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WE'RE GRANDER WITH YOU

WELCOME TO GRANDE PRAIRIE

Grande Prairie is the place to make things happen.

We're a young, constantly growing community and the perfect place to plant a seed or put down roots. We pride ourselves on community spirit and blending neighbourly hospitality with major amenities including retail, entertainment, recreation, education, health care and government services. We are the hub of the north, serving a trade area of nearly 300,000 people across northwestern Alberta.

Our local economy is diverse, supported by oil and gas, forestry, agriculture, an abundance of commercial opportunity and more - all underscored by our entrepreneurial spirit focused on growth and innovation. This makes Grande Prairie the perfect choice for business owners or people seeking to start or build the next chapter of their careers.

With 50+ culture and recreation facilities in the region filled with active community organizations, nestled in untouched, beautiful surroundings ripe for outdoor play, there is no shortage of things to see and do in our city. We have room for everyone in our community and are thankful for the strength and vibrancy of our diversity. Use this Grande Prairie Guide to start exploring and discover your future today!



REGIONAL OVERVIEW

CENTER OF THE ACTION

NORTHWESTERN ALBERTA'S HUB

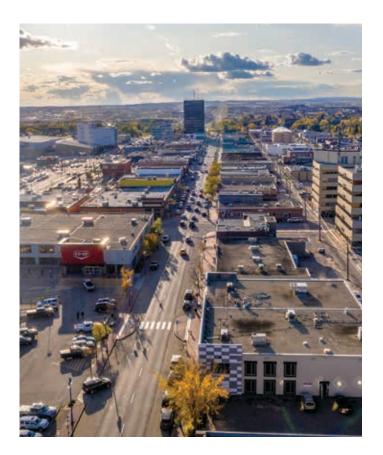
A major part of what makes Grande Prairie's story possible is our strategic location in the centre of the Peace Region.

We're the largest commercial centre north of Edmonton, allowing us to serve a trade area that spans across Northwestern Alberta, Northeastern British Columbia and the Northwest Territories.

For residents and visitors, we provide access to everything from big box retail to entertainment to health care and government services.

For businesses, we supply easy access to markets and major ports by Highways 2, 40, 43, rail and air, providing an ideal location with an enviable mix of accessibility to reach customers and international destinations.

These connections also keep locations like Edmonton, Calgary, Jasper, Grande Cache and Tumbler Ridge at an easy reach for recreation or business.



GETTING TO GRANDE PRAIRIE

CALGARY	750 km
EDMONTON	456 km
FORT MCMURRAY	749 km
FORT ST. JOHN	207 km
JASPER	397 km
RED DEER	608 km



TRANSPORTATION

ON THE MOVE TOGETHER

Keeping you connected to the people and places that matter most to you, matters to us.

HIGHWAYS

Three major highways link the City of Grande Prairie to the rest of Alberta and Canada. The city is connected to Edmonton and British Columbia via Highway 43, the Northwest Territories via Highway 2 and the Rocky Mountains via Highway 40. Perfectly positioned along the CANAMEX corridor, Grande Prairie is a key location for trade and travel.

GRANDE PRAIRIE AIRPORT

The Grande Prairie Airport provides a regular schedule of WestJet and Air Canada flights to Calgary and Edmonton, connecting travellers to the rest of the world.

With continuously upgraded amenities and the Viewpoint Restaurant, they help keep you connected for business or pleasure.

Learn more at: gpairport.com.

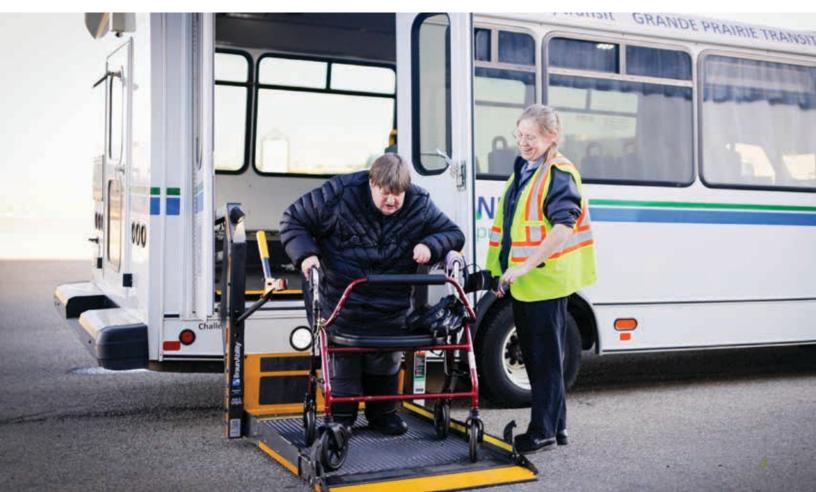
PUBLIC TRANSIT

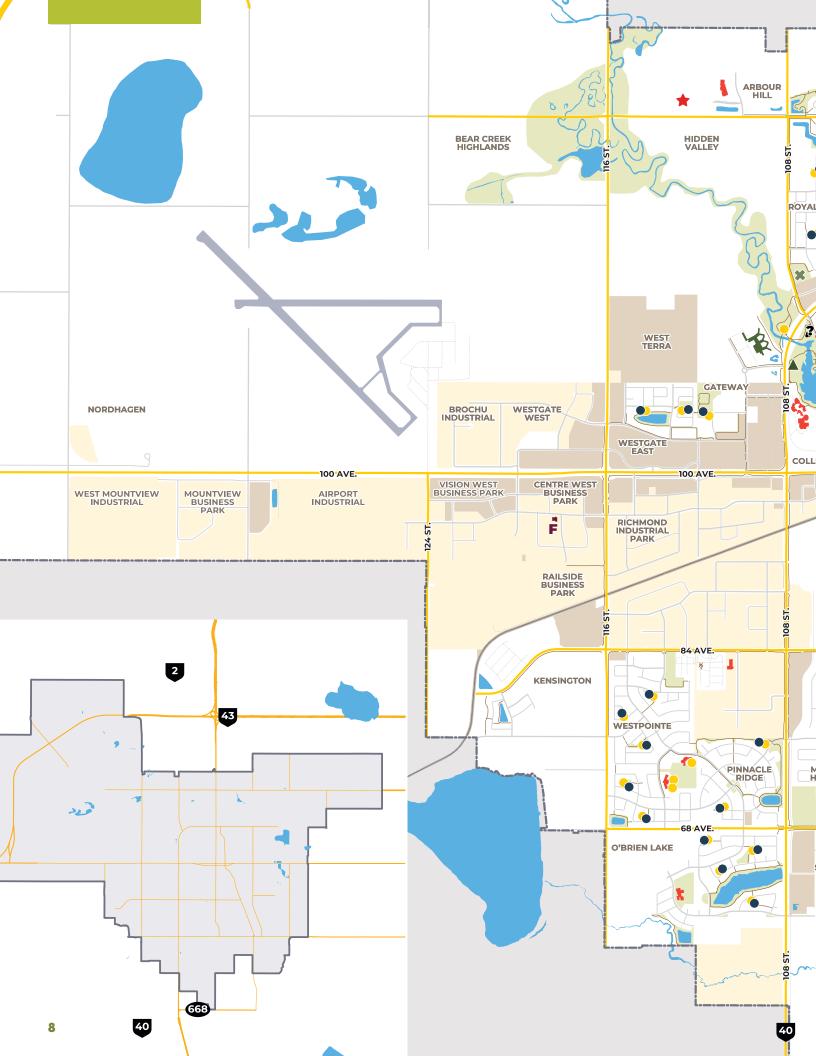
The City of Grande Prairie provides scheduled and on-demand transit service with nine routes operating seven days a week to keep our residents connected to the community.

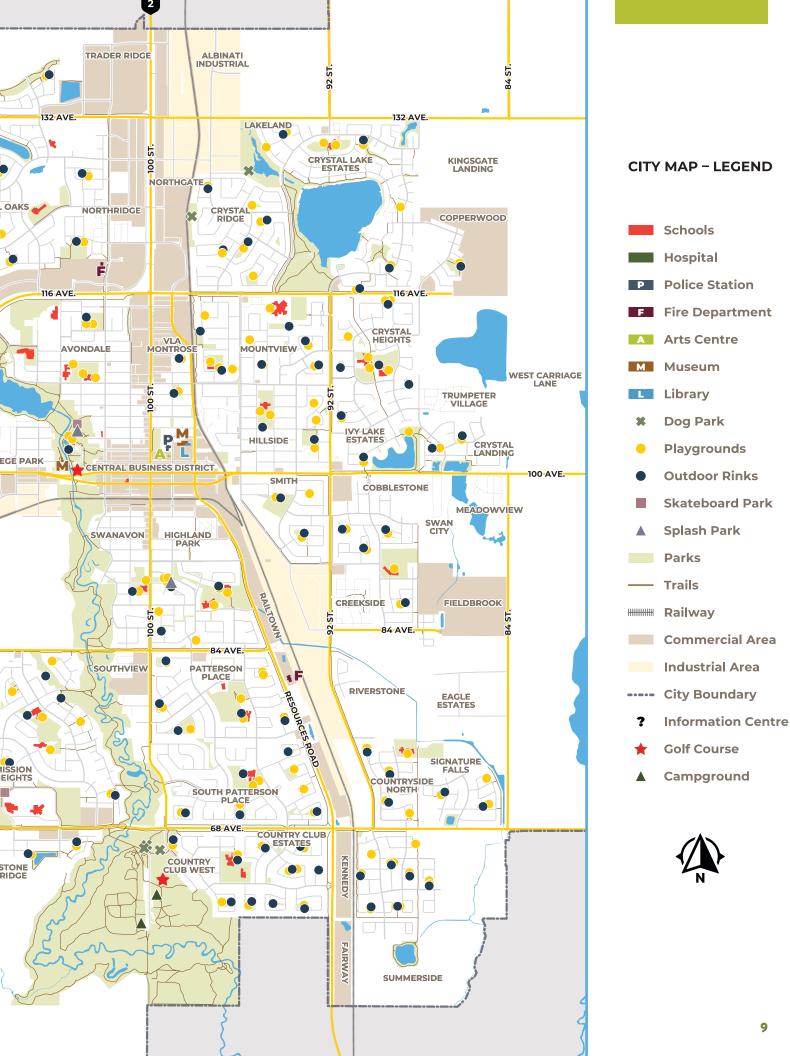
Since 2023, transit now offers late-night service and free passes for all youth. For eligible applicants, Grande Prairie Accessible Transit also provides service for people with disabilities needing extra support.

