

# 2005 Report to Membership

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**Mission Statement:**

Provide community transit services for people with special transportation needs in the Municipal District of Rocky View and surrounding area

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## Major Initiatives

### 2005 “Two For the Road”

2005 saw the addition of two new buses to our fleet. We purchased two Dodge Sprinter passenger vans and adapted them for rural handibus use. We specifically chose the Sprinter as it's raised roof and enlarged doors are factory- equipped features. The interior flooring made installation of a lift and the wheelchair tie downs very easy. Our two biggest challenges were a) finding a welder to craft a sidestep and b) figuring out where to mount the fire extinguisher.



*Bus #7 is the 159” wheelbase version of the Sprinter. Bus #9 is the 140” wheelbase version.*

These vehicles are already proving their value as their fuel efficiency is saving us 5 cents / km compared to our propane vehicles. On routes that daily cover 300 km that translates into saving \$15.00/ day or a savings of over \$3,000 / year per vehicle. On the downside, we are still experimenting with the interior to find an optimal layout for wheelchair spots – especially when we have a mixture of ambulatory and wheelchair passengers. Interior dimensions with all the seats in place haven't been as we originally thought. When we remove two rows of seats there is lots of room. But when trying to mix seats and wheelchairs -- our original choice of anchor locations doesn't work well. Fortunately the solution should be relatively simple. We'll install an extra set of anchors for the wheelchair tie downs. We'll use one set of anchor locations when the vehicle is empty of bench seats. We'll use the other anchor locations when we keep some of the seats in. The cost of a second set of anchors is roughly \$500/ vehicle.

These vehicles were purchased with equal donations from Associated Commercial travellers, Nickle Family Foundation, Calgary Rotary Club Olympic and Nexen energy. These funds were then matched by a lottery grant from the Community Initiatives program.

### Needs Assessment: Regional Special Transportation

In February 2003, Access Calgary/ Calgary Transit invited a few rural handibus stakeholders to: "...Discuss transportation issues related to individuals living outside large municipalities." These stakeholders mapped out an initial goal to develop sustainable special needs transportation for the Calgary region.

The Calgary Regional Partnership carried our initial effort forward with a \$85,000, region-wide study of special needs transportation. In early 2005 IBI Consultants commenced work. Ideas proposed by the consultant include an 18 month pilot project featuring collaboration on common administration between all the transportation providers (e.g: central information line, share a dispatcher amongst all groups) as

well as try some short-term transportation options (weekly regional service, taxi subsidy, etc) to explore transportation across the region.

The steering committee is soliciting **Expressions of Interest** to help them identify a lead agency to take this project forward as well as identify potential project partners. Funding for 18 months could start as early as July 2006.

The Calgary Regional Partnership covers an area extending from Banff to Strathmore, Crossfield to Nanton. Information about the regional partnership and the project can be found at:  
<http://www.calgaryregion.ca/spectransproj.html>

## Technology Upgrade

In 2004, Colin Fraser, Daniel Kenneth Fraser and May Shields Fraser fund supported our technology acquisition research for scheduling software that could be shared amongst four non-profit groups operating in the rural Calgary region. Specialized software can run \$10,000 to \$40,000, obviously a large undertaking for a group such as Rocky View Regional Handibus..

As of summer 2005, we have completed a draft document outlining all the background material. We are holding short of final recommendation pending the outcome of two separate initiatives: the Calgary Regional Partnerships Regional transportation assessment and the MD of Rocky View Strategic Plan. Obviously, either one of these (or both) initiatives would affect our purchase considerations.

Interestingly enough, the research we undertook in 2004 seems to apply to the CRP recommendations to collaborate services/ dispatch. We feel the background research we have undertaken will contribute to the success of the regional partnership's effort regardless of whether we are a lead agency or a partner agency.

## Community Transportation Project

In February 2002, we approached the Calgary Foundation with a concept for a different form of rural special needs transportation. We call it the "Community Transportation Project."

The project expands our operation in a specified area, piloting the transition from on-demand handibus into a rural community bus (with a flexible route). We are trying to develop self-sustaining links between the communities of Crossfield, Beiseker, Irricana and Rocky View. We have expanded our passenger eligibility criteria to include a broader part of the rural community. We are starting small and sustainable – expanding as demand warrants.

Developments in the Balzac area are coming to our attention. A super mall and a Race-track/casino are going to be prominent features of the community. Both will require accessible transportation for local residents and Calgary residents. We are requesting involvement at an early stage to ensure that we don't miss this opportunity.

