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## Proposed Fort Recreation Access Program



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## 1. Introduction

The City of Fort Saskatchewan is a welcoming and inclusive community. We respect individual differences and recognize that people of all ages, abilities and cultures provide value to our community.

The Recreation Department is committed to increasing access and participation in recreation and leisure activities for Fort Saskatchewan residents as well as removing barriers by partnering with other community members to offer confidential financial assistance and accessibility programs. This will provide free and low cost recreation and leisure opportunities to individuals and families on limited incomes.

Accessible recreation improves the quality of our lives today, but it is also an investment in a healthy society for tomorrow. Accessible recreation for children, youth, adults and families can:

- provide young people with the chance to have fun, learn new skills and be with friends
- improve self-esteem, performance in school and relationships with family and friends
- expose children to positive role models
- help ease family pressures
- bring communities together and encourage people to volunteer
- help prevent or reduce disease, violent behaviour, smoking and substance abuse
- Keep individuals from feeling isolated and alone and can reduce symptoms of anxiety and depression



Income levels are directly related to participation in physical exercise as studies show that individuals with greater economic resources have higher rates of participation. Research by Human Resources Development Canada found that 60 percent of children from very poor homes never participate in supervised sports and recreation activities, as compared to 27 percent of children in well-off homes, highlighting the role that unemployment, low income, over-crowded housing and high population makes.

The impact poverty has on recreation participation rates is a concern for Fort Saskatchewan given that a percentage of private households fall below Statistics Canada's low income cut-off. There are also well-documented links between the physical environment, peer-group socialization, and positive mental health, especially in deprived households (Cattell et al, 2008; Wickrama and Bryant, 2003).

If municipal recreation supports are reduced or eliminated, the overall prevalence of obesity (a precursor of diabetes and other chronic conditions) in children and youth is likely to increase over time. These negative health effects will be unequally distributed across the city. Even small increases in user fees can keep those who need community recreation services the most, from accessing vital activity and health-promoting programs. This does not just affect individual health, but creates significant pressures on Alberta's health services and an added burden on the economy in the future.

Our goal is to ensure that the citizens of Fort Saskatchewan have access to recreation and leisure opportunities and programs to enhance their quality of life, enjoyment of our community and participation to be a healthy, active member of society.

## 2. Fort Saskatchewan Overview

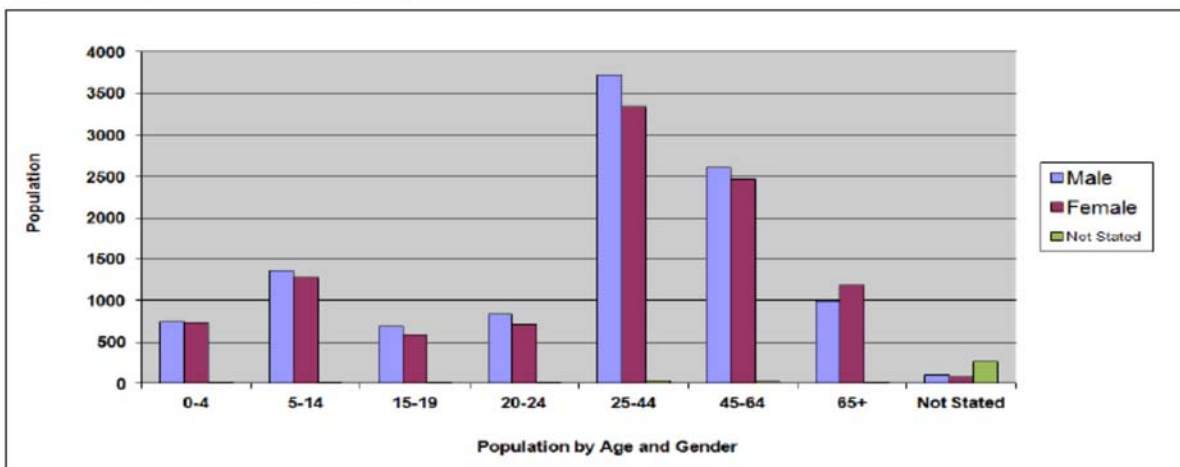
Fort Saskatchewan's 2013 population was 21,795. The city has demonstrated robust growth for the past decade, with an average annual growth rate of 5.01% since 2003. Based on the population forecast established by the Capital Region Growth Plan, Fort Saskatchewan is expected to grow at a rate of 2.3% annually, reaching a population of 38,840 by 2044. This growth rate is significantly higher than the projected overall growth rate of 1.3% for the entire Capital Region.



