



# Families First Society

FORT SASKATCHEWAN

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*Safe, strong, healthy future generations*

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Vision  
Safe, Strong, Healthy Future Generations

Mission  
Through improving the lives of our children, youth and families today, we help create a resilient, healthy community for tomorrow.



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# Family Violence Prevention Program

- Families First provides support to individuals who are experiencing family violence
- The abuse may include physical, emotional, spiritual or financial
- Support is provided by: assessing level of risk, developing a safety plan, educating about power, control and the cycle of abuse, attending court as needed, and assisting the individual in removing barriers keeping them from living a life free from abuse

# Did you know?

- Alberta has one of the highest records of self reported incidents of Family Violence in the country.



- 1 in every 4 women in this community will experience abuse.
- It is estimated that Albertan has spent \$600 million dollars in the past 5 years addressing ongoing domestic violence, even after women have left an abusive situation.



# **In Fort Saskatchewan, in our last fiscal year, our Family Violence Prevention Program:**

- **Supported 169 individuals**
- **Maintained 38 client files (30 from within Fort Saskatchewan)**
- **Within the 38 client files there are 65 children**
- **Spent over 300 hours on advocacy and court support activities (up from last year)**

Strong societies are made up of healthy, contributing members of society.  
“It takes a Village to support a Family”





# What are some accomplishments?

- Working with all levels of government and community through effective partnerships.
- Families First is being recognized for leadership in this area.
- We are able to assist individuals and families by wrapping them within other programs and supports.

# Our New Home

- **Families First Board and Staff are very grateful for the generosity of Council in allowing us the opportunity to move into the former RCMP station. OUR NEW HOME IS WONDERFUL!**
- **The Board and staff have just entered into a strategic planning process to map out where we go from here, now that space is not an issue.**





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