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Red Deer Literacy Asset List – Updated October 2016

The Literacy Action Committee have compiled this literacy asset list for residents of Red Deer and area. If you know of an asset that is missing from this list, please submit it to: info @ capovertyreduction. ca

For more information on these programs, please contact:

Alberta Health Services, Johnstone Crossing Community Health Centre 403-356-6300

Central Alberta Immigrant Women's Association 403-343-3553

Central Alberta Refugee Effort 403-346-8818

Family Services of Central Alberta 403-343-6400

Gateway Christian School 403-346-5795

Lifelong Learning Council of Red Deer 403-343-1322

Red Deer Catholic School Division 403-343-1055

Red Deer College Library 403-342-3344

Red Deer Early Years Coalition - See website below:

www.ecmap.ca/community-development/coalitions/contact-your-coalition.html

Red Deer Native Friendship Centre 403-340-0020

Red Deer Public Library – Various locations, see below:

Dawe 403-341-3822, Downtown 403-346-4567, Timberlands 403-755-1133 www.rdpl.org

Red Deer Public Library - Adult Literacy Program (Dawe Centre Library) 403-346-2533

Red Deer Public School District 403-343-1405

Sound Connections Literacy & Language Centre 403-347-3050

Preschool – Early Years (0-5 years) Programs

Family Services of Central Alberta

- Parent Link – various programs all have literacy
- Family Music
- Toy Lending Library - Kinsmen Family Play Space
- Home visitation
- Basic English & Play
- Ages & Stages Questionnaire

Central Alberta Immigrant Women's Association - HIPPY program

Red Deer Native Friendship Centre - Bond to Literacy



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Red Deer Public Library

- Baby Fun
- Toddler Fun
- PJ Story time
- Olson Author Tour
- School / Club / Daycare and Preschool Tours
- Outreach events to schools / daycares / events e.g. Kindergarten Here I Come, Cafe 'O Play, Trail Tales with Kerry Wood Nature Centre
- Storytimes, etc.
- Story time - Parkland Mall
- Story time - Reading Tails
- 1000 Books Before Kindergarten
- Electronic resources e.g. Tumblebooks
- Free library memberships for children
- Puppet shows

Alberta Health Services

- PLAY (Physical Literacy and You) - early years, school age, adult, and senior
- Early years - Backpack program/MRU

Red Deer Early Years Coalition

- ECMap - EDI
- Early Years Fair - every child receives a book/experiential resource fair
- Kindergarten Here I Come - each child receives book and tools for Kindergarten readiness, teachers lead stations

Sound Connections Literacy & Language Centre

- Early literacy development - providing preschoolers/Kindergarten kids with a head start
- Speech /Language Development / Intervention

Red Deer Public School District

- Early Years Evaluation (EYE - TA, EYE - DA)
- Welcome to Kindergarten
- Family Oriented Programs
- Literacy backpacks
- Pre-K program @ RD Public

Red Deer Catholic School Division



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- Welcome to Kindergarten
- EYE TA/DA Assessment
- Parent Information Sessions (Family Oriented Program)
- SLP's

Primary School Programs

Gateway Christian School - literacy partnership with Noah's Arc preschool

GW Smith in house buddy literacy program

Red Deer Public Library

- Home School Tours
- School Tours
- School aged daytime programs & Story times at Dawe & Timberlands Branch
- Children's Festival & Festival of Trees booths
- Sweet Mama collaborative programs
- Reading Tails (Reading with therapy dogs for reluctant readers & those with behaviour difficulties and Sit, Stay Read at Dawe
- Children's Summer Reading Club
- Young Readers Choice Awards
- After school clubs
- Olson Memorial Tour
- Farmer's Market booths
- Super Fun Saturdays - school age programs at all branches
- AWE (early literacy stations)
- Scholastic Book Fairs
- Online programs - Tumblebooks, Hoopla, Overdrive - ebooks and eaudiobooks
- Dawe programs - Reading Pals - Volunteers assist teacher referred Gr. 1-5 students who could use extra help, Afterschool programs - Saturday children programming
- Lego, Tell-A-Story and Maker programs
- Chess Club

Family Services of Central Alberta

- Children's Festival

Sound Connections Literacy & Language Centre

- Early Literacy Intervention 3 yrs+
- Speech/Language intervention/development
- tutoring - literacy



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- Parent education - help children with learning disabilities and/or special needs

Red Deer College

- Reading College - In partnership with RDPSD - struggling readers identified at the end of Grade 2 go to College for a month in the summer (reading, writing & technology literacy)
- Story time with RDC daycare - RDPL Story time comes to the RDC Library once a month

