

## FORTISALBERTA ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 2017 COMMUNITY NATURALIZATION GRANTS

As part of FortisAlberta's commitment to the environment we once again offered our Community Naturalization Grant program in 2017. In its sixth year, the program offers communities in FortisAlberta's service territory the opportunity to win one of ten \$3,000 grants.

The grants offer FortisAlberta the opportunity to support our municipal customers with developing and improving environmentally-friendly programs and facilities in our communities. Part of our community investment focus is on giving back to the communities where our customers and employees live and work.

This year's winners are:

- **The Town of Barrhead** will purchase recycling containers to install near garbage cans in the downtown core, parks and greenspaces.
- **The Town of Bassano** will install energy efficient LED lighting at the community hall to improve safety on the sidewalk.
- **The Beaver Lake Cree Nation** will plant a community fruit and berry orchard in the schoolyard that will be maintained by citizens of the Nation. The orchard will also serve as an educational resource for the students.
- **The Village of Foremost** will put in an irrigation system and plant grass in the tree farm to make it more accessible for families with strollers and those with disabilities.
- **Lacombe County** will start a composting program and pollinator garden consisting of indigenous plants, bird boxes and a pollinator hotel.
- **The Town of Legal** will enhance the revitalization and beautification efforts of 50 Avenue including purchasing pedestrian traffic signs and plant trees.
- **The Town of Milk River** will purchase and install a fully accessible playground at the Milk River Elementary School.
- **The Town of Taber** will plant trees and place dog waste bag dispensers along a section of trail as part of their walking path development.
- **The Village of Warburg** will build a gazebo in the community park as part of their seniors gazebo project.
- **The Summer Village of Val Quentin** will expand two playgrounds with toddler swing sets and will also complete the construction of the gazebo in Cantin Park.

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## About FortisAlberta

As owner and operator of more than 60 per cent of Alberta's total electricity distribution network, FortisAlberta's focus is delivering safe and reliable electricity to more than half a million residential, farm and business customers. The Company serves more than 200 communities with 122,000 kilometres of distribution power lines across Alberta.

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