



LIFELONG  
LEARNING  
COUNCIL  
OF RED DEER

# Lifelong Learning Council of Red Deer

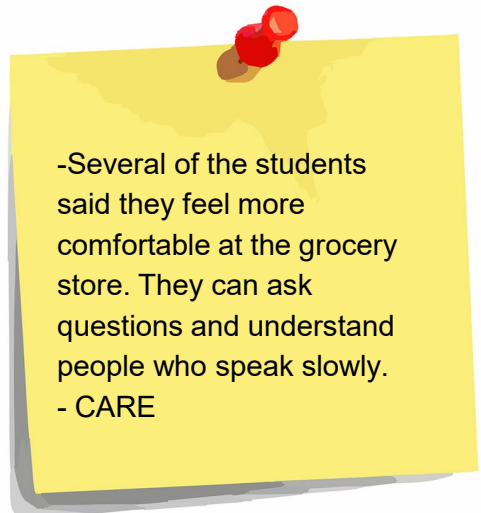
Annual General Meeting  
September 16th, 2021

**Vision:** A community where everyone can access Lifelong Learning.

**Supporting Equitable, inclusive literacy and lifelong learning opportunities.**

### Core Values

- We value collaborative and informed decision making
- We value learning as a keyway to empower community members
- We value passion and creativity in developing learner pathways
- We believe in empowering learners to develop resilience.
- We value the diverse voices in our community, to provide equitable learning opportunities.

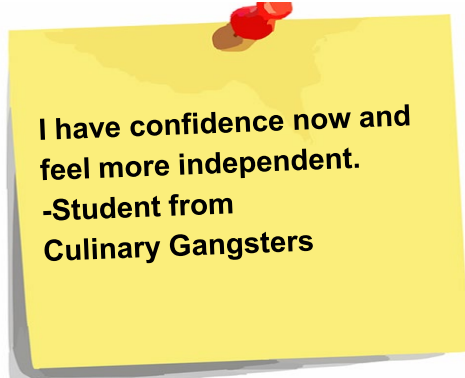


## Volunteer Central

We were all disappointed when Volunteer Central closed their doors this past June. The Red Deer Community will miss the training, support and connections that Volunteer Central provided.

Unfortunately, we know that our data is incomplete this year. Many organizations have struggled to get students to fill out the evaluation forms. The online platform does not provide an easy way for students to fill out the forms.

One organization believed that they only have evaluations for 50% of their students.



**I have confidence now and  
feel more independent.  
-Student from  
Culinary Gangsters**

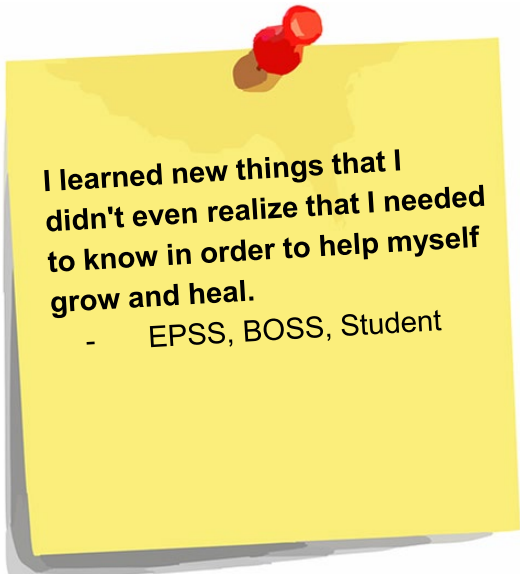
Central Alberta Mental Health Association  
Provided one on one morning phone calls to clients who were struggling.

CASASC trained 138 new volunteers for their 24hour Phone, text, and Webchat Crisis Line. They provided support for 1,736 individuals this year.

CARE'S online ESL classes have reached students from all over Alberta, including Edmonton.

Even though The John Howard Society was unable to provide face to face programming at the Remand Centre, they were still able to help 58 students with independent studies.

All of our funded Organizations have worked tirelessly to provide support, and programming for their students this past year. During a time when so many are struggling, it is the work of organizations like these, that makes a difference in the lives of students.



I learned new things that I didn't even realize that I needed to know in order to help myself grow and heal.

- EPSS, BOSS, Student

## **Programs that we have funded**

1	Adult Learning Program
11	Basic Computer Skills Programs
5	English Language Learning Classes
98	Skills for Learning Classes
140	Community Capacity Building Classes

## **Students and Programs that were Funded in the 2020- 2021 Grant Year.**

255 Funded Programs  
583 Students  
358 Evaluated Students  
2,601 Hours of Instruction

**One of CARE'S student from Edmonton was laid off in March 2020. She began studying with CARE online to improve her English while she was laid off. When her workplace re-opened in Nov. 2020, her Boss said that he was really impressed with the improvements in her English, he promoted her to a Supervisor position.**

**- CARE Student**

**I practice the skills that I learned in the BOSS program everyday, It has changed my life. Everyday I am getting stronger and better, and feeling more like myself. I feel like the program has met 110%of my needs and goals.**

**-Michelle, BOSS program**

# Funded Programs 2020- 2021

## **Central Alberta Mental Health Association**

\$21,096

2 programs funded  
Culinary Gangsters  
Recovery College

## **Central Alberta Refugee Effort**

\$30,000

2 Programs Funded  
Alternative ESL  
Foundations for Women

## **Central Alberta Immigrant Women's Association**

\$12,502

2 Funded Programs  
Word Processing for Immigrants  
Essential Skills for Newcomers

## **Central Alberta Sexual Assault Support Centre**

\$4,000

1 Funded Program  
Crisis Line and SART Training

## **John Howard Society**

\$11,220

1 Funded Program  
JHS Literacy Program

# Funded Programs 2020-2021

## **COSMOS, Group of Companies**

\$40,040

2 funded Programs

Community Skills Training

Basic Computer Skills

## **EPSS (STEPS Society)**

\$19,722

1 Funded Program

Building our Stronger Selves

## **Red Deer Native Friendship Society**

\$7,000

1 Funded Program

Conversational Cree and Culture

## **Red Deer Arts Council**

\$7,000

1 Funded Program

Ross St. Singers

## **Volunteer Central**

\$3,160

2 Funded Programs

Working Mind for front Line Staff

Leadership Skills for Non-profit Managers

Education is the most powerful  
weapon which you can use to  
change the world.

*Nelson Mandela*

you to our board of Directors

Serena King  
Pamela Taylor  
Halima Ali  
Kristine Bugayong  
Erin Wilmer

Chad Knudson

Kim Hogarth

Patricia Arango