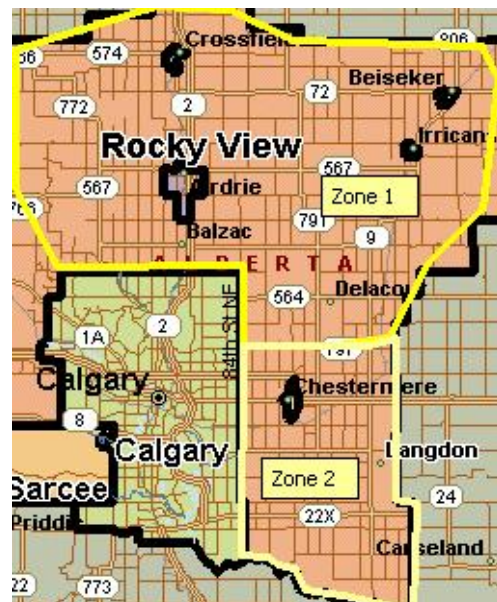
## Organization

### History:

The **Crossfield, Rocky View, Airdrie, Balzac (C.R.A.B.) Society for the Handicapped** was formed to provide a disability resource centre to promote integration of special needs children within the Rocky View School Division. In 1980, parents of rural special needs children solicited the donation of a bus from a Calgary branch of the Royal Canadian Legion. This bus was used to provide transportation. Within two years, the organization's mandate had expanded to include seniors and adults with disabilities.

In the mid-1990's the organization focus the started to shift away from a resource centre to exclusive focus on transportation. In 1998, the C.R.A.B. Society was renamed **Handi Bus By C.R.A.B. Society**, an organization with five vehicles serving the north and east regions of Rocky View. In 2002, we became the **Rocky View Regional Handibus Society**, a better description of our service.

Rocky View Regional Handibus works with some 35 agencies and organizations with passengers in eight municipalities. In 2003, seven drivers provided roughly 10,000 trips for residents of six municipalities with. The 2003 service area covered over 2,550 square kilometres or 350% the size of Calgary. In 2004, 13,700 trips were provided – a 36% increase over 2003.



### Governance:

A eight-member Board of Directors meets monthly with the Manager to set policy, review activity and approve finances. Directors live in Calgary, Rocky View, Irricana and Airdrie.

### Board of Directors:

President: Albert Hulzebus, Calgary, AB  
 Vice-President: Joel Steenhart, Crossfield, AB  
 Secretary: Sharon George, Airdrie, AB  
 Treasurer: Geoff Cooke, Airdrie, AB  
 Past-President: Tim Veenstra, Rocky View, AB

Directors: Carmilla Hutchinson, Irricana, AB  
 Jo Ann Miller, Calgary, AB  
 Suzanne Wilson, Airdrie, AB  
 Bert McLarity, Airdrie, AB  
 (Bert passed away Aug 14, 2005)

### Staff:

2.5 office staff (manager, dispatcher and bookkeeper) support seven drivers.

### Overhead

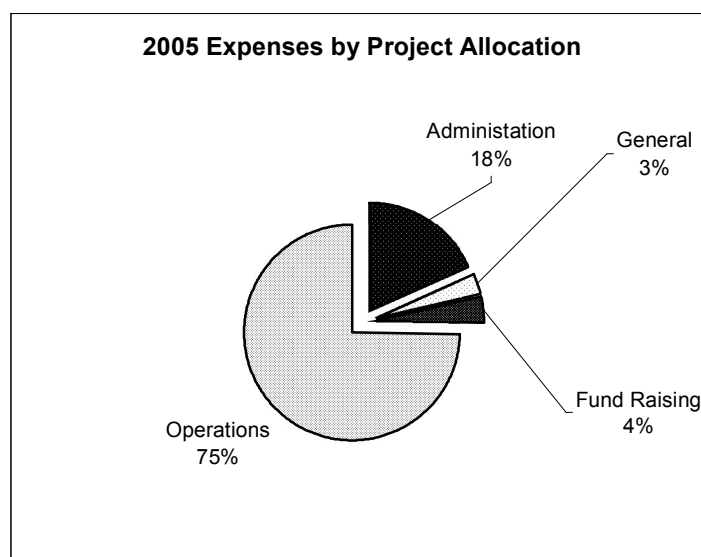
Using Canadian Urban Transit Association performance guidelines, we identify our overhead/ administration costs to be roughly 25%.