With modern technology such as reloadable fare cards, the Where's My Ride bus tracker and GP My Ride app for on-demand bookings, transit aims for a great customer experience to keep travel easy and convenient.

Full details and Rider's Guide are available at: cityofgp.com/transit.





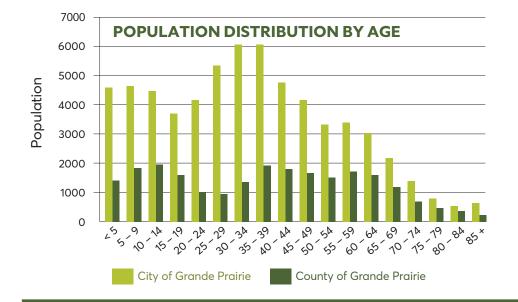




POPULATION

GRANDER COMMUNITY

With a median age of 35.3, well below the national average of 40.6, Grande Prairie is a young city full of potential and opportunity. From recent university graduates to parents with young children, families exploring the Eastlink Centre, or individuals embarking on their careers, Grande Prairie is the place to seize opportunities. This youthful energy is matched by a thriving business network and an entrepreneurial spirit that fills the community. Grande Prairie's drive is a result of the growing prospects presented by its role as a regional hub as well as the area's many natural resources.





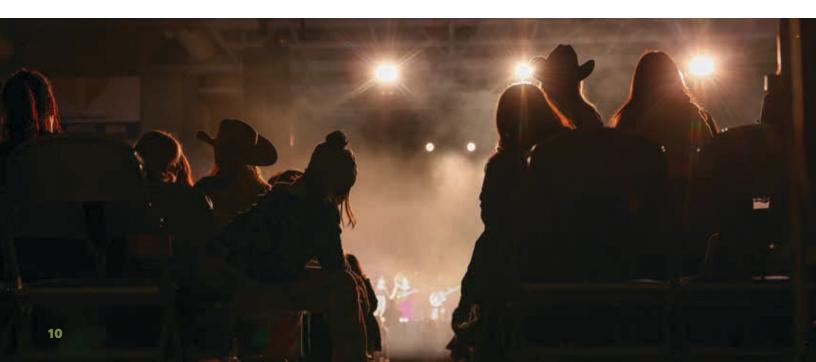
2024 Municipal Census Several smaller communities bring the total trading area population to nearly 300,000 people.



The median age of the community is a youthful 35.3

73.4% POPULATION INCREASE 2001-2021 3.1% POPULATION GROWTH RATE 2021–2024

4.1% UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (2024 AVERAGE)



KEY CONTACTS

RESOURCES TO GET YOU STARTED



CITY MATTERS

ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
City of Grande Prairie	AccessGP is your central point of contact for general City of Grande Prairie inquiries including Enforcement Services, Transportation Services, GP Transit, and the Mayor/City Manager's Office.	311 cityofgp.com
Grande Prairie Fire Department	The Grande Prairie Fire Department serves the citizens of Grande Prairie with the goal of protecting life, property, and the environment.	780-538-0393 cityofgp.com/fire
Grande Prairie Police Service	The City of Grande Prairie is transitioning to a municipal police service. During this transition, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) remains the police of jurisdiction.	780-538-0300 gppolice.com
Grande Prairie RCMP	Grande Prairie is served by the local RCMP detachment.	24 hr. non-emergency: 780-830-5700 General enquiries: 780-830-5701

UTILITIES

ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
Aquatera	Provider of water, wastewater, solid waste, and recycling services	780-538-0340 aquatera.ca
ATCO Electric	Electricity provider	1-800-668-2248 atcoelectric.com
ATCO Gas	Natural gas provider	780-539-2400 atco.com
Utilities Consumer Advocate	Find information on your electricity and natural gas options	310-4822 ucahelps.alberta.ca

KEY SERVICES

ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
A1 License & Registry	Provides driver licensing and other license and registry services	780-539-5009 a1registry.ca
ACFA Regionale de Grande Prairie	Helps French-speaking newcomers integrate into the community	780-532-6335 grandeprairie.acfa.ab.ca
Alberta Motor Association	Provides driver licensing, insurance, and roadside assistance services	866-989-6370 ama.ab.ca
Centre for Newcomers	Helps newcomers to Canada integrate into the community with free programs and services	780-538-4452 gpcn.ca
Grande Prairie Public Library	Access to information, items on loan, internet, computers, classes, English conversation club, career coaching, and family literacy	780-532-3580 gppl.ca
The Licence Centre	Driver licensing and vehicle registration, corporate registry, birth, death, marriage, land title, personal property, health care, and Canadian Boating License	780-532-4033 thelicencecentre.ca

COMMUNICATION SERVICE PROVIDERS

ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
Bell	Mobile phone, internet, and TV	780-833-7020 bell.ca
Eastlink	Phone, internet, and TV	1-888-345-1111 eastlink.ca
Fido	Mobile phone	1-888-481-3436 fido.ca
Galaxy Broadband	Satellite internet service	1-877-463-9728 galaxybroadband.ca
Koodo	Mobile phone	1-866-995-6636 koodomobile.com
Rogers	Mobile phone	780-513-2355 rogers.com
Telus	Mobile phone, phone, internet, and TV	1-866-558-2273 (mobility) 1-888-811-2323 (home services) <mark>telus.ca</mark>
Xplornet	Internet	1-877-959-5717 xplornet.com

LOCAL MEDIA

ORGANIZATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT	
2day FM	Local radio station	780-357-3733	mygrandeprairienow.com
Big Country CJXX	Local radio station	780-532-0840	bigcountry931.ca
Daily Herald-Tribune	Local daily newspaper	780-532-1110	dailyheraldtribune.com
Eastlink Channel 7	Community TV channel	780-513-7647	eastlink.ca/cable-digital-tv/ tv-content/community-tv
98.9 Rewind Radio	Local radio station	780-532-0840	989rewindradio.com
Reach 96.3 FM	Local radio station	780-830-7640	reachfm.ca
97.7 Rock	Local radio station	780-539-9700	977rock.ca



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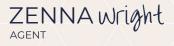
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HOUSING

WHERE LIVING IS GRANDER

Grande Prairie's cost-of-living is comparable with the rest of Alberta, and lower than Canada's average.

With a high average household income and a discretionary income that is double the national average, Grande Prairie residents are accustomed to a comfortable lifestyle.

The local real estate market remains affordable for first-time home-buyers or people looking for their next move.

The City's construction activity remained robust in 2024, with Building and Inspection Services issuing 711 permits valued at over \$122 million. The annual average home price in Grande Prairie as of September 2024 is \$339,890, significantly lower than the provincial average of \$491,937 and national average of \$669,630.

The average rent for a two-bedroom suite in Grande Prairie remained affordable in 2024 at \$1,322 per month, compared to the province-wide average of \$1,616.



RENT

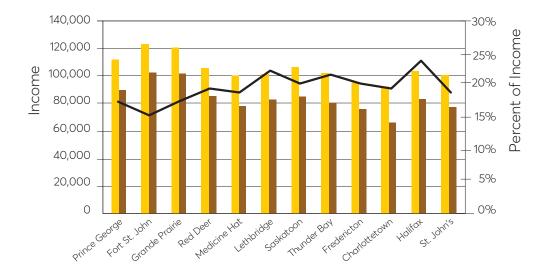
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- » On-Call Security
- » Veteran's Discount
- » Refer-a-Friend Program
- » On-Site Maintenance, Landscaping and Cleaning



INCOME TO RENT COMPARISON



RENTING

With the affordability of rentals, renting a house or apartment is a viable option for singles, couples or families.

ORGANIZATION	WEB ADDRESS	PHONE
Advantage Property Management	advantagepropertygp.com	780-357-0336
Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate	rentgp.managebuilding.com	780-532-3388
Boardwalk	bwalk.com	780-513-5040
Emerald Manor Apartments	kelsongroup.com	780-532-2410
Equity Rentals	equity.rentals	780-357-3338
Grassroots Property Management	grassrootsrealtygroup.ca	780-380-4776
Key Investment Property Management	contact@keyproperty.ca	780-833-5555
Northview Apartment REIT	northviewreit.com	780-532-9369
Prime Property Management	gpprime.net	780-538-2980
Quality Property Management	gpmrentals.com	780-539-7131
Real Property Management	rcpmsolutions.ca	780-532-4900
Royal LePage Property Management	rentrlp.ca	780-532-3400

The above list is intended to be inclusive of housing rental services in Grande Prairie, however it is not exhaustive.

SENIOR LIVING

Featuring activities and amenities for all ages, Grande Prairie provides a comfortable lifestyle for those seeking retirement living and supportive housing.