### I. Population by Age and Gender

As shown in Figure 1 below, in 2013, the community's largest age cohort was 25 to 44 accounting for nearly 32.5% of Fort Saskatchewan's residents. The second largest age group was individuals between the ages of 0 - 24, accounting for nearly 31.8% of residents followed by 23.4% ages 45-64 and 12.3% at 65+.

Figure 1. Population by age and gender



### II. Earnings

Earnings refers to employment income earned by individuals 15 years and older who worked full time. (Family income discussed above refers to total taxable income from all sources for all family members living together.)

The 2006 federal census reports on earnings received during 2005. The median earnings in Fort Saskatchewan were \$52,256, as shown in Table 1: Median Earnings in Fort Saskatchewan, 2005. This is considerably higher than provincial median of \$43,964.

Males in Fort Saskatchewan are also above the provincial median, while there is little difference in female earnings. The median income for women in Fort Saskatchewan is about half that of men.

**Table 1 – Median Earnings in Fort Saskatchewan, 2005**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
Fort Sask.	\$52,256	\$67,273	\$35,189
Alberta	\$43,964	\$51,280	\$35,848

*Source: Community Profile 2006, Statistics Canada*

### **III. Total Income (Before Tax) by Family Type**

As shown in Table 2: Total Income by Age and Family Type in Fort Saskatchewan, 2006, incomes are lowest for younger households under the age of 25 with single parents having the lowest median income (\$17,700), followed by individuals (\$18,300). Comparatively, couples under the age of 25 report total median incomes of \$49,500 – over double that of their non-couple counterparts.

Lone parent families see steady growth in median income up to retirement age, while individuals see incomes peak in the 35 to 44 age group.

In the 65+ age cohort, individuals have the lowest incomes (\$23,600) of all family types.

**Table 2 – Total Income (Before Tax) by and Family Type in Fort Saskatchewan, 2006**

<b>Age Cohort</b>	<b>Couple Family (by age of older parent)</b>		<b>Lone Parent Family (by age of parent)</b>		<b>Individual</b>	
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Median Income</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Median Income</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Median Income</b>
Age 0-24	110	\$49,500	30	\$17,700	410	\$18,300
Age 25-34	710	\$87,100	140	\$29,700	330	\$45,700
Age 35-44	1010	\$107,900	240	\$42,100	270	\$54,500
Age 45-54	1190	\$128,200	150	\$62,700	290	\$50,600
Age 55-64	890	\$105,600	50	\$80,300	250	\$38,300
Age 65+	680	\$55,900	40	\$63,000	670	\$23,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>4590</b>	<b>\$99,900</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>\$42,500</b>	<b>2210</b>	<b>\$32,800</b>

*Source: Statistics Canada, Small Area and Administrative Data Division – Taxfiler Data (2006)*



#### IV. Low Income Rates

The Low-Income Cut-Off (LICO) is an income threshold established annually by Statistics Canada through an analysis of family composition and expenditure data. The LICO threshold determines the level below which families will devote a larger share of income to the necessities of food, shelter and clothing than the average family. The most current LICO threshold is Table 3 below.



This threshold has become an industry standard for determining eligibility for subsidy in municipalities and service providers. The County of Strathcona, and the Cities of Edmonton, Calgary, Grande Prairie and Okotoks have recently implemented the LICO threshold for use with their respective Access to Recreation Policies. For Fort Saskatchewan, the following LICO table is for under 30,000 population.

