



This is the third Piney Regional Chamber of Commerce Year in Review. We continue to build on the year-over-year success due to our engaged membership. We're proud of the work we are doing in our communities and would like to share a few of those accomplishments.

PRCC Milestone Achievements:

Development of PRCC Strategic Plan:

After securing funding in 2018 for an environmental scan of regional economic development, the next step was to review the findings of that consultant report and generate our own Strategic Plan for the PRCC. A small committee was formed and, from there, we were able to identify five key areas where we will focus as a Chamber. Those five items are the development of a PRCC website, continued focus on youth retention and community awareness through our annual Career Symposium, Community Services Co-op development, establishing a visioning committee and continuing to provide training opportunities for members. One key element in all of this was the need to drive our local government to see the value in the position of an economic development officer for the RM of Piney to support further economic development and bolster the efforts of the PRCC. Our local council supported this goal when, in late 2019, they successfully hired our new Economic Development Manager. The position was developed to be shared with the RM of Stuartburn to provide regional benefit.

2019 Career Symposium:

The 2019 Career Symposium was our largest and most successful event to date as a Chamber. We continued our partnership with Ross L Gray School as well as the RM of Piney and, with supportive funding secured from provincial grants as well as the RMs of Piney

and Stuartburn, we were able to create a memorable event for everyone in attendance.

We showcased 30 exhibitors and welcomed guest speakers from the Canada Border Services Agency, RCMP and the Canadian Armed Forces. Our keynote speaker Kevin Chief delivered a powerful and inspirational message that impacted students, exhibitors and community members in attendance.

2019 Meeting Guests Included:

Allison Driedger of Bluestem Consulting, Dave Smith of Community Futures Triple R, MLA Dennis Smook, Derek Radics of Xplornet, Jenny Dupas of Eastman Tourism & Monique Chenier of Sunrise Corner Economic Development & Tourism.

PRCC Voice of Business in the Region:

The PRCC continues to advocate and has been an active voice for businesses in the region for the following concerns:

1. Regional Health Care Changes
2. Local Border Services Hours of Operation
3. Regional Internet & Cell Service
4. Housing initiatives
5. Tourism initiatives
6. Education

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Become a Member Today:

The PRCC will work to continue membership growth and increase the strength of the organisation. While we are still a young organization, we continue to look for new ideas to improve the economic environment of our region. To accomplish this, we need more new members who are willing to be part of that change. If you might be that person, or know of a company or organization that is not already a member, consider taking in a meeting to see what we are all about.