albert are working towards building these social networks)
Get involved! Need new ways to interact with others, not just the same old volunteer opportunities. Think outside the box.
Get more involved in volunteering, possibly in activities where my you guys children can join me as well. I would like to get involved in group chats and meetings about helping ourselves, neighbours and humanity as a whole and steps we can all take for a healthier existence.
get more people to interact with people.
get people to come together and help with a community project
Get to know your neighbours and see what is going on in the neighbourhood. Contribute by volunteering on sports teams, special seasonal activities in the Park, etc.
Have a "town hall" when you decide what goal we want to take on
Have a meeting where everyone can talk about what they think needs to be done
Have community building programs, eg. A playground or other thing to be built or renovated that you ask for that community's help in doing the actual work or helping with its landscaping, etc.
Have more community fundraisers and get together
Help all the poor, work together if we have a big task to do. Stand up for one another.
Help everyone come together so we become stronger
Housing prices are stupid high for what reason?Work together
I am a huge supporter of volunteerism and many times I have received more than I've given and this also gives me the opportunity to be involved in the community.
I believe speaking about certain issues with those struggling in those area will bring a stronger sense of community. Vulnerable is huge when looking for healing in people's lives - which we all search for in different ways.
I can continue to encourage my family to buy local, get involved in local team/community outreach events and to spread positivity and local growth. Join in on future "think talks" events to help create/reach common goals.

I can educate myself the best I can, then it's up to the county to make the best decisions for all.
I can get to know all my neighbours and encourage connection in my neighbourhood.
I can have conversations with people in the community and advocate for their interests and needs. I work in social services and I can help connect people with services they need through the sharing of knowledge on what is out there. I can also volunteer for services or programs that matter to me.
I can work harder
I have been working on a group that connects community and reminds people to think about others and connect to them. This would be an easy campaign to run in downtown Edmonton or in the university area, however it is more difficult in Sherwood Park and the rural communities because we don't have gathering busy places where people come to spend their time. (which I think has a lot to do with the lack of local options and lack of quality of local options ie: Vicky's)
I have made a point of meeting all the people who live around me, attending a block party and Christmas gathering, stopping to chat and show I care about my neighbors. I watch the street when I'm home and we communicate with each other about suspicious behavior. We communicate about how we are doing, when one is unwell we shovel each others walks, bring food. We notify each other when going out of town and 'keep an eye' on each others houses. We lift pianos and moose together! We know each others names! We have created a respectful, tight-knit community and I love it!
I need to do my job at school, and stay out of trouble outside of school.
I think that we should work together as a strong community!
I volunteer within our community. It helps me understand what is going on and I get to meet people with different backgrounds and experiences. Getting out in the community is a great way to build a stronger community instead of just living in a bubble and not getting involved. It would be nice if more people would get involved because it takes a village to help our community become stronger.
I want to plant a community flower and vegetable garden in our cul de sac island. It would be prettier and bring the street together even more. It would also be educational for the children. I think there would be a strong bonding between the people who contribute as well. True community ownership.
I wish we were in a better position financially to help those in need. Our family is more than happy to help a family in need in other ways, and work together with others to create safe neighbourhoods.
I would love to see better, more diverse options exist for mental health counselling and the Arts exist in Sherwood Park. I work in both fields and keep my eyes open to opportunities where I can use those skills to serve my community.
I'm already assisting my rural neighbours, mostly seniors, with home maintenance, etc. By walking my dog throughout the neighbourhood, I get to know people better. It's sad to say that my subdivision has come together recently because of a rash of break-ins. Community watch programs should make a comeback.
I'm fortunate enough to have grown up in this community and still live, work, and play in this community. I think that getting out and meeting (and actually learning their names and something about them) will be a good first step.
I'm not completely sure but I think a solution is to work together, listen to others' perceptions, take them into consideration
Include everyone in activities and in the community.
Invite everyone to come out no matter what to have fun.
Involve children and parents to work towards goals.
It does take the citizens of Strathcona County to work together but when not everyone is on the same page it can be hard.
It will start on being obedient on law or rules of our community. Taking all my responsibilities as a member of community (good parenting, proper waste disposal), etc.
Join a group that I believe will build towards those goals. Help my neighbours. Support those who want to stay in community. Find other ways to serve.
Keep involved and interested in their community
keep working in the community doing the job I do

Leverage what connections I have in the community to have conversations about where we live and what we want it to be. Discuss what a shared responsibility looks like. Share real stories, discuss issues, understand supports that are available, share good news and challenging issues.
Listen genuinely to understand the hopes and concerns of others in my community. Continue to volunteer for events that bring people together to celebrate our community (e.g., New Year's Eve Festival). Model the behaviour I expect from others.
Make a community everyone likes and wants to be and is proud to be apart of
Make community programs even easier for families to participate in. By increasing options available.
Make decisions as a community, like have community meetings so peoples voices are heard
make people feel safe and valued
Make programs for people to come together and have these people get together and be friends and know each other
Make sure that the people I am with feel this way and should feel this way. I should contribute to the community indifferent ways and help out in any way.
More connections
More group activities for all ages and we all have to help keep our community clean. I think we need at proper sized soccer field indoors like victoria, because people over the age of 10 have to go all the way there to play their soccer games. Soccer teams need more proper facilities.
Neighbourhood watch. Affordable housing.
Neighbourhood watches
networking
Networking, supporting events, promoting, educating...
Not sure how I can help personally but I do keep up with my landscaping of my house and support and help my neighbours
Not to do mean things to others and work together.
participation and volunteerism.
Pay my taxes on time, stay out of the criminal system, take advantage of our wonderful recreation and park spaces in Strathcona County, and look after my neighbours.
Personally, I will continue to be a reliable and friendly neighbour in my neighborhood. I feel like this is one of the most basic and necessary actions to make a community stronger, safer, and enjoyable.
Provide more opportunities for citizens to participate in projects to strengthen the locate and global community and create a sense of team with people working together towards a common goal.
Provide opportunities for all to work together purposely and to spend their recreation and leisure time together.
Residents need to feel ownership over the county. That doesn't happen when the government does everything, and residents are bust paying for an unsustainable lifestyle.
Respect everyone, and help advertise Strathcona county's ideas.
Share resources and connect with neighbors
Share resources. Talk to people to find out what their needs are.
Share your part and value everyone in the community.
Speak up, make your needs and wishes known. Interact with the regulatory people in the proper forums.
Special events and culture are vital to building community. Neighbourhoods working together on a project or event brings people together. Spaces where people can gather at low to no cost important.
Start believing that I cam make a difference. it starts with the person taking the steps to make change. But, how do you do that when the system is flawed. I am talking about my person situation. It all starts with me. Let's talk.
stay connected and continue to connect.
Stop what you know isn't right when it happens, or get help doing it

Support community organisations, remain active in community affairs, and remain positive in attitude and actions
Support local grassroots organizations that are working towards these goals.
Support neighbours, schools, sports teams, events by giving positive messaging, getting involved and providing financial assistance
Support new ideas in the community
Support our RCMP in making our community safe.
Support the residents through support of municipal administration
Support those who are actively involved with community work.
Take part in fund raisers to help the community.
Talk
talk and connect more often.
Talk and help the people who have anger and convince them to not bring out their anger on someone.
talk more with people share your ideas, and build strong healthy relationships
Talk to my family and friends so they know.
Talk to my neighbours, get clear on what is important to them. Determine what challenges face them. Get involved in community league type activity. Engage my council person, relay concerns constructively.
Talk to the Community
Teach my children to be loving, considerate of others and know and act on their duties.
This is not an easy thing to accomplish but the best thing we could do is doing stuff as a community.
To practice being a person people can trust, respect and rely on in the community. We all need to help and support each other. To give back to the community as much as possible
Treat people with respect if they are respectful to me
Try and work with different people.
Try to help others that are in my community
Try to start clubs or groups to connect different parts of the community.
Voice my opinions and support the councillors who agree with what I feel needs to be done, Other than that, support my neighbors and friends in whatever way I can, I do volunteer quite a bit, but age is catching up with me fast these days and years/
volunteer and participate in the community
Volunteer for county eventsGet involved in discussions with other stakeholders when possibleBe helpful to neighbours
volunteer more, listen to other's ideas
Volunteer moreAttend meetings
Volunteer to help where volunteers are needed
Volunteer, get to know the various organizations which support our people, addressing and meeting their needs, then advocate for additional support.
Volunteer, sit on advisory boards, provide feedback, sit on committees etc . ensure plans and ideas are implemented not left in their initial stages
Volunteering for community events would help fulfill some needs
we can all help each other out
We all have to work together to create a stronger and more welcome place for visitors and people. Together we can do it!

We all need to slow down and look past ourselves to be able to help each other. My husband and I currently coach kids athletic teams, sit on a minor sport association board as well as a health charity non-profit board. We also volunteer at the kids schools, Strathcona Christmas bureau and local 4-H clubs. We need everyone to take some ownership in being a part of community and be examples to our kids on the importance of giving back to community.
We can all work together to support one another economically and be more accepting.
We can get all together
we can have more events for volunteers and clean garbage up a community
We can help out other in times of need, and volunteer. Some people need help, especially when all the people in the family are unemployed.
we can work together more and build a better and strong community
We could all work together to do good.
We live in a co-op and work together toward our families and community. Co-operatives provide opportunities for people to engage and be a community.
We organized neighbour hood basic etc, which really helped form a sense of community. People know they can call on their neighbors if needed.
we should be able to work together as a community to create a safe and healthy environment.
We take part in issues related to local, provincial and federal politics.
Welcome people and don't shut people out
When we take care of basic needs community, a sense of connection and belonging, and collective prosperity result. Initiatives such as community talks! Open dialogue and resources are vital.
work
Work and make sure that it looks clean and that people are working together. Be kind to neighbors and people anywhere.
Work as a community
Work as a team to make a stronger community. Get to know the people who are in Strathcona County Community.
Work as a team with other people in the community to create a difference
Work as one
Work at it.
Work at streamlining the various social agency "silos", thereby making it easier for those who require the various services to access them.
Work hard
Work hard and be more helpful.
Work on quality of living instead of expansion of the county
Work on the neighbourhood initiatives.
Work to help individuals and families that are struggling on a day to day basis to survive that are struggling either due to loss of employment, physical impairments or mental disability.
work together
Work together
Work together and build stronger relationships
Work together and communicate. More knowledge equals educated strong minded individuals. Strength in numbers.
Work together and get along
work together and not have fights about the simplest things
work together and put any issues aside

Work together and support people and maybe a LRT to shpk so people are available fof and able to get to edmonton cheaper for more jobs, goods, etc.
work together as a community
Work together as a community
Work together Maybe-more community events for parents and kids to connect
Work together more
work together take half an hour out of your day and help someone who needs a little help
Work together to achieve goals
Work together to become stronger
Work together with people and get people into helping me to make the community stronger.
Work together, put any issues aside
work together!
Work together!
work together.
Work together.
Work together. Advisory committees. More senior committees
work togetherbe kindtry to help people out even if you don't know them.
Work togetherBe nice to people around youReport any problems
work togetherhelp others
work toghther and create groups
Work togther
Work with (and never against) each other.
Work with local organizations and non profit foundations towards this goal.
Work with others and help out.
Work with our neighbors – help each other out.
working as a team!
working together
Working together
Working together!
Working together.
Working togetherVolunteering
You can talk to people and plan community meetings. Block party
you can try and strengthen the bonds between community members
You can work together and volunteer.
You could work together get to know people and make stronger connections.
Total

Question 2) Neighbourhood and Connections: Block Parties

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
-support local charity- be a good neighbour -host neighbor events for people to gather and maintain relationships
Be a friend to someone lonely or a newcomer, especially immigrants, foster parents, single mum with kids, the vulnerable. Notice people & speak to them kindly, warmly. Offer to help when I learn of a need. Help someone learn English. Accept & affirm "different" people. Look for opportunities to help. Mentor a teen or young mum. Listen to others. Be kind & gracious & caring. Show appreciation, respect. Encourage. Intervene if I see abuse of a spouse, child or animal. Alert RCMP of suspicious people or activities. Let others know I am available & helpful. Pick up garbage & dog poop or dangerous items scattered in public spaces. Recycle. Compost. Adopt a child or rescue dog. Be considerate of others. Be a good neighbours. Organize a block party.
become involved with your neighbours. Maybe host a subdivision block party
Block parties
Block parties bring people together and is a good way to meet your neighbors.
Block parties to meet neighbours so you know neighbours do over time you may know if they need help/assistance in anyway
Continue to plan our regular block parties to include neighbors and get them to know each other. Be friendly with people while walking - start conversations.
Doing more Community Projects IN MY Community
Fun, smaller neighbourhood community events...Where the location is in a specific neighbourhood and tickets are only for that community...To help build a community in a community...almost like a block party for a family to pay a minimal fee to get in ... not sure of all the logistics but similar to some school events where we get together to bond as a community
Have more affordable options for families and friends to get together in fun,mate, pursuits
I live here for almost 10 years, tried to organize neighbourhood social meetings without success. People living on acreages are not friendly and don't want to socialize. The "me, me" attitude very high. Milenium is to expensive for a avarege person.I could volunteer in some capacity.
My neighbour and I co-organize a yearly block party, attended by ~60 people / year. So, most of our neighbours know each other and feel comfortable sharing info about e.g., suspicious vehicles. I have relayed concerns about signage (e.g., invisible "free flow" sign at Hwy 21 & Wye) - though it appears I may be the only one concerned! I have pointed out the need for better outdoor facilities at my son's school and am in the process of engaging the broader school community to support this.
Neighbourhood block party grants, more festivals and events planned by Recreation, Parks and Culture that bring community together.
Plan/organize Neighbourhood block parties
promoting neighbourhood involvement. Get to know your neighbour. It may led to forming support groups.
Smaller individual community gatherings, functions.
Starts with the block party our street has been putting on for 30+ years.Get to know your neighbour
Take advantage of the Community incentive to hold a block party for the neighborhood so everyone can get to know each other. When neighbors feel connected, they will be more likely to look out for each other if they see anything suspicious or can be there for each other in the event help is required.
We can have more community get to gethers and other stuff!
Work at a local level on events and programs for neighbours in the rural areas so they get to know each other. Neighbourhood watch expanded. Rural programs for seniors and retirees and housing and amenities in the rural areas. Expand rural transportation links and put seniors housing in rural areas so we can stay in our communities.
You can talk to people and plan community meetings. Block party
Total

Question 2) Neighbourhood and Connections: Get more involved in the community

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
get more people involved, and help out others in the community
- Be given opportunity to be involved in community based programs that promote health and wellness. I believe that a healthy community is a happy community.
- Become involved in community events.- At a grassroots level, know your neighbors.
- Continue to foster the sense of community in my family- Support community events like New Years eve and Canada Day festivals
- pay more attention- more involvement
-Get involved & give input into engagement activities-Promote Strathcona county with our neighbours and others.-raise concerns
-support causes & efforts that contribute to making the county a better environment for us all-participate when called on to do so
• Help others. • Provide care. • Volunteer. • Meet new friends.
1. Get involved2. Volunteer for various events.
Actually get involved
all get involved
Already involved.
always be aware of your surroundings...report wrong doersconfusing survey
Always be looking for ways to encourage people I meet in the community and in my neighbourhood. I feel in a very general way people who live in Strathcona County are too busy with too many activities and not content. Too many forget to think about what a blessed community we live in and take much for granted.
As a teacher, educate our youth to be active and involved members of the community.
As someone who works for the County, I feel there is a great opportunity to lead by example and to have interactions with citizens. I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to help the County achieve certain goals and ensure the procedures, policies, and other things that support participation on the democratic process are in place.
ask citizens to get involved. Use all forms of communication to let us know how we can be involved beyond elections and the political opportunities.
Assist neighbours as needed, decrease further expansion plans - unable to keep up with the size of Sherwood Park i.e. roads are very poor in winter
Attend any meeting
Attend as much programs and events that are available to us/my family. To be more connected with this community.
Attend community events, support community staff and initiatives, look out for our neighbours, be welcoming and gracious to others
Attend community meetings
attend more community events and help out
Attend public meetings and ensure public sentiment is expressed and recorded
attend these forumsget to know my neighbours
Be a friendly face and a helpful neighbour, especially to those who live alone. Contribute by volunteering in an area you are interested in. Keep your property up. Participate in community activities and charity events.
Be a good person, stay healthy and contribute where necessary
Be a good resident
Be a more vocal voice for change. Become more involved in community activities and community charities.

Be a part of it!
be a part of the programming the community offers and help spread the word
Be a positive educator and helps others when possible. Get involved.
Be a responsible citizen
be active
Be active in the community
Be active in the community.
Be an active community member. I can show this by caring and being involved in my family's education, safety, security. Show others that you care!
Be an active member of Sherwood Park by keeping the city safe, clean & being respectful of others.
Be an active participant and supporter...
Be as involved as we possibly can to support the community in it's goals.
Be aware and listen as I go about my daily activities. Keep abreast of changes that occur. Help when I can.
Be aware of opportunities to participate and have my voice heard. Promote inclusion wherever possible.
Be aware of what is going on in my neighborhood and community. Read local paper. Talk with councilors, neighbors, community members Be involved.
Be cognizant of issues and keep up to date on services that are offered so I can be a community connector, providing advice/solutions to residents and if I see a gap, bring the issue with a proposed solution to council for consideration in ensuring our residents' needs are met.
Be friendly and charitable and have everyone come together.
Be informed and involved
be involved
Be involved
be involved - food bank etc Show kindness to strangers and workers in all areas
Be involved (contribute to what is going on).
Be involved as should everyone
Be involved at the community level, volunteer locally, go to community events and meet local people.
Be involved in a local micro-community (e.g. faith community, school committee, sports team, senior group, volunteer organization, etc.). Community is organic and is built from the bottom up. The larger community can serve to create favourable environments for these micro-communities to develop.
Be involved in community events, interact with neighbours and support them when I can
Be involved in community groups, government, attend events in the community and get to know people better. Volunteer within Sherwood Park.
Be involved in county affairs
Be involved in local groups/organizations Contribute volunteer time
Be involved in neighborhood, connect with neighbors, involved in social agencies and church
Be involved in organizations, committees, positive communication with the county councillors and mayor, as well as positive communication with police.
Be involved in the community
Be involved in the community, volunteering and participating in local groups
Be involved in the community.
Be involved in the community... volunteer, be friendly and compassionate
Be involved when able for quality improvement projects
Be involved with agencies that listen and act.

Be involved with the community and don't be afraid to do anything for your community?
Be involved.
Be involved. Be more informed.
Be kind, be involved, facilitate gatherings and events that bring the community together. Communicate clearly with my councillor so she/he knows how I feel and what I want
Be more active in the community
be more active in the communityNote: this survey is poorly designed as it ask you to make far too broad generalizations about the community
Be more aware of areas within the County that require improvements and get involved in these areas.
Be more involved
Be more involved in my own community and get to know my neighbours better
Be more involved in weeding out the people in charge that don't work for the people
Be more involved volunteer or otherwise
Be more involved.
Be more than ever involved.
Be part of it
Be part of the community
Be present/aware of those that may need assistance. Network/volunteerGet invovled
Be supportive of initiatives that council members propose,and work within our community to implement such initiatives.
Be Supportive of the people & all that's going on in the community .
Be willing to contributeVolunteer
Become a successful individual that can contribute to society
Become involved and spread the word.
Become involved more!
Become involved, volunteering, stay connected
Become involved.
Become involved. Volunteer.
Become more active in it
Become more actively involved on different boards.
Become more involved
Become more involved in activities
Become more involved in community activities.
Become more involved in community events
Become more involved in provincial governmentfocus on infrastructure
Become more involved in the community!
Become more involved.
Becoming more active in the community
Becoming more invovled
Being a contributing member of society.
Being a kind and caring person, working hard, getting an education and being flexible in helping out my fellow community members. It can start with the smallest actions.
Being aware of who is around me and help them out where I can.