ORGANIZATION	WEB ADDRESS	PHONE
Grande Spirit Foundation	grandespirit.org	780-532-2905
Park Place Seniors Living	parkplaceseniorsliving.com	780-357-5700

The above list is intended to be inclusive of organizations providing senior living services in Grande Prairie, however it is not exhaustive.



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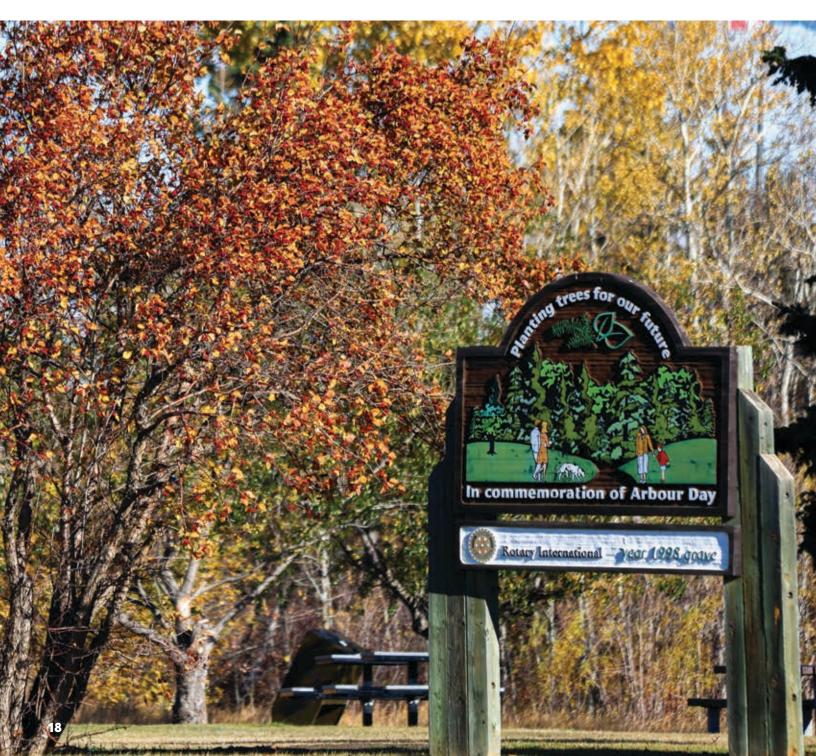
VISIT THEOFFICEGP.COM TO BOOK YOUR TABLE

ENVIRONMENT

SUPPORTING A GREEN CITY

Grande Prairie takes care of the environment with a variety of services and community initiatives.

Residents have the advantage of Aquatera's services and facilities, such as curbside recycling and the Eco Centre, Grande Prairie's largest recycling depot. The City of Grande Prairie also offers several community-based initiatives to inform, educate and involve residents.





SERVICE PROVIDERS

AQUATERA CURBSIDE RECYCLING

Aquatera offers recycling pick-up services alongside residential solid waste collection. Just clean and bag your recyclables and leave them at the curb—it's that easy! There is no limit to your recycling, so leave out as many bags of recyclables as you like.

aquatera.ca | 780-882-7800

AQUATERA GRANDE PRAIRIE ECO CENTRE

Operated by Aquatera, the Eco Centre is the largest recycling depot in Grande Prairie. You can recycle everything from plastics and styrofoam to light bulbs, TVs and computers to propane tanks and liquid chemical waste. Staff are available at the centre to help with your recycling needs. aquatera.ca | 780-538-0452

CITY ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES

CITY SCRUB

Every year schools, businesses, residents and community groups volunteer to pick up garbage in and around the city as part of the City Scrub.

City Scrub occurs in the spring and has more than 8,000 participants helping to make our city a cleaner place.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Each year the City supports a number of community environmental and beautification initiatives through the community improvement grants.

To find out if your community project is eligible, visit: **cityofgp.com/communityimprovement.**

GP GROWS

The City's GP Grows program provides multiple opportunities for residents to engage with nature and gardening including community orchards, edible landscapes, learning gardens and a seasonal seed bar pop-up.

Get involved at: cityofgp.com/gpgrows.

VERMICOMPOSTING

The City offers several sessions per year on composting indoor worm organic waste, which can help lower the volume of waste being sent to the landfill. This type of composting can be done year-round and is a great way to repurpose your organic waste.

Stay tuned to cityofgp.com/events for the latest session.





Welcome to Peace Wapiti Public School Division!

Kindergarten & New Student Registration: <u>www.pwpsd.ca/registration</u>

Parents of returning students will be emailed a Snap Code in September to update existing information on file.

PWPSD SCHOOLS

* Kindergarten offered ~ High School offered BEAVERLODGE Beaverlodge

Elementary School * (780) 354-2446

Beaverlodge Regional High School ~ (780) 354- 2189

BEZANSON

Bezanson School * (780) 532-6490

BONANZA Bonanza School * (780) 353-3788

CLAIRMONT

Clairmont Community School * (780) 567-4698

EAGLESHAM Eaglesham School *~

(780) 359-3792

ELMWORTH Elmworth School *

(780) 354-8375 <u>GRANDE</u>

PRAIRIE Harry Balfour School * (780) 532-9276 Peace Wapiti Academy ~ (780) 513-9504

Whispering Ridge Community School * (587) 771-2180

GROVEDALE Penson School * (780) 532-6390

HYTHE Hythe Regional School * (780) 356-3934

LA GLACE La Glace School * (780) 568-2430

RIDGEVALLEY Ridgevalley School *~ (780) 957-3995

- RYCROFT Rycroft School * (780) 765-3830

SAVANNA Savanna School *~ (780) 351-3771

SEXSMITH Robert W. Zahara School * (780) 568-3823 Sexsmith Secondary School ~ (780) 568-3642

* SPIRIT RIVER Spirit River Regional Academy *~ (780) 864-3696

TEEPEE CREEK Teepee Creek School * (780) 568-2265

WEMBLEY

Wembley Elementary School (Grades JK-3) * (780) 766-2294

Helen E. Taylor School (Grades 4-9) (780) 766-9103

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

(587) 771-2179 Peace Academy of

Virtual Education, online

Peace Wapiti Outreach School, Spirit River ~

Peace Wapiti Enterprise Centre, Grande Prairie ~

SPEECH LANGUAGE CONCERNS?

Children identified with a severe disability or language delay may be eligible for up to two years of pre-Kindergarten programming. Contact: Erin MacLellan, District Principal of Inclusive Education (780) 532-8133.

KINDERGARTEN LEARN MORE ABOUT KINDERGARTEN:

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PWPSD SCHOOLS ARE RATED HIGH IN PROGRAM OF STUDIES & SAFE AND CARING.

Peace Wapiti Public School Division's Drop-Out Rate is very low. Our schools are above the Alberta average for 3- and 5-year high school completion rates and Provincial Achievement Test acceptable standard results.

2024 Peace Wapiti Public School Division Assurance Results

WELLNESS AT PWPSD

Did you know that approximately 20% of people will develop a mental health disorder during their lifetime; 70% of these disorders can be diagnosed between the ages of 12 and 17. At **PWPSD** we have four dedicated teams that provide our students, families, and communities with programming and services to promote positive mental health.

FREE PWPSD TRANSPORTATION

is provided to students who qualify due to distance from their designated school.

PWPSD owns and operates its own fleet of buses, and drivers travel approximately 14,225 km each school day.

Learn more about the PWPSD transportation team and register for student transportation at www.pwpsd.ca



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EDUCATION

FOR NEW AND CONTINUING LEARNERS

Grande Prairie is fortunate to be served by a world-class education system with a wide variety of exciting program options for students at any stage.

From pre-kindergarten to post-secondary, Grande Prairie provides a diverse and expanding range of educational opportunities, including 33 schools across four districts, Northwestern Polytechnic—Alberta's newest polytechnic institution—and a steady increase in daycare and day home facilities each year.

The school districts offer a wide variety of unique and specialized possibilities, with programming in French Immersion, Francophone Education, Montessori, International Baccalaureate and Athletic Education. The Polytechnic offers a range of post-secondary options, including trades, diplomas, and university transfer programs and degrees, independently and in collaboration with other post-secondary institutions. Whichever educational path you decide to take, you'll be set up for success starting in Grande Prairie.



THE GRANDE PRAIRIE AND DISTRICT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The Grande Prairie and District Catholic School Division serves students of all faiths and backgrounds. French Immersion Programming is available through the Catholic school system to students from Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12. The Celtic Academy, a multi-sport-based program, is offered to students in Grades 4–12 and is based on the Long-Term Athlete Development program.



THE GRANDE PRAIRIE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT (GPPSD)

The Grande Prairie Public School District (GPPSD) offers French Immersion programming for students from pre-kindergarten to Grade 12, Montessori programming for preschool to Grade 6 and International Baccalaureate programming for Grades 10–12. GPPSD also includes the Academy, a performancedriven academic and athletic training program for students in hockey, dance, soccer and golf. Additionally, GPPSD students can earn credits towards their post-secondary studies thanks to dual credit partnerships with Northwestern Polytechnic and Northern Alberta Institute of Technology. In 2022, specialized Music (Gr. 5-8) and STEM Learning programs of choice were introduced at select schools.

gppsd.ab.ca | 780-532-4491

NORTHWESTERN POLYTECHNIC

Northwestern Polytechnic is Alberta's newest polytechnic institution. Formerly known as Grande Prairie Regional College (GPRC), the transition from comprehensive community institution to polytechnic means increasing education opportunities at home in Grande Prairie. The institution offers collaborative business, education and nursing degrees with provincial universities, as well as apprenticeship, skilled trade programs and micro-credentials. Plus, new medical and healthcare programs are being explored in collaboration with the Grande Prairie Regional Hospital. **nwpolytech.ca | 780-539-2911**

THE NORTHWEST FRANCOPHONE EDUCATION REGION

The NorthWest Francophone Education Region No 1 (Conseil scolaire du Nord-Ouest No 1 - CSNO) offers preschool to Grade 12 students high-quality Francophone education at École Nouvelle Frontière, Grande Prairie's only Francophone school.