**Table 3 - The Low Income**

Statistics Canada Low Income Thresholds * 2012 Rates (Less than 30,000 population)							
No. in Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 or more
Income Under	\$ 14,671	\$ 17,857	\$22,233	\$27,739	\$31,587	\$35,031	\$ 38,475

#### V. Housing

According to the City of Fort Saskatchewan's Affordable Housing Strategy completed in 2009, approximately 37 adults and children with developmental disabilities live in special needs housing in Fort Saskatchewan. As of December 2009, agencies who provide housing services reported that all units were fully occupied.

According to the report, there are 1,674 renter households in Fort Saskatchewan and 141 non-market (subsidized) rental units for lower income residents. The Capital Region Housing Plan identified 285 renter households in core housing need in 2009 (spending more than 30% of gross income on adequate shelter costs), concluding that only 33% of the community need for non-market housing is being met.

The March 2009 Capital Region Housing Plan reveals that single person and single parent households in Fort Saskatchewan, at or below the city's median renter income, cannot afford rental housing or home ownership. They pay more than 30% of their income on housing costs and experience the largest income gap when acquiring housing in Fort Saskatchewan.

The Province establishes Core Need Income Thresholds (CNIT) annually to identify households who may qualify for subsidized housing or rent supplements. CNIT is based on 30% of the median market rent for a market area. Households with total annual incomes equal to or less than CNIT are said to have insufficient income to afford the ongoing costs of suitable rental units in their area and are eligible for housing subsidies. In Fort Saskatchewan, the 2013 CNIT ranged from \$33,000 for a bachelor suite to \$67,000 for accommodations with five or more bedrooms, as presented in Table 4: Core Need Income Threshold for Fort Saskatchewan 2014.

**Table 4 – Core Need Income Threshold Fort Saskatchewan, 2014**

Unit Type	Maximum Income
Bachelor	\$33,000
1 Bedroom	\$38,000
2 Bedroom	\$48,000
3 Bedroom	\$59,000
4 Bedroom	\$61,000
5+ Bedroom	\$67,000

Source: Alberta Housing and Urban Affairs, 2014

## VI. Summary

To get a clearer picture of Fort Saskatchewan's Low income Profile, an additional report is required. The purpose of such a report would provide information on the incidence, depth and impact of low-income in Fort Saskatchewan. It could highlight the need of our low-income population in order to assist policy makers, planners and service providers in developing a healthy, vibrant and resilient community.

Currently all that is available are the low-Income statistics from the 2006 census of Canada and therefore does not reflect a true picture of where the City of Fort Saskatchewan is at in 2014.

The 2006 data shown above does show that there are approximately 650 individuals and lone-parents residing in the community that fall below the poverty line and could access this program.

### 3. Fort Recreation Access Program Goals and Objectives

#### I. Recreation Department's Guiding Principles

These principles recognize that recreation is a crucial service that has to be made available to all residents:

- **Equitable access** – providing equitable recreation access to all Fort Saskatchewan residents.
- **Quality** – providing the highest quality of programs and services to enhance the health, quality of life and well-being of residents.
- **Inclusion** – ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to learn about, access and participate in programs and services that are planned, delivered and managed to recognize diversity and encourage participation of marginalized and racialized people and groups.
- **Capacity Building** – providing programs and services of social, economic and physical benefits to all participants and that create a sense of community, belonging and vitality.

#### II. Goals for Recreation Services Fort Recreation Access Program:

1. Provide Fort Saskatchewan low income individuals and families access to free and low cost recreation programs. Greater participation benefits everyone and will reduce the need for more expensive law enforcement, health and social services.
2. Make early intervention a priority – recreation programming can make the biggest difference when they are provided to people before they are affected by deteriorating health and social circumstances.
3. Customize outreach, support and programs for our most vulnerable residents – tailoring services to meet the needs of vulnerable residents will encourage more people to participate in recreation programs. Confidentiality will be important to build relationships and create a trusting environment.
4. Address youth issues - as the City's recreation opportunities plays an important role in providing youth with meaningful training, skills and jobs. As a key site of engagement for youth, recreation programs should help confront the overall lack of core funding for youth programs and services in our City.
5. Design programs to support widespread social benefits – programs have their biggest impact when they are designed to meet identified social benefits such as poverty reduction, inclusion of newcomers and decreasing youth violence.
6. Create community space – our recreation facilities should be “community centres”, bringing neighbourhoods together and nurturing new relationships by deliberately creating un-programmed and accessible spaces.

*“Recreation is all those things that a person or group chooses to do in order to make their leisure time more interesting, more enjoyable and more personally satisfying. Recreation is not confined solely to sports and physical recreation programs but include artistic, creative, cultural, social and intellectual activities; and recreation is a fundamental human need for citizens of all ages and interests and for both sexes and is essential to the psychological, social and physical well-being of man.”*

Source: NATIONAL RECREATION STATEMENT: Interprovincial Sport & Recreation Council, September, 1987



## 4. Proposed Program

The City of Fort Saskatchewan supports Everybody gets to play™, a national initiative led and created by the Canadian Parks and Recreation Association (CPRA), to enhance the quality of life for low-income individuals and families by removing barriers to recreation.



The City's Recreation Department is embarking on this initiative with the goal to provide free and low cost recreation and leisure opportunities to individuals and families on limited incomes as well as those 18 years and older who have a disability. This will support participation and enhance access to recreation for all children, youth, adults and families in Fort Saskatchewan.

The Fort Recreation Access Program is a confidential fee reduction program for eligible drop-in or registered programs being offered by the City of Fort Saskatchewan. An application form, available at City Hall, the Dow Centennial Centre or Harbour Pool, must be completed and supporting documentation attached.

### **I. The Benefits:**



Pending available partnership and/or city funding, the program could provide up to \$200 per year to each eligible person for City Recreation program registrations plus access to recreation facilities including the Dow Centennial Centre and Harbour Pool. Eligible local resident applicants would receive:

#### **Option 1:**

- An annual Fort Leisure Card at no cost and is valid for one year from the date of issue.
- Unlimited access to City of Fort Saskatchewan drop-in programs being offered at the Dow Centennial Centre and Harbour Pool. The drop-in programs are listed in the City's Leisure Guide each season.
- Participation in up to four (4) City of Fort Saskatchewan registered programs per child or youth for one year at a 75% discount off the regular fee and required supplies to a maximum subsidy of \$200 per person per year. The registered program choices are listed in the City Leisure Guide each season.
- Participation in up to three (3) City of Fort Saskatchewan registered programs per adult or senior for one year at a 75% discount off the regular fee and required supplies to a maximum subsidy of \$200 per person per year. The registered program choices are listed in the City Leisure Guide each season.

#### **Option 2:**

- Same as above with the exception of offering a 90% discount instead of 75% discount per approved individual.

## **Breakdown Examples:**

### **1 Adult (3 registered programs or to a maximum subsidy of \$ 200 per year):**

#### **Option 1: 75% Discount:**

Zumba Class	\$ 90.00	less 75% = \$ 67.50	\$ 22.50
Sandbell Bootcamp	\$ 68.00	less 75% = \$ 51.00	\$ 17.00
Jewelry Making Class	<u>\$ 60.00</u>	<u>less 75% = \$ 45.00</u>	Client <u>\$ 15.00</u>
Program Cost \$ 218.00		City Loss \$ 163.50	Cost \$ 54.50

#### **Option 2: 90% Discount**

Zumba Class	\$ 90.00	less 90% = \$ 81.00	\$ 9.00
Sandbell Bootcamp	\$ 68.00	less 90% = \$ 61.20	\$ 6.80
Jewelry Making Class	<u>\$ 60.00</u>	<u>less 90% = \$ 54.00</u>	Client <u>\$ 6.00</u>
Program Cost \$ 218.00		City Loss \$ 196.20	Cost \$ 21.80

### **1 Child/Youth (4 registered programs or to a maximum subsidy of \$ 200 per year):**

#### **Option 1: 75% Discount**

Pool Lesson	\$ 52.00	less 75% = \$ 39.00	\$ 13.00
Stranger Smarts	\$ 35.00	less 75% = \$ 26.25	\$ 8.75
Basketball Camp	\$ 55.00	less 75% = \$ 41.25	\$ 13.75
Jump Rope Class	<u>\$ 75.00</u>	<u>less 75% = \$ 56.25</u>	Client <u>\$ 18.75</u>
Program Cost \$ 217.00		City Loss \$ 162.75	Cost \$ 54.25

#### **Option 2: 90% Discount**

Pool Lesson	\$ 52.00	less 90% = \$ 46.80	\$ 5.20
Stranger Smarts	\$ 35.00	less 90% = \$ 31.50	\$ 3.50
Basketball Camp	\$ 55.00	less 90% = \$ 49.50	\$ 5.50
Jump Rope Class	<u>\$ 75.00</u>	<u>less 90% = \$ 67.50</u>	Client <u>\$ 7.50</u>
Program Cost \$ 217.00		City Loss \$195.30	Cost \$ 21.70

#### **City Revenue Loss (based on approximately 50 adults & 50 children/youth per year)\***

Adult 75%	\$ 8,175.00	Adult 90%	\$ 9,810.00
Youth 75%	<u>\$ 8,137.50</u>	Youth 90%	<u>\$ 9,765.00</u>
	\$ 16,312.50		\$ 19,575.00

\*Note: Drop in programs are not included in the cost summary above as they are not considered a loss of income because we already have fixed costs in place (ie instructors, building operations, staff).

## **II. Budget and Staffing Needs:**

### **Dollars**

A proposed budget of \$ 25,000 for the overall program creation and implementation would include program development and member cards (\$2,500); marketing tools to help reach target audience (\$2,500); and a program subsidy (\$20,000) which would result in the ability to support 100 individuals over a one year period.

While corporate sponsorship will be sought to help fund the program, it is recommended that a base budget of \$ 25,000 per year be allocated within the Recreation Department to ensure a secure funding source. This amount includes the subsidy for the program as well as promotion and administrative costs outlined above. If the program relies solely on sponsor dollars, the program could be at risk and would have to end should sponsorship dollars not be on-going.

It is unknown at this time what the expected participation would be in the program. Recreation staff know there is a need due to the 100 plus inquiries received by the City and the Families First Society by the fall of 2014 asking if there is a subsidy program available.

### **Staff Position**

Currently existing positions within the Recreation Department do not have the capacity to develop, manage, implement and maintain this program without an additional staff resource. A Community Recreation Supervisor position has been requested in the 2015 Recreation budget and could take on this program should there be support from City Council for both the position and the program.

## **III. To Qualify:**

The Fort Recreation Access Program is designed for individuals and families whose combined gross household income falls at or below the “Low Income” levels recognized by Statistics Canada (see below chart). To qualify, the Fort Saskatchewan resident’s gross household income must be at or below the following thresholds:

<b>Statistics Canada Low Income Thresholds * 2012 Rates (Less than 30,000 population)</b>							
No. in Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 or more
Income Under	\$ 14,671	\$ 17,857	\$22,233	\$27,739	\$31,587	\$35,031	\$ 38,475

In addition:

- Applicants must be a resident of the City of Fort Saskatchewan.
- They must have resided in the City of Fort Saskatchewan for at least 6 months.
- They can complete a Fort Recreation Access Program Application Form with proof of residency and photo ID then submit to the City of Fort Saskatchewan’s Recreation Department located at City Hall, 10005 -102 Street.

#### **IV. Things to Bring with Application Form:**

Applicants would complete the Fort Recreation Access Program Application Form (see attached) including each participants from the family. Any omissions may result in processing delays.



Recreation staff will confirm eligibility for the program by reviewing the following documents:

- Proof of residency of 6 months or longer (i.e. phone bill, utility bill).
- Photo ID that is provided with the application (ie. Alberta Driver's License, student card, passport, birth certificate, certificate of refugee or permanent resident status).
- Proof of income for all adult members (18+) of the household by providing one of the following:
  - Canada Child Tax Benefit Notice from Canada Revenue Agency
  - Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped Card (AISH)
  - Guaranteed Income Supplement Notice
  - Alberta Child Care Subsidy for Working Families Entitlement Notice
  - Personal Income Tax Notice of Assessment from Canada Revenue Agency

Families who are working and are not receiving assistance from Alberta Works but whose income is below the poverty line (as determined by Statistics Canada's Low Income Cut-Offs, or LICO – see table above) are eligible for this program.

Participating children and adults must be residents of the City of Fort Saskatchewan.

All applications could be dropped off at City Hall. Applications will be reviewed and upon approval applicants will receive notice within 2 weeks. Once the application is approved, photos of participants will be taken at the Dow Centennial Centre and a Fort Leisure Card will be printed for them.

#### **Hours of Operation:**

##### **City Hall, 10005 – 102 ST**

Monday to Friday  
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

##### **Dow Centennial Centre, 8700 – 84 ST**

Monday to Friday: 5:30 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
Saturdays: 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
Sundays: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Statutory Holidays: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

##### **Harbour Pool, 10001 – 94 AVE**

Monday/Wednesday 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
Tuesday/Thursday: 8:00 am – 10:00 pm  
Friday: 6:00 am – 9:00 pm  
Saturday: 2:00 – 7:00 pm  
Sunday: 1:00 – 9:00 pm  
Statutory Holidays: 1:30 – 4:30 pm

## **V. Fort Leisure Card**

Fort Leisure Cards would be issued to each member of eligible families and are valid for one year from the date of issue.

New applications must be submitted after the expiry date as no extensions will be made past the expiry date. Cards are not transferable and have no cash value. One card is issued per year for each eligible family member.

If lost or misplaced, the first replacement card will be issued at no charge, subsequent replacements could be charged at \$ 5.00 (to be added to fees and charges bylaw).

The Fort Leisure Card is the same card issued for monthly or yearly members of the Dow Centennial Centre and/or Multi-Facility Pass with Harbour Pool.



## **VI. Other Considerations:**

### **Personal Assistant for Recreation Access Program Activities (PAL) Card**

A “PAL” card is available to people with a permanent or temporary disability or injury who require assistance to attend City of Fort Saskatchewan recreation and leisure programs. The “PAL” card is issued to the person with the disability and allows him or her to be accompanied by a friend, relative, support worker as their support person who participates as an attendant at no additional cost.

A support person can be a different person each time but he/she will help the person with a disability with tasks related to communication, mobility, personal care or medical needs, or with access to goods or services.



There are certain eligibility requirements that must be met to obtain a PAL Card. Application forms are available from the Recreation Department at City Hall located at 10005 – 102 Street or by contacting [recinfo@fortsask.ca](mailto:recinfo@fortsask.ca).



## Apply to Canadian Tire Jumpstart

Canadian Tire Jumpstart is a national charitable program that helps financially disadvantaged kids participate in organized sport and recreation. They help cover registration, equipment and/or transportation costs.

They have an extensive, national network of 332 local chapters made up of volunteers who are committed to helping get kids active and healthy. They work in partnership with other local non-profit organizations to discreetly identify kids with the greatest need in their community. Canadian Tire Jumpstart then covers registration, equipment and/or transportation costs to and from their activity.

While there is not a Fort Saskatchewan chapter, applications can still be submitted through the organization's website. Applications for assistance can be submitted from January 15 to June 1 for spring/summer programs, and from July 1 to November 1 for fall/winter programs.

