

July/August 2025

COMMUNITY CONNECTOR

Bringing news from the City of Leduc to our LATs Clients

LATS holiday closures

- 🍁 Tuesday, July 1 for Canada Day
- 🍁 Monday, August 4 for Heritage Day
- 🍁 Monday, September 1 for Labour Day

All subscriptions will be cancelled for the above days and will resume as normal, on the following day.

Canada Day events in Leduc:

- Pancake breakfast at the Grain Elevator from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- Car show on Main Street downtown from 11 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Family activities at the Grain Elevator from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Outdoor concert with Corb Lund at the Leduc Recreation Centre (east parking lot) from 5:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.
- Fireworks show to watch from Lede Park at 11:00 p.m.



The Government of Alberta declared August 4 as an annual holiday in 1974. That year and the next year, a multicultural concert was held at Fort Edmonton Park. In 1976, many different ethno-cultural communities celebrated their

cultures' cuisine, music, crafts and much more, which was the beginning of the Edmonton Heritage Festival, celebrated every August long weekend in Edmonton.

Today, Heritage Day events are held all across the province, where municipalities celebrate the diverse multiculturalism in their communities.

Please remember...

- To help our drivers stay on schedule and minimize delays, be ready to go **at the start of your scheduled pick-up window.**
- Wait inside the first set of accessible doors at your residence or at a business, so that you see the bus when it arrives.
- Operators will start the timer on arrival and will only wait a maximum of five minutes for you.
- If you no longer need your ride, please call the booking centre at **780-986-7433** to cancel your ride.
- Keep on top of your rides – you can book and manage all your rides up to 10 days in advance.

If you are going on respite and want your trip time to remain the same, please tell us at least 10 days in advance. We cannot guarantee trip times will be available to get you to your program, work or home on time during our peak hours if it is set up more than 10 days in advance.

Please remember when you ride the bus you must **buckle up** and leave your seatbelt done up until the driver comes to a complete stop at your end destination and when it is safe to do so.

Travel training sessions



Are you new to LATS or would you like a refresher on how to use our service? We are here to help!

We will come to you and teach you how our service works, including how to plan your trips, where to buy fare products, learn who our sponsors are, what the procedures are in the event of an emergency, understand what type of carry-on we allow, learn how the bus lift works and much more. We look forward to meeting you and connecting you to the community. For more information, please call Maureen at 780-980-8445 to arrange for a Travel Training session.

Why transit matters

What would we do without transit? For those without another way to travel, life would be quite different indeed! People would become isolated and dependent on others for their needs. Transit matters because it creates a way for people to access resources in their communities. It connects people with opportunities they would otherwise not be able to access.

Some individuals cannot afford a vehicle; others cannot drive or choose not to drive for a variety of reasons. A bus ride is far less expensive than owning a car, buying fuel, having a car payment and paying for insurance and registration not to mention having to pay for parking!

Transit riders are proud to be able to travel independently, and independence builds their confidence along the way. Transit brings people together by connecting individuals from diverse backgrounds which increases social interaction and builds a stronger community. Our mission here at the City of Leduc is “People Building Community.”

One more reason to ride transit is something many do not think of... Riding the bus means less vehicles on the road, which in turn reduces traffic congestion and helps lower carbon emissions too. When we lower emissions we are doing our part to mitigate climate change.



Our LATS team love doing what we do. We are strong advocates for transit and are here to assist you when you need help with your transit rides or have questions about the services we offer in Leduc. Not a week goes by without one of our operators expressing how good they feel or how lucky they are to get to work with and serve our clients. Thank you for being part of our LATS family.

Enjoy your ride!

Thank you to our sponsors

LATS is incredibly grateful to the businesses who give back to the community by sponsoring rides for our clients. If you know of a local business that is interested in becoming a sponsor, please reach out to us at 780-980-8445 and we will follow up with them.

Generous sponsors have paid the one or two-way fares to these locations.

Paid One-Way Trips

Second Glance

Craig's No Frills

Farmer's Market

Eco Station

Two-Way Trip (both ways paid for)

Medicine Shoppe

Canada Safeway

Leduc Co-op Grocery

Leduc Co-op
Hardware

True Touch Massage
Therapy & Fitness

City Centre Mall

Leduc Recreation
Centre

Progress Health
Physiotherapy

Medscheck
Pharmacy

Leduc Public Library

Leduc Hearing
Center

*Note: companions
do not receive a free
trip to sponsored
locations*



You rock!