École Nouvelle Frontière offers Alberta Education's curriculum along with a rich cultural programming which supports a sense of belonging to the francophone community. The CSNO's graduates' high level of bilingualism, as well as the abilities developed during their francophone schooling, increases their opportunities for post-secondary education and employment. csno.ab.ca | 780-624-8855

THE PEACE WAPITI PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION (PWPSD)

Peace Wapiti Public School Division (PWPSD) provides service to more than 6,000 Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12 students in 33 schools, including nine Hutterite colony schools, two outreach schools, an online school and educational programming at a group home facility. The City is home to Harry Balfour School, offering Kindergarten to Grade 8 and Peace Wapiti Academy, a Grade 9 - 12 high school. Peace Wapiti Enterprise Centre, located in the Royal Oaks subdivision, provides alternative education options and teacher support for junior and senior high academic programming.

PWPSD offers a variety of Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten options. High school students may earn postsecondary credit through dual credit partnerships with Northwestern Polytechnic and Northern Lakes College. pwpsd.ca | 780-532-8133

GRANDE PRAIRIE COUNCIL FOR LIFELONG LEARNING

The Grande Prairie Council for Lifelong Learning provides adult learning programs and services related to employment, literacy, career upgrading, English as an Additional Language (EAL) and public education.

gpcll.com | 780-539-6077

GRANDE PRAIRIE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Grande Prairie Public Library offers reading, literacy, social growth and personal interest courses for all ages: babies, toddlers, children, teens and adults. A free library membership also grants access to virtual courses in language, career, technology and personal interest.

gppl.ca | 780-532-3580

DAYCARE & DAYHOME FACILITIES

ORGANIZATION	WEB ADDRESS	PHONE
A Bright Beginning Child Care Centre	abrightbeginningchildcare.ca	780-532-9170
A Step Above Learning Society	astepabovelearning.com	780-357-0030
Building Blocks Daycare	nwpolytech.ca/community/daycare	780-539-2781
Connecting Dots Foundation	connectingdotsfoundation.com	587-772-1508
Garderie Les Petits boucs Daycare (ELCC)	nouvellefrontiere.csno.ab.ca/parents/ garderie-les-petits-boucs	780-814-7945
Jack n' Jill Family Dayhome Agency Inc	jack-n-jill-family-dayhome-agency-inc. business.site/	780-533-2570
Queen Elizabeth II Child Care Centre	bit.ly/qeii-child-care	780-538-7377
Stepping Stones Day Care & Family Day Home Program	ssdcs.ca	780-532-9684 Ext. 124
The Sand Castle Society Daycare	thesandcastlesociety.ca	780-532-5584
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École des Quatre-Vents Peace River (Alberta) Phone: 780-624-3015 quatrevents.csno.ab.ca École Nouvelle Frontière Grande Prairie (Alberta) Intere: 780-814-7946 nouvelleftontiere cano ab.ca GRANDE

GRANDER EVENTS

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cityofgp.com/events



EMPLOYMENT

UNLIMITED POTENTIAL

Grande Prairie is a thriving and innovative service hub for northwestern Alberta with a diverse range of industries, businesses, retail and service providers.



Grande Prairie serves as a regional hub with countless opportunities for growth and innovation, supported by a collaborative business environment where new ideas are encouraged and local ventures flourish. Supported by initiatives like the Rural Renewal Stream and Work Northwest Alberta, we're connecting people with the resources to live, work and play. The region's young, educated population offers a valuable and highly skilled workforce to the major economic sectors which include agriculture, forestry, oil and gas, health care, retail services and tourism. For job seekers, Grande Prairie's unemployment rate is typically lower than the provincial average meaning that there are often a range of employers hiring in most sectors. Grande Prairie consistently ranks as one of the top places to build a business, launch a career and thrive in a vibrant, growing community.

COMMUNITY FUTURES GRANDE PRAIRIE AND REGION

Community Futures Grande Prairie & Region is a community driven, non-profit organization that provides a wide range of small business services and business management tools for people looking to start, expand, franchise or sell a business. grandeprairie.albertacf.com | 780-814-5340

EMPLOYABILITIES GRANDE PRAIRIE

EmployAbilities Grande Prairie offers a comprehensive, free employment support and training program to help individuals with disabilities and barriers find and keep jobs in the Grande Prairie region. Personalized services include skills training, job search assistance, employer connections, funding for exposure courses and certifications, and other employment supports as needed.

employabilities.ab.ca/grandeprairie | 780-933-5928

THE WORK PLACE

The Work Place offers job search assistance, career and employment related services, training programs, workshop facilitation, needs assessments and business planning services. gpworkplace.ca | 780-539-5477

R. WORK GROUP

R. Work Group offers personalized job search assistance and career resources, and their team specializes in employment supports for individuals with disabilities, permanent health issues or learning difficulties..

rwgcommunity.com | 780-539-1072

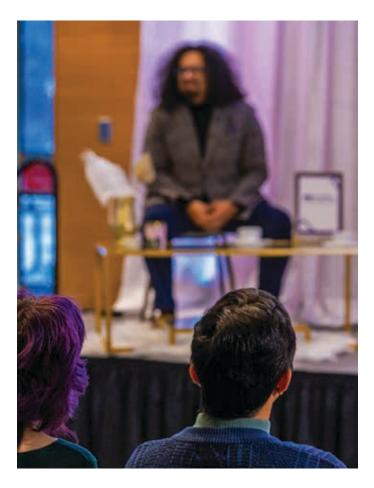
RURAL RENEWAL AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP STREAM

The City of Grande Prairie is proud to be a designated community under the Rural Renewal Stream and Rural Entrepreneurship Streams of the Alberta Advantage Immigration Program. These programs offer eligible workers the opportunity to immigrate to Alberta as a Provincial Nominee. Visit the website for more program details. cityofgp.com/immigration | 780-538-0300

BALLAD THE WORKFORCE EMPLOYMENT READINESS AND CONNECTIONS PROGRAM (WERC)

WERC aims to train students through life management and employment workshops to provide an opportunity to gain hands-on experience in two simulated work sites that focus on hospitality and construction. The program length will vary for each student with a maximum of 26 weeks of program service. Ballad will support students with job searches and placement with local employers and give them up to 90 days post-placement support as they transition into their new role with employment.

balladgroup.ca | 1-855-295-7180 (ext. 5)



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HEALTH CARE

SUPPORTING WELLNESS ACROSS THE REGION

Grande Prairie is the regional hub for health and medical services in Northwestern Alberta. We have dynamic healthcare teams working diligently to provide routine and specialized care for those in need.

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL HOSPITAL

The new regional hospital and cancer centre in Grande Prairie helps more northern patients receive specialized and complex care, closer to home and with shorter wait times. Functioning as a regional referral centre, the new hospital provides health services to residents from all over northwestern Alberta.

Grande Prairie Regional Hospital includes:

- An increase in the ICU spaces that allows for growth to the emergency department. The new site has 243 inpatient beds.
- A state-of-the-art cancer centre with two radiation vaults, for the first time bringing radiation therapy services to the community and the surrounding region. Grande Prairie is the fifth city in the province to offer radiation therapy.
- Eleven operating rooms including an operating room in the obstetrical suite specifically for caesarian sections.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II AMBULATORY CARE CENTRE (FORMERLY THE QUEEN ELIZABETH II HOSPITAL)

The Queen Elizabeth II Ambulatory Care Centre provides outpatient and ambulatory health-care services such as dialysis, community-based rehabilitation services and continuing care services through Mackenzie Place.

GRANDE PRAIRIE PUBLIC HEALTH CENTRE

The Grande Prairie Public Health Centre, located inside the Grande Prairie Provincial Building, provides a wide-range of services and programs to support the health and wellness of our community. This includes immunizations, breastfeeding clinics, diabetes supports, Indigenous wellness, nutrition counselling and more. For a full list of offerings, visit them online at **bit.ly/gpab-publichealth**.



LABORATORY AND DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING

As a regional hub, Grande Prairie has a variety of laboratory and diagnostic imaging facilities right in the city allowing for greater access and quicker results. These include Dynalab, Peace Diagnostic Imaging and SHIFT Imaging.

FAMILY PHYSICIANS

Grande Prairie is currently served by over 50 General Practitioners through approximately 24 medical clinics. For more information on health services in Grande Prairie, including family physicians accepting new patients, visit grandeprairiepcn.com.

WALK-IN CLINICS

Grande Prairie has 8 walk-in clinics to support residents with minor health concerns without family physicians. This includes clinics offering weekend and after-hour support. Find a clinic today at **medimap.ca/walk-in-clinics/grande-prairie-ab**.

HEALTHLINK 811

Health Link is a telephone service, providing free 24/7 clinical advice and general health information for Albertans including tele-triage and health advice, navigation services and online content support for all Albertans. Connect to Health Link by calling 811 or visiting, **MyHealth.Alberta.ca** or **InformAlberta.ca**.

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES

Alberta Health Services (AHS) is responsible for delivering health services across the province.

Visit **albertahealthservices.ca** to find healthcare and health information including hospitals and facilities, programs and services, a symptom checker and more.