To find out more about accessing this program, residents can contact [www.jumpstart.canadiantire.ca](http://www.jumpstart.canadiantire.ca)



## Apply to KidSport Fort Saskatchewan

KidSport Fort Saskatchewan provides support to kids 18 years of age and under to help remove the financial barriers that prevent them from participating in organized community sport programs.

As a local volunteer driven organization, KidSport relies on the generosity of community partners, businesses and individuals to help ensure that no child is denied the opportunity to play the sport they love, lead a healthy active lifestyle and make new friends.

The City of Fort Saskatchewan is proud to help promote KidSport Fort Saskatchewan.



**Application forms are available on-line at** [www.kidsport.ab.ca](http://www.kidsport.ab.ca) or can be picked up at City Hall located at 10005 – 102 Street in Downtown Fort Saskatchewan.

**For more information, please contact any one of the following Board Members:**

- Ken Shand 992-3138 Janice Lupul 998-4363
- Bill Quinton 998-0407 Cathy Trombley 998-3783
- Malinda Bulycz 998-9855 Shane Eastman 998-7055

*Applications are processed when the Board meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month.*



## **VII. Additional Subsidies and Tax Credits**

### **Alberta Government - Stay at Home Parents Support**

Eligible families who have one parent who stays at home or works, volunteers or attends school less than 20 hours per week may qualify for an Alberta Government subsidy of up to \$1,200 per year for each pre-school-aged child who attends a licensed pre-school or an approved early childhood development program.

To learn more visit <http://humanservices.alberta.ca/financial-support>

### **Federal Government - Child Fitness Tax Credit**

Whether a child dreams of a career on hockey skates, racing down the slopes on a snowboard, or performing for a famous ballet company, paying for lessons to make those dreams a reality can be costly. Residents can save receipts to claim your children's fitness tax credit at tax time this year.

You can claim to a maximum of \$500 per child the fees paid in 2013 relating to the cost of registration or membership for you or your spouse's or common-law partner's child in a prescribed program of physical activity.

For more information on the children's fitness tax credit go to: [www.cra.gc.ca/fitness](http://www.cra.gc.ca/fitness)





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## Fort Recreation Access Program Application Form (City of Fort Saskatchewan Residents Only)

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Male / Female (circle) (mm/dd/yy)

Name of Spouse/Partner: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Male / Female (circle) (mm/dd/yy)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ (work or cell): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Dependent (under 18 years) Name(s) First and Last	Gender M/F	Birthdate	Notes

Your **combined after-tax income** must be at or below the following income thresholds to be eligible for the Fort Recreation Access Program

Statistics Canada Low Income Thresholds * 2012 Rates (Less than 30,000 population)							
No. in Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 or more
Income Under	\$ 14,671	\$ 17,857	\$22,233	\$27,739	\$31,587	\$35,031	\$ 38,475

**Fort Recreation Access Program Cards will be cancelled if information provided is discovered to be false. Random checks will be done and participants may be asked to verify income based on Revenue Canada's most recent tax return. It is a serious offence to provide inaccurate information on this form.**

**Consent Form:** If requested, I agree to meet with a representative of the City of Fort Saskatchewan and will, at that time, disclose financial information detailed on my latest Revenue Canada Tax Return.

**Self Declaration:**

My combined annual gross family after-tax income is \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

## Personal Information Declaration

The information on this form is collected under the authority of the Municipal Government Act. The information provided will be used to evaluate eligibility for participation in the City of Fort Saskatchewan Fort Recreation Access Program. If you have any questions about the collection and use of this information, please contact the Recreation Department at 780-992-6280.

I have read, understand and agree to the contents of this application form.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

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### FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Application Received \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Proof of Residency Provided ☐ YES  
Picture Identification Provided ☐ YES  
Proof of income Provided ☐ YES

Staff Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Fort Leisure Card expiry date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

Form Entered \_\_\_\_\_  
staff initials

Number of Cards Issued:

Preschooler ☐ Child ☐ Youth ☐ Adult ☐ Senior ☐

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