Breakdown stereotypes and be a champion for human rights so others know that WE ALL have a right to live our lives as we want as long as we aren't hurting anyone else. Get to know neighbours and others in the community and reserve judgement as we don't know what someone else's truth is.
Bring more people in to help
Build relationships in the community
By being involved in my community and helping out where needed.
By contributing to society as a whole by being a successful, working individual, who gives back through donations of time and/or money from time to time. e.g. Habitat for Humanity helping to build the less fortunate affordable homes. By holding accountable those in elected positions of authority. By obeying the laws. By showing compassion to those less fortunate.
By getting involved and taking advantage of community activities
By getting more involved. Showing kindness and respect for everyone
By staying off your phones and communicating with others.
citizens on patrol
Come to meetings and participate.
come together
Come together
Communicate, engage and participate within the community
Community activities such as fairs, picnic, etc
Community groups would be a good start to building a stronger community feel in Sherwood Park. This is really lacking
community involvement and volunteer
community services
Connect with my neighbors and community, smile and care about our community
Connect with others
Connect with others and help others when in need.
Connect with others, contribute to the county programs, voice opinion & attend community meetings
Connect with people in the community
Continue and develop my volunteer and other roles in the community.
Continue connecting with our neighbours. Take more interest in decisions I can have an influence on.
Continue conversations like these. I'm excited to talk to my family and neighbours about it
continue my work in the community
Continue to be involved in community efforts and volunteering.
Continue to be involved in community/volunteer initiatives.
Continue to be involved with community initiatives
Continue to be involved with county initiatives.
Continue to build engagement
Continue to encourage folks to participate and further the work we have begun.
Continue to include my son in community events. So builds sense of community and volunteer when older. Thanks volunteers! Fantastic!
Continue to volunteer for activities that contribute to connectedness within the community. that sense of belonging helps all the other aspects take place.
Continue to work on committees. Respect all citizens Respect diversity in all areas Welcome newcomers Advocate for low cost housing Advocate for mental health services.

continue to work with community involvement and contribute. too many people complain but don't do anything. Like vote! don't complain when you re not involved as a consumer or resident.
Continue what is being done, community is doing good and engaging all residents to develop "neighbour" type relationships will help us all
Continue with current volunteer efforts that contribute to the safety and security of the greater community (i.e. County-wide). Provide input to community-based initiatives, and feedback to the County administration and elected officials where/when deemed appropriate. Keep abreast of ongoing and emerging issues and endeavours of interest.
Continue with walking paths to adjacent communities. Remove reliance, where possible, on trucked-in water to nearby acreages. Work on harmonizing public transit, and especially LRT, with our Capital region partners.
Continued to be connected and involved at a community level. Encouraging others to be involved.
Continued volunteerism. Be a good neighbour
contribute
contribute in more events
Contribute to the community.
Cooperate and support the community
Create more community events and initiativesAlso focus on programs and services to help/bring community together
Definitely volunteer more. I am grateful for out churches' involvement in the community, giving us opportunity to get more involved in volunteering for community events i.e. Pitch-In, Canada Day Festivities etc.
Do more community served and volunteer more and get to know everyone better
Do more stuff that makes people happy.
Do more things to interact people with one another for example Canada day type of events
Do surveys like these
Don't litter, join community programs. Protest things you think are unfair.
Encourage growth in being healthier. Hearing about what the community has to offer and sharing that with people. Educating myself. Being welcoming to neighbours.
Encourage more interaction and involvement of residents Eg. more community gardens
Encourage others to participate in community deeds and activities.
Encourage participation and welcome newcomers.
Encourage residents to contact their ward councilors for concerns they have. We need to have more of a voice with our concerns
engage with more community minded groups
Engage with neighbours, be with nvolved with community.
Engage!
Events, volunteer with children.
Feel free to communicate.Building family activities (e.g. make arts and crafts and then sell it for fundraising to help other families' basic needs.)
Find a way to get involved
Find groups to join, and get involved with helping or leading.
Find ways to become more involved. Between work in Edmonton and activities for my child, I don't get very involved in the County and need to do so more.
Follow the rules that are given to achieve a good understanding of the way we are governed. Offer suggestions when asked by our governing body.

foster more volunteer involvementmodel a culture of support and safety in the administration, staff are great ambassadors in the community so we have to walk to the talk internally
Get back to the values and standards of 30 years ago.
Get closer
Get connected!
Get engaged!
Get in contact with those in need and devote time to doing good for them
get involved
Get involved
Get involved and help others
Get involved and volunteer where needed. Also take responsibility and be a leader and good role model for adults and students.
Get involved if possible
Get involved in com league
Get involved in community activity
get involved in more activities
Get involved in more community programs.
Get involved in the community.
Get involved in the community. Get to know my neighbors better.
Get involved in things within the community.
Get involved to their community.
Get involved volunteering or do things to help the community.
Get involved with programs and volunteering
Get involved with the programs that are already being offered. Particularly the community hall ones so you get to know those who live close. Be intentional at meeting people. Yes it is hard and awkward at times but the more you do it the more connections you create and you learn the skills to make it easier. Those are my goals anyway.
Get involved!
Get involved! Need new ways to interact with others, not just the same old volunteer opportunities. Think outside the box.
Get involved.
Get involved. Don't sit by if things need to change.
Get involved. Get to know neighbours. Volunteer. Support and attend our many churches. Attend local events. Speak up against something we see as wrong.
get more involved
Get more involved
Get more involved in community activities
Get more involved in the community
Get more involved in the community.
Get more involved.
Get more people involved and make involvement Moreno exciting to catch people's attention.
get more people involved.
Get out and interact with more people
Get out and try to make a difference

Get out into the community and talk to people!
Get people involved. Make volunteering more accessible.
Get students involved
Get the community involved in activities and programs that everyone is welcomed
Get to know my neighbors and become involved in community initiatives that connect people and groups.
get to know my neighboursget involved at local community centres
GET TO KNOW OUR NEIGHBORS. AS A SOCIETY WE ARE BECOMING MORE AND MORE ISOLATED FROM THOSE AROUND US. LIFE IS BUSY BUT WE SHOULD NOT FORGET OUR NEIGHBORS AND OTHERS THAT MAKE UP OUR SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. HAVING A NETWORK OF PEOPLE FOR SUPPORT CAN HELP THOSE IN NEED OR AT THE VERY LEAST HELP TO FIND THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO SOLVE WHATEVER ISSUE IS AT HAND. PEOPLE SHOULD NOT FEEL THAT THEY HAVE NO ONE TO REACH OUT TO FOR HELP.
get to know your neighbours and get more involved in the community
Get together with friends
Getting involved in areas that need support.
Getting involved in schools. Encouraging & exposing students to what makes a good community member. Offering credit or initiatives for bridging students with the county (ie adopt a grand parent, have snow buster as part of outdoor ed or volunteer credit)
Getting involved, staying connected
Getting more involved and volunteer
Getting to know my neighbors. Helping with needs assessments like these. Being an active part of community development as a resident of strathcona county
Getting youth involved more in the community
Give back to the community
Give more to charity & support community initiatives to help those requiring help.
Give my option
Give suggestions and stuff
giving proposals to improve the community
Greater involvement in programs. This an happen with greater awareness of how. Children take time from parents (like me), so contributing means finding a way to involve kids.
Have a community group that is representative of the states goals that meets regularly to see if goals are being met.
Have community activities like sports and yoga/meditation.
Have meetingsHave conversations
Have more affordable options for families and friends to get together in fun,mate, pursuits
Have more areas where anyone can meet and hang out or get together
Have more clubs.
Have more community involvement such as organizations developments and services. Thank you!
Have more interactions and communicate more with fellow community members.
Have more involvement in community events.
have more outdoor things for 1-3 year olds
have more places that people can hang out and get together
Have transparency in our governing process, be involved in the community and use our voices.
Having these events that bring the whole family out, places to create memories. Having the events accross all possible time lines so that people's various work hours can be considered.

help
Help community
help others in community and do my part as a member of this community
help out around my community with the people and giving feedback like this to help develop a stronger community
help out in the community
Help out more in my community.
Help out with things going on in the community.
Help people to become involved in their community
Help wherever help is needed - especially where seniors are concerned.Hope that the Councillors listen to constituents and act where a need is pointed out to them.
Helping out the community/ being part of it
I access many of the wonderful local resources such as the library, Parent Link, Millennium Place, pond parties and play days in the summer. Our family is so appreciative of all resources for young families in the county so we can get out and connect with other families. I also hope the county offers the community grant again next summer.
I actively engage myself with the community to gain a better understanding of it, through means of volunteering and working throughout the County. I try to stay aware of the happenings and voicing my opinion if something problematic occurs, through surveys and polls.
I am always involved in the community. Talking to people, listening to people. Young people, seniors, everyone.
I am available at any time to offer my time and service for any endeavour the county is undertaking.
I am currently involved on several committees and with extended family to do just this very goal.
I am involved in various community organizations and participate in my neighbourhood good will.
I am satisfied with the community events and supports that are available for residents. I think that this survey campaign was well advertised and will hopefully allow people in need to become familiar with community services so that they can be connected.
I appreciate the community building bursary; please keep that
I babysit my grandchildren, volunteer at a seniors residence, am active in my church.I can be more outgoing and supportive with my neighbours and take part in more community events, that people work so hard to facilitate.
I belong to our Senior group
I belong to the Strathcona County Diversity Committee which is working towards these goals. I am a Scouts Canada Scouter. Our programs support development of youth so they value themselves and others. We work to support the community around us.
I can be involved in community programs.
I can be more involved in community activities and programs, things like the teen advisory committee and other library programs. Maybe other teen committees and programs can be implemented to help youth become more engaged in the community.
I can be out there asking questions and attending lectures and events in the community and showing my support.
I can continue to be involved.
I can continue to encourage my family to buy local, get involved in local team/community outreach events and to spread positivity and local growth. Join in on future "think talks" events to help create/reach common goals.
I can continue to raise my kids with values. I can actively participate in charitable work and help others in need through vehicles like the food bank.

I can continue to shop local and support local (county clothesline, food bank etc)I can be sure to save for my retirement so that I hopefully do not become a senior who desperately needs to be in a lodge with a waiting list ten miles long.I can continue to volunteer at my children's school and support fundraisers that benefit our schools.I can continue to love my community and welcome anyone who also desires to help build and support it.
I can contribute my opinions to Youth Council, speaking my opinions as well as those I know whoms voices may not be heard. I can also attend/plan activities throughout the community that can assist in building a stronger community.
I can do community service to get more connected with other members of Sherwood Park. I could also make sure any new members of the community feel safe and respected.
I can get involved in helping the community and giving back by volunteering and helping people who need help
I can get out into the community and contribute towards it.
I CAN Participate AND Help OUT AT Community Events
I can participate in more food drives and charity events. I also can volunteer at community events.
I can support my friends and be friendly to strangers. Get involved and give to those in need
I can try volunteering more often and try including myself more with the festivities.
I can volunteer and attend community talks.
I could be a community watch person to report suspicious activity n people.
I have made a point of meeting all the people who live around me, attending a block party and Christmas gathering, stopping to chat and show I care about my neighbors. I watch the street when I'm home and we communicate with each other about suspicious behavior. We communicate about how we are doing, when one is unwell we shovel each others walks, bring food. We notify each other when going out of town and 'keep an eye' on each others houses. We lift pianos and moose together! We know each others names! We have created a respectful, tight-knit community and I love it!
I have recently joined the Strathcona Diversity Committee as I would like to be more involved with my community. I have lived in Sherwood park for 3 and a half years and with young children I want to be more involved. Making sure my voice is heard is also what I can do to buidling a stronger community and trying to help those who are less fortunate then myself.
I need to ensure that we are looking at our community without rose coloured glasses. I need to be more involved. I commit to doing this in 2017. Thanks for the opportunity to contribute to this survey. It has been a good reminder that I need to do more.
I participate in the community league & social council
I regularly gather things for people in need and help them get in touch with the right support systems for their needs
I think having a splash park in the Collingwood wood cove community would be something to think about. Also Portable potty available at the park as well. Would bring more of the communities in this area together to have a splash park! Parent link programs are awesome all the workers are so friendly and we would like to thank you for that.
I volunteer a lot at the food bank and my neighbors and i make an effort to stay connected. Think that all is going well.
I volunteer at my child's school as well as at Capital Care. I am also a community member of the EIPS Audit Committee. I would be willing to volunteer at community events/town hall meetings as my time permits. My focus is on finding a full or part time job to help support my family.
I volunteer in many ways that benefit the county. What would be helpful is more publicization of the County's state of the county research showing the social and economic challenges we face, e.g. A degree of poverty, abuse - primarily of women and children, social isolation, etc. This would provide a good foundation for determining what action we as a society here need to take.
I volunteer with a youth group and it would be great to get the cadets more involved again in the community & increase the awareness of the free program.

I would like to be involved. I work in Sherwood Park and plan on retiring next summer so will have more time then - I cannot guarantee my availability before then but will provide my contact information and see if the dates work out.
I'm not certain at this point. Completing the survey. And I'll put my name forward to be involved in an ongoing, emergent way.
If everyone pitched in at their bit of world this would strengthen the whole community
if you treat someone with openness you get big benefits from it, willing to participate, general impressed with services (i.e. home care) more supports than could ask for, in key areas of support (frontline) need to have people who have strong communication skills
increase involved in the community
increase the amount of input youth and adults have in building a fair and stronger community for everyone.
Individuals can strive to keep the community safe and strongly bonded together by taking actions themselves and keeping up to date with the changes in the community.
Influence others to take greater participation in community events, to create a more sustainable environment for all who live here
Involve seniors in decisions regarding activities and services. Full service hospital instead of going to Fort SK. Decision on which hospital to attend.
involved in decisions with county suggestions or fun outs of new involvement by community members
Involvement by others
Involvement in programming and activities in the community, including the school system, healthcare, the library. Also communicate the programs that are available in the county to those who may not be aware (i.e. senior's day programs, programs offered through the library are often less known)
It hard to say what I could do because things like this are such broad subjects that surveys like this one don't identify actual issues and solutions they only give a broad idea that something is wrong
Join activities asking for volunteers.
Join groups and organizations
Join in activities and treat everyone with respect.
Join in school/community activities and build relationships with the community.
join more groups
Join the conversation, get to know your neighbours. Volunteer, contribute to local charities, show kindness and be helpful.
Keep abreast and open-minded as we progress through building the framework. Participate at a level that is comfortable and when time allows.
Keep active with community to make it stronger
Keep being a strong member of the rural community.
Keep bringing clients to community events, and making sure they are visible in the community as much as possible.
keep strong communication and community engagement. community gardens, outdoor rinks with events so there is 12 months worth of events for all ages. you do a good job but i hope you are able to invest in some new programs from urban farming to bringing high speed internet to rural communities
Lead by example in supporting these initiatives and contributing to these values on a daily basis
Learn about and connect with community resources.
Learn about different issues and take action
Look up as we walk around. Be ok with looking others in the eyes. Say hello to people we don't know. Show love. Those who have lots, open your heart and give give give.
Make a club.
Make more connections in my local area, use my business to support local initiatives,

Make people aware of community resources. Try to involve them in the community. Be inclusive and accepting.
make people feel wanted and get more involved in the community
Make sure everyone is equal, people are nice to everyone and accept everyone. Make things affordable and help out those in need.
make sure that we do what we have to and get it done.
Make sure we do what we have to and get it done.
Make us more involved
Maybe have more events so you met more people and people will be respectful. More transportation than buses.
Maybe help with some things around the community
Maybe possibly I should be move involved with our community to place some ideas.
Meet my neighborsSupport community initiatives
meet new people.
More activities for families to come together
More advertising of community connections
More basketball courts
More community activities
more community activities.
More community connections, options for individuals with limited mobility and use sign language
more community events
more community events and community involvement initiativesmore clubs, societies for youth and young adults to meet new people
More community events such as the ones hosted today
More Community EventsMore stuff to do as a community
more community support programs
More family activities - big events outside.
More festivals and free food
more football
More fun
more fund
More general involvement
More groups.
More gymnastics and circus places
more involved and in tune to events and such
More involved in the community volunteering would be a good option
More involved with the community.
More opportunities for stuff
More places to hangout
more places where we can get closer
more programs
More social activities as a town.
More things to be active in the community!

My neighbour and I co-organize a yearly block party, attended by ~60 people / year. So, most of our neighbours know each other and feel comfortable sharing info about e.g., suspicious vehicles. I have relayed concerns about signage (e.g., invisible "free flow" sign at Hwy 21 & Wye) - though it appears I may be the only one concerned! I have pointed out the need for better outdoor facilities at my son's school and am in the process of engaging the broader school community to support this.
Not sure what you mean by Stronger. We have a great community and I think most people feel safe, there will always be folks that create issues in a community and we can't solve everything. We need to trust in our police service as they are exceptional.
On my part I can do more work within the community
organize more community get togethers
Outdoor basketball
Outdoor basketball court
participate
Participate
Participate & cooperate. Be aware of any news or update about the community.
Participate and be positive.
Participate and cooperate
Participate and encourage others to engage in community activities & maintain community relationships.
Participate and give input
Participate and help in the community.
Participate and support the county
Participate and volunteer
Participate as often as possible in social occasions offered - socialize and get to know folks.
Participate in activity in our community
Participate in community events and voice opinions Around arising issues and concerns
Participate in Community Events. Note: Antler Lake is a good example as an undeveloped resource for community activity and social fun, however, as Antler Lake itself is left to deteriorate, so does its potential.
participate in community gatherings. get information and support our library of which i do.
Participate in community more
Participate in county initiatives, volunteer, make use of services available
participate in helping the community
participate in local activities
Participate in local community activities
Participate in local events, and community surveys Talk to your county councillors about your concerns. Get involved !!!! Even it is only once a week. Connect with your neighbours.
Participate in local things.
Participate in more community activities
Participate in more programs and volunteer.
Participate in school events.
Participate in social media strathcona county health and crime watch pages. Start building a relationship with my neighbors
Participate in solutions
Participate in surveys like this, and keep abreast of what is happening and available, so I can pass this information along to others who are in need of it.

Participate in surveys, community groups on meetings and play a role in the schools as well as the community.
Participate in the community
Participate in the life of community.
Participate in the process and any solution identified.
Participate in the programs
Participate in volunteer organizations and opportunities.
Participate more
Participate more in community events and volunteer my time to worthwhile causes.
Participate more in community events.
Participate more in my community.
Participate more on community
Participate Share into
Participate when and wherever needed.
participate, volunteer
Participate, vote, advocate, advise
participation and volunteerism.
Participation in more community events
Participation in the activities sponsored by the county.
Partipate in community and school events Get to know my neighbors
Pay attention to community events. Volunteer and attend the events that interest me.
Pay my taxes on time, stay out of the criminal system, take advantage of our wonderful recreation and park spaces in Strathcona County, and look after my neighbours.
People should be involved in activities around the community. Use the facilities that are here, shop locally, and volunteer your time.
Pitch in more
Play on hockey teams
Provide more opportunities for citizens to participate in projects to strengthen the locate and global community and create a sense of team with people working together towards a common goal.
Provide opportunities for all to work together purposely and to spend their recreation and leisure time together.
Raise my children to participate in community activities (ie park clean-ups, community activities- participate in townhall forums for feedback- be kind to others and offer help to my fellow community members
Reach out and connect with your neighbours, volunteer, create social groups
reach out and talk to people
Really just participation and being there with others
Remain engaged in community activities
Remain, and increase, engagement.
Share my experience as newcomer and join other people to find solutions.
share my ideas with other community members
Share your part and value everyone in the community.
Show up more than we do.

