



**EDBERG MUNICIPAL LIBRARY
PLAN OF SERVICE
2023-2026**

Village of Edberg Library Board
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HISTORY: Edberg Municipal Library

The Edberg Municipal Library was established on March 6, 1984. The library is located in the Edberg Community Hall, and opened its doors to the public on December 11, 1984. Grand opening celebrations we held February 23, 1985.

Edberg Municipal Library provides library services to the Village of Edberg, with the population of 147 (2018 data) and the surrounding Camrose County residents.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Edberg Municipal Library is dedicated to the educational, recreational and cultural enlightenment of all members of the community and surrounding areas, which it serves.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The service responses were selected, and goals and objectives were formulated based on the Village of Edberg's vision for the future of the community.

Information was gathered through ongoing personal interaction with patrons and informal gatherings, such as the Library Open House, July 1st celebrations, calendar fundraiser, and program feedback.

The closure of the Edberg School created a greater need for library services for the community at large, and more specifically for the youth and teens of the community

Visit a Comfortable Place: Physical and Virtual Spaces

Goal #1

The Edberg Municipal Library will strive to be a vital part of the community, providing all residents of the community and surrounding area a welcoming and accessible environment where they can explore and develop their interest.

Objectives

1. To maintain patron safety by following all Alberta Health guidelines.
2. To increase the facility comfort by providing functional and comfortable seating areas, for individuals reading and meetings with community members.
3. To create a welcoming space for Seniors to visit with one another and other members of the community. Making a quiet time available for them to explore the library's collection.
4. To create an attractive and welcoming space within the library for youth and teens to gather and interact in a safe and friendly environment.
5. To be able to provide hours of operation that support and take in consideration the needs of all the members of the community, within our operating budget.
6. To provide access and support to community members using public library computers and access to a wireless network, high speed internet connections so that the use of these resources demonstrates a consistent use over the course of the plan.

Satisfy Curiosity: Life Long Learning

Goal #1

Residents of the community and surrounding area will have access to the resources they need for self-directed personal growth and development opportunities.

Action #1: To increase targeted collections of special interest to the community including non-fiction, audio, DVD's and e-content materials. The library will offer increased access to materials by offering other alternative pick up sites. Offering the vast number of resources that the library has success through the PRL system.

Goals

1. To offer Seniors in the community and surrounding area the opportunity to gather together.
2. Make sure that teens and youth in the community and surrounding area have the opportunity to gather together to attend programming of interest to them and to interact with other members of the community in a safe and welcoming environment.

Objectives

1. The library will offer a number of special programs on topics of interest to teens and youth throughout the year, when circumstances allow. Such as craft interaction projects (Valentines, Mother's Day, Spring Flower and Christmas), and interactive reading programs.
2. Teens and youth will learn new skills and have had fun as a result of attending programs at the library.