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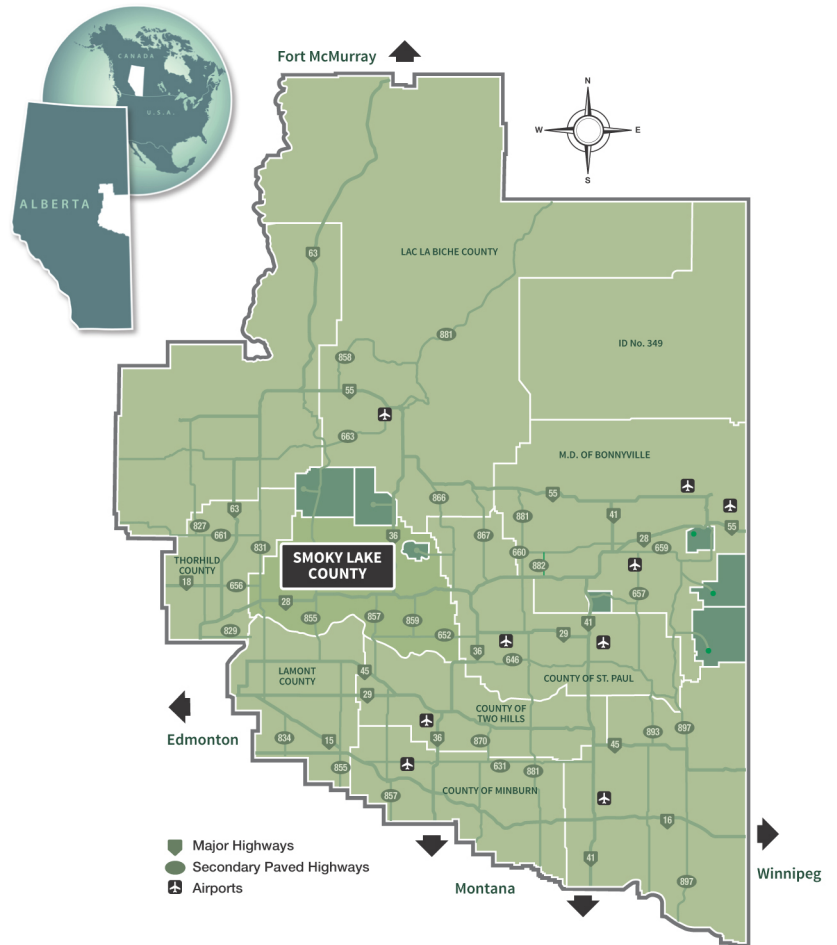
Living in Smoky Lake County



ABOUT SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

Smoky Lake County is located in the west of the Alberta HUB region. The Alberta HUB is a partnership of communities and educational institutions in Northeastern Alberta meant to enhance the quality of life and economic interests of this region. The regional economy is based on agriculture and forestry. In addition, the County is home to some of the most impressive natural areas in the province. As such, the tourism industry, particularly eco-tourism, is seen as having significant potential in the area. The County of Smoky Lake offers a wide variety of recreational opportunities, from camping and fishing to hiking in many natural areas.

Also, the County has a rich history back to the early 1900's and, as a result, there are many historical sites and points of interest throughout the region. Finally, each of the communities have many activities and events for residents and visitors alike, which attests to the strong community spirit of the County of Smoky Lake.



Smoky Lake County is a member of the Northeast Alberta Information HUB, which is the regional economic development alliance of Northeast Alberta.





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Healthcare

The George McDougall Memorial Hospital in Smoky Lake has acute care beds, laboratory and diagnostic imaging, community-based services, respite and palliative programs. Our Lady's Hospital in Vilna has continuing care beds, laboratory and diagnostic imaging, respite and palliative programs. Clinics and nursing homes are available in Smoky Lake and Vilna, while senior citizens homes are available in Smoky Lake, Waskatenau and Vilna. The County is also served by the Northeastern Alberta Health Unit, which provides programs in home care, speech-language pathology, community health nursing, hereditary diseases, nutrition, dental, and more.



Education

Smoky Lake County is served by Portage College campuses in Lac La Biche, St. Paul and Boyle, all within daily commuting distance from Smoky Lake. Programs at Portage College include trades, university degree and entry curriculum, as well as diplomas and certifications.



Housing

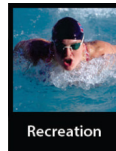
Whether it's an acreage, weekend retreat, summer home, retirement living or a new beginning, market shoppers will find something in their budget. Rentals and housing purchases are incredibly affordable in the County and its communities. There are also seniors self-contained apartment units available locally under the management of the Smoky Lake Foundation for senior's housing. The Foundation also has lodges and nursing homes.



Community Services

There are a wide range of community organizations, sports clubs and service groups that are active throughout the County. There is a full complement of emergency services in the County:

- Residents can call 911 for emergency situations.
- Vilna, Smoky Lake and Waskatenau Fire Departments respond to motor vehicle collisions, fires and fire alarms, and medical assists.
- The RCMP detachment in the Town of Smoky Lake is responsible for policing the County.
- Paramedic and ambulance service is available locally with full hospital service at the George McDougall Health Centre in Smoky Lake.



Recreation

Our communities have a wide range of recreational facilities including curling rinks, ice arenas, halls, ball diamonds, spray parks, skate parks, campgrounds, and playgrounds. Other points of interest include the Bellis Natural Area, Smoky Lake Golf Course, Waskatenau Trestle, Victoria Trail, Pine Creek Post Office, Fort Victoria, World's Largest Mushroom, Vilna Pool Hall, Vilna Golf Course and the Kubasa Canyon. Métis Crossing offers world class cultural activities and experiences on the banks of the North Saskatchewan River. Local cultural facilities include the Smoky Lake Museum and the Historic CNR Station - a museum that also houses the Tourist Information Booth.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Population	2,461 (2016 Federal Census)
Families	1,205 (2016 Federal Census)
Aggregate Household Income*	\$137,388,433
Average Household Income*	\$82,814

*Source: 2014 Environics Estimates



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