Since Robin Hood Association is my contact point, I work through them to ensure that my son and his friends (both those with handicapping conditions and those without) play their part as connected citizens of Sherwood Park.
Start by having more people volunteer and work together through things throughout the community.
Start to get involved in the community.
Start to really connect with the community though personal engagement and ask them what they need to thrive and have success. Then facilitate, and create initiatives that will address those needs. Look to marginalized groups and find out from them what they need. Less top down more grass roots informed decisions and initiatives. Look to broaden the types of people able to live and raise families in the county as it seems very lacking in ethnic diversity.
Stay active in Sherwood Park and support what is going on. Be a good neighbor and approach suspicious activity.
Stay active in supporting community activities as alike
Stay aware and committed
Stay connected
Stay connected and understand the needs of the community.
Stay connected with all.
Stay connected with people in community - meet regularly at events and volunteer
stay connected, be involved when I am able to
Staying connected with others and involved in day to day living within our neighbourhoods.
Staying off your phone and communicating with each other.
Step up, in whatever you/your family is involved in, and offer assistance in any form.
Stop what you know isn't right when it happens, or get help doing it
Strive to do better things for and in the community like being a better person and respecting the community.
Support and help out wherever I can.
Support community activities and initiatives through participation and volunteering.
Support community activities.
Support community causes and initiatives.
Support community eventsVolunteerGet involved
Support community initiatives.
Support community programs where I can.
Support local businesses - be involved in the community.
Support local businesses and facilities and assist with growing community by being more involved in community activities.
Support neighbours, schools, sports teams, events by giving positive messaging, getting involved and providing financial assistance
Support our kids need schools. I own a business.... Provide support where I can to community initiatives.
Support the programs we are already offering people and providing care so waiting lists and others are not missed that are needing help/re: more available workers in these programs. The need is great. By groups working together and networking we can reach more people in need.
Take a more active part in my community.
Take a more active role in Community League.
Take part in any opportunities that are interesting to me.
Take part in community events, fundraise and talk to people in the community
Take part in community events. Be community aware. Vote

Take part in community service actions and fundraisers
Take part in discussions
Take part in more programs offered
Take part in more within the community
talk more with people share your ideas, and build strong healthy relationships
Talk to neighbors, be involved with community halls and organizations. Educate on what is happening in the county.
Talk to others in tge community
Talk to people
Talk to people more and find out what's wrong and how to improve. We should have more care centres for people struggling with mental issues
Teach at school, start from the childhood
Teaching or children with open minds/hearts and sharing with action how to support, give to and respect others. Participate in community events and programs.
Thats the clicker right there. Not much because I have just had my second hip replacement and am still kind of weak. But I can type and I can talk and read.
To have more events and maybe concerts year around at festival place.
To make a strong community the members of the group must take ownership of gaps and commit growth. I can commit to being a better neighbour who takes vested interest in developing relationships with people on my block. Through these strong relationships I will take ownership of the well-being of my peers to support them to avoid isolation. Treating members of the community with this "family" orientation will make Strathcona County a more vibrant and inclusive place to live
To participate (in) what the community plans to have a strong community
Try my best in school and when I'm a bit older, help out and work and support the community.
Try to be involved as much as possible
Try to help my community through my church, actively recycling, carpooling for the environment, help elders with snow removal
Try your best
trying to connect people through my job
Trying to participate in more community activities like swimming
volunteer and participate in the community
Volunteer and be involve
Volunteer and give my idea.
Volunteer and help out around the community.
Volunteer and participate in community events
Volunteer and participate in discussions.
Volunteer and participate in the community
Volunteer and participate on committees.
Volunteer at more things around the community so I can help it improve, and me a part of it.
Volunteer at places like the food bank, Christmas bureau. Report any incidences or concerns to proper authorities, RCMP, Counsellors/ward representatives, County of Strathcona maintenance etc.
Volunteer for events, do more Random Acts of Kindness for people not just my neighbours. Get out and talk to people (although if we had more LGBTQ+ friendly spaces, that last one would happen more easily).
volunteer more, participate in community affairs
Volunteer my time when and where needed

Volunteer my time. Take part in community activities. Shop in Sherwood park and try to give Sherwood park business's my business.
Volunteer work in senior housing after I'm done school just to role model to my son the importance of giving back. Help me be an active member of my community.
Volunteer, attend community league events/ meetings, read local newspapers to learn what is available and get involved
volunteer, be an active resident in community
Volunteer, connect with people
Volunteer, continue to build connections and listen to people
Volunteer, get involved
Volunteer, get involved in initiatives and lobby for changes as needed
Volunteer, get to know the various organizations which support our people, addressing and meeting their needs, then advocate for additional support.
Volunteer, go out to public events, get involved, get to know your neighbours. Be supportive of people trying to make a difference.
Volunteer, join groups, help my neighbours.
Volunteer. Share my talents.
Volunteering for community events would help fulfill some needs
Volunteering, supporting local business, getting out there and doing stuff in the community.
We (myself included) could become more involved - however I am not sure HOW I/we are best able to do that. Programs like Victim Services could be expanded perhaps?
We all need to slow down and look past ourselves to be able to help each other. My husband and I currently coach kids athletic teams, sit on a minor sport association board as well as a health charity non-profit board. We also volunteer at the kids schools, Strathcona Christmas bureau and local 4-H clubs. We need everyone to take some ownership in being a part of community and be examples to our kids on the importance of giving back to community.
We are pretty involved already. I guess I could open a business....
we attend / promote community eventswe make extra effort to get to know our neighbours and promote unity on our street
We can build a stronger relationship as a community by spending less time on our devices and having more interactions with friends and family.
We can stand strong for each other and make "community" a basis for our decisions individually and as families
We'll trying to help go to build the community stronger, and safety
Whatever happened to Community Leagues, like we had in Edmonton when I was a kid? Just wondered if that could be a useful model. Maybe it takes too much work for a few individuals. I see wonderful things that retired individuals and groups are doing for the community. Unfortunately, I still have to work and raise a last child and don't have much time to contribute now. Hopefully I'll retire someday and help more. In the mean time I don't break laws, know where my kids are, and try to be a good neighbor!
When we take care of basic needs community, a sense of connection and belonging, and collective prosperity result. Initiatives such as community talks! Open dialogue and resources are vital.
word of moth - professionally and personally remind people of the importance of community and all the community supports that are available
Work as a team with other people in the community to create a difference
Work better together in my school, in the park, at store and everywhere in the county. Trying to help others to create a stronger bond between the people and its community.
Work less and I could participate more in my community and contribute in other ways.
work together
Work together

Work together , love everyone , hold eachother accountable
Work together Maybe-more community events for parents and kids to connect
Work together more
Work together. Advisory committees. More senior committees
You can become more involved
You can get involved in community projects.
You can talk to your neighbors and get more involved in the community
You could work together get to know people and make stronger connections.
Total

Question 2) Advocacy: Speak out

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- participate in initiatives- offer input when request- make sure we have strong leadership
- round table discussions with our counsellor, like as below. I only see Carla Howitt offering "Coffee with Carla" - this is a really nice low key way to get heard. Thanks!
-voice my opinion/share thoughts and ideas more openly-volunteer within the community
About all I can contribute at this point in my life is to continue to lobby Council to take a look at the real situation in this community. Many feel it's become a community that doesn't want to welcome all aspects of our society as reflected in the disgusting statement alluded to in Carla Howatt's column that "if you can't afford to live here, then go elsewhere." Not an attitude to be proud of.
Advocate about health and help spread awareness
Advocate and educate, talk to people.
Advocate and volunteer
Advocate for families that cannot afford to put their children in sports, community theatre because everything is so BIG in SP. You need money for kids to participate in this community.
Advocate for my needs as well as my community.
Advocate. Speak up about how to treat people with disabilities with respect.
Attend public meetings and ensure public sentiment is expressed and recorded
Be a more vocal voice for change. Become more involved in community activities and community charities.
be able to voice my opinions with respect
Be aware of issues, talk about it, be a leader so all can feel safe and well.
Be aware of opportunities to participate and have my voice heard. Promote inclusion wherever possible.
Be kind, be involved, facilitate gatherings and events that bring the community together. Communicate clearly with my councillor so she/he knows how I feel and what I want
Be more active in volunteers work in the community. Be violent and watchful in the community – report possible crime.
Be more vocal about requesting help. Having these short simple surveys are a great way to get more people involved.
Be part of community groups, get to know your neighbors, volunteer, sit on committees to voice your opinion and contribute.
Be understanding and accepting of people of others of different races or religions. Be aware and speak up if bullying occurs. Be a volunteer. Be as involved as one wishes in the Political works of the Community. Listen and read about things you don't understand in our community.

Breakdown stereotypes and be a champion for human rights so others know that WE ALL have a right to live our lives as we want as long as we aren't hurting anyone else. Get to know neighbours and others in the community and reserve judgement as we don't know what someone else's truth is.
By being an advocate for myself, my family and my community. Working to put into place policy that will help preserve and build up family and community.
By talking more and getting into group conversations
Charitable donations, protests, public speaking and many others
Complain about not having enough gender neutral bathrooms.
Complete surveys, spread the word, volunteer, make a stronger effort to get to know my neighbors.
Complete surveys.
Completing surveys like this is a good start.
Continue to be aware - expensive community to live in - I am a single mother and do not qualify for any assistance or support. I choose to keep my children where they have grown up so far - would appreciate support groups but wouldn't move to this affluent community expecting handouts from others that are suffering in today's political and economical climate as well. I will also continue to advocate for my children to have good affordable academic, medical, recreational and other resources in the community which they live.
Continue to volunteer Be an advocate for this community
Continue to work with advocacy groups.
could help voice your opinion
don't litter and if you see someone do something bad tell an adult so that they would stop doing what they are doing
Don't litter, join community programs. Protest things you think are unfair.
Don't over govern.
Encourage communication
Encourage community talk, spread the word. Lead by example.
Encourage residents to contact their ward councilors for concerns they have. We need to have more of a voice with our concerns
Get involved in community decisions / plans
Get involved. Get to know neighbours. Volunteer. Support and attend our many churches. Attend local events. Speak up against something we see as wrong.
Get to know your neighbours, get involved in church, school and community ventures. Make your voice heard by your local councillor or school trustee.
Give my feedback on how I think the community is at certain times.
Give my opinion.
Give my opinion. Don't be a bad person.
Give the best advice possible
Go to protests against abuse and such.
Have a meeting where everyone can talk about what they think needs to be done
Have some sort of place that allows people to express their issue(s) and how to solve them
Help others in anyway possible that I can provide. Do my part in respecting the rule and ways of this community. Take the opportunity when I could have a say on what happens with the community
I actively engage myself with the community to gain a better understanding of it, through means of volunteering and working throughout the County. I try to stay aware of the happenings and voicing my opinion if something problematic occurs, through surveys and polls.
I am a disabled younger senior so there is not a lot physically that I could do. I could be on a planning board for affordable housing for seniors of all descriptions.

I can become more politically active.
i can continue with my volunteer work and encourage other to do likewise. when i find a neighbor in need , i can offer my help. i can try to keep my family strongprobably lots more that i cant think of at the moment
I can help build a stronger community by sharing my story and how I have found the information I needed so as to help others get back on their feet more quickly than I was able to.
I don't live in the community, but I do work in it. Promoting the Primary Care Network I work for and the free health services that we offer to the community would be the best thing I could do. Have more folks attend out mental health, nutrition and exercise classes would benefit the community.
i guess i should talk to people, get my opinions heard.....idk, do ppl actually read this?
I have recently joined the Strathcona Diversity Committee as I would like to be more involved with my community. I have lived in Sherwood park for 3 and a half years and with young children I want to be more involved. Making sure my voice is heard is also what I can do to buidling a stronger community and trying to help those who are less fortunate then myself.
I have tried to get rid of the drug house. None of my neighbours is willing to help for fear of retaliation. What kind of county is that??? We don't act because the bad guys have weapons, when technically we should have the police on our side who have BIGGER weapons. That's my contribution, trying to keep drug dealers away from 1600 kids!
I try to notify our alder person and police of outstanding problems. More revenue allocated to traffic and roadway improvement.
I volunteer for my sons peewee and atom football by engaging with outside communities and showing them how great Strathcona county is.
I've started an annual walk to raise awareness in the community, started a page that identifies local resources (there are very few), started working with FCS committee on the November campaigning for healthy relationships. I would like to see a single resources e that can truly provide assistance for these individuals: victims services does not provide this, the new councillor hired to work specifically with the perpetrators of violence, Saffron is for sexual violence, safe place is for emergent situations only, FCS counselling is also for emergency needs only, not sure on the role of the RCMP/FCS liason officers role.The services should be developed, centrally coordinated and made known to the residents so this group can be helped.There is also a growing number of women leaving abusive situations who are being unjustly arrested by the RCMP, resulting in displacement from their homes as well as the removal of most of their basic needs. These included long term residents of the Coun
If you have any thoughts on how to make the community a better place, express your ideas to other people.
Influence others to take greater participation in community events, to create a more sustainable environment for all who live here
Join activist groups, maintain contact with government representatives on issues concerning you, volunteer, and get a good education or educate others.
Keep connected with friends and neighbours as well as participating in events that are happening in our community. I also volunteer with community based organizations and opportunities to provide feedback when asked.
Keep Govt. and Govt. agencies aware of what their jobs really are supposed to be
Keep up to date on available resources, volunteer, identify and contact local municipal leaders of issues.
Less wait time at medicentres
Let your voice be heard.
Let's bring back community watch programs
Leverage what connections I have in the community to have conversations about where we live and what we want it to be. Discuss what a shared responsibility looks like. Share real stories, discuss issues, understand supports that are available, share good news and challenging issues.
Listen to marginalized people, listen to young people, provide more opportunities for these people to meaningfully participate.
Listen to people and at least think about what they are saying. Include the general public when considering important decisions affecting them.

listen to what the people have to say in the community not do what they want and have volunteers
Living in rural strathcona county, we have been victim to several break ins and feel this is something that needs to be dealt with more in building a safe community
Lobby County to improve deficits, stay connected to my neighbors, volunteer.
Make suggestions to Strathcona County.
Make/send surveysHelp people in needBe a role model/ responsible.
Modelling respectful behaviour to ALL of our community members, providing feedback and completing surveys such as this, going to various community events
More govt, municipal discussions in the rural areas. More presence in the outlying communities to discuss matters of importance, growth, affordability, roads, schools, infrastructure etc.
More public engagement on initiatives
More support from elected officials on important issues
More town hall meetings so citizens can share their ideas.
Open conversations (ie: focus groups)
outline some goals for the community, talk to other people from different places.
Participate and give input
Participate in local events, and community surveysTalk to your county councillors about your concerns.Get involved !!!! Even it is only once a week.Connect with your neighbours.
Participate, advocate and encourage where and when possible
Participate, vote, advocate, advise
Promote people with disabilities as contributing and valued members in their community.
Promote public safety and disaster preparedness
Protest
Provide feedback as to what can happen to being the build. This is my feedback.
Provide my opinion and support community events.
Public hearings in schools regarding drugs, as well as parental contact and increased enforcement in the general public, the government does not realize (or if they do, do not enforce) this problem.Such hearings should also be held towards hatred towards peoples, regarding racism and bias towards and/or against color, sexuality, culture and/or other.
Put an end to abuse.
Raise my children to participate in community activities (ie park clean-ups, community activities- participate in townhall forums for feedback- be kind to others and offer help to my fellow community members
Reach out.
Right now, I'm studying Human Service Administration through MacEwan University in hopes to help build stronger communities through non-profit services. Right now, I volunteer for my son's hockey team. I also (informally) advocate for the SC Library.
Share any concerning or suspicious information with neighbors and RCMP
Speak out!
Speak up, make your needs and wishes known. Interact with the regulatory people in the proper forums.
Stand up to bullying.
Start believing that I can make a difference. it starts with the person taking the steps to make change. But, how do you do that when the system is flawed. I am talking about my person situation. It all starts with me. Let's talk.
start communicate betterlisten to each others options

Stronger is the wrong word. What can I do to continue supporting my diverse community?I can continue advocating for seniors and their issues (like affordable housing).I can continue volunteering.I can continue to support the food bank with my excess vegetable garden produce.I can continue to shovel my elderly neighbors driveways.I can continue to ensure that my neighborhood is safe & healthy by reporting discrepancies. And most of all, continue to participate in County surveys like this.
Support kids who are not treated fairly
Supporting local businesses, contribute to discussion, value your neighbor and neighborhood.
Take your own initiative to make others feel welcome and welcome to speak out and let their inner personality glitter!
Talk about the real issues going on even if those issues are scary.
talk to many people and say what you want to, don't keep it bottled up inside
Talk to more people about this. Talk to everyone in the community and get their perspective on it.
Talk to my neighbors, continue volunteering, maintain an awareness of issues & advocate for change...
Talk to my neighbours,get clear on what is important to them. Determine what challenges face them. Get involved in community league type activity. Engage my council person, relay concerns constructively.
Talk to people about personal experiences and don't be shy to tell people what has and has not worked for me.
Talk to the Community
Talk with ward councillors and bring up issues with the current state of community no matter how minor. Inspire unity between the other residents and attend local events
Teach/advocate for those who do not know the system well enough to do it themselves.
Tell a adult what a good idea is then if they approve it write a mla a letter and he/she could do something about it (Ex, more outdoor rinks)
This survey
To share your opinions with others.
Urge more daycare centres
Use my voice.
Voice my opinions and support the councillors who agree with what I feel needs to be done, Other than that, support my neighbors and friends in whatever way I can, I do volunteer quite a bit, but age is catching up with me fast these days and years/
voice opinions
Volunteer with local organization to make Strathcona a stronger community. Also, Strathcona county especially sherwood park has lot of older population, please reach out to them through traditional medium of communication rather than electronic medium. We need their involvement to build a stronger community
Volunteer, advocate for those without a voice.
Volunteer, be a part of the decision making process when it comes to education, healthcare, etc
Volunteer, sit on advisory boards, provide feedback, sit on comittees etc . ensure plans and ideas are implemented not left in their inital stages
VolunteerAdvocateSupportLearnParticipate
welcome new people to the community report any issues that we see that are not being met to the County
word of moth - professionally and personally remind people of the importance of community and all the community supports that are avaiable
work together and get are input more often
Total

Question 2) Advocacy: Youth issues

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
A good generation of youth
Allow youth to be heard
As a high school student, I think that I build a stronger community by being active in my school community and encouraging others to be active in Strathcona County. Knowing who my counselor representing me will also add to being a stronger community member so I can send emails, letters, and express the issues that are heavy on my heart. I also think that having a positive attitude, spending time with friends and family in the community can add to a stronger community.
As a senior I would be somewhat limited but just being a better ambassador to any people I connect with
as a teacher I can continue to work with the county's youth to build these values for the future generations
As a teacher, educate our youth to be active and involved members of the community.
bottle drivesbuild a hang out place for people like teens
Continue being part of youth council
Continue to be aware - expensive community to live in - I am a single mother and do not qualify for any assistance or support. I choose the keep my children where they have grown up so far - would appreciate support groups but wouldn't move to this affluent community expecting handouts from others that are suffering in today's political and economical climate as well. I will also continue to advocate for my children to have good affordable academic, medical, recreational and other resources in the community which they live.
Continue to support and strive for children's mental health.
For teen make housing less
Get to know my neighborsVolunteerGet my church involvedHelp at my kids school
Getting involved with youth and senior organizations
Getting youth involved more in the community
go to the schools and teach the children how valuable volunteering now and in their future.
Have easier access to jobs for teens, more stores that have more variety for other types of stuff like outdoor, children, modern technology.
Have happier teens kids and adults so that we are all happy
Help the youth against drugs.
I already work with the youth council
I am a teacher in our community who tries to foster acceptance, empathy and compassion in our teens.
I am currently involved in Cadets working with the youth to develop leadership, and citizenship within our community. I also strive to meet my neighbours and develop a relationship with them.
I am part of youth rock and so I help with youth across a bites in the community
I belong to the Strathcona County Diversity Committee which is working towards these goals. I am a Scouts Canada Scouter. Our programs support development of youth so they value themselves and others. We work to support the community around us.
I can be more involved in community activities and programs, things like the teen advisory committee and other library programs. Maybe other teen committees and programs can be implemented to help youth become more engaged in the community.
I can contribute my opinions to Youth Council, speaking my opinions as well as those I know whoms voices may not be heard. I can also attend/plan activities throughout the community that can assist in building a stronger community.

