

Lesser Slave River

Upcoming Council Meetings

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15 AT 10:00AM

Real-Time Updates at Your Fingertips

The MD keeps residents informed through Voyent Alert!, a powerful push-notification system designed for timely communication.

Since adopting this made-in-Alberta platform in 2023, the MD has delivered alerts for emergency situations such as floods and wildfires, as well as important daily updates like road closures and water service interruptions. These time-sensitive messages are sent directly to subscribers' smartphones (Apple or Android) and email inboxes.

Once registered with Voyent Alert!, you have full control over your notification preferences. Choose the types of MD updates you want to receive and how you'd like to receive them by voice message, text, email, or any combination. Register at mdlsr.ca/alerts.

Family & Community Support Services Program

The Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Program provides funding to support preventive social service initiatives within our community.

The FCSS program is a vital partnership between local municipal governments, Métis settlements, and the Province. It operates on an 80/20 cost-share basis, with the Province contributing 80% and the MD contributing 20%. These funds directly support locally driven programs that focus on prevention and enhancing community well-being.

FCSS allocates funding to MD-led initiatives and community-based programs. *Remember two key points about municipal funding: some funds go unallocated each year due to a lack of applications, and all decisions depend on a clear understanding of community needs.* Applications are accepted quarterly, with the next deadline this month. Learn more at mdlsr.ca/fcss.

Community Assistance Board Program

The Community Assistance Board (CAB) Program provides grant funding to support local, community-focused initiatives.

CAB plays a vital role by thoughtfully evaluating and allocating annual funding for eligible local initiatives. As part of its budgeting process, the board submits funding requests to Council for the upcoming year, directly reflecting the community's identified needs.

This collaborative approach ensures effective resource allocation. Funding is open to non-profit societies, local groups, and individuals committed to improving well-being. Eligible initiatives must align with the MD's values, such as youth engagement, senior support, and fostering community spirit. *Two things to keep in mind about municipal funding: unspent funds often result from lack of applications, and decisions are guided by community needs.*

Applications are accepted quarterly, with the next deadline at the end of this month. Learn more at mdlsr.ca/cab.

Ag Equipment Rental Program

The MD maintains and leases a small inventory of ag equipment for use by local producers.

Most items are available free of charge when you partner with the MD on weed control initiatives.

To access this service, submit the online rental agreement at mdlsr.ca/ag-rentals. An Ag Services team member will then follow up to discuss available options. On pickup day, staff will complete a pre-rental checklist with you to ensure the equipment is in good condition.

A damage deposit, which varies by equipment type, will then be collected. This deposit is refundable upon return, provided the equipment passes a post-use inspection. Rental fees and any applicable charges will be collected at that time. Learn more online at mdlsr.ca/agriculture.

Support That Doesn't Stop at 5

While most MD staff work regular office hours, we understand that critical issues like animals at large or utility disruptions don't follow a 9-to-5 schedule.

Call toll-free 1.866.449.4888 to connect with a live agent, who will assess your concern and engage the appropriate team to respond based on priority. To help us manage this vital service effectively, we encourage residents to call with non-urgent questions, concerns, or complaints during regular business hours. You can also submit a Report-a-Concern notification at mdlsr.ca/report.



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