Red Deer Catholic School Division

- Imagine Learning / Rosetta Stone Software (ESL & Early Literacy)
- Red Deer Catholic Summer Reading Program
- Scholastic Book Fairs
- Literacy Programs - Literacy Place, SLP's, CAFE
- Literacy Structures - Daily 5
- Literacy Assessment - Fountas & Pinnell
- ESL Benchmarks

Red Deer Public School Division

- Benchmarking
- Congruent literacy programs ex. Literacy Place, Daily 5, phonic programs
- Family literacy nights
- Book fairs
- Read Boy Read!
- YIMBY (Yes In My Backyard)
- Young Writers conference
- CORE teams
- Literacy Assessment Teams

Middle School Programs

Red Deer Catholic School Division

- Literacy programs - Literacy Place
- Exploring workshop model
- Literacy Assessment - Fountas & Pinnell, GATES
- ESL Benchmarks / Intake
- Author visits

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- After school club @ Dawe
- "That Tween Thing" at DT Branch
- School tours of RDPL
- School visits with digital literacy training
- "Knights in Training" boys program
- Summer Reading Club
- Homeschool group tours of RDPL

Red Deer Public School District

- Literacy is one of the three district goals of Red Deer Public - every teacher is a teacher of literacy, literacy framework, literacy sessions (PD, CARC, Collaboration)

Sound Connections Literacy & Language Centre

- Early Literacy Intervention 3 yrs+
- Speech/Language intervention/development
- tutoring - literacy
- Parent education - how they can help their child at home

High School Programs

Red Deer College (Rocky Mountain House)

- Ready Readers Program - high school students working with primary school students are struggling readers - program is coordinated by librarian from high schools and librarian from Rocky Mountain House Public Library, the program is housed at the Public Library
- RTI/Flex time

Red Deer Public Library

- SNAP Teen Readers ESL Book Club (co-sponsored by CARE)
- Book to Movie Adaptation events
- "Take a Book" mini library ("gift" from RDPL) at Street Ties for street-involved teens
- "Flex Friday" library programs at Notre Dame
- Teen Summer Reading Club (July & August)
- SRC Collaborative programs with Catholic School District
- Free library memberships for teens

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- GATES assessment
- ESL Intake Assessment

Adult & Post-Secondary Programs

Alberta Health Services

- Health Literacy - help parents understand ability to access

Central Alberta Refugee Effort

- LINC (Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada) Levels Literacy through 5 - Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) funded, for immigrants and refugees who are permanent residents of Canada, learners with interrupted learning present in Literacy through level 4, 18 yrs and older
- Alternate ESL - evenings, funded through Lifelong Learning Council, levels 1-5, 18 yrs and older

Family Services of Central Alberta

- Basic English & Play - adults that are new to the community, opportunity to practice language
- Building Incredible Babies - Basic Shelf - young women learning to cook
- Home Visitation - Healthy Families - Infant Preschool Wellness - all have a literacy component in visit
- Parent Education Programs
- Adult Day Support - storytelling
- Financial Literacy

Lifelong Learning Council of Red Deer

- funding support for part-time, non-credit, literacy and foundational learning programs for adult learners with barriers

Red Deer College

- Author events - working with creative writing instructors to bring in authors for book readings for their students and the public
- Writing Skills Centre - help with writing mostly relating to assignments
- Peer Tutors



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- Information Fluency Program - students are able to find, evaluate, synthesize, create and communicate information in all its forms (encompasses: information literacy, computer literacy, and media literacy)

Red Deer Public Library

- ESL Reading Group (co-sponsored with CARE)
- Settlement Support - We have a desk where a CARE rep connects with community at our DT branch
- Fireside Readers Book Club
- Cover to Cover Book Club
- Any Book Book Club
- Adult Colouring
- Tech Help at the Library
- Newcomers Reading Club
- Travel Memories Club
- Seniors' Book Club
- Family Story times
- Partner with CMHA to offer Mental Health Wellness Programs
- Digital Literacy Coordinator offers one on one instruction
- First Fridays & First Thursdays (music & arts literacy)
- Let's Talk About the Arts series
- Kiwanis Gallery Exhibits with Red Deer Arts Council
- Daytime Documentaries
- Author tours
- Books on the Bus
- Red Deer Reads - community-wide book club

Red Deer Public Library - Adult Literacy Program (Dawe Centre Library)

- match volunteers who tutor a literacy learner (about 100 matched pairs)
- Conversation group meeting once a week
- Refer individuals to various programs & agencies in the city - mostly educational, but sometimes social agencies
- computers loaded with educational software
- Mango - other databases - Hoopla, Zinio, e-books, language learning
- Small Classes on various topics - IELTS test prep, CELPIP test prep, Oral communication skills.