I feel that youth especially are divided by financial status. Something to fix this? Better communication about mental health, and making it more of a norm and less alienated.
i fell like we need more resources open to the youth at schools. I don't know much opened for youth
I run the Salisbury Composite High gay straight alliance. I engage in LGBT activism.
I think we need to start with the kids in school they need to know there safe..and I feel like not enough is being done on that level bullying is a major problem that seems to have no consequence
I would like to see a teen activity start up in our community and homework support. I would also like to see more connection with seniors and teens. Perhaps helping each other with projects. Our community has spoke of a time bank trading system. I would like to help get that off the ground.
Keep giving back in ways that help our youth feel apart of the future.
Larger tax breaks for seniors - the 100.00 rebate is not enough
Listen to marginalized people, listen to young people, provide more opportunities for these people to meaningfully participate.
More basketball courts for teenagers to play so we don't have to be with the littleKids at millenniumPlace.
more group activities for youth and more advertising for them.less expensive things for youth to do.
More volunteer or places for students who cannot afford secondary schooling to get into the work force and mentor our community
Participate in youth council, spread awareness, join community events, volunteer, support my school, be a good neighbor
Provide mentor-ship- support students as they attempt to find their way.
Refute the curfew that discriminates againsts young people and goes against charter rights
Something really needs to be done about the drug problem at the highschoools, particularly Salisbury, there is a big problem within their halls. In talking with my own children there seems to be more dealing and smoking then actual learning. The kids stated the school is aware but not much gets done about it.
Start with the youth. Create more local jobs.
Talk more and work together
Teach my children well
Teenager projectsFairness
VolunteerHelp the youth
We should focus on building more youth spaces. Also I believe we need to have more easily accessible recreation programs in rural areas.
We support the youth programs where possible, volunteer in various events and mentor the younger people in our lives.
You can help kids which are alone feel like they belong.
Total

Question 2) Advocacy: Seniors issues

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- Is it time for a post secondary institution?- More rec facilities, an MP type facility South East side- Senior housing
Advocate for services for seniors
As a 55+ club member - I help other seniors daily - social, help drive them - provide info when needed.
Attend senior events-get acquainted with other seniors
Continue to advocate for seniors.

feel "locked out". we are seniors living rurally, limited transportation and waiting for lodge
Feel helpless. Live rural and no transportation (limited), waiting for lodge,
Getting involved with youth and senior organizations
help older people and volunteer
Help out an elder
Help out in activities with elders. Clean up garbage and make our world a better place and other things
Helping elderly neighbors, volunteering at community events
I will take part in groups that include retirees who are not yet past their "due by date".
I would like to be part of a seniors centre that offers more services and programs (I don't play card or play games). People I know aren't joining for the same reasons.
I would like to see a teen activity start up in our community and homework support. I would also like to see more connection with seniors and teens. Perhaps helping each other with projects. Our community has spoke of a time bank trading system. I would like to help get that off the ground.
Include seniors
increased communication of services for the elderly and those in need (unemployed or single parents).
Involve seniors in decisions regarding activities and services.Full service hospital instead of going to Fort SK.Decision on which hospital to attend.
Involve seniors in the decision making re: Housing development before providing building permits. We don't need granite counters and stainless steel things that put the price up.
More "regular" people or "seniors" involved.Make seniors programs more available for "challenged" seniors.
More supports for handicapped seniors.
Senior core facilities
Tell my friend the things that the county offers seniors.
volunteer - take a senior who does drive in for coffee and groceries - visit a a person who lives alone - phone a person who lives alone to make sure they are ok everyday.
Volunteer with local organization to make Strathcona a stronger community. Also, Strathcona county especially sherwood park has lot of older population, please reach out to them through traditional medium of communication rather than electronic medium. We need their involvement to build a stronger community
volunteer, ideas and brainstorming. Wants to help other seniors, not sure how to start. Willing to help out anywhere.
Volunteer. Support existing groups, partake activities (seniors)
Volunteering at volunteer centerVolunteering at seniors centre's such as 55+ club.
Work in the senior community to better provide for aging in place services.
Work to keep seniors in their homes as long as possible, make transportation available to rural seniors, lower property taxes for seniors in their own homes regardless of income
Total

Question 2) Identification of gaps/problems: Affordable housing/special needs

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
,ore support and housing affordable childcare for single moms.
Affordability of housing and access to low cost community programs. Doing a great job already
Am involved in development of affordable seniors housing.

Attention to needs of seniors, and of those with higher social need (poor, mentally ill, etc).
Continue to work on committees. Respect all citizens. Respect diversity in all areas. Welcome newcomers. Advocate for low cost housing. Advocate for mental health services.
create more senior housing
feel "locked out". we are seniors living rurally, limited transportation and waiting for lodge
Feel helpless. Live rural and no transportation (limited), waiting for lodge,
Get better housing for the people in lower class
Get to know my coworkers and learn what opportunities exist for single people on a fixed income in the county. There isn't much in the way of affordable housing so my options are limited. Also as a single person i feel very disconnected from other single professionals since the county caters so strongly to families of higher income earners. Perhaps Strathcona County could do something similar as the City of Edmonton and offer discounts to employees to use the public facilities. I would probably get a gym pass and stay more often in the community, and consider moving into the county if there was incentives like affordable housing, better transportation options and incentives to live and play in the County.
Have support groups, have extra financing for woman leaving abusive relationships, for us to be able to find affordable housing, moving costs, furniture food etc
Help the homeless
Houses for people with disabilities in low price.
Housing prices are stupid high for what reason? Work together
I am working with several groups to have an Affordable Independent Housing Symposium for Sherwood Park
I can volunteer on any committees that support helping people with disabilities to obtain subsidized special needs bussing and to help get the word out there about subsidized housing for lower income moms and dads.. I would be glad to help out with these organizations Gladly...
improve efforts towards mental health and reduce crime rates including thefts
Lower mortgages, more understanding and better education
Make housing less expensive please
Make housing more affordable and make child care cheaper for working parents. Making more places for kids to go and more accessible places for kids.
make sure everyone is safe and make more houses
making housing more affordable
more affordable housing
More affordable housing for young people just starting out and seniors wanting to move into senior accommodation and stay in their community. The price of sports/recreation is also very costly. A family swim is 23.75 at MP. How often can a family with one income afford to go swimming as well as put the kids into soccer or hockey.
More affordable housing. More appreciation for police and respect
Neighbourhood watch. Affordable housing.
Re-evaluate cost of living, houses and taxes.
Speak to my friends and neighbors to lobby for affordable housing
There should be more jobs in strathcona county. My father was unemployed for almost 1 1/2 years. He did just get a job but I don't want other people in this situation. We lost our house because the rent was too high
Total

Question 2) Identification of gaps/problems: Low income families

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
More support and housing affordable childcare for single moms.
Advocate for families that cannot afford to put their children in sports, community theatre because everything is so BIG in SP. You need money for kids to participate in this community.
Better salaries.
Continue to volunteer with our most vulnerable and try in my small way to help make their lives better
Engage neighbours. Participate in County initiatives. Shovel walks for senior neighbours. Be aware of vulnerable neighbours, and assist where possible.
Get to know my coworkers and learn what opportunities exist for single people on a fixed income in the county. There isn't much in the way of affordable housing so my options are limited. Also as a single person I feel very disconnected from other single professionals since the county caters so strongly to families of higher income earners. Perhaps Strathcona County could do something similar as the City of Edmonton and offer discounts to employees to use the public facilities. I would probably get a gym pass and stay more often in the community, and consider moving into the county if there were incentives like affordable housing, better transportation options and incentives to live and play in the County.
Have more after school programs for kids whose parents work and have no way of getting home, making school busing more affordable
Have people have all needs to live
Have support groups, have extra financing for women leaving abusive relationships, for us to be able to find affordable housing, moving costs, furniture food etc
help those I see in need - on the street, in the mall, at county buildings!
I believe speaking about certain issues with those struggling in those areas will bring a stronger sense of community. Vulnerable is huge when looking for healing in people's lives - which we all search for in different ways.
I live here for almost 10 years, tried to organize neighbourhood social meetings without success. People living on acreages are not friendly and don't want to socialize. The "me, me" attitude very high. Milenium is too expensive for an average person. I could volunteer in some capacity.
Lowering prices.
Make housing more affordable and make child care cheaper for working parents. Making more places for kids to go and more accessible places for kids.
Make summer camps and extra curricular activities free/cheaper so parents can give their child(ren) the activities they like without taking money away from necessities.
Make sure everyone is equal, people are nice to everyone and accept everyone. Make things affordable and help out those in need.
maybe include some support services that are available in the recreation guide so that people know there is help without having to qualify for social services. Some people do not know that there are services for the "in between".
meet our basic needs
Meet the people's basic needs so everyone's quality of life can be improved as much as possible.
More affordable housing for young people just starting out and seniors wanting to move into senior accommodation and stay in their community. The price of sports/recreation is also very costly. A family swim is 23.75 at MP. How often can a family with one income afford to go swimming as well as put the kids into soccer or hockey.
more affordable kids, youth, senior programs
More community based events ie Christmas parade. Offer support for low income families.
More services available. Example: dental checkup for under 3 free, not because of high income.

Not put people down, help a fellow Sherwood Parkein and just try to make most things reasonable,affordable and safe.
Participate in community events, support local businesses, remain community conscious in all aspects of trying to meet basic needs (adequate income, education, childcare, housing, transportation, etc.).
Put more programs in place to support those who need it
Start to really connect with the community though personal engagement and ask them what they need to thrive and have success. Then facilitate, and create initiatives that will address those needs. Look to marginalized groups and find out from them what they need. Less top down more grass roots informed decisions and initiatives. Look to broaden the types of people able to live and raise families in the county as it seems very lacking in ethnic diversity.
Support and help the needy
There needs to be more to offer low income ffamilies support and assistance
There should be more jobs in strathcona county. My father was unemployed for almost 1 1/2 years. He did just get a job but I don't want other people in this situation. We lost our house because the rent was to high
Watch for opportunities to be aware of those in need and support the people that are in my reach.
Work with all level of income earners, and stop the NIMBY attitude and perception of bigger is better. Those who don't have to work two jobs to keep a roof over their heads may have time to contribute to helping others by volunteering or assisting with many of the support groups in the County.
Total

Question 2) Identification of gaps/problems: Other (i.e., cat bylaws, etc.)

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- Is it time for a post secondary institution?- More rec facilities, an MP type facility South East side- Senior housing
Add a skatepark that's accessible for people to walk to in Sherwood park
Another skate park
better health care for everyone
Better options for childcare
Build a basketball court
Build a new skatepark that's bigger
Build a skate park
Build more community structures
Build more gyms and give out free memberships
Build more jobs.
Build more places for people to go
build up not out to save the environment
can't feel connected in such a big community. only small towns have that sense of connection
Care for the environment.
Clean up the range roads.
Continue to work on committees.Respect all citizensRespect diversity in all areasWelcome newcomersAdvocate for low cost housingAdvocate for mental health services.
Educate the community on the needs that aren't always visible.
Find out what matters to the community that has high impact.

Focus on what we already have and identify the gaps - and act on them
Get a job.
Go around schools and talk about the negatives.
go to the gym and work out.
Have a cat bylaw!
Having a strict "no discrimination" policy. Consequences for inappropriate behaviour, aka verbally attacking others
Help clean up nature areas and cut back on litter.
Help out smaller farms after the introduction of bill-6
Higher speed limits/less speed cameras
I can advocate for an anti-bullying by-law.
I can notify the public health department.
I guess get what is happening to me and my family out there but no one actually cares becuse they don't want ur problems.but help other out and listen to them I am good at that I just don't talk about my issues.while smiling on the outside but having a war on the inside.
I think having a splash park in the Collingwood wood cove community would be something to think about. Also Portable potty available at the park as well. Would bring more of the communities in this area together to have a splash park! Parent link programs are awesome all the workers are so friendly and we would like to thank you for that.
I think we need to be cognizant that most adults do not spend their days in the county but in Edmonton or other areas for work. in addition, we access and identify with Edmonton for much of our entertainment. Therefore, how does the county create a brand that supports the weekend/bedroom community that we are?
Less people in high places using politics to get what they want-everything should be fair to all-not based on who u r in society or how much money you have.
Less photo radar!
Make more jobs
Make the rinks cost less.
Money
More affordable housingMore appreciation for police and respect
More basketball courts
More facilities for children
More incentives for small businesses.
more jobs
More jobs for youth
More places to go do things
More rinks, tegler indoor skatepark, upgrade millennium place
More support for local business and enterprise. Less dependence on City of Edmonton. Become more self sustaining.
more things to do later at night
More workers
Not in acting bylaws to please a few. Focus on getting people back to work.
Probably put more milk vending machines
Provide feedback for school systems, report any criminal/suspicious behaviour.

Raise my family and pay my taxes so that YOU can continue to have heavy coffers for such important projects as: Revitalizing Center in the Park every 3 years, another recreation facility, a 25 bed "hospital". Take the time to focus on real projects instead of all the fluff.
Sport programs for teens for ALL ages
This is a goal for after things improve on the other topics, depression and self harm are a disease in this community,don't over look it to focus on making "the community" stronger
VoteVolunteerTake part in surveysBe a positive, friendly and helpful member of societyCitizens on patrol
Watch out in my neighborhood for crime.Purchase asthma inhalers and gas masks to combat the air pollution.Go to Edmonton Emergency departments if I have a real medical emergency or need surgery.Get another job to pay for the high house taxes.Support local community events.
We can work on keeping our communities attractive and comfortable. We must keep parking of RVs limited and be very careful with "in-fills", as we must acknowledge vehicle traffic, parking, etc., which was not part of the original design of our communities.
Work together and support people and maybe a LRT to shpk so people are available fof and able to get to edmonton cheaper for more jobs, goods, etc.
would be happy to join a group to study traffic safety. kudos re: library & recreation.
Total

Question 2) Identification of gaps/problems: Be environmentally friendly

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
Don't throw garbage on the ground and please recycle
even the smallest things matter like picking up garbage in a field, supporting friends, etc...
Help by respecting the law and environment.
Help out in activities with elders. Clean up garbage and make our world a better place and other things
pick up garbage
Pick up garbage
Pick up garbage if I see it on the streets to help clean and make it a nicer place to live
pick up garbagedo more bonding
pick up litter.
recycle
Recycle
RECYCLE
Recycling
Shorter showers, don't litter!
SHORTER SHOWERS, DON'T LITTER!
Stop littering in our environment
support community events with my attendance and fundingmake suggestions for improvement via county connect.keep my residence and land clean and well kept.pay my taxes willingly
take the trash out
take time to pick up garbage and other community volunteering stuff.
Total

Question 2) Good Citizenship: Caring member of community

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
-be honest/nice/kind-my parents volunteer-I pick up garbage-I help others
-be more interactive-be helpful-clean up the garbage around school and in my community
-be nice-volunteer work-consider everyone else, other than ourselves-focus on our mental health AND others
-support causes & efforts that contribute to making the county a better environment for us all-participate when called on to do so
1) I work at being connected with my neighbours and being concerned for their welfare and safety2)I tutor students
Attend more community related meetings with a focus on betterment.
Avoid fights be nice to people on the city bus be respectful.
Be a better person for others
Be a friend to someone lonely or a newcomer, especially immigrants, foster parents, single mum with kids, the vulnerable. Notice people & speak to them kindly, warmly. Offer to help when I learn of a need. Help someone learn English. Accept & affirm "different" people. Look for opportunities to help. Mentor a teen or young mum. Listen to others. Be kind & gracious & caring. Show appreciation, respect. Encourage. Intervene if I see abuse of a spouse, child or animal. Alert RCMP of suspicious people or activities. Let others know I am available & helpful. Pick up garbage & dog poop or dangerous items scattered in public spaces. Recycle. Compost. Adopt a child or rescue dog. Be considerate of others. Be a good neighbours. Organize a block party.
Be a good and law abiding resident
Be a good citizen and do my part within my financial, mental and physical abilities
Be a good citizen and respect others
Be a good citizen of this place treasure what we have be a good example to co-Filipinos staying here.
Be a good member of society, fulfill obligations.
Be a good neighbor
Be a good neighbor - help others
Be a good person
Be a kind and caring citizen
Be a nice person
be a police officer
Be aware of the people around and try to recognize if I can do anything to help make their life better.
Be aware of the situations of others around me and be open and supportive of those who need my help.
Be Friendly
be friendly, help those in emotional and physical trauma, make new friends, be a better person
Be good law abiding citizens. Respect all nationalities.Treat our neighbours fairly.
Be happy with other people living here
Be intentional
Be kind
Be kind and helpful
Be kind, respect my peers & elders & help out wherever. I can as well as being a contribution member to society volunteering.

Be kind,accept everyone, do your part to keep the community safe, volunteer where you can. Be the best citizen you can. Watch out for the children.
Be more connected to the citizens.
Be nice
Be nice and kind to everyone
be nice to everyone and everything
be nice:)
Be responsible citizens
Be responsible, be a good neighbour
Be there, be a good neighbor encourage others
being a good citizen
being a law abiding citizen, I must be a role model of the youth. I respect and follow all the rules that are being implemented. I'll treat everybody fairly and incourage to be physical & mentally fit
Being involved, however that may look, in your community is essential to help build a stronger one. This can be done through volunteering, taking part in social activities/events, and by supporting your local businesses.
Being the best you can to yourself, and others.
By being awesome
By being honest, friendly, and displaying an open attitude to those around me, I feel I can give the presence that I am someone they can talk if in need. This will help create a bond and trust in the community.
Cheerful, positive conversation with any I encounter.
Clean powerGrow up not out
Component people and talk to people who you are not used to talking to.
Contact my councillor and let them know that diving into SJW is not the role of a healthy municipal government.
Continue being a cheerful. caring.helpful. citizen
Continue being a good citizen, upholding the law and treat everyone with respect.
Continue doing my job in the public eye as respectfully and professionally as possible.
Continue moving forward with an open mind.
Continue to be involved in my community - we live in a rural area where we all know and watch out for each other.
continue to listen and be a voice for vulnerable people , gathering information for more services
Continue to share knowledge about community events and reinforce the need for everyone to be an involved citazen
Continue to understand what is needed in our community and assist or start programs.
continue to volunteer in various areas, continue to assist those in need financially and with essentials, continue to smile at people and treat people with respect, setting an example to my children (the next generation) and others.
cut down smoking, slim down eating habit, stay away from drinking more often, spend more time with family instead of gambling, work harder, pay more taxes and volunteer at community events
do my part
Do some more stuff
Do what I have to do and what I can do on my own.
do your part
Don't litter

Each and everyone should get every information about the programs going on in the community and should create the situation to get involved in every program. People living in the community should have love and care about their community.
Encourage the powers that be to work on all of the above, give them support as they work on bettering our community. I pray for them all.
engage in community led programs, utilize community services
Everyone has just got to look out for eachother.
Everything
Focus on modelling respect and care in my family in hopes that my kids will become positive and constructive citizens. To be self reliant. To realize that fellow residents sometimes require support to get back on a path of resilience. In this regard I can take actions to help my friends. I can also strive to create a respectful workplace through my occupation. I also believe our municipal and provincial governments play a key role in delivering supports.
Follow rules and not act carelessly or be destructive.
Follow rules and regulations of the community and pay taxes.
follow the laws
follow the laws and have a good community
Getting to know all your neighbors and if there are any needs there. Then how can you get involved in the community to assist or volunteer in areas where you are gifted in. County counselor should hold townhall sessions throughout their area a number of times throughout the year to hear community concerns
Give my opinion. Don't be a bad person.
Going to community events , communication with others
Good citizen. Pick up litter. Report suspicious behaviour. Positive attitude to others. Volunteer.
Have more respect towards my neighbors and work on having a more positive attitude.
Help in any way I can to help our community grow and prosper
I am a member of Strathcona County Citizens on Patrol and go on regular patrols in the rural area watching for suspicious activity. I also communicate with my neighbours to remind them to be watching for suspicious vehicles in our subdivision and around the mailboxes.
I am already passionate about volunteering and do a lot of it - so just expand my activities to be the best of my abilities.
I can be a responsible, caring member of our community who supports others. I can raise my children to do the same for future generations.
I can be as human as I can, I can reach out and help people having a bad day, or something simply and just hold/open a door for someone.
I can be friendly to others around me to make them feel safe and welcomed.
I can give you guys ideas that could possibly work in the future and I could hold the door open at the grocery store for someone that has their hands full. I could also stop fighting with my brother to make my parents happier. :)
I can help by being a good person
I can help people be a better person
i can live the values of the community and encourage my friends and family to do the same. I can also support community programs and service providers, and really try to keep my business local.
I can try to be an overall better person.
I can try to do more things for it, to try to improve the community
I could be a community watch person to report suspicious activity n people.
I do my part as well as I can by doing things like always recycling, using green bins, and keeping garbage to a minimum.

I have made Church my community and I help there, as well as engage with others by walking in the community. It is the face-to-face contacts within my community that I get to know others. When I cut my grass and shoveling my snow I say a greeting to people who walk by.
I have to start taking my own garbage bags out when walking to pick up other peoples litter.
I love to help the community by listening to them and helping out our women folk (especially) airing their problems, fears, worries, aspirations, dreams and finding ways to offer help through your agency that they can help themselves and start to feel being heard and being helped. Taking part and encouraging others to attend valuable workshops for community members in different areas of life, raising children, cooking, cleaning, baking, computer skills & social etiquette.
I need to become more aware of the volunteer opportunities that I can get involved in. My personal situation is positive right now. I would like to be giving back to this community.
I spent my working career on community focused issues. I continue to do so through my family and friends as needed.
I will continue to support my immediate family and close friends of the family.
I work on my own health and support initiatives like the food bank, St. Vincent de Paul (furniture for the needy) and charities serving those most in need in the community.
If I am ever walking my dog I will pick up trash I see laying on the ground and throw it away.
just be a good and helpful citizen in all aspects.
Just do the little things and have a positive impact on everybody I encounter.
Just meet people and understand, become friends and family
Just to be outgoing and kind. To be happy to make others happy.
Keep a positive attitude and help out when it is needed
Lead by example. Be a courteous safe driver
Lead by example. Live with integrity as if someone is always watching. Offer kindness even when they don't deserve it. Forgive. And take care of myself!
Listen genuinely to understand the hopes and concerns of others in my community. Continue to volunteer for events that bring people together to celebrate our community (e.g., New Year's Eve Festival). Model the behaviour I expect from others.
Listen to the people
Make sure everyone is equal, people are nice to everyone and accept everyone. Make things affordable and help out those in need.
Make/send surveys Help people in need Be a role model/ responsible.
Maybe understand people better. Smile more often to help spread happiness. Do little good deeds or random acts of kindnesses for people more often. Help people out more where help is needed. And I guess be there for people when help just need someone to talk to.
Model appropriate behavior for community members and children.
More support.
My personal suggestion would be to encourage school discipline; I have seen countless examples of both friends and just general peers not caring about their education. Being the future generation, we need to care about our future. Besides that, just communication, really.
Not litter
Not litter and get a good job so I can afford a house?
Not littering and being a good community member.
not put people down treat others as you want to be treated donate and volunteer
open doors for other people and use my manners
Open doors to communication.

Participate educate and be helpful towards our own family, friends and others. When you take care of yourself and your own you teach your family to do same. If we all participate educate then we work together to make a stronger community.
Participate in fundraisers and surveys like this.
participate, vote and be a part of the community.
Pay fair taxes
pay taxes
Pick up garbage.
Promote the counties various groups, departments and associations that provide services to people in the community.
Raise connected, safe, valued, healthy children who value this community.
Reach to others.
Respect County rules and regulations
Respect for each other. Help out if you can. Be positive in your daily life. Listen to others. Be understanding.
Right now, do my best to be a trusting and respectful person to the people in my community. My job at Sobeys is to be friendly and helpful as an employee in customer service.
Say hello to everybody that I see around
Serve those in any need
Show kindness and support to those in need. Refer people struggling to places and resources that can help them.
small things like asking someone how there day was
Start with a smile. Be friendly. Be an ambassador for the community.
Strong presence in the community
Stronger is the wrong word. What can I do to continue supporting my diverse community?I can continue advocating for seniors and their issues (like affordable housing).I can continue volunteering.I can continue to support the food bank with my excess vegetable garden produce.I can continue to shovel my elderly neighbors driveways.I can continue to ensure that my neighborhood is safe & healthy by reporting discrepancies. And most of all, continue to participate in County surveys like this.
Support friends and give advice.
Support local business. Take public transit - please make more parking at Bethel.Go to local library and events - again the parking situation is very difficult.Be involved and support local sport teams. Pick up garbage and recycle. Watch out for your neighbours and their property. Drive the speed limit and not with distractions. Support causes and charities that are raising funds for our community.
support sports teams
Support the programs we are already offering people and providing care so waiting lists and others are not missed that are needing help/re: more available workers in these programs. The need is great. By groups working together and networking we can reach more people in need.
Supporting community sports.
Take part in community events and make people feel welcomed.
Take part of keeping it clean and safe
take the survey
Taking citizens opinions to heart
talk to new people and make sure you do not leave anyone out
talk to other people and cheer them if theyre not happy
Talk to people who maybe are having emotional problems or problems at home

to be a good friend
To do more things with the community
To practice being a person people can trust, respect and rely on in the community. We all need to help and support each other. To give back to the community as much as possible
Try and do my part in keeping our community clean
try to do more things with my immediate neighbours
volunteer, become informed, talk with my neighbours
Volunteer, spread positive messages, help each other out, teach our children and grandchildren about others in need.
Volunteer. Donate. Help a neighbour. Treat everyone in our community, no matter what they look like, what they believe or how much money they have, as equal.
Volunteerism, know my neighbour, be considerate to all I come across, seek out and accept services for my personal and daughter's health and well-being. I'll add more thoughts online. Thank you!
We are pretty involved already. I guess I could open a business....
We help our next door neighbor. She lives alone and has physical and mental challenges. We walk our dog in the neighborhood and smile and greet people along the way. We pick up garbage along the trails. We volunteer when possible. We pay our taxes and do the majority of our shopping, socializing and medical appointments in our community.
we need to support other people of the community we build relationships to connect the community
We see many good things here. More better than not. We find it very clean here. People are friendly, good medical care, and in the stores we see how goes out of their way to help.
Welcome people and don't shut people out
Work around like pick up trash and not asking for pay.
Workout
You can donate to places such as the mustard seed and food bank, and you can be friendly and nice to others in the community.
You can help people by holding doors open for people who need it. You can help them carry things. Its the little things that count and if we help each other we will be a strong community.
You can volunteer for things in the community and be kind wherever we go. Always look to be kind and to make you a better person.
Total

Question 2) Good Citizenship: Voting

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
Elect leaders who stand for these values!
engage in community events, support community decisions, have a voice in the decision making process, volunteer
Give feedback
I do not feel our county concelers care about rural Strathcona county
I will be participating in the local election process
keep elected officials accountable
Know what's going on in my community.
Look for a proper Councillor in my ward who will take the time to listen to their constituents - one who would actually come to the door to see what the people want/need.

nothing the power is taken away from the people and given to the aristocrats and politicians
participate, vote and be a part of the community.
Stay connected, be kin, and care/help others. Hold fun community celebrations.
Take part in community events. Be community aware. Vote
take part in the political process ensuring that our resources are put to good use by elected officials
Voice my opinionsBe knowledgeable about policies related to the community municipal, provincial and federally.
Vote right personally into governing positions
We can come together and use our power to vote and make decisions in the community
Total

Question 2) Good Citizenship: Staying informed

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
A council in every community to talk about how to improve on how to make things better
Anything within my reach
Be aware and listen as I go about my daily activities. Keep abreast of changes that occur. Help when I can.
Be aware of what is going on in my neighborhood and community.Read local paper.Talk with councilors, neighbors, community members Be involved.
Be current and stay connected with everything that is going on. Even volunteer when needed.
Be informed, take an intrest
Be well informed - volunteer service
Become aware of the issues, support local businesses and community.
Become more aware of community issues.
Become more involved and attend Council meetings to be more informed
Continue to stay current on what's happening in our community and make an effor to do so by following social media and attending community events.
Continue to support and build awareness about the opportunities that are available and talk with others about what is possible. Organize opportunities for connections. Connect with staff in other service departments.
get involved and informed
Get involved. Attend events, read the paper, join community league, volunteer, get to know neighbors
Give opinions on buildings and people in the community.
have a community talk at the library lime a rehab thing
Have more meetings and conferences to talk about problems.
I am always involved in the community. Talking to people, listening to people. Young people, seniors, everyone.
I volunteer to provide sports opportunities for kids and support a family escaping abuse. I have been asking youth of different backgrounds to tell me their stories so I can be informed about racism in our community in order to help me combat it and support them.
I work with residents in my condo to share information about health issues, financial programs, transportation.

Inform as to all developments ongoing; e.g. Sherwood Drive & Lakeland construction? What is it?????? Lights blinding to early morning drivers!
Join activist groups, maintain contact with government representatives on issues concerning you, volunteer, and get a good education or educate others.
Keep staying connected and informed.
Listen to people and at least think about what they are saying. Include the general public when considering important decisions affecting them.
Look after my family and friends. Keep myself healthy by being proactive.
Make people make aware of what community groups are available. Ex. Block parent programs, neighbourhood watch, etc.
Make sure people know this is happening.
More public engagement on initiatives
More surveys to see what the people of strathcona want to do too achieve this option
more surveys, so get our opinion, and us partaking is good.
Open conversations (ie: focus groups)
Participate in community discussions
Participate in meetings
Probably more vulnerable to the programs, attending some meetings if possible
Provide input as requested such as surveys and polls.
Provide my opinion and input. Help where I can.
Send suggestions to the mayor.
Stay informed and support the achieving of goals.
Stay informed and volunteer.
Stay informed. Participate in community events.
Take part in it surveys, discussion and help people out.
take part in the political process ensuring that our resources are put to good use by elected officials
Voice my opinionsBe knowledgeably about policies related to the community municipal, provincial and federally.
Volunteering Being aware of community issues.
Total

Question 2) Other: Shop local

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- shop local- be involved in our community- volunteer
- volunteer- be a good neighbour- tend to my own physical and mental health as much as possible- shop locally as much as possible.
- volunteer- business in sherwood park (work)- shop in sherwood park
-support causes that provide services to local residents (ex. food bank donations)-support local businesses
Be part of Sherwood business association and do your business in the Park for all things you require for they are all in our Sherwood Park community
Become aware of the issues, support local businesses and community.

Better shopping centres so people go out more.
Buy local, hire local.
Buy local, treat residents with fairness and respect
Continue spending time at Strathcona County events and help support local businesses
Focus on small, local business support. I fell they get lost to big business.
I already support local businesses and charities.
i can live the values of the community and encourage my friends and family to do the same. I can also support community programs and service providers, and really try to keep my business local.
I could volunteer more often. I love people and helping others. I must make time for this in the future.
I would like to have more better stores in our Sherwood Park mall - i would go there a lot. Sephora and lululemon
Lower taxes, less business regulation
make the mall better
Participate in community events, support local businesses, remain community conscious in all aspects of trying to meet basic needs (adequate income, education, childcare, housing, transportation, etc.).
Shop local, volunteer locally
Shop more at local businesses, volunteer, stay connected with friends and family, offer support to those in need
Support local business. Take public transit - please make more parking at Bethel.Go to local library and events - again the parking situation is very difficult.Be involved and support local sport teams. Pick up garbage and recycle. Watch out for your neighbours and their property. Drive the speed limit and not with distractions. Support causes and charities that are raising funds for our community.
Support local business. Shop locally. Use local rec facilities with your family.
support local businesses
Support local businesses - be involved in the community.
Support local businesses and facilities and assist with growing community by being more involved in community activities.
Support local businesses. Generosity towards the food bank during this difficult time with the poor economy.Give away items on the upcycling Facebook page.
support local dealers.
Support the local storesHelp out around the community
Supporting local businesses, contribute to discussion, value your neighbor and neighborhood.
Take part in Sherwood park activities and try to shop primarily in Sherwood park.
Use government grant money to start my personal business to help bolster the economy.
Volunteer and help with small businesses instead of getting a job at McDonald's get it at Rosie's or any other non franchise work area.
Volunteer my time. Take part in community activities. Shop in Sherwood park and try to give Sherwood park business's my business.
Volunteer, shop locally, support local events and initiatives, participate in local activities/sports/functions.
Volunteering, supporting local business, getting out there and doing stuff in the community.
Working and shopping in the community is what we as a family do
Total

Question 2) Other: Donate

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
- share events that I do hear about on FaceBook and word of mouth- donate to LOCAL charities
-- Be a good neighbour, report suspicious behaviour-- Help / donate to local charities, volunteer
-- Involve in volunteering; neighbourhood activities-- Assist in food bank donations
-Be a nice person-Donate clothes, food, etc.
-support causes that provide services to local residents (ex. food bank donations)-support local businesses
Be a giver and a doer
Be nice to all people, donate all sorts of stuff. Need more hockey rinks
Charitable donations, protests, public speaking and many others
charity
Do more volunteer work to help out those that are less fortunate than me
Donate
Donate and be a positive influence/ role model on the community
Donate and help each other
Donate different kind of things that can help our community.
Donate food to a food bank
donate money food wqter offer a place to stay treat others nicely
Donate more, understand.
Donate time to help in the community and donate to food bank
Donate to charities
Donate to charitiesDo community service
Donate to food shelter, help out with charities, and finally treat every one around with respect because you don't always know every ones full story. They could be really struggling at home and one mean comment could toss them of the edge.
Donate to the food bank
donate to the food bank and help the poor
donate to those in need
Donate. Help out other people. Run more jobs if I am older.
focus on giving back to the community in these hard economic times
Give more to charity & support community initiatives to help those requiring help.
Give more to charity and support community initiatives to help those requiring help.
Help at food banks, donate, etc.
Help family and friends when we can. Donate time /\$ to charity or those from OUR community.
Help in public events or donate to funds to helo the less fortunate
Help my neighbour. Give to food banks. Volunteer.
Help the homeless, by giving them money, food, water and clothes
Help the less fortunate
I already support local businesses and charities.

I believe helping people with low money or low payment who can't always get what they need would be helpful
I can help by donating to charity to help poorer families.
I can help with like bottle drives or donating
I can try to donate to them
I could donate to charitable organizations (eg. Food bank)
I donate to the food bank and participate in the community
I have donated food stuffs, also clothing - our needs are great in the park!
I will continue to help others less fortunate than myself as I can.
I wish we were in a better position financially to help those in need. Our family is more than happy to help a family in need in other ways, and work together with others to create safe neighbourhoods.
I'll raise money on walks like the domestic violence walk I went to
I'm already doing several things, but I'm sure I could be doing more.I hold several volunteer positions. Our family does contribute to the Food Bank and other local social justice organizations.
Make small contributions of time and money towards community approved efforts.
not put people downtreat others as you want to be treateddonate and volunteer
offer homeless people food or spare change.
Participate and volunteer in community outreach programs as well as maybe to contribute in food share programs
Participate in community events. Donate to food bank, etcVolunteer
Participate! Treat others with kindness. Use social media to share important information. Volunteer for local organizations. Donate to the local food bank. Give feedback to improve transit.
People can do more activities that benefit the community. Volunteer at more organizations that donate to people in need
People need their basic needs met
Pick up litter and donate to the poor
start volunteering for certain things or donating to different causes, help others in the community with their problems
Support financially, programs that help victims of family violence.
Support local businesses. Generosity towards the food bank during this difficult time with the poor economy.Give away items on the upcycling Facebook page.
Support local charities, encourage others to support as wellIn the full page ad in the Sherwood Park News promoting this survey, ktbtalked about "community and business." I see nothing in this survey that speaks to business or their responsibility for a caring community. Was the Chamber just short one page of advertising revenue so the County bailed them out?Business does NOT share our community values. Example? Residents are required to participate in recycling programs. Businesses? Voluntary...I guess if it saves \$\$\$ to recycle, they will. If it cost them precious profit, they do not recycle.
To donate
Treat everyone as people and not harm anyone and help those in need
Use more money on health care
Volunteer , fundraising
Volunteer at places and donate to things like the food banks.
Volunteer for things and donate
volunteer when I can. Donate when I can.
Volunteering (which I do)Talking to people who need to talkDonating

We should donate more to make the people with less money feel more important and apart of the community.
Well there are a lot of people who were laid off, supplying items to the food bank and helping build up the residents will be a great way for me to give back and help one another out.
Work with your school to help charities, etc.
You can give people free food and yen they'll be happy
Total

Question 2) Other: Safety

What can you do to help build a stronger community?
A safer community
Accept people for who they. Stop danger or harm whenever it is happening, especially in places such as; school, teams, or activities. Try to promote healthy mind sets. And build people up, instead of bringing people down.
Again this is something at the people need to do. The County provides adequate policing and fire protection. The rest is up to us. Watching out for our own neighbours is important. Neighbourhood Watch. A strong community is made by the people we have in it. If everyone would get back to the basics of the Golden Rule then we would all be in a better place. To have government intervene and forcing us to be a community we will become communistic vs. free to make our own decisions. Just like to clarify on the education piece, that is the AB government changing the basics to education not the County
All of us working together to continue to build a supported, safe and connected community.
All work together and not harm each other
Be a friend to someone lonely or a newcomer, especially immigrants, foster parents, single mum with kids, the vulnerable. Notice people & speak to them kindly, warmly. Offer to help when I learn of a need. Help someone learn English. Accept & affirm "different" people. Look for opportunities to help. Mentor a teen or young mum. Listen to others. Be kind & gracious & caring. Show appreciation, respect. Encourage. Intervene if I see abuse of a spouse, child or animal. Alert RCMP of suspicious people or activities. Let others know I am available & helpful. Pick up garbage & dog poop or dangerous items scattered in public spaces. Recycle. Compost. Adopt a child or rescue dog. Be considerate of others. Be a good neighbours. Organize a block party.
be a police officer
Be nice to people and stay safe.
Be respectful of others and their property. Obey traffic laws and other drivers. Report suspicious behaviour, bullying etc to proper authorities
Be safe and don't harm anyone.
Better crime prevention and surveillance
by, getting more police officers, more people to watch for bad people doing dumb things.
community watch
Community watch programs.
Continue being a good citizen, upholding the law and treat everyone with respect.
Get rid of DRUGS and have stricter laws with drugs and alcohol laws!
Good rcmp support on patrol to make community safer
Have more security?Be more nice.
Have more securitybeing kind

Have nightly neighborhood watches to ensure everything is safe
Help those that are less fortunate through community volunteer programs. Neighbourhood watch programs Health promotion/primary health care
I am a member of Strathcona County Citizens on Patrol and go on regular patrols in the rural area watching for suspicious activity. I also communicate with my neighbours to remind them to be watching for suspicious vehicles in our subdivision and around the mailboxes.
I can become closer and stronger with the people around me that I may not notice right now but I should like my neighbors so I can see if anything's wrong and at school I can report anything I see that could be bullying instead of just standing there and not doing anything.
I can support community groups like Common Ground Cafe and the Boys' and Girls' Clubs in Sherwood Park and Fort Sask. When I see inappropriate behavior in our community I can speak up or call the RCMP.
I can't do much. I have COPD, No job, (can't get one.) Fixed income. Live in a broken down (Government controlled) apartment building. Barely make ends meet! P.S. Please reduce the speed limit on the ENTIRE Woodbridge Way. Thanks.
I don't know I'm still a school kid, but I could help others live comfortably in a safe, peaceful environment.
I'm vigilant about paying attention in my particular neighbourhood to watch for the safety of my neighbours.
If u see vandalism, you should report it right away.
improve efforts towards mental health and reduce crime rates including thefts
Individuals can strive to keep the community safe and strongly bonded together by taking actions themselves and keeping up to date with the changes in the community.
Lead by example. Be a courteous safe driver
Living in rural strathcona county, we have been victim to several break ins and feel this is something that needs to be dealt with more in building a safe community
Make more police departments
make people feel safe and valued
Make people feel safer.
Make Sherwood Park more walkable.
Make sure everyone feels comfortable and safe at school.
make sure everyone is safe and make more houses
More laws
more police
More police
More RCMP presence, community watch programs
neighborhood watch
Not bully each other.
Not sure what you mean by Stronger. We have a great community and I think most people feel safe, there will always be folks that create issues in a community and we can't solve everything. We need to trust in our police service as they are exceptional.
Our community is safe enough
put gates where there is high crime
Put more cops out on the street so people won't steal.
Put more police officers on the street.
Report any suspicious activity to the police
report any violence
Report crime
safe spaces, clubs, and organizations

Start a night watch and walk the community a couple times late at night
Stay active in Sherwood Park and support what is going on. Be a good neighbor and approach suspicious activity.
Stop bullying!
Talk to my neighbors and watch for criminal behaviour.
To make thing work great around and safe
Watch out in my neighborhood for crime.Purchase asthma inhalers and gas masks to combat the air pollution.Go to Edmonton Emergency departments if I have a real medical emergency or need surgery.Get another job to pay for the high house taxes.Support local community events.
Watching for crime in the neighborhood
We can help make the community feel safer and make sure people have places to go if they don't have a house or if they are feeling hurt or scared
we need to feel safe, that our ideas will not be made fun of or persecuted because they are different to your own
we should be able to work together as a community to create a safe and healthy enviroment.



**Notes received from the
community conversations**

Community Conversation

Date: October 26 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Emergency Services does a great job at communicating this through programs like D.A.R.E.

Recreational facilities help everyone access recreational opportunities regardless of income.

Places in the community like the Common Ground Café, offer their space for people to meet and socialize with each other.

The Seniors' Outreach Program has been so helpful to me.

We feel like we are living in a protected community and we don't have issues with people not having their needs met.

I might be aware of this issue but I choose not to get involved as it doesn't affect me.

It has been so long since I raised my family that I don't know how things are for people needing childcare services.

I feel like these kinds of issues happen in every community.

Things have changed since I was young and I don't know if things are better or worse.

Strathcona County has the best good health care services - best in the County

How can we improve as a community?

Better communication on the issues that are affected residents in Strathcona County.

People don't respect their neighbors like they used to. This could be better.

There is a problem here with finding adequate health care services. For example, I still haven't found a doctor who is taking new patients and the doctors that I have seen, I feel like I cannot trust them. We need more doctors who are willing to take new patients and doctor's you can trust. What do you do if you don't trust your doctor?

My husband has dementia and I've had no support. I even called the Minister of Health and contacted my MLA. As a caregiver I've struggle to get the help I need. We need better supports for caregivers in this community.

I live in Glenbrook area and so many people living with dementia in this community and have also died in the past couple of years. We need better supports for people living with dementia and their caregivers.

Better communication to people about the services available, if they are available. Use the Sherwood Park News to communicate. Maybe a senior's magazine to communicate issues affecting seniors.

Offer informal places for seniors to gather and talk about issues.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

I like to volunteer but I feel too tired and would like to see more young people volunteering their time.

Volunteers are getting older. We need younger people to help.

Inspire younger people to want to help. Maybe seniors could go in to schools and work with young people on this.

The 40 year olds could also do more.

Seek out people who are lonely.

Community Conversation

Date: October 27 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Free flu shots to Canadians, accessible 911 service including ambulance, a local hospital and clinics, many gym and recreational facilities.

Our community is safe and clean (very important), access to subsidized transportation is helpful, income is okay provided you can work full-time.

How can we improve as a community?

Language barriers for newcomers at local churches (need to go into Edmonton to access spiritual support in own language)

Improve:

Transportation: frequency is not adequate/convenient (night and weekend service especially) for those who rely on it as their soul way of getting around and taxi is too expensive. If there is an interruption of service it causes major impact and delay.

Newcomers who work "survival jobs" because their education, experience is not recognized in Canada or due to language barriers can become very frustrated and are not satisfied in their work.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

As newcomers to Canada being able to access more resources and supports in Strathcona County instead of having to go into Edmonton.

Appreciate being able to attend English classes in Strathcona County as it help with language/literacy but also with the social connection.

Community Conversation

Date: November 9 2016

Host: Ward 4 Talk, hosted by Councillor Beland-Quest and Mayor Carr

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

A Safe Place shelter provides a great service to our community.

Supports in schools for students that promote mental health such as KEYS are wonderful. SAFFRON - education to students is great, and RCMP education about sexual assault.

Good supports through home care, very good to work with and older adults are treated very well.

RCMP has some knowledge of FASD, although this needs to increase.

Play and Art therapy available in the community is great, although there needs to be more.

How can we improve as a community?

Amount of low income housing. More options of apartments and affordable locations for families.

Increase need for supports for people with disabilities (sometimes disabilities aren't physical, and although their disability is hidden, these people need supports too)

Places for homeless youth to stay in Strathcona County. A lot of youth end up having to go into Edmonton if they are homeless, and there should be something available in Strathcona County for them.

Increased knowledge and education of FASD across the community.

Youth need to be taught life skills, coaching for basic life skills, beyond what CALM class covers.

Mental health awareness needs to increase, which will decrease the stigma associated with mental health concerns.

The school systems, justice system, RCMP, Fire fighters, and EMS don't have enough understanding FASD, more education and awareness is needed, as well as teaching some first responders how to respond to people with FASD.

Need for more art and play therapy for children.

More group homes for different levels of functioning. For those people who are just a little bit too high functioning for a group home, there are not a lot of supports.

Housing in apartments for people with FASD with supports is needed, to help people integrate into society and a life separate from their family, but still with supports. For example Hope Terrance in Edmonton which provides supported housing for people with FASD <http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/edmonton-supportive-housing-complex-for-fetal-alcohol-spectrum-disorder-a-canadian-first-1.3756353>

Affluence gives the perception of safety, which is not always the case.

Noticed an increase in break-ins and theft. Our community would improve if these decreased.

Parents not adequately supervising their own youth. If better parental supervision occurred we would have a safer community.

Downturn in the economy is affecting safety.

Community Conversation

Date: November 14 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Education system is the best in the province

Mobility Bus is a good service to the community

Discounts for seniors are welcomed

Opportunities for seniors to get together with other seniors (i.e. Ardrossan 55 Plus Club).

Home Care is an excellent service to seniors.

Recreation opportunities for seniors are good.

How can we improve as a community?

Better transportation options for people who live in Rural Strathcona County who don't qualify for Mobility Bus but no longer drive.

Options for housing in Ardrossan for seniors who can no longer live on their acreages but who don't wish to move in to Sherwood Park.

A transportation service that would pick seniors up at their homes and get them in to Sherwood Park to access programs and services.

Taxes are too high.

Carbon Tax is going to have a negative effect on seniors. Is there anything the Municipality can do to help?

It is very difficult to find a doctor who is taking new patients. Need more doctors who are taking new patients.

The hospital does not meet our needs. The hospital needs to function more like a hospital.

Doctors don't coordinate with specialists very well. The waitlists are too long to access specialized health services. More coordination would help us greatly.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Continue to attend and support the Ardrossan 55 Plus Club.

Continue to help my neighbours.

Continue to attend events like Community Talk so that our voices can be heard.

Community Conversation

Date: November 16 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Mobility Bus is good for getting to appointments during the week.

Silver Birch Lodge offers housing help for some seniors.

Food Bank does a good job.

Our seniors group (i.e. Seniors' Travelling Café and Birthday Club) does a great job at helping seniors feel connected to each other.

How can we improve as a community?

Offer more housing options so that rural seniors don't have to leave their communities. Bosco Homes on Range Road 212 was an opportunity that the County missed. It could have been purchased and converted in to a seniors residence.

We need another 3-4 or more Silver Birch type residences for seniors.

We heard about plans for a new housing complex in Ardrossan. Is that correct?

Transportation options are needed for people who want to attend things in the evening and weekends but Mobility Bus doesn't operate in rural areas during those times.

The wait time is too long for accessing Mobility Bus. Can it be shorter than three days' notice?

The cost of Mobility Bus is too expensive. It costs me \$30 to get to the Cancer Clinic and back. I cannot afford this.

We need snow shoveling services for seniors in rural Strathcona County. Could you work with the Boys & Girls Clubs to start something? We think that all these groups need to know is that there is a need.

Our Community Hall could be a central place for groups to gather and discuss things with other groups (i.e. Boys & Girls Clubs for things like snow shoveling).

Home Care Services have really deteriorated. We have no help getting the equipment we need to stay in our homes. Can Home Care work better with the needs of seniors in rural areas?

Better communication on the needs and services. If we communicated better, we could probably have better services in rural areas for seniors.

Offer information sessions to the community on the importance of community connection.

As seniors, we often feel like we are at the bottom of the barrel. We feel that the government is falling short on keeping seniors informed and connected.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Help our neighbours - Golden Rule.

Community Gardens - to help out the Food Bank. The Food Bank items are too high in carbohydrates (i.e. bread, pastries, pasta) and don't provide enough fresh fruits and vegetables.

Corporations contributing to County residents wellbeing.

Community Conversation

Date: November 22 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

We don't know what is working well for others. We need you to tell us more about what is happening in our community for rural residents.

We like it when the County comes out to do information sessions on topics that are of interest to seniors.

How can we improve as a community?

We don't have any transportation, no housekeeping services and Mobility bus is too complicated (i.e. you need to give them 3 days' notice and they don't have any evening or weekend service).

We have a hospital but it doesn't function like a regular hospital. It functions like a 24 hour clinic and has no beds for longer term stays.

Your survey is too broad and the things you mention are affecting people all over Canada, not just in Strathcona County. The questions are very general. Everyone needs to make their own choices.

Costs of housing for seniors is too high.

Why do seniors still pay school taxes?

The County keeps talking about housing but still, we have no housing.

This is my third, 25 year plan. Nothing ever changes with these plans.

We don't have a good balance between the haves and have-nots.

We are not being heard. We need our reeds cut and cleared. We fear that we will be another Fort McMurray if the County doesn't do a better job. Our lake is receding and everything is very dry.

We would like a one level (one floor) congregate living housing for seniors in South Cooking Lake for when we can no longer live in our homes but don't want to leave our community. We would like outdoor spaces that we can access from our suites. Some seniors housing have no balconies and the suites are too small. We don't want to live in a place where there is a dress code. We want to be able to sit outside in our housecoat if we want to and enjoy nature. Build seniors housing that recognizes our need for fresh air and space where we can have access to fresh air from our suite.

There is nothing here for seniors. We need services like housekeeping, snow shoveling and transportation.

People are not interested in getting to know there neighbors. How can you help?

We want to be included in knowing what happens with this plan. Can the County communicate better with us so that we feel like we are part of a bigger community and that we matter.

We used to be a neighborly community but new people are moving in and we don't know people anymore. How can we get to know our neighbours better?

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Work with County Council to have our issues heard.

Keep talking about the issues that matter to seniors.

Offer training for Home Care staff. Some don't speak English very well.

Community Conversation

Date: November 22 2016

Host: Utilities TAS

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

We have some great programs and events that help connect people in the community such as Canada Day and New Year's Eve and Pond Parties. Block Parties happen here in the community and seem successful, as well as great recycling programs.

How can we improve as a community?

We can work together to help each other more.

Community Conversation

Date: November 23 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

Goal: Feel like they belong and are connected to others.

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

RPC - monthly programs are great

Library - Bookmobile is a great program for rural communities

Library - Unlimited Group is great for seniors

FCS Programs are great for seniors (i.e. Seniors' Outreach Program)

So glad that FCS has been establishing a relationship with us (Sherwood Park 55 Plus Club).

FCS Tax Clinics are great.

Fitness facilities are great for seniors to connect.

Seniors subsidies are great.

How can we improve as a community?

Have a central location where seniors can access information and support.

Can FCS do a monthly presentation on resources and supports for seniors at our club (Sherwood Park 55 Plus Club)? We would also love to have them at our monthly board meetings.

I came from St. Albert where we had a seniors' centre that offered social and recreational programs for seniors. We need something like this in Sherwood Park.

More affordable housing - people are selling their homes and moving in to low income housing but the only way they are able to do this is to divest their life savings over to their kids and any equity they have in their home so that they can qualify for the housing. This isn't right.

Stop raising rent in affordable housing units. We cannot afford to live if rents keep going up when we are on a fixed income.

Brentwood sub-division - can't afford to live in our homes anymore but we don't want to live in a place that warehouses seniors. Look at Spruce Grove example - Seniors Village.

Can Municipality lease land to build smaller homes for seniors (not condominiums or apartments but smaller homes that are less expensive and easier to maintain).

Provide a smaller seniors bus for seniors to visit other seniors/friends and keep socially active. I can use the bus to get to the mall but not to my friend's house.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Work together.

Communicate with each other. Share the challenges and work together to solve them.

Continue to volunteer and support my community.

Community Conversation

Date: November 23 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

This conversation was hosted/ typed out by FCS staff with the Sherwood Park probation office/officers. The POs shared that community members' connection to community and access to community resources is paramount in lower rates of re offending as well as complying with their orders and being successful in the community:

Parents Empowering Parents (PEP) is amazing. There are many folks on probation who are from Edmonton and attend, especially drug dealers which is a huge benefit to them.

The county has quite a high number of daily addiction meetings (NA, AA) which is very helpful to folks in recovery.

The subsidies offered in the county are being used and people benefit from them (transit subsidies, rec passes).

The IVC Gowns For Grads program is incredible and really helps graduates without means to get a graduation dress. (Can there be a similar program for males looking for suits?)

How can we improve as a community?

The community needs an emergency shelter and/or emergency housing. When county residents are on probation but need somewhere safe to stay and cannot access those supports in the county, their file has to be transferred into Edmonton where the resident has easier access to housing/shelter supports.

The county needs a Domestic Violence Group/counselling. The PO office has "100 domestic violence clients at any time" that would greatly benefit from a 16 week domestic violence group.

The county also doesn't have the resources to support forensic clients (severe mental illness) and so these clients are referred to FACS in Edmonton and again, sometimes their files are transferred.

PO clients would benefit from easier access to bus tickets so that they can make it to their appointments. At present the probation office cannot give out bus tickets. Many PO clients walk numerous kilometers to make it to their appointments because they aren't allowed to drive, or they live in Edmonton but committed an offense in the county, or they have to take an entire day off work to find a way to their appointment which means they miss out on a day of pay to afford a ride to the probation office, etc.

The community would benefit from Youth Addiction Treatment in the county as at present, all youth are referred out of the county for addiction services. Also, treatment wait lists are extensive and having some more addiction support in Sherwood Park would provide additional support while folks wait to enter treatment.

The probation officers also talked about there being value in somehow sharing with the community what the probation officers do and how many people the probation office serves, as there is a general consensus that the county doesn't have crime. One of the probation officers shared that when he asked students at a school here how many POs the students thought the county had, the students answered "one or two." The PO corrected them and said that there are 5 probation officers and together they have about 250 clients.

Community Conversation

Date: November 24 2016

Host: Individual resident

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Majority of people are not disrespectful, many people are strong-willed (and clearly the county encourages this).

Some opportunities for youth who are already engaged in the community to participate (i.e., Youth Rocks, Youth Council, etc.).

Pride of Strathcona County awards, etc. make people feel very valued.

Ambulance service is quick and impressive.

Senior's homes are great, but not enough room.

Organizations such as Robin Hood are doing great work to help close the gap on services for people with disabilities (but need more funding to expand and continue)

How can we improve as a community?

Most people are indifferent or apathetic, many people are followers, so by providing more opportunities to get involved or passionate about issues in the community.

Leadership involvement conference one evening that happened a few years ago (at Festival Place) with major leaders in Canada, to inspire people to become stronger leaders in the community. Doing this, or something like this, again would be awesome.

Due to the homogeneity of the community and since we have strong powerful groups that think alike, and this can create problems. (e.g., large church groups that promote anti-Muslim rhetoric without intending/realizing what they are perpetuating). Need to raise awareness about the diversity in our community.

Economic downturns, perhaps we need to change the way our services (i.e., Food Bank) are structured, maybe look at how less affluent communities have been running their services and model ours after theirs.

Cost of transit is not fair or accessible (\$6 one way to get into the city is far too much).

Separate the CLAC committees again to provide more meaningful opportunities for young people in the county. Make it easier for young people to access meaningful volunteer and civic engagement opportunities. (Need more creative ways to engage the disengaged young people of our community- i.e., youth centre. Or making the Millennium Place space specifically for youth with a youth worker but only one bus that goes there and our buses don't go very late). Perhaps, a youth centre in a more accessible part of town (ie, Community Centre, county hall basement with youth workers and supports and hang out place).

Including some different cultural celebrations at our festivities (i.e., Canada Day and New Year's) as a way to engage our immigrant population.

Accessibility is crucial (people with disabilities are often not valued or feel as though they are valued, respected, or are treated fairly). E.g., more educational opportunities for community members about disability rights and experiences. More job equity for people with disabilities. Basic accessibility such as a wheelchair ramp into Festival Place, more snow removal in parking lots to access stores, etc., sound and visual announcements for stops on transit (i.e., so people who are blind know when to get off, and for deaf people to know when to get off, ETS and LRT have this).

University Transit should align with University Schedules (i.e., classes at night end at 7:50 and the bus leaves at 7:45, and only comes once an hour).

Bike lanes are necessary for environment, safety, and health.

It would be nice to have a public school within Sherwood Park with a French Immersion program.

Make adequate school buildings-- ABJ just opened a few years ago and is making new portables because it is already too small. Also, school boundary regulations need to be reviewed.

Adult education and adult literacy needs to be increased.

Childcare wait times, and affordability needs to be reviewed.

Health care needs to be regulated and reviewed- for example, one family in the talk hasn't seen the same doctor since moving here due to constant changes and now no longer has a doctor due to inappropriate and inconsistent service.

Hospital does not have overnight beds, which is needed in a community of this size.

Housing for people with disabilities and seniors is sparse, affordable housing is

Focus on food bank is great, but we need a more long term solution that would focus on the root of the problem (ie, providing job training more adult education and skill building programs).

What can you do to build a stronger community?

We as a community need to start paying attention to the issues in our community, or raising awareness about issues so they become part of our community consciousness. Be more socially active. At existing events, integrate other diverse members of the community (i.e., Canada Day). Participate in existing organizations- specifically young people. The community needs to foster and embrace the diverse groups within our communities. Business could be more accessible for wheelchairs, walkers, deaf members of the community, blind community members. Continue being engaged in the framework (like Community Talks).

Community Conversation

Date: November 28 2016

Host: Partridge Hill Community Hall

Goal: Feel like they belong and are connected to others.

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

We have a lot of well-established community groups who are fixtures in the community with halls and resources that are excellent places to gather and celebrate as a community.

Members here have had physical disabilities and have received great care and support from the medical services available through Alberta Health Services. We are seeing how aging is affecting our baby boomers and many of us are very satisfied both with the services and their accessibility.

How can we improve as a community?

Many of these groups are aging and are very concerned about their future viability. They are struggling to connect with new community members and are not very web-savvy, so are not finding success in reaching out to younger demographics who may be interested in participating in the community.

Additional seniors housing options are a concern for us, as there are extensive wait lists for most lodges and communities. While we have recovered from many maladies, we will need to be put out to pasture eventually. Will there be room in the pasture?

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Host regular public events and engage with the community to continue to foster the strong relationships that have always allowed us to connect with each other and the community at large.

Community Conversation

Date: Nov 24 2016

Host: Cloverbar Junior High School

How can we improve as a community?

Lower income- more access for kids and sports. Entrance for youth @ rec centres are expensive. Sherwood Park is big - hard to access areas around the community. More central rec centres. Drive in theatre. Youth space - roller rink, roller derby, pool hall, darts, computer area.

Increase after school care. Great bike paths. Library cards are free.

Community Conversation

Date: Nov 24 2016

Host: Cloverbar Junior High School

How can we improve as a community?

Vandalism. Less Garbage- less littering. More baseball/ rec complexes. More severe traffic punishment. More people in the police. Indoor skate park. Sheltered Bus stops.

Community Conversation

Date: Nov 24 2016

Attendees: 30

Host: Cloverbar Junior High School

How can we improve as a community?

New immigrants coming in - income problems. Another rink - need more rinks. Another library. Better information.

Community Conversation

Date: Nov 24 2016

Location: Cloverbar Junior High School

How can we improve as a community?

Opportunity to play hockey at school. Clean more places. Special programs - Community library is good.

More opportunities to play sports- too costly. More handicapped parking.

Bigger mall. Bigger Millennium Place. More volunteers. Language in survey is not adequate for youth.

Community Conversation

Date: Nov 24 2016

Host: Cloverbar Junior High School

How can we improve as a community?

Response to video- not surprised these things happen in our community. Need an indoor skate park. We are not working together to make a connected community. S.P. is an expensive place to live. Cost for sports and lessons high- not everyone can do it. In 10 years I won't have a good job to succeed.

Community Conversation

Date: Nov 24 2016

Location: Cloverbar Junior High School

How can we improve as a community?

I didn't know that people would hit a child or a mom. Apartments in S.P. people live in them. Everything is close together- that's good. People in this community help each other. Library is good. Community is safe, my mom doesn't worry about me. All the essentials are here, don't have to go out often. Know our neighbours, except acreages. Groups and classes available - volleyball @ school, Irish dancing. Survey - straightforward and easy to do. Liked having space on survey to give our ideas. Everyone should have basic needs met. Community could "work on": the hospital, room are small, iv's not clean, grandma got a blood infection. Family Violence- young person shared mom's ex threatened to take me from my mom. Hard to choose, more are important things. My mom and us were abused by

mom's boyfriend. My dad is a bully and hits me. Children should know who can support them, phone numbers to call, etc. A section on the S.C. website, do you or someone you know or are you being abused, ability to report it for youth.

Community Conversation

Date: Nov 25 2016

Host: Cloverbar Junior High School

Goal: Feel like they belong and are connected to others.

How can we improve as a community?

More services to help disabled. Jobs for lower income people. More parks/improve parks/ more bike paths. Better roads, no sidewalks in my community. Less power outages. Like Millennium Place- hard to get to, lots to do, but sometimes too much going on, fees are too high for food and admission, more "deals", less kid oriented, change rooms too busy. Need a place for youth to hang out. More stores at the mall, more youth friendly. More access to resources.

Community Conversation

Date: November 25 2016

Host: Family and Community Services – KEYS program

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

access to food

clean community

millennium place is great - can chill there

people are involved

transportation lets people go anywhere

there's stuff for kids (millennium) friendly staff

access to education

KEYS in schools - resources for mental health for teens

lots of pizza places

have a hospital

schools counselors at schools

lots of churches

good roads compared to edmonton

How can we improve as a community?

gym every day at schools

more gyms and recreation spaces

the new hospital is way too busy, it needs to be more efficient

more rec centres and ice surfaces
millennium place is too busy
new indoor skate park
more jobs for teens and parents
more poke-stops
more police stations
more parks to play and be active in
community gardens so we can eat and be healthy
healthier food options in stores
bigger mall with healthier options
more stores to donate stuff at
a facility with lots of things kids like called an anti-depression centre
a place to relax and go to connect with other teens who may be going through hard times
places where youth can have support and mentorship in a more informal hang out way
more outdoor hockey rinks
make Kinsmen have more recreational swim times
have a youth program for teens to meet up once a week to hang out and place drop in sports
more places like festival place to watch shows to calm you down.
schools are overcrowded

Community Conversation

Date: November 29 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Family and Community Services, RCMP and Child and Family Services have a strong collaborative working relationship. Information is shared between these groups to do what is best for the family.

Community Integrated Response Team is seen as a help, where agencies, including Schools, Safron, FCS work together to support children and families.

FCS identified domestic violence component of support for males.

Churches will band together for urgent needs and support families.

Schools prove to be a strong support system for children in preventing kids going into foster care.

Boys and Girls club is a strong asset in this community.

How can we improve as a community?

From a resident perspective, the community of Strathcona County can be perceived to be more homogeneous than it actually is. "A Shangri-La". It can feel sheltered on the outside. This perception creates problems with clients

accessing services, where they assume high costs and daunting forms of private care that is not the reality with services that are actually offered in the county.

Many of the homes we get called into are extremely nice homes, well taken care of.

Some of the more affluent homes do have addictions, domestic violence, mental health issues that affect the parents and kids.

Since the economic downturn we are seeing new family dynamics, where the husband is home now without work and is no longer commuting from a worksite. This new dynamic with the added pressure of job loss is creating family stress and adversarial/unhealthy family circumstances, including drug use etc... Where these behaviours might have been hidden before with the "fort mac dynamic" of a transient lifestyle.

Police reports are way up, but this is also in part due to our stronger relationship with RCMP.

Custody and access issues in family justice are a concern.

Mental health supports for children are severely lacking.

Mental health demands are so high, clients are having to go to Edmonton - through AHS.

Criminal justice is a problem - clients are still having to travel to Edmonton for court.

First Nations families are looked down upon by many in the community. "I've witnessed it myself".

"These families are not just invisible, they are spit on".

Community Conversation

Date: November 30 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

How can we improve as a community?

Aging in Place is important, to not burden others. More supports, housing.

Place to get information on supports (i.e. how to move, information on retirement, cost of housing for seniors)

To be better aware of supports and services. Communicate better so that we can make informed decisions.

We need more Silver Birch type housing.

It will never be a "one size fits all". There needs to be a variety of different services and supports to meet individual needs.

Safety is important. There have been lots of break and enters.

"Affluence" gets in the way. We need to admit that we have problems (i.e. homelessness, drug problems) and do something about it.

The Sherwood Park News focuses on slamming people and it is only getting worse.

Head offices of companies are leaving. Developers are leaving because of PDS department.

We need something to keep youth busy.

Regionally, we need to think more broadly.

Goals of this survey - some seem mandatory. For example, you need an income in order to access housing. Maybe the goals could be scaled?

Hopefully something comes of this as we have had conversations before and nothing seems to happen. We support the goals 100% but don't want another document that sits on a shelf.

We need to do something about the "Estacy kids". We are probably the heroin capital of Alberta/Canada.

We need to start working on issues of safety.

We need something for youth who come from families with single parents or with both parents working outside the home.

I hope something comes of this. I've been doing surveys for the county over the past 40 years and I'm sick and tired of it. I hope something comes of this.

Community Conversation

Date: November 30

Host: Men as Allies

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Our community portrays a lens of “awesomeness”

Now is the time to ask these questions

We need to accept that our community is not a small town anymore – we are a larger system and encourage it

The scale and size of community

Intervention given the size poses a possibility to make change

How can we improve as a community?

Some goals are a “what” and some goals are the “how” – need the goals to be the same

Stats appear somewhat good – emotional is highly important; people tend to focus on stats as it's easy to understand numbers and talk about it

Are we using the right indicators to measure and understand wellness and health?

Question happiness as an indicator (it's a reliable feeling because it can change in a moment)

Numbers drive conversations

Easy to understand numbers

Easy to talk about numbers not who you are (hard to open yourself up)

Recognize 2 groups (low income and high income) which group are we focusing on

Are we using the correct numbers (connectedness is different than knowing your neighbours)

People get community from interest and hobbies

Community stats – need better data

Why are we seeing such a discrepancy from well off data to other data showing a different result?

Breakdown of traditional family left without traditional supports (what are the traditional structures? What are the causes of traditional family breakdown)

What are the traditional efforts to keep the traditional family together

Sense of community (outside of neighbourhoods)

Community develops up interests

Takes a village to raise a child

What “catalyst” or events drive community building

Create the environment for community

People need to see value in diversity

Building conversation to understand that the community has changed

Diversity is important, how do we plan for it

SC has positive house pride – driving the notion of a “great place to live”

People need to understand diverse housing portfolio is a good thing (community needs to get its head around its good – not a bad thing, understand and see how they can profit from diversity? Can you see benefit in diversity? There needs to be courageous conversations

SC lacks services – there are gaps

Hopeful that grand plan is to look at how we restructured as a county

SC lacks support (homelessness in SC – where are they going?)

Reason why we have problems accessing services – immigrant populations cluster because they feel safe and connected

Same of the “white paradigm” of SC

Need to take a strengths based approach to diversity

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Goal #6 Have all of their basic needs met (For example: adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).

To build a healthy community you need goal #1

All goals are important but if your basic needs are not met than the rest are not relevant (it's foundational)

Must have basic needs met first before you can focus on other needs (Maslow)

Focus on wellness, knowing that other areas work through basic needs

Goal #2 Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm

40% felt bullied – need to be addressed was a very surprising statistic and needs to be addressed (cyberbullying)

Saffron is a small organization – doing presentations with barely any funding and lacking resources – serving 25,000 children; need to work/partner with community partners like Saffron

Why do people continue to people moving to Sherwood Park?

Notion of a perfect – less crime

People moved to suburbs to escape the city (i.e. city crime). We have a transient work population

Diversity is very broad – income, housing, age and culture

Need to accept that we are not a small town and now we are a larger system (reality that we are diverse) and encourage outside diversity, what painting picture we are perfect

scale and size of community (big but small enough geographical that now is the time to ask the question – it's our change to make a change and not have issues like Edmonton)

Can we see benefit in diversity? Need courageous conversations

Goal 3 Feel valued, respected and are treated fairly.

Discussing from our perspective (need users of services not givers of services –would hear different opinions) For example, I am middle class and yes I am feeling safe, valued and that I fit in. Would a newcomer or someone accessing supports feel the same?

Connectedness and community happen differently now (info age)

Don't have clear definition of community

Diversity (people stay close together to create a sense of community) how do we bring people in now so they feel SC is holistic and not isolated

Hard to access resources that are in place for these individuals (why access services? Cultures go together feel welcome and supported, immigrants hard to feel welcome, hard to see someone that is not your race or others understand what issues having)

Need to have conversations on what aspects they bring and how it benefits us, how they make us stronger; need to take a strength based approach to diversity

Need to intentionally engage cultures

What catalysts create the change to bring people together (building blocks, events)

We need to create an environment to facilitate community; start with conversations about positives of diversity – help people understand community change and reality and its positive to look forward to diversity happening, embrace and how are we growing will be better

SC facilitate positive change - look how we are structured, restructuring around programs/services not departments (flip to end user)

Must see value in change

Misc. comments

Men as Allies members would like to be a part of the deeper discussion in 2017. The members would like to host a deeper conversation at their February meeting (February 23rd).

In general things are good; can have all the other needs met (i.e. housing) but social issues (i.e. looks good from outside your bubble – people don't share or see their social issues)

Goals #1 and #5 go hand in hand

Community Conversation

Date: Nov 30 2016

Location: Councillor Beland- Quest

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

- Community events
- Good at keeping people entertained but not necessarily connected
- We have lots of volunteers
- Retail shopping in Sherwood Park is friendly than YEG
- Quite friendly overall- but not necessarily connected

How can we improve as a community?

- Schools this year in Strathcona County- more families this year needing subsidies
- Kids emotionally fragile with Christmas this year including depression and anxiety
- Sherwood Park bubble exists- need to get more educated about issues. Easy to not see issues because they are behind closed doors
- There is a sense of entitlement- especially with youth and employment

- There is a social disconnection
- Growing number of families & caregivers. Elder abuse exists behind closed doors
- People in Strathcona County don't know as many neighbours
- Surprising to have the affluent community we have but still high domestic violence
- Successful families bring up the average (i.e. household income) so it gives the impression of affluence but not everyone has the same lifestyle
- We can easily export our problems to Edmonton
- 1st step is to admit there is a problem so we can work on the issues
- Crucial questions to ask: what is our identity? What makes us a community? What are our values? What is our story?
- How can we connect the groups together that need the services?
- Silos exist between organizations in Strathcona County. How can we connect them? (i.e. connecting seniors with youth for living arrangements- renting)
- We need more connections and acknowledge who we are together
- Ideas: Community bulletin boards, exercise in the park
- Personal experience: have lots of friends but would like more.
- Priority to start on: people to est. a sense of belonging & connection- if we do this we can accomplish the rest. To have people's basic needs met. Work together to make our community stronger.
- Need to identify what are our values and what do we aspire to?
- A housing gap exists for young adults. Youth move away because of affordability- maybe move back later in life
- Need new housing types (address affordability). But NIMBYism occurs
- Should build community at the neighbourhood level- hold events where people are at
- How can we build a stronger social media presence within our community?
- "Live Local" campaign- live and play local

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 2 2016

Host: Councillor Bidzinski

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

- My own personal relationships have grown over time
- Lots of new developments & growth have occurred
- Very good infrastructure (library and recreation facilities)
- Superb facilities- but cost for seniors is high
- We are good at the big celebrations i.e. Dec 31 & July 1st

How can we improve as a community?

- It feels like we are always dealing with something.

- It is unfortunate that we cannot have more refugees come to Sherwood Park because of the unaffordability
- There has been a change in neighborhoods over time: less connected to neighbours, everyone rushing everywhere- not unique to just one neighbourhood
- Community small grants- is not well advertised- did not know about it
- Everyone is in the rush of life now
- Have great facilities but still have addictions and other issues
- No places for seniors to go
- We don't need all the amenities if we can't find space for seniors
- With all the facilities we have are they affordable for everyone?
- We don't have a diverse population and we exclude some populations
- 'What is the most livable community'? – it is not affordable for young adults- they have to move out then come back later
- We could allocate a certain percentage of new developments to be for affordable housing
- Priority to start on: people to have their basic needs met
- Some people feel lonely- but how do we know who has the needs?
- Can we provide spaces in our facilities for people to gather?
- The facilities should be subsidized- maybe a free day a week or during downtimes or certain free times- or free admission day
- Need more awareness of 'everyone gets to play'
- We are really good at the 'middle section' but it drops off drastically for seniors and low income
- It is hard to navigate transportation
- Is there a process to get seniors connected to one another?
- We need to advertise the seniors programs that are available
- We need more integrated connections
- Idea: establish more Pride in the community- i.e. welcome to Sherwood Park signs- This is Sh Pk Welcome, come join us
- More festivals
- Should publicize a free library
- Award/ recognize people more for their volunteer efforts
- Use stories to educate people about social issues

Community Conversation

Date: December 3 2016

Host: CALLS

Goal: Have all of their basic needs met (For example: adequate income, education, childcare, housing and transportation).

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

people have to prove they are able to meet basic needs getting a visa for Canada

most people drive everywhere

easy to find a daycare

good education and easy to find educational opportunities for adults

good busing for seniors (but always looks mostly empty)

easy to find a doctor

all felt mostly healthy

easy to find churches (first thing one participant asked her work supervisor after arriving in Canada)

people are friendly

How can we improve as a community?

general agreement that 40 000 not enough to live on - need two incomes - expenses are too high to carry all at once

buses don't go some places (specifically mentioned Elk Island Park) and finish far too early in the evening on weekends for people who work

housing - rent is too expensive and don't get much for cost

childcare is too expensive for too few hours

general observation that average income does not tell truth about a big split between people who are rich and people who are poor

work hours go higher and pay goes down for all companies at this time

hard to find non-Christian religious groups

air quality not good because of plants/industrial park

hard to communicate with doctor - language barrier

hard to get to Chippewa on buses to get a family doctor - one participant only goes to the walk in clinic by Bethel transit because it is accessible by bus, would prefer to have family doctor

more light needed on streets at night - darkness in winter is depressing, and without lights, trails feel dangerous

Catholic church is very far away - more bus stops needed, especially on weekends

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 5

Attendees: 10

Host: Family and Community Services

How can we improve as a community?

- Peer counselling --- many youth support their friends who have suicidal and depressive thoughts and they aren't sure how to help
- Present statistics on how prevalent depression, bullying, suicide rates are
- Better education on drug use, dangers, safe injection sites

- We need a Pride Center --- people in minority groups (LGBTQ or POC) are still being bullied, especially in high school
- De stigmatize the need for help --- promote social service agencies in schools, fairs, with surveys
- There are a lack of Mental Health services (not provided by FCS) --- we need more doctors like therapists and psychiatrists
- Handicap buses are only available to those over 18 --- also, more accessible transportation for all in the evening and weekends
- Advocate for better promotion of county social services

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 5 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

How can we improve as a community?

Drugs - make it more of a known issue; have mentors (old users) talk to kids; offer support

Bullying - support victims, help when needed

Mental health - takes students from class to talk; help reduce embarrassment

What can you do to build a stronger community?

- Volunteer/join youth council
- Help out friends or neighbours by doing random acts of kindness
- Volunteer at school
- Fundraising for elderly citizens that can't afford retirement housing
- Be there for those who need support
- Say hi to new people
- Volunteer at your school

Community Conversation

Date: December 5 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Coats for the County

Advertising FCS services

Bringing surveys to people rather than having them come to the survey

How can we improve as a community?

Transportation to rural areas (more accessible)

Counselling resources in schools

More effective CALM programs to prepare youth for the future

Openly talk and educate about substance abuse

Youth helping/education youth about drinking/using substances/partying, not educating out of fear

Reliable transportation for youth in the evening for safety

Youth led initiatives for youth on the weekends

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Write a letter from youth to the mayor, MLAs etc., start conversations, participate in the community

Community Conversation

Date: December 5 2016

Attendees: 10

Host: Strathcona County Youth Council

What can youth do?

- Promotion of a community pride centre
- Be engaging and open to people
- Be friendly and communicate
- Help in reducing stigma around asking for help
- Advocate for better promotion of services i.e. FCS, mental health services

Issues Youth See:

- Youth need more respect
- Disabled youth can't use the mobility bus
- Bus Transportation is challenging for youth
- Community needs more therapists/psychiatrists
- Teens need training for mental health: peer counselling, mediation, basic thing that can help (make a video for health classes?)

How can we encourage people to care?

- presenting stats on depression, bullying, suicide rates
- surveys
- health fairs
- facebook ads
- other social media
- working on drug issue
- safe injection sites
- protection from more dangerous drugs
- better education

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 5 2016

Host: Councillor Anderson

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Community small grants are helping build connections.

Not all seniors are isolated, there are many seniors who are active, engaged, and we need to engaging with seniors where they are at (some are still quite youthful).

Kids are more open minded, they see more LGBTQ relationships on TV, kids are colour blind, it's exciting to see their openness.

Happy to see a new approach with Community Talk. If we are asked after decisions are made it's just lip service (have seen this before) and hoping this is different.

How can we improve as a community?

Rise in mental health calls, health and wellness is important.

Electronics are a factor in the breakdown of face to face relationships/connections.

Perception that it's after to be inside than "out there" in the community, rely on online connections.

We are connected, but more isolated than ever.

Technology can create fear from instant responses and over information (over simulated), less real contact with the real world.

If you're struggling the mentality is that you should just deal with it yourself, pull up your boot straps, not rely on the community around you.

Mentality that you should stay in hiding if you don't measure up, rather than opening up about what you are dealing with.

Average salary in Strathcona County doesn't take into account the deficit or debt people have.

Lots of different factors seem to be contributing to the increase in domestic violence.

There's pressure on care givers, people caring for aging parents and young kids/teens at the same time.

The number of retired people is increasing and there's not enough housing for seniors.

Many caregivers are caring for someone with mental illness.

Senior's aging in place is important, co-ops could be option to help form connections for isolated seniors.

Options between aging in place and seniors homes are needed: lower end affordable housing, co-ops or communal living (which helps with connections and belonging).

We don't have any community cemeteries. People are looking for guidance around burial options.

Seniors isolation is hard when they can't get out, and may not be interested in the typical seniors groups.

Need to connect kids/youth with seniors more. Would like to see child care centres in seniors homes (bringing these together in the same physical space adds to connections).

Young kids are not connected with grandparents in the way they used to be, maybe because people are having kids later in life.

Assumptions are made based on color, LGBTQ, disability etc. This may come from a lack of conversation and connecting.

We have to change the attitude of "not in my backyard" or "that doesn't happen here", there is value in diversity.

In a Christian school some families were not happy about Bill 10; this seems like a step backwards to not be on board with this.

We need to connect and make the community more welcoming of diversity.

We need to encourage people to break out of their cultural groups sometimes, to learn from each other.

We have a long way to go, we are isolationist here.

If you're not working, it's hard to build social connections. Economic problem with no job can also = a social problem with not many connections. It becomes a vicious cycle.

The word count in the short answer online Community Talk survey needs to be longer. We couldn't put in all we wanted to say, and not everyone can come to a community conversation.

Too much government and regulatory intervention in our lives, based on liability fear that drives protocol. "Can't even build a ran for an elder or build a playground" because of intervention. This disincentives community involvement.

It's always from the top down, not allowing community based ideas.

Stifled by liability. "We are sterilized"

"safe" interface with Debbie Dawson

If you feel a sense of belonging you are connected to a community and can get when you need, ask for help, and be healthy.

It's ok to feel new, you can still feel new and belong/connected

Community Conversation

Date: December 5 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Community activities

How can we improve as a community?

Show its okay to reach out

Promote Kids Help Phone

More support lines open later

More non-bullying advertisements

How build stronger community?

Talk with someone

Tell trusted adults

Show how to stand up for yourself

Report mean social media comments

Offer help

Community Conversation

Date: December 5 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

How can we improve as a community?

Drugs - Make it more of a known issue; have mentors (old users) talk to kids in the right age range; offer support

Bullying - Support victims, help when needed, help stand up for people who are being bullied

Mental health - Pull kids from class to talk; reduce the embarrassment

Community Conversation

Date: December 6 2016

Location: Strathcona County Library

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

The group talked about how there are many ways to connect with people in Strathcona County: community groups, sports associations, playgrounds, and skating rinks to name just a few. The block party funding is very positive, because one place that people don't seem to connect is within their own neighbourhoods. The revival of the community leagues and rural halls was also seen as being a positive way for people to make strong community connections.

As everyone at the table was connected to the Library in some capacity, we also talked about the Library's role as a "third place", a place for people to gather. The Library has many free services, and free cards and 2 hour free parking help ensure the Library is accessible to everyone. The bookmobile supports and promotes active rural community centres. The Library Board continues to prioritize engagement with the community.

Strathcona County has a high rate of high school completion and postsecondary.

How can we improve as a community?

One place that people don't seem to connect with each other is in their neighbourhoods, which are often filled with fences. (As mentioned above, block party funding and rural halls are positive approaches to this issue).

From a Library perspective, we can continue to improve and increase our outreach activities (such as programming for daycares and working with schools to provide library cards for students). The Library Board and staff will continue to evaluate programs and services. The Library should continue (and possibly explore expanding) its role in service delivery of social programming (i.e. current partnerships with FCS, the early childhood coalition, and EISA) and look for new opportunities.

A challenge continues to be recruiting volunteers, volunteer burnout, a shift in volunteer patterns (perhaps due to the fact that more families have two working parents, leaving less time for volunteer activities).

Housing costs are a challenge, particularly for seniors and those who need supported living arrangements.

Improve transportation options, especially between rural and urban parts of Strathcona County.

One part of Sherwood Park that is lacking transportation is the Pallisades area (Lakeland Drive and Sherwood Park), which has a large seniors population. People have indicated that the nearest bus stop is too far to walk.

It would be beneficial to have a post-secondary institution in Sherwood Park, or more supports for postsecondary students. Idea: distance learning lab at the Library.

More support for youth and others who are experiencing homelessness – it is very difficult to send people into the city, and sometimes to even help them get to a shelter in the city.

Finding childcare is a challenge for families with young children. Need more high quality options (that include outdoor play areas, literacy training, etc.) but that is difficult given the low wages those positions pay (and the high cost to parents). There are also sometimes objections to daycares in some neighbourhoods, which is unfortunate.

How do we deal with the issue of selfish people who want to protect their own standard of living without thinking about the larger community?

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Stay engaged and involved.

Encourage people to get involved.

Talk to your County Councillor about the issues that matter to you.

Talk to neighbours, friends, family; people in your own network.

Community Conversation

Date: December 7 2016

Host: Family and Community Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Day Programs for our loved ones.

We appreciate the Caregiver Chat group at Common Ground Café. It is our saving grace.

The Sherwood Park 55 Plus Club is great.

How can we improve as a community?

Offer Day Programs more than two days per week.

Offer housekeeping supports for caregivers.

Offer meal preparation services that are affordable. Meals on Wheels is too expensive.

The hospital doesn't provide good care. The best part of the hospital is the social work supports.

Have better access to doctors.

Lower taxes.

Nothing is being done about the increasing number of people who are becoming caregivers (i.e. older adults and sandwich generation). We need more programs and supports.

Offer free or very low cost services for caregivers (i.e. the cost of a recreation pass is too much).

Caregivers often feel isolated. Offer opportunities for caregivers to connect. Offer education to the community on the real lived experiences of caregivers.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Support each other.

Understand the needs of people.

Communication.

Community Conversation

Date: December 7 2016

Host: Information Technology Services

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

There are many.

Strathcona County provides many programs services to the community and there are several people who access those services.

How can we improve as a community?

There is a discrepancy in the users, where people who have been living in the community for a long period of time have an expectation of those services, whereas when new residents move here they are surprised and impressed with the amount services. Perhaps scaling back on some services for those who really need it vs. meeting expectations of current resources.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

People can be more neighbourly to each other.

Community Conversation

Date: December 7 2016

Host: Strathcona County Emergency Services

Goal: Feel safe and are free from physical and emotional harm.

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

We have great emergency management systems in place to alert residents i.e. SC Alerts, Community education, fire prevention, fall prevention.

There are several programs and services in the community to help people and many of those programs and services are being accessed.

How can we improve as a community?

There seems to be some apathy about the safety education and awareness in the community. The programs are there to educate people, but the uptake is not there. People seem to think that safety issues will not happen to them.

We can do for each other instead of expecting a service or program to provide for us. There needs to be more empowering of neighbours to talk to each other and help each other rather than calling the County for neighbour disputes. Pick up a shovel, stop by and say hi, empower people to help each other.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Help out our neighbours more.

Community Conversation

Date: December 8 2016

Host: Elk Island Public Schools, Strathcona Christian Academy

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

We just built a new hospital in the Northern part of Sherwood Park. It's not technically a hospital, but rather a health centre.

SC just refurbished GARC. There are a lot of gyms in order for people to be healthy.

There are lots of programs for children to be active. The library has lots of activities for people to engage in.

The mailboxes have been improved in order to prevent from mail theft.

There are plenty of RCMP in SC that encourage safety.

We practice fire drills in school, to ensure that we are prepared for an emergency.

In school, there are preventive bullying campaigns to ensure the safety of our students.

We have clubs to help with student safety.

How can we improve as a community?

We just invest in a better health facility, we need to get the surgery aspect operational.

There could more programs available for people to access and use. For example, getting a certificate (CPR) is challenging for some individuals.

We believe we could use more health education in order to help people make healthy and safe choices.

CALM could be re-imagined in order to help students make healthier choices and provide a broader range of information.

Continue to improve the understandings of bullying as well as develop both resiliency and safe places for people.

We need access to information and programs for people who are struggling with addictions to help people who are trying to change.

CALM could be improved within schools in order to provide resources and more up-to-date information for students. Especially the social media information, this is a major aspect of our youth's lives.

Schools should talk about more delicate issues, in order to raise awareness for students (drugs, alcohol, suicide, domestic abuse, relationships)

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 12 2016

Host: Parentlink

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Lots of great programs for families and parents with young children

Parentlink is a fantastic resource

How can we improve as a community?

- Lack of programs around Christmas since of reduced hours

- Most of the classes we want to register for are full
- Have noticed lots of layoffs
- It is easier to meet these goals in a smaller community
- It can be good to focus on programs for age specific children
- Could get residents involved in maintaining/ running the community halls
- Terrified of bullying that might occur when my 2 year old gets older
- Could develop long term (5 year) plans for community halls that includes longer term schedules for upgrades
- Promote/ create volunteer opportunities for young moms since they are free during the day time (i.e. online, places they can bring kids to and get kids involved with)

Community Conversation

Date: December 13 2016

Host: Family and Community Services Advisory Committee

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

The sense of community is stronger here than anywhere and I have lived in Edmonton.

How can we improve as a community?

There is a lack of addiction services for adults from 18 to 25.

Amount of parent child conflict a children's mental health concerns.

Affordability of housing is poor here.

It's upsetting that we have to have a letter to the editor about the way to resolve housing shortages.

We need money to build affordable housing.

Historically my parents could get a grant for repairs on their home.

People who earn not much higher than LICO can't get access to subsidy but don't have much more money than this and can't qualify for the subsidies.

Working families have very little disposable income and this has a negative effect on nutrition, etc.

The housing issue in this community is narrowly focused.

Seniors housing is simpler than addressing youth couch surfing and them moving downtown Edmonton.

We have huge NIMBY (Not in My Back Yard) issue here.

Seniors are moving out of S.C. because they can't wait for facilities to be built.

The borderline income families are slipping through the cracks.

People who work in S.C. for minimum wage cannot afford to live here.

Sherwood Park requires housing that students can afford. Even just a basic apartment in Sherwood Park costs at least \$1000.00/mo. \$500 - \$750/mo. would be reasonable.

We are losing sight of so many residents that had to move due to affordability.

The high paying jobs – people commute to Edmonton; low paying jobs - people commute to S.C. to work.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

We need political will.

The more we can get community setting direction will help achieve political will.

There is a way to activate the mandate to make tough decisions.

If these are the issues – they should become the issues in the next election.

We need to offer the decision makers proactive solutions.

We keep saying and doing the same things & nothing is changing. Right decisions are tough; tough and require political will.

Would be nice to have a list of vendors that were endorsed by an organization / vetted vendors.

There is a possibility to convert basements to rental suites.

A good idea to support home owners to convert basement/garage suites to rental units – help seniors stay in homes longer and affordable rent.

It would be simple to address the needs of homeless youth with a youth shelter.

Who will be the first Councillor to step up and say I would like a youth homeless shelter in my ward?

That this process of Community Talk generates a mandate; an official mandate from the people.

Data makes the difference

It has to be quantifiable.

Generate a framework that creates a change mandate.

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 14 2016

Host: Parentlink

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

- Library is a huge asset
- We have more connections through the library/ programs than the informal connections that we have in our neighbourhood
- Parentlink program is great
- Silverbirch has great activities and helps keep people informed- very welcoming and informative
- There is good integration between generations- especially through Parentlink program at Silverbirch- great to see the diversity

How can we improve as a community?

- Need more communication between residents- more people willing to have informal conversations with one another
- Not very many kids playing outside in the community
- Need more teenage groups
- Block parties are a great idea
- We need to be aware of the physical design of housing- more conducive for people to get to know their neighbours

- We just drive into our garages and never see people
- Neighbours can be apprehensive about new people moving in. I had no contact with neighbours for the first few years since they were waiting to see if we were staying or not
- Neighbours did not acknowledge me until I had kids
- Can be hard to break into social groups- older residents hold the keys to who get involved
- Long wait list for affordable housing- hard to get on the list
- There are affordability issues for young people
- No services for homeless people in Sherwood Park- we shouldn't just send all of our issues to Edmonton
- Can be difficult to access or know about the services available
- It is hard to navigate the services- if there was no internet it would be hard to know what is available
- It can be expensive to join organized sports
- Should have something like Parentlink that is focused around sports
- We could communicate through the newspaper
- People have been too busy to take the time to get to know one another
- Sport is important to bring people (especially youth) together

What can you do to build a stronger community?

- volunteer my time
- tell our individual stories to help build community

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 14 2016

Host: Parent Link

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

People who want to volunteer and could help others, makes a difference in community. Connecting volunteers with the needs that exist is important.

Keeping to yourself is a trend, idea that you could get a tax break if you volunteer in the community, become part of the community, or contribute in a different way than purely taxes.

Overall there is a sense of safety in the community.

It's our responsibility to take care of each other and notice "funny" or "off" things that might happen in the community and talk to neighbours about it.

The county has lots of good events and programs (parent link, library, and celebration of lights).

There is a lot to do in the community through rec. facilities, family friendly events, love living here and building community through events.

Millennium place is a great facility, especially for seniors.

How can we improve as a community?

More low income housing is needed, rental housing for new families or couples to start out.

Seniors want to stay in the community they are part of, more options are needed for aging in place.

Home Care needs to be more accessible (better ways of accessing the information, more known in the community).

Child Care costs are going up makes it hard to work out of the home.

Subsidies stop at middle income; it's hard to get a break if you are just above the low income cut-off.

There needs to be easier ways to start a business (e.g. non-registered day homes) less hoops to jump through.

Costs of paying for school here are higher than other communities.

Bring services together so it's a one stop shop (has all the info). Better information on what services are available gives tax payers the knowledge of where tax money is going.

County website is hard to navigate.

Communication needs to improve, advertising isn't working, and word of mouth works much better.

The idea that we are a wealthy community is abused as kids activities cost more here than they would in Edmonton (e.g. Hockey costs more here). It seems like there is an increase just because we live here it's assumed we can afford it.

We have the label of wealthy, but not all of us are, and the rest of us who can't afford those amenities are paying the price of that.

Raising taxes is a concern.

Strathcona County should hold swimming spots just for Strathcona County residents, and then once they've registered, open it up to others.

The majority of kids programs are during the day. It would be nice to have more programs available evening and weekend so families with two people that work can attend.

Transportation is important, to keep people out in the community which helps mental health and combat isolation.

More transportation for seniors into Edmonton is needed as there are medical appointments people have a hard time getting to.

The running/walking paths need to be extended just a little bit further (into the rural a little bit out of Sherwood Park).

FCS and IVC needs to be more visible in the community, lived here for years and never knew about them. People who pay taxes need to be aware of what they are getting for that money.

Miss block parents, which creates safety for kids, visual for kids to know they are safe.

I find that taxes take a huge chunk off of families' income. Rural doesn't get the same amenities as urban (e.g. water, sewage lines). This can be stressful for seniors who live rurally and have low income.

Crime rate has gone up in petty theft. Perhaps desperate economic times have contributed to driving crime rates higher.

Bullying has increased, there's not enough accountability for youth. Without consequences youth do what they want.

I lived in Sherwood Park and didn't know my neighbours, I felt like I was intruding if I said hi. Moved rurally and neighbours are much more friendly. In the country people depend on each other more, in the urban setting they want privacy.

Society is changing, you used to have to get along with everyone, not you can pick and choose.

Change in society from mothers staying at home to going to work, which has changed our community connections, we don't know each other like we used to.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Volunteer.

Contribute to the community, which should lower taxes for those who help out in the community.

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 15 2016

Host: Parentlink

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

- Library is a great asset to our community- and the bookmobile for rural connections
- Great rural programs for parents.
- Good rural community events to attend

How can we improve as a community?

- Can be hard to meet rural neighbours
- When I first moved here I felt a little isolated living in a rural community- where I was from families/ kids would play outside all the time- this happens less here
- Can be hard for newcomers to integrate into the community- especially when English is not a first language
- Can be sheltered/ isolated from the real concerns that exist in Strathcona County because of the bubble we live in
- We could foster more connections between people in the rural communities
- There are affordability issues for young families to afford housing
- There could be more organized sports that are available (wait lists/ full classes)
- Parentlink is great for letting parents know of the resources/ opportunities available in the community but without it I might not know what is going on or what is available

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 15 2016

Host: Parent Link

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

There is a general sense of lacking in basic needs being met, lots of layoffs and financial pressures. Need more programs that are accessible and let people know how to connect to those programs. Social media can help connect people and allows for a sense of anonymity. Facebook mom's group helps connect each other and develop a sense of belonging. It works well when there are 1 or 2 connectors to bring the groups together. Block parties can help bring people together in their physical home base. Building networks for seniors to connect with each other to reduce isolation. Affluence can lead to more options for youth such as travel and programs. There is a disconnect when affluence is expected and not earned such as drugs and can lead to trouble. There does seem to be more youth working minimum wage jobs, whereas in Edmonton there are adults working those jobs. People feel safe at the community level. However the economic downturn has affected the community - stress can lead to lower sense of safety in the home. Elk Island has great education. Love the small grants; neighbours don't know each other anymore.

How can we improve as a community?

Find the natural connectors in the community. Block parties, people could host one in their own neighbourhoods. Try to build a network for seniors or sometime of multigenerational communal living to help each other out. There should be more interaction between community and education- pool resources and work together. Love the Community Small Grants. Strive to meet neighbours and raise children knowing the people who live around them.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

Get to know neighbours.

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 16 2016

Host: Parent Link

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

We have a lot of social programs. Parent Link and library are really great for families with little kids.

Free programs make a big difference for families, allow everyone to access.

Love the community for growing a family, but still want to stay grounded, not have to keep up with the jones.

This is a beautiful community with lots of green space and well-kept public areas.

Kind community neighbours who brought welcome gifts.

Health unit did a great home visit, didn't feel rushed, and felt supported.

Safety is important when leaving the house especially. I feel safe here.

The hospital has been a good thing in our community.

How can we improve as a community?

We need to find a way for people to tap into community better. New mom's groups are a good place to start.

Racism is coming out in Strathcona County. It exists in Edmonton and is making its way here.

Affluence and entitlement affect the community, notion of not wanting your kids to grow up entitled or going to school with spoiled kids.

The stigma or perception that this is a rich white community exists, but once you live here you do see more diversity.

Some pressure to have or own a lot exists, we need to teach our kids how to deal with this and instill gratitude in them. There is also some stigma to attending free programs, just because they are free.

Low income housing needs to be talked about. People aren't aware, it needs to be shared more and better communicated that it exists.

Use health nurses who visit homes after having a baby, to make sure they are aware of other supports and community resources to pass on to new moms. The information they provide in pamphlets is too much and not helpful, they need to have a broader conversation about this new stage with moms and be able to talk about mental health, family supports, supports for new dads. You don't know what you don't know to ask about, the health nurse is a perfect person to bring up programming, where to find social connects etc. Dad can speak truth that moms might not, nurses need to connect with them separately.

With adoption, I didn't get a home visit. It would have been very helpful to talk about some of the emotional stuff, receive support, and connection.

Mental Health wait list was very long, waited for months in a very vulnerable time. Ended up having to go to emergency as it was the only place to get help which is not the way it should be. No one informed about the crisis line. Mental Health provincially is a problem.

Strathcona County mental health phone intake was a horrible experience, was laughed at, more compassion and understanding would have been helpful.

Mental health supports, knowledge, awareness and follow up is needed.

Feel less safe in the community since having a kid. More connected through social media also has increased fear, awareness of break-ins.

Social media has increase knowledge and awareness of unsafely and this has increase fear. Information overload on social media and it's not always factual.

We need to learn how to back away from social media when it's no longer a helpful tool.

Groups on social media give us the false sense that we are connected.

Drug use is higher here than elsewhere.

Rural area tends to be less accepting, highly conservative views, and some negative values towards minorities. Exposure to different races is important.

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How build stronger community:

Teach our kids so that they are not entitled.

Community Conversation

Date: Dec 16 2016

Host: Parentlink

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

- There are great programs for families and young children.
- We (parents at Parentlink program) are well informed of the services because of the connections we have at Parentlink.
- Library is a great resource

How can we improve as a community?

- In my profession (I work in emergency room at hospital) – I see domestic violence effects
- I feel removed “sheltered”

- Video really helped to understand context of survey and questions
- Answering the questions is difficult because there is a hierarchy of needs, depending on your situation
- We need more community engagement
- Stronger neighbourhoods are safer
- Do we have a homeless population in Strathcona County? Are they being asked for their feedback?
- Safety – I feel we are doing really well
- “Porch Drops” work well – never an issue with people taking money
- There are lots of amenities for families with young children (i.e. PLC, Library (low cost or free), Rural (Bookmobile), We Can)
- We need help with community engagement – people need a “reason” to meet
- In rural – Community Halls is the place to get people connected – people are coming out
- We need less online and more face-to-face
- We need community champions to help those who need encouragement to get out and be part of community
- Our gaps: hospital and affordable childcare

Community Conversation

Date: December 16 2016

Location: Robin Hood Association

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

people have jobs, good hospital, lots of bussing & transportation, family services, crisis care, Councillors, emergency response, rec centers, schools & board, day home agency, police/fire/ambulance

Good hospital, access to healthy food (farmers market), parks & recreation options / hiking, biking trails, different church options, community talks, family/friends/neighbours to rely on, friendship group

How can we improve as a community?

higher paying jobs, more jobs, flexible options for parents, more accessible busses, accessible washrooms in public spaces, sidewalks - cleared quickly / ramps, accessible housing options, continued education options (sign language), child care options (day home, daycare)

Rural quadding trails, transit drivers friendlier and more helpful, safer sidewalks, improve wait times for Dr's and PCN, healthy food is expensive, more restaurants that are wheelchair accessible, better air quality.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

I will help others that are sad to make them feel better.

Community Conversation

Date: December 21 2016

Location: Robin Hood Association

What are we doing well in Strathcona County?

Great parks to enjoy, good exercise options, accessible pools / facilities, exercise in malls, healthy restaurants / grocery

People have homes, great fire/police and medical services, excellent street lighting, sidewalks on both sides of the road, big accessible buttons on street crossings and road cameras

How can we improve as a community?

Food is expensive, social life is outside of my neighbourhood, hospital is semi-adequate

Cheaper big business in the community can bring in "shady characters" into the community, People feel like when the community was smaller than they never had to lock their doors but they now have to due to theft, Also concerned that Strathcona County is a target area because of the affluence of the community.

What can you do to build a stronger community?

We can be better citizens and friendly to our fellow citizens.