

- Is preventive in nature
- Helps people develop an awareness of social needs
- Helps people improve interpersonal and group skills which enhance constructive relationships
- Inspires efficient and effective use of resources
- Provides support which helps sustain people as active participants in the community
- Assists in the development of coping skills, independence and crisis preparation
- Enables citizens and communities to assume responsibility for decisions and actions affecting them
- Encourages and facilitates cooperation and coordination with allied service agencies operating within the municipality
- Promotes public participation in planning, delivery and governing of the program and services provided
- Promotes and facilitates the development of stronger communities
- Promotes the involvement of volunteers



The FCSS Association of Alberta represents municipalities and Métis Settlements in Alberta with FCSS Programs. Membership provides the opportunity for local FCSS Advisory Boards and Councils to have a voice in the direction and activities of the Association, a member rate to attend FCSSAA annual conferences, and access to the FCSSAA Resource Bank. Membership fees assist the FCSSAA to: support the work of FCSS Programs locally and regionally; support the FCSS Directors' Network; consult with local Program Directors and Advisory Boards on issues that affect FCSS; and develop resources and professional development opportunities to strengthen FCSS across the province. Through participation on the FCSS Program Advisory Team with Alberta Human Services representatives, the FCSSAA Executive responds to programming questions and issues that impact delivery of the provincial FCSS Program.

The FCSSAA houses a resource centre where FCSS staff and board members can access materials developed specifically for FCSS, such as an *FCSS Orientation* presentation, *FCSS Orientation Modules*, the *FCSS Working Together Papers*, and the *FCSS Working in Community* workbooks on community development. A wide variety of resource materials on community development, needs assessments, program planning and program management are available free to FCSSAA members, as is consultation with the FCSSAA Executive Director.

FCSSAA VISION

FCSS is the leader in preventive social support programs in Alberta.

FCSSAA MISSION STATEMENT

The Family and Community Support Services Association of Alberta unites and strengthens the FCSS community by representation and advocacy on behalf of member boards.

Every November, the FCSSAA President and Vice President are elected at the Annual General Meeting, with the other 15 Board members appointed by their respective Regions and Directors' Network.

THE ROLE OF THE FCSSAA BOARD IS:

- ▶ to listen to its members
- ▶ to identify common concerns and issues related to FCSS
- ▶ to communicate those issues to other members and to the provincial government, along with proposed solutions
- ▶ to support communities by developing tools which will meet local needs and mandates

2012 FCSSAA BOARD MEMBERS

President Jeff Carlson
Vice President Marsh Hoke

Regional Representatives

Calgary/ Brian Pincott
Bow River Alex Cathcart
East Central Gerald Kuefler
Edmonton/ Andi McDonald
Evergreen Jim Rollison
Northeast Jim Cheverie
Northwest Mary Ann Eckstrom
South John Crisp
West Central Flo Robinson
Yellowhead Marsh Hoke

Directors' Network Representatives

Mike Butler
Phyllis Collins
Catriona Gunn-Graham
Debbie Posey
Kathleen Turner

2012 MEMBERSHIP FEE SCHEDULE

POPULATION	FEE (\$)
1 - 500	99.00
501 - 1,000	199.00
1,001 - 3,000	299.00
3,001 - 5,000	500.00
5,001 - 10,000	698.00
10,001 - 20,000	899.00
20,001 - 35,000	1,299.00
35,001 - 55,000	1,499.00
55,001 - 80,000	1,999.00
80,001 - 110,000	2,999.00
+ 110,000	3,333.00
Associate	125.00

Annual memberships are September 1 - August 31 and are due every September, payable to Family and Community Support Services Association of Alberta.

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