AHS also provides online access to check your medical records directly at **myhealth.alberta.ca**.

COMMUNITY SUPPORTS

Grande Prairie is home to many dedicated community organizations providing specialized supports. From STARS Air Ambulance to the Canadian Mental Health Association or the Peace Area Riding for the Disabled Society (PARDS), there is a wide variety of support services available based on your needs. Call 211 or visit **ab.211.ca** online for a directory of supports.



Looking for compassionate support as you work on your wellbeing?

At GP Counsellors - Counselling and Psychological Services, we are proud to offer access to a number of qualified therapists. We welcome individuals, couples, and families dealing with challenges such as: anxiety, depression, addiction, relationship issues, grief and loss, anger, etc.

Explore our team of dedicated therapists and the comprehensive services we offer by visiting our website at **gpcounsellors.com**. Here, you'll find a direct link to each therapist's website making it easy to learn more about their designation, expertise, and information on how to book an appointment directly with the professional who best suits your needs. We're here to help!

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OUR COMMUNITY

A HOME FOR ALL

Grande Prairie has been built by people from all around the world, and continues to grow, adapt and innovate thanks to the diversity of our people. Our community is made vibrant and strong thanks to the shared success of our residents from all backgrounds and walks of life.



NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

Neighbourhood Associations provide an opportunity for neighbours to come together as a unified voice for their community, support initiatives that improve quality of life and provide a sense of place. Grande Prairie is fortunate to have a network of 10 Neighbourhood Associations supported by the City. cityofgp.com/neighbourhoodassociations | 780-532-7637

SERVICE CLUBS

Service clubs in Grande Prairie play a key role in supporting community growth through volunteer work and charitable projects. These clubs aim to improve residents' quality of life by meeting local needs through long-term projects and partnership. Examples include Rotary International, Elks, Girl Guides and more.

cityofgp.com/serviceclubs

EXPLORE GRANDE PRAIRIE WELCOME PACKAGE

New to Canada? The City of Grande Prairie offers an Explore Grande Prairie Welcome Package to newcomers. The package includes:

- 5 passes to the Eastlink Centre
- 5 passes to the Activity and Reception Centre
- Free three-month transit pass

cityofgp.com/exploregp

GRANDE PRAIRIE LOCAL IMMIGRATION PARTNERSHIP

The Grande Prairie Local Immigration Partnership (GPLIP) is a partnership between the City of Grande Prairie and Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) that supports the development of community-based planning around the needs of newcomer settlement and integration. cityofgp.com/gplip

CULTURAL ASSOCIATIONS

PLACES OF WORSHIP

ACFA Regionale de Grande Prairie	780-532-6335
Caribbean Association of Grande Pr	airie 780-296-2294
Chinese Association of Grande Prairie	chineseofgp@gmall.com
Grande Prairie Filipino Association	
Grande Prairie Friendship Centre	780-532-5722
Grande Prairie Hindu Association	780-477-6431
Grande Prairie Society of German Canadians	780-814-9237
Islamic Association of Grande Prairie	e 780-513-6486
Metis Local #1990	780-538-9333
Sons of Norway Lodge 493	780-532-7637
Troyanda Society of Ukrainian Culture & Heritage	780-512-3231

GRANDE PRAIRIE CENTRE FOR NEWCOMERS

The Grande Prairie Centre for Newcomers welcomes newcomers and assists them in their settlement and integration in Grande Prairie and the surrounding area with a vision of creating a welcoming and inclusive community where newcomers can root themselves into Canadian society. gpcn.ca

INDIGENOUS RELATIONS

On April 17, 2023, City Council endorsed the Indigenous Relations Framework for the City of Grande Prairie. The Framework is a response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action (TRC) and the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP) with a local approach to how the City of Grande Prairie is supporting the advancement of Truth and Reconciliation.

cityofgp.com/indigenousrelations

Abundant Life Church of Grande Prairie	Forbes Presbyterian Church	People's Church
Anglican Church of Canada	Generations Church	Redeemed Christian Church of God
Baha'i Faith	Grande Prairie Alliance Church	Salvation Army
Believers Full Gospel Assembly	Gurudwara Sikh Temple	Seventh Day Adventist Church
Christ Community Church	Harvest Baptist Church	St. Joseph Catholic Church
Christ Covenant Church	Hillcrest Mennonite Church	St. Paul's United Church
Christian Fellowship Assembly	Islamic Association of Grande Prairie	The Oasis Fellowship
Church of Christ	Ivy Lake Baptist Church	The Worship Center
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness	Trinity Lutheran Church
Coram Deo Baptist Church	McLaurin Baptist Church	Ukranian Catholic Church
Covenant Reformed Church	Native Fellowship	Victory Church on the Rock
Faith Lutheran Church	North Country Community Church of the Nazarene	Westpointe Community Church

GRANDER RECREATION

Programs and camps for all ages and interests

Free Drop-in Activities for All Ages

The Grande Prairie Activity & Reception Centre hosts multiple free drop-in times each week to help minimize financial barriers and provide more opportunities for an active lifestyle to support a caring and inclusive community in Grande Prairie.

Scheduled free drop-in activities are available for all age groups. View free drop-in opportunities at cityofgp.com/activitycentre

Registered Programs

See available camps and programs or register for courses online at **cityofgp.com/programs**

- Educational Programs
- Certification Courses
- Arts and Culture
 - Fitness and Sport
- School's Out Day Camps

The Recreation Access Program

The Recreation Access Program (RAP) offers a 75% subsidy on most programs for approved applicants. Learn more at **cityofgp.com/RAP**



3-1-1 or 780-538-0300

cityofgp.com/programs



WHERE SPLASHES ARE GRANDER

The Eastlink Centre is a great place to get out and move. Membership and drop-in includes access to:

- Fitness centre and classes.
- Squash and racquetball courts.
- Aquatics drop-in and classes.
- Instructor-led dryland and aquatics fitness classes.
- Childcare services for children six months to seven years old.
- Skating at Design Works Centre.

P 3-1-1 or 780-538-0300

eastlinkcentre.ca

- West Fraser Fieldhouse free play and drop-in activities.
- Registered programs, swimming lessons, birthday parties, facility rentals and more.

Get active this year at one of the City's many sport and recreation facilities!

Splash in the Aquatera Outdoor Pool, skate at the Dave Barr Community Centre or Design Works Centre, or play on the Hansen Lincoln Field.

Book facilities, fields and rooms today:



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WHERE ENTERTAINMENT SGRANDER

Bonnetts Energy Centre

Bonnetts Energy Arena

Bonnetts Energy Arena is home to AJHL Grande Prairie Storm Hockey, with 2,967 fixed seats and 4,600 for concert seating.

The Bowes

The Bowes is 18,000 square feet of exhibit space and seats 1,400 for concerts and 500 for banquets.

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bonnettsenergycentre.com







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Where investment-ready means ready for your business, your life, and your dreams.

Ready for Connections

Strategically located along the CANAMEX Corridor on Highways 40 and 43, Grande Prairie connects you to regional, national, and international markets by road, rail, and air.

Ready for Growth

As a retail, service, and entertainment destination with \$1.7 billion in trade potential, we attract major brands like Costco, Sephora, and Canadian Tire. We're designed for business, serving a region of 290,000 people and generating \$5 billion in retail annually.

Ready for Healthcare

As home to Alberta's newest hospital and Northwestern Alberta's medical hub, we prioritize health. With leading facilities, training opportunities, a spectrum of specialties, and top-notch professionals, our healthcare network is built for you.

Ready for Fun

From parks and recreation options to diverse shopping and dining, we make it easy to live well. Enjoy a workout or a walk, volunteer opportunities, and a safe environment for all ages—Grande Prairie is built to support your lifestyle.



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FREE YOUTH TRANSIT

Did you know the City of Grande Prairie Transit Services offers free transit for youth? Youth SUPERPASS cards are distributed through public and Catholic schools and can be registered online. Students outside these schools, including private, homeschooled, or youth under 18 not attending school, can get their card at City Hall with valid ID confirming age.

There are no fees for the first SUPERPASS card, which expires at the end of the year you turn 18.

Learn more about routes, fees, and Community Bus Services, including On-Demand service, at:

cityofgp.com/transit







Do you work for an organization that supports newcomers? Join the **Grande Prairie Local Immigration Partnership Council (GPLIP)** and connect with other local service providers and organizations while improving and empowering settlement and integration services.

The Immigrant Advisory Table (IAT) is a

working group solely made up of immigrants who represent the diversity and multiculturalism in Grande Prairie. IAT members share their firsthand experience as newcomers while networking with GPLIP. Come join us!

P 780-832-6178

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GRANDE PRAIRIE'S ONE-STOP SPOT FOR LOCAL HISTORY

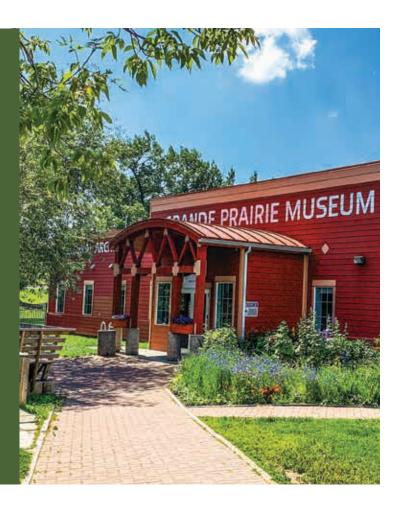
From early pioneers, Indigenous peoples, dinosaurs and railways, to minerals, military artifacts, antiques and motorcycles, the Grande Prairie Museum has it all! With over 55,000 items in its collection, the Grande Prairie Museum offers a high level of accessibility and is suitable for all ages.

The museum's adjoining Heritage Village open May to September — features heritage structures, replicas and equipment to give guests a deeper view into the region's past.

P 780-830-7090

cityofgp.com/gpmuseum





GRANDER CELEBRATIONS

The naturally bright, modern Teresa Sargent Hall offers 5,000 square feet of indoor rental space suitable for weddings, formal receptions, large milestone and cultural celebrations. It's a great space for community programming, corporate events and artisan exhibitions. Receive top-tier customer service, event coordination and an operations team to make your vision, your event.

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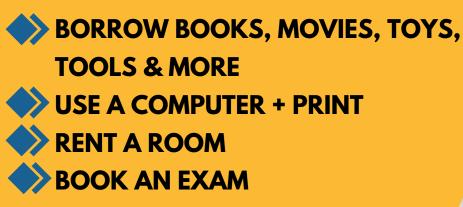
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ARTS AND CULTURE

SHOWCASING A VIBRANT CITY

Grande Prairie is home to a lively and sophisticated arts and cultural scene.

From local museums to our selection of art galleries and plentiful opportunities to learn or participate, our city has boundless opportunities to expand your mind and engage in new experiences.

ART GALLERY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE

One of the largest cultural organizations in Alberta, the Art Gallery of Grande Prairie works to preserve, inspire and share the world of art with the community and the region. Located within the Montrose Cultural Centre, the gallery offers free admission, art exhibitions, guided tours, educational programs and activities for all ages. The Art Gallery features the Carlstrom Family Green Space, an interactive gallery and selfdirected studio space where visitors of all ages can participate in free art activities.

aggp.ca | 780-532-8111

BONNETTS ENERGY CENTRE

Bonnetts Energy Centre is Grande Prairie's premiere entertainment and sport venue. It houses Bonnetts Energy Arena and The Bowes. The venue hosts a variety of sporting events, concerts, private functions, trade shows and entertainment for the whole family, plus is home to the AJHL Hockey team, the Grande Prairie Storm.

bonnettsenergycentre.com | 780-538-0387

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE ARTS

The Centre for Creative Arts provides a welcoming workspace and affordable fine art, craft and cultural classes for aspiring artists of all ages. The centre is home to a gallery and gift shop that features 100% locally-made fine art and craft items. **creativecentre.ca | 780-814-6080**

DOUGLAS J. CARDINAL THEATRE

Northwestern Polytechnic's 508-seat Douglas J. Cardinal Performing Arts Centre hosts a wide variety of local community groups, keynote speakers, musical performances, theatrical productions and recitals.

nwpolytech.ca/theatre

FORBES HOMESTEAD

The Forbes Homestead is one of the oldest buildings still standing in Grande Prairie. It contains the original log structure built in 1911, used as the first hospital in Grande Prairie, as well as the two storey add-on used by the Forbes family as their residence. The homestead was restored to its original form to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the arrival of the Forbes family and was opened to the public in 2010. **cityofgp.com/revforbes | 780-830-7090**

GRANDE PRAIRIE LIVE THEATRE

Grande Prairie Live Theatre is one of Canada's largest nonprofit community theatres. The facility offers an exciting entertainment venue for date night, family outings and cultural enrichment featuring 167 seats and the Encore Lounge. The theatre offers the opportunity to experience the talent of local and visiting artists as well as a variety of programs for all ages to become thespians themselves.

gplt.ca | 780-538-1616



GRANDE PRAIRIE MUSEUM

Situated in Muskoseepi Park, the Grande Prairie Museum develops and hosts educational programs, tours, interactive displays and temporary exhibits to tell the story of the region's history. It also features meeting rooms to host private and community events. The adjoining Heritage Village is open May through September and consists of 14 historical buildings from the Grande Prairie area.

cityofgp.com/gpmuseum | 780-830-7090

GRANDE PRAIRIE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Located in the Montrose Cultural Centre, the Grande Prairie Public Library has served the Grande Prairie area since 1939. It is the largest library north of Edmonton and is a resource centre for the Peace Country. The Grande Prairie Public Library is pleased to offer free memberships that provide access to their collections, programs and events available for all ages. gppl.ca | 780-532-3580

MONTROSE CULTURAL CENTRE

The Montrose Culture Centre is home to the Grande Prairie Public Library, the Art Gallery of Grande Prairie, Jeffrey's Cafe and the Teresa Sargent Hall. It is a community hub to gather in support of the arts and literacy in Grande Prairie.

cityofgp.com/mcc | 780-538-0467

PHILIP J. CURRIE DINOSAUR MUSEUM

Twenty kilometers west of Grande Prairie is the Pipestone Creek Bonebed, one of the densest accumulations of fossils in the world and home to the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum. This world-class facility uses animation, CTI scans, 3D printers, and other technologies to give visitors a unique interactive dinosaur experience. It features a variety of exhibitions and collections, the Aykroyd Family Theatre, and a selection of unique educational events for schools and visitors. **dinomuseum.ca | 587-771-0662**

SOUTH PEACE REGIONAL ARCHIVES

South Peace Regional Archives was established in January of 2000, the first regional archives in Alberta. Gathering, preserving, and sharing historical records of municipalities, organizations, businesses, and families is the purpose of the South Peace Regional Archives. Located in the lower level of Centre 2000, they are available to visit by appointment.

southpeacearchives.org

For more opportunities on arts and culture offerings in our region, visit the Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association at **gptourism.ca**.









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SPORT AND RECREATION

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Indoors or outdoors, there is always an opportunity to play in Grande Prairie.

We're proud to be home to a wide range of recreational facilities and programs to support active lifestyles and fun for all ages, abilities and interests.



GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL SPORT CONNECTION

Grande Prairie Regional Sport Connection (GPRSC) is the hub of sports in the region, and the #1 community resource for all things sports-related. Check out the GP Sport Connect to sign-up for the leagues and clubs of your choice or check out any number of our recreational facilities for drop-in and scheduled programming.

gpsportconnect.ca

INDOOR RECREATION



BONNETTS ENERGY CENTRE

Bonnetts Energy Centre is the premiere entertainment and sport venue of the northwest. The facility hosts sports, concerts, shows and entertainment for the whole family and is the home of the Grande Prairie Storm of the Alberta Junior Hockey League.

bonnettsenergycentre.com | 780-538-0387



DAVE BARR COMMUNITY CENTRE

Dave Barr Community Centre offers hockey and skating in the winter months, and dryland space in the summer. The community centre is also home to a variety of child and youth programs.

cityofgp.com/dbcc | 780-538-0469



DESIGN WORKS CENTRE

The Design Works Centre features twin ice arenas with seating for nearly 2,000 spectators. The facility also includes the Legends Hockey Lounge and is available for public events and private bookings in its two ice surfaces and four meeting rooms. cityofgp.com/designworks | 780-513-5252



EASTLINK CENTRE

One of the largest adventure and fitness aquatic venues in Canada, the Eastlink Centre boasts an Olympic-size 50m competition pool, diving towers, a surfing simulator and waterpark. On the dryland side is a fitness centre and fieldhouse featuring indoor basketball, volleyball, badminton and squash courts, as well as an indoor track. Each offers both drop-in and scheduled programming. The facility also has a variety of food and beverage vendors and health and wellness merchants. eastlinkcentre.ca | 780-830-5000



GRANDE PRAIRIE ACTIVITY & RECEPTION CENTRE

The Activity and Reception Centre provides inclusive, affordable, accessible recreation opportunities for all members of the community and can serve as an emergency reception centre. This facility hosts a variety of drop-in activities to serve many recreational and leisure needs and offers a small meeting room for community rentals. Plus, it's the winter home for the mobile skate park.

cityofgp.com/arc | 780-538-0330

OUTDOOR RECREATION

PARKS AND TRAILS

Grande Prairie's green space and urban forest are a point of pride. Boasting more than 1,600 acres of parkland, 100 kilometers of trails and over 100 parks and playgrounds (including dog parks!), there is so much to explore in your own backyard. Start exploring today using our interactive park finder or downloadable maps.

cityofgp.com/parksfinder

MUSKOSEEPI PARK

Muskoseepi Park runs through the centre of the city with 18 km of both paved and natural trails winding through the urban forest for walking, biking and cross country skiing. The park features two large playgrounds, a splash park, an all-season pond for fishing and skating, outdoor basketball, tennis and lawn bowling courts, mini golf, disc golf, bird watching facilities and the Aquatera Outdoor Pool.

Muskoseepi Park is the place to be for festivals and entertainment. Grande Prairie's Canada Day, Heritage Day and New Year's Eve-ning Out celebrations are held in the park and the outdoor amphitheater with its hillside seating provides a stage for concerts, dance performances and other shows throughout the season. Stop by the Ernie Radbourne Pavilion for information or to check out the fun and educational programs offered for children of all ages.

cityofgp.com/muskoseepi



MASKWÔTÊH PARK

At the north end of Muskoseepi Park, across from Centre 2000, Maskwôtêh Park features trail connections, picnic areas and three playground areas for children to enjoy, an outdoor classroom, a fossil hunt section and a rocks and ropes area all with a unique dinosaur theme. A new trail connection was just completed in the park, connecting it to larger trail systems, as well as the opening of the Blossoming Garden of Hope.

SOUTH BEAR CREEK

South Bear Creek Park offers a wide variety of recreational activities and facilities including ball diamonds, beach volleyball courts, bike skills park and Bear Paw Par 3 golf course. The park also features a pavilion and picnic area, walking trails and an off-leash dog park with agility equipment.

cityofgp.com/southbear

AQUATERA OUTDOOR POOL

The Aquatera Outdoor Pool, a long-time community gem, opened in the summer of 2019. The fully re-done facility features a water slide, games area, zero beach and swimming lanes for use throughout the summer months.

cityofgp.com/aop

SPRAY PARKS

Two spray parks are open seasonally in the city for summer fun and a place to cool off from hot temperatures.

cityofgp.com/parksfinder

ICE RINKS

The City maintains outdoor community ice rinks including the Muskoseepi Park Skating Pond. In addition, the Neighbourhood Rink Program allows local homeowners an opportunity to build and maintain a small skating rink in neighbourhood parks near their home. These rinks are maintained by volunteers and used throughout the winter for local skating.

cityofgp.com/outdoorrinks

REGIONAL RECREATION

Across the region, the Grande Prairie area is a nature-lover's dream with opportunities for outdoor play in all seasons. We have an abundance of natural, undisturbed land for outdoor recreation and a local population with the entrepreneurial spirit to make it a possibility. Enthusiasts of all kinds will find their niche with our diversity of activities from:

- ATVing
- Fishing
- Hiking
- Skiing (downhill and cross-country)
- Watersports

Visit the Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association for more details at **gptourism.ca**.

- Camping
- Golfing
- Hunting
- Snowmobiling





COMMUNITY SAFETY AND SUPPORTS

BUILDING FOR ALL

Our vibrant community thrives because we are focused on supporting all of our residents. We do this through investing in a number of community safety and support initiatives to ensure everyone has what they need to live a full life.

Here are a number of resources we have in place for an inclusive, caring and safe community.

MUNICIPAL POLICE

Grande Prairie is transitioning to a municipal police service, establishing the Grande Prairie Police Service to provide locally responsive policing with community oversight, ensuring the safety and vibrancy of our city both now and in the future. Looking ahead, building a police service from the ground up creates opportunity for innovation in policing, particularly around modern policing and enhanced community benefits specific to the needs of Grande Prairie residents and business owners.

gppolice.com

MOBILE OUTREACH

The City of Grande Prairie's Mobile Outreach is a diversion program focused on mitigating the impacts of street-level social disorder, addiction and public intoxication. The program assists businesses and residents in handling their concerns related to the street-engaged population. Concerns may include trespassing, loitering, disturbances, public intoxication, needle debris and encampments.

Mobile Outreach is intended to provide immediate support for a client's basic needs and navigation through local service systems such as emergency shelters, health care, addiction treatment and housing.

cityofgp.com/mop | 780-830-7094

AGENT PROGRAM

Introduced to the City in 2018 for business owners, the program gives bylaw officers, peace officers and police officers additional powers to enforce the Trespass to Premises Act and Petty Trespass Act on private properties.

es_contact@cityofgp.com

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVES

Our Homeless Initiative works to end homelessness by partnering with community agencies to provide housing supports and move people out of shelters and into homes. They support a spectrum of housing from emergency supports and shelters to supportive housing, affordable housing and more.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

The City of Grande Prairie works in partnership with the Government of Alberta to support jointly funded preventive social services for Albertans through the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) program. The province contributes 80% of the cost of operating a local program while the City contributes a minimum of 20%. This unique provincial partnership leverages municipal funds to greatly amplify their impact at the local community level through funding local organizations and agencies focused on preventative social supports.

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Youth Advisory Council (YAC) is a group of local youth who meet to discuss current issues in Grande Prairie. YAC connects with City Council, city departments and committees and local agencies to engage, learn and collaborate.

Grande Prairie's YAC is open to youth ages 14 to 24. Members are a mix of high school students, college students and young professionals seeking to make a positive impact on the community through awareness, advocacy and representation. **cityofgp.com/yac**



RECREATION ACCESS PROGRAM

The Recreation Access Program helps ensure all residents have access to leisure, recreation and fitness opportunities. We value providing socially inclusive programs to each individual and family in Grande Prairie. Providing this program to eligible participants removes financial barriers while enhancing community and family connectedness.

The program offers a 75% subsidy on applicable memberships, punch passes and registered programs to approved applicants at participating facilities including Eastlink Centre, Design Works Centre, Activity and Reception Centre, Dave Barr Community Centre, Muskoseepi Park and the Grande Prairie Museum. **cityofgp.com/rap**

TRANSIT ACCESS PROGRAM

The Transit Access Program offers a 50% subsidy on the monthly Grande Prairie Transit SUPERPASS to qualifying applicants to help them stay connected to the community. The SUPERPASS is a re-loadable electronic smart card used to pay your bus fare. To be eligible, applicants' income must not exceed the Low-Income Cut-Off level determined by Statistics Canada +30%.

Applications to access the program can be completed yearround. Proof of address, household income and documentation for dependent children are all required for the application. **cityofgp.com/tap**

HOME SUPPORT

The Home Support Program is for families and individuals experiencing disruptions to normal family routine making it difficult to maintain and manage a healthy home. Services may include basic light housekeeping, scheduled transportation, short term respite care, companioning and meal preparation and storage. Fees are based on the client's monthly household income with subsidies available.

cityofgp.com/homesupport

COMMUNITY COMPASS

The Community Compass provides coordinated access to social supports by tying together hundreds of independent social services and programs in Grande Prairie into a coordinated system to streamline access to community support for residents. It is designed to better connect residents with the appropriate services they need in a more efficient, effective and accessible way.

Benefits include easier access to help, more accurate and timely referrals, improved coordination of support and better use of resources.

The project is a partnership between the City of Grande Prairie, the County of Grande Prairie and the Community Foundations of Northwestern Alberta.

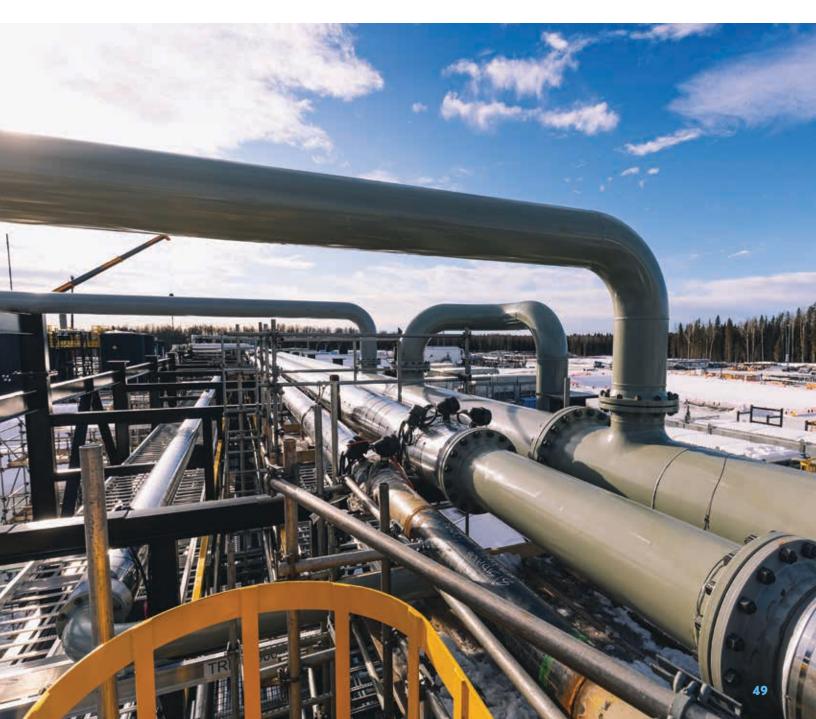
cityofgp.com/communitycompass

BUSINESS ADVANTAGE

OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Grande Prairie's vibrant economy has developed with years of steady growth. The City is in an enviable economic position with high wages and disposable income, a local real estate market that remains affordable and plenty of opportunity for growth and diversification.

Strong resource markets in agriculture, forestry and oil and gas are the foundation of our strong economy. Many energetic, businessminded people are capitalizing on a business climate like no other. Grande Prairie is a place that embraces entrepreneurship, innovation and new ideas.





OPPORTUNITY FOR GROWTH

At a population of nearly 70,000, Grande Prairie is one of the youngest and fastest growing cities in North America. Grande Prairie has long proven itself as resourceful and entrepreneurial.

A DIVERSE ECONOMIC PORTFOLIO

Grande Prairie is best known for its oil and gas activity, however, it is home to a wide range of industries. This businesssavvy community is consistently recognized by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business as one of the most entrepreneurial communities in Canada, an ambition that can be seen across all of the city's major industries. The city boasts over 3000 businesses, with new businesses opening annually.

Energy

Grande Prairie is well positioned as the major oil field service centre supporting both the Montney and the Duvernay, two of the largest players of shale formation in North America. Output from the Montney has doubled since 2012 and now comprises a third of Western Canada's natural gas production. By 2040, it is projected to make up more than half of the country's production. Grande Prairie-based companies service oil and natural gas activities in northwestern Alberta, northeastern British Columbia and into the Northwest Territories. Local companies are also actively exploring clean energy sources, such as hydrogen.

Agriculture

Agriculture remains an important part of the Grande Prairie region. Almost four million hectares of farmland in the Peace Country produce wheat, barley, hay, canola and alfalfa. Grande Prairie's world-renowned creeping red fescue helps keep lawns, parks and golf courses green across North America.

Forestry

Grande Prairie's forestry industry is one of the most important engines in the region with four large operators - Weyerhaeuser, International Paper, Canfor and West Fraser. While it is unusual to see such a concentration of major operators in a city of Grande Prairie's size, these operations are among the most competitive in Canada and the top industrial employers in the region. Northwestern Alberta produces 40% of Alberta's pulp, 64% of its oriented strand board (OSB) and 50% of its timber.

