

Olds At A Glance

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Did you know...

- ❖ Almost 7500 people call Olds home?
- ❖ Olds celebrated its Centennial in 2005 and is a major service centre for over 40,000 people in central Alberta, with great shopping, services and restaurants?
- ❖ Olds has a tree inventory with a value of four million dollars?
- ❖ In 2007, Olds was second in Alberta for Building Permits, with \$117 million in approved construction activity?
- ❖ Olds has over 15 km of Walking Trails all over town and over 300 acres of parks?
- ❖ The Olds Agricultural Society hosts a Farmer's Market every Thursday in summer?
- ❖ Olds was one of the first communities in Canada to implement a residential composting system?
- ❖ In 2006, Olds residents recycled 6,660,016 containers – more than TWICE the provincial average, and our Municipal Recycling Program diverted 2309 tonnes of waste from landfills?
- ❖ Olds has its own Town Crier?
- ❖ Olds was chosen by the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association in 2007 as a pilot community for Municipal Sustainability?
- ❖ Calgary is only 45 minutes away and Red Deer is only 30 minutes away?
- ❖ Banff and the Rocky mountains are less than 2 hours away?
- ❖ Every year we host a Volunteer Gala to thank hundreds of local community volunteers?
- ❖ The Olds Aquatic Centre features a spectacular hand-made tile mural that is 25 metres long, 5 metres high, and was created and installed by over 100 local citizens in 2003?
- ❖ The Olds Sportsplex has the only Electric Ice Resurfacer in Alberta for maintaining our indoor ice arenas?
- ❖ The Olds Sportsplex is the only arena in Alberta to retrofit a state-of-the-art Heat Recovery system, recycling 18 million BTUs of heat by preventing it from being lost from the building as waste heat?
- ❖ Olds was named National Communities in Bloom champion in 2005?
- ❖ We are proud to be the home of Olds College, Canada's premier institute for agricultural, horticultural, land and environmental management, founded in 1913?
- ❖ Olds Fashioned Christmas activities during November and December have been winter highlights since 1993?
- ❖ Over 18,000 people attend the annual Olds Fair & Rodeo every August?
- ❖ Our local hockey heroes the Olds Grizzlys play 30 home games a year in front of sell-out crowds?
- ❖ Olds College land covers over 2000 acres, and has an outstanding 25 acre Botanic Garden on campus?