Thank you



Show your bus pass

At the beginning of each month, passholders need to ensure they have their new pass with them when riding with LATS. Our LATS operators will check to see that your pass is current so please **do not leave it at home**.

Subsidized bus passes

Passes are non-refundable and non-transferable. Clients who lose their subsidized pass will have to pay full fare for replacement. Please ensure you keep your bus pass in a safe place.

New LATS operators

Recently, we hired two new LATS operators and in case you have not met them, they are Eric Campos and Dave Kegler. They are looking forward to taking you where you need to go as soon as they have completed their training. Please welcome them and say hello when you meet them.

Summer safety tips

- Wear sunscreen with a minimum of sun protection factor (SPF) 30
- Stay hydrated – drink plenty of water
- Wear a hat when you go outdoors
- Stay indoors, during periods of extreme heat
- Remember to protect your eyes – wear some cool shades
- Understand how your prescriptions act in the sun and heat
- Wear light weight and light-coloured clothing
- Know the local weather forecast



♥ A Recipe for Happiness ♥

- 1 Bag of Smiles
- 2 lbs of Positivity
- 1 Cup of Good Humor
- 1 Cup of Sharing
- 1 Cup of Kindness
- 1 Lifetime of Love
- 3 Cups of Forgiveness
- 4 Dashes of Empathy
- 1 Tablespoon of Goodwill
- 1 Heaping Teaspoon of Humbleness

Gently toss together and sprinkle here and there. Serve it with gratitude to everyone you meet!

Homemade Lemonade

- 6 cups water
- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 cup fresh squeezed lemon juice

Combine 1 cup of water and the sugar in a small saucepan. Place over medium-low heat until sugar dissolves. Allow to cool. Pour the lemon juice into a pitcher and add the sugar/water mixture. Stir. Add remaining water and stir again. Pour over ice and serve with lemon wedges. Enjoy!



What can I bring on the bus


Your personal space on the bus is under the seat in front of your feet. Please remember that what you bring on the bus needs to fit in that space. For shopping bags, two cloth reusable shopping bags are your limit. Whatever you can fit in those bags without them overflowing, is what is allowed onboard. If you are purchasing water and kitty litter, please remember that counts as an equivalent to your two bags.

Due to safety reasons, we do not allow items that cannot be secured. We do not have luggage racks like some buses do, which also limits us on what we can allow onboard. We appreciate your cooperation.

We ask that you please be respectful of these rules.

Thank you for your understanding.

2025 Alberta 55plus Provincial Summer Games


 **August 21–24, 2025** |  **Leduc, Alberta**


Celebrate the Spirit of Active Living!


Join us in Leduc as we welcome over 1,000 athletes, spouses, and spectators from across Alberta for four days of spirited competition, community, and celebration.





SPORTS & ACTIVITIES


 Bocce


 Cornhole


 Contract Bridge


 Culture


 Cribbage


 Cycling


 Duplicate Bridge


 Floor Curling


 Floor Shuffleboard


 Golf


 Horseshoes


 Snooker


 Badminton


 Darts


 Euchre


 Military Whist


 Pickleball 2.0 and over


 Pool (8-Ball)

 Slo Pitch

 Scrabble

 Swimming

 Tennis

 Track and Field

Hosted in Beautiful Leduc

Events will take place at various venues throughout the city. Leduc is proud to host this prestigious event and showcase its vibrant community spirit.

Be Part of the Action!

Whether you're competing, cheering, or volunteering—there's a place for everyone.

 Learn more and get involved: leduc55plusgames.ca

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Summer in the City

JULY 26 | 10 AM – 6 PM



Leduc Recreation Centre

Stop by the Leduc Recreation Centre for FREE field and arena drop-in activities.

TIME: 12 to 2:30 p.m.

Alexandra Park

Stop by Alexandra Park to chat with members of City Council and enjoy a variety of fun family activities, swimming and petting zoo.

TIME: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Leduc Boat Club

FREE boat rentals from Leduc Boat Club at Telford Lake (online pre-registration required).

TIME: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Harry Bienert Park

Join City of Leduc FCSS for a free community BBQ, foam cannon, and inflatables.

TIME: 2 to 4 p.m.

Corinthia Park

Ride the Vibe Dirt Bike Show: An exhilarating freestyle Moto-Trials show.

TIME: 3 to 6 p.m.



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