Retail

As a regional hub, Grande Prairie has established itself as a lucrative market for local and multi-national retailers. The city is the centre of an affluent region consisting of a trading area of nearly 300,000 people representing \$5.1 billion in retail spending. Retail spending and demand for new stores continue to be supported by the young, fast-growing population.

The current retail inventory of the city is 3.8 million square feet, including major retailers such as Costco, Home Depot, Canadian Tire, Best Buy, Rona and HomeSense.

Tourism

Tourism has become an important industry for the area with attractions like the Eastlink Centre and the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum adding to the draw of the region's natural beauty. Thanks to Grande Prairie's position on the scenic route to the Alaska Highway and the many shopping and recreational opportunities that the city has to offer, Grande Prairie has become a hub for shoppers and tourists alike. gptourism.ca | 780-539-7688

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BUSINESS RESOURCES

GROW YOUR BUSINESS

Residents of Grande Prairie have long proven themselves as resourceful and entrepreneurial. The innovative nature of the community has helped to develop a network of resources to support the entrepreneurial pursuits and business development that is common in the city.



CENTRE 2000

Centre 2000 is located on the outer edge of Muskoseepi Park and serves as a "one-stop information shop" for tourists of Grande Prairie and surrounding area as well as a place for special events and meetings. The building is home to the Grande Prairie Chamber of Commerce, Invest Grande Prairie, the Grande Prairie Regional Tourism Association, United Way, the Community Foundation of Northwestern Alberta and the South Peace Regional Archives.

cityofgp.com/centre2000 | 780-513-0240

COMMUNITY FUTURES GRANDE PRAIRIE & REGION

Community Futures Grande Prairie & Region is a community driven, non-profit organization that provides a wide range of small business services and business management tools for people looking to start, expand, franchise or sell a business. grandeprairie.albertacf.com | 780-814-5340

GRANDE PRAIRIE & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Chamber of Commerce connects business by creating opportunities for networking, business promotion, advocacy and policy development. The Chamber makes services accessible to businesses of all sizes, types and industries. The Grande Prairie & District Chamber of Commerce is the third largest in Alberta.

BUSINESS LINK

Business Link is a social enterprise that helps entrepreneurs navigate the steps toward starting their own businesses. They can help with one-on-one support and guidance, market research, access to experts, training, networking opportunities, and specialized support for Indigenous and immigrant entrepreneurs. **businesslink.ca | 1-800-272-9675**

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL INNOVATION NETWORK

Grande Prairie Regional Innovation Network, GPRIN, is the Peace Region innovation network that provides innovators and entrepreneurs with the resources, knowledge and connections they need to launch and move their ideas into the marketplace. gprin.ca | 780-814-5340

PRAIRIESCAN

PrairiesCan is an enhanced community-based approach that addresses the specific circumstances and needs of local communities and their surrounding regions. PrairiesCan administers a number of grants and contributions programs that enable the department to contribute strongly to the productivity and competitiveness in Alberta.

canada.ca/prairiescan | 1-888-338-9378

WORK NW ALBERTA

The Work NW Alberta Partnership (WNWAP) is led by the City of Grande Prairie, County of Grande Prairie and the Municipal District of Greenview in collaboration with the Grande Prairie & District Chamber of Commerce and Northwestern Polytechnic. Together with business and community, WNWAP aims to cultivate a skilled and diverse labour force across the region. By developing and attracting skilled individuals capable of meeting present and future employment requirements, the Partnership seeks to establish a foundation for dynamic and forward-looking businesses and organizations. worknwalberta.ca | info@worknwalberta.ca

grandeprairiechamber.com | 780-532-5340

BUSINESS RESOURCES

INVEST IN SUCCESS

The City of Grande Prairie is committed to supporting business development and investments that create jobs, stimulate the local economy and expand a diversified tax base.

GRANDE PRAIRIE 2024 INVESTOR GUIDE

The Grande Prairie Investor Guide offers business owners and entrepreneurs valuable insights, tailored resources and strategic guidance crafted to empower investors seeking to thrive in Grande Prairie's vibrant business landscape. From industry profiles and investment opportunities to incentive programs, this guide equips you to make informed decisions and capitalize on the city's potential.

cityofgp.com/economic-development | 780-357-4969

GRANTS AND INCENTIVES

BUSINESS RETENTION & EXPANSION GRANT

A four-year annual rebate equal to 100% of the general municipal tax portion of the Incremental Assessed Value of the property in the first year, decreasing by 25% annually for three additional years. This grant aims to help industrial and commercial businesses grow and thrive by enhancing their property through addition or significant renovation while stimulating the local economy.

cityofgp.com/economic-development/grants-incentives

MUNICIPAL FEE REBATE

The City of Grande Prairie's Municipal Fee Rebate is a financial incentive designed to encourage residential development by reimbursing municipal fees associated with eligible projects. This program aims to stimulate local employment and support the growth of the community. New Multi-Unit Residential Projects on a single property are eligible for a grant equal to the City imposed portions of all Inspection Services Permit Fees, Engineering Services Fees and Planning & Development Fees. Land Use Bylaw Amendment Fees may be rebated 100% for an approved application.

NEW BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GRANT

10-year annual rebate equal to 100% of the general municipal tax portion of the Incremental Assessed Value of the property in the first year, decreasing by 10% annually for nine additional years. This incentive aims to attract investment in industrial and commercial development with the goal of diversifying our economy, stimulating building activity and supporting local employment in Grande Prairie.

BARRIER-FREE GRANT

The Barrier-Free Grant is designed to promote a business environment that is accessible to all residents, visitors and employees, through financial incentives for commercial property and business owners to invest in Accessibility Improvement Projects. The Barrier-Free Grant is a matching grant that will provide 50% of project costs up to a maximum of \$20,000 for eligible Accessibility Improvement Projects.

BEAUTIFICATION & PATIO GRANT

A 50% matching grant for up to a maximum \$15,000 for any façade improvement, landscaping or patio project that improves aesthetic appeal, pedestrian access and safety of a commercial, retail or mixed use building.

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RETAIL

BIG BRANDS AND LOCAL CHARM

Residents and visitors alike come to Grande Prairie for the diversity of shopping available. As the urban centre serving a regional population of nearly 300,000 people, Grande Prairie is home to major chains not often found outside of major cities.

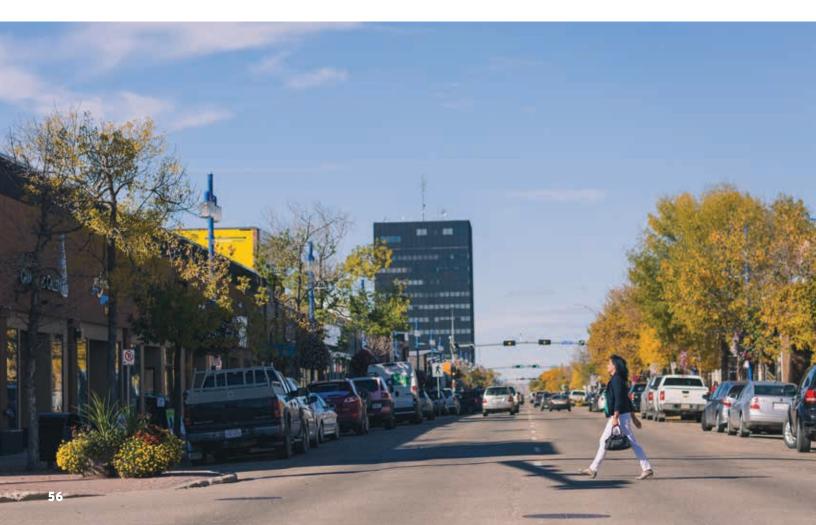
DOWNTOWN

Downtown is the financial, commercial and cultural centre of Grande Prairie. It is home to more than 400 establishments ranging from banks to unique clothing boutiques, furniture stores and diverse restaurants. The Farmers' Market offers a selection of hand-crafted and locally-grown products yearround while the Grant Berg Gallery carries original works of art from local and Canadian artists.

gpdowntown.com

MELCOR PLAZA

Located at the intersection of Highways 40 and 43, Melcor Plaza is perfectly positioned in the heart of Grande Prairie, making it a central destination for shopping, dining, and entertainment. With over 50 brand-name stores, the plaza offers a wide variety of options for every need and interest. From everyday essentials at Staples and London Drugs to a mix of specialty shops, Melcor Plaza is a one-stop destination for convenience and variety. Enjoy a night out at the on-site movie theater or grab a bite at one of the many restaurants catering to diverse tastes. Melcor Plaza is designed to serve as a vibrant community hub for residents and visitors alike.





PRAIRIE MALL

Prairie Mall is the largest indoor retail shopping centre in northwestern Alberta and northeastern British Columbia. In operation since March 1975, the Prairie Mall has become the predominant shopping centre in the Peace Region, with close to 100 merchants of local, national, and international roots. **shopprairiemall.com**



WESTGATE SHOPPING CENTRE

In recent years, the west side of the city has blossomed into a major shopping destination for residents from across northwestern Alberta and northeastern BC. With growing retail shopping space, the west side of the city is home to many local, national, and international retailers. Major amenities such as Costco, Winners, and Best Buy are complemented by a variety of home décor and fashion options including Urban Barn, HomeSense and Carter's OshKosh while local retailers such as Monaco Shoes, and Janina's Diamonds and Time offer unique brands and fashion finds not available elsewhere in the region. And if that's not enough, the largest single-storey Canadian Tire in Canada can also be found here.

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