## **Alberta Elder Abuse Awareness**

## **Community Template**

Name of Community: Central Alberta

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## Overview of Community Response to Elder Abuse in this Community These Resources and Supports:

*I.* Elder Abuse is a part of Domestic Violence and as such we are connected to and coordinated Through Domestic Violence Coordinator And the D.R. V.I.C. (Domestic Relations Violence Initiative Committee) Projects

Championing the cause against Family Violence for all Ages

**INCLUDING Elder Abuse** 

**Bimonthly Meeting in Red Deer** 

8 am

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month

At Children's Services Office Family Violence

**D.R.V.I.C.** Coordinates

Family Violence Awareness Activities (November)

**Co-Training for responders to family violence situations** 

Provincial representation on family violence issues that are discussed at a national level

Provide resources to agencies that develop initiatives to address family violence and bullying

Assist with information and research to agencies that are providing services

2. Central Alberta E.A.R.S. (Elder abuse Awareness Resources and Supports) for Seniors Program

We are working within Red Deer and communities within Central Alberta to develop a directory of resources around Elder Abuse.

We are making presentations on elder abuse and recruiting community members interested on making presentations in their communities.

We work to Connect communities together through workshops, training, resource, services, supports and a directory of Elder Abuse Resources Supports and Services for the whole of Central Alberta.

Resources are available in Central Albertan through the E.A.R.S. Resource Room and the Golden Circle in Red Deer 343-6074. We have an office that houses pamphlets, booklets, DVDs, and other resources and supports to help individuals find the resources and supports to help with Elder Abuse issues.

E.A.R.S. is a collaborative venture for the whole of Central Alberta. We have Organizations as partners and E.A.R.S. partners Communities with any community in Central Alberta that has an interest in supporting our seniors in their community

**Partnering Organizations Include:** 

**RCMP** 

**Victims Services** 

**Crisis Center** 

Women's Emergency Shelter

Alberta Seniors and Community Supports - Provincial Government

Social Planning - City of Red Deer

Dr Vic - Domestic Relations Violence Initiative Committee

David Thompson Health Region Senior Mental Health Program,

**DTHH Continuing Care Counseling Group** 

DTHR Home Care, & Continuing Care Programs

**Central Alberta Crisis Center** 

Central Alberta Women's Shelter

**Golden Circle Seniors Resource Center and Outreach** 

**Family Services of Central Alberta** 

**Red Deer Native Friendship Center** 

**Community Legal Clinic** 

**Senior Resource Centers in Central Alberta** 

Central Alberta Women's Outreach Society

**Council on Aging** 

Alberta Senior and Community Supports, Alzheimer's Society

**Catholic Social Service** 

**SPCA** 

Salvation Army

Office of the Public Guardian

**Canadian Mental Health** 

**Partnering Communities Include:** 

Blackfalds

Innisfail

Pennhold

**Eckville** 

**Sylvan Lake** 

Ponoka

**Bashaw** 

## **Useful Resources to Share:**

It takes a community to keep our seniors safe and we support:

A yearly Workshops to brings communities together - To learn from each other and work at building Stronger Communities For Safe Seniors

Ongoing trainings and meetings as the needs of our community's surface but always with the vision of creating awareness of elder abuse and supporting strong communities for safe seniors.

This is a Growing list of partners and if your organization/senior's group would like to join the E.A.R.S. For Seniors Group in Central Alberta

Fill out your groups information and email it to oc@goldencircle.ca