### Testimonial

“Rocky View is serviced by an efficient and courteous Handibus service. Rocky View Handibus is considered one of the best operated and most customer service orientated in the Province.”

[www.AlbertaFirst.com](http://www.AlbertaFirst.com)

<http://www.albertafirst.com/profiles/statspack/20700.html>



## Strategic Plan

Item	Status in 2004	Changes in 2005
<b>2003</b>		
Fund development plan	<i>Initiated in 2003. Raised \$30,000 in 2004.</i>	<i>Raised \$125,000 in 2005</i>
Business plan	<i>Initiated in 2003. Still in draft stage</i>	<i>No change</i>
Upgrade scheduling software	<i>2004 Grant to research needs and collaboration possibilities.</i>	<i>Final purchase decision awaiting outcome of two external projects</i>
New and replacement bus program plan	<i>Fund-raising activities in progress. Researching specifications for new buses.</i>	<i>Two vehicles acquired in 2005. Goal of two more vehicles in 2006.</i>
<b>2004</b>		
Implement new bus replacement program	<i>\$15,000 raised specifically for new bus in 2004.</i>	<i>\$120,000 raised in 2005 with two new vehicles on the road</i>
Study demographics and potential need/growth	<i>Steering Committee for Calgary Regional Partnership's region- wide special transportation needs assessment.</i>	<i>Assessment completed Dec 2006. Multi stakeholder group is developing funding proposal for common services ( eg a common dispatcher)</i>
Plan and determine satellite run #1	<i>One driver is operating independently in SE Rocky View region (Sept 2004</i>	<i>Concept proposed to MD of Rocky View.. Still require base / facility for spare bus and winter plug-in. Sites have been requested</i>
Establish relationship with another municipality	<i>Presentation to Rocky View Council has been made. Discussions are in progress.</i>	<i>Meeting with department heads</i>
<b>2005</b>		
Start satellite run #1	<i>Initial start Sept. 2004. Concept to be refined</i>	<i>No change</i>
Determine future service levels & bus needs	<i>Initial efforts coinciding with Calgary Regional Partnership collaboration to review special transportation.</i>	<i>Strategic plan proposed to cover entire MD of Rocky View</i>
Plan and determine satellite run #2		<i>Under discussion with MD of Rocky View</i>
Pursue joint ridership opportunities with RVSD		<i>No change</i>
<b>2006</b>		
Start satellite run #2		<i>Discussion underway with MD of Rocky View regarding satellite bus in Springbank/ Bragg creek</i>
Secure new facility in response to growth		<i>Research has commenced</i>
Seek relationship with another municipality		<i>Initial discussions with Chestermere FCSS on resource requirements and service options for Chestermere.</i>
<b>2007</b>		
Review		
Identify new program opportunities		

# Municipal Activity Highlights

## Airdrie

In March 2002, The City of Airdrie consolidated their public transportation services with Cardinal Coach Lines of Calgary. With this change, a gap developed for Airdrie residents looking for transportation on Monday, Wednesday or Friday -- the days when Airdrie Transit's special needs bus does not travel to Calgary.

Almost four years after their policy change, we still receive 3- 5 serious enquiries each week from Airdrie residents needing transportation to Calgary. We receive a further 3-5 calls per month where Airdrie's service provider refers the resident back to us – the contractor has long waiting lists for the existing twice-weekly service. Despite our best efforts to say “no,” we experienced a 30% increase in these types of trips in 2005. When schedule permits, we still provided transportation for situations such as pre-school development programs, hospital tests for newborn infant (and family), cataract surgery appointments, and such. Of note, we provide a full year of dialysis transportation for an Airdrie resident whose dialysis appointments ran on the weekdays that Airdrie Transit didn't provide service to Calgary.

We hope Airdrie will be able to fill this gap soon and permit us to re-focus on our core region. In the meantime, we greatly appreciate the financial support of the Airdrie Knights of Columbus, Airdrie Optimist Club and the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #288. Corporate support has included TD Canada Trust and McKee Homes.

## Beiseker

Beiseker's support to help us develop more transportation in the village has been hampered. Although we carried some newspaper advertisements, it appears that the logistics (length & cost) of the trip presents a significant barrier for Beiseker residents. We appreciate the support of the Village of Beiseker and their seniors group as we continue to pursue this program.

## MD of Rocky View

In 2005, Rocky View allocated \$34,000 of their \$55,000 special transportation provider (STP) funding to our operations.

Through 2005, we've had several discussions with Council and administration regarding growth of the Municipality. Our discussions tend to focus on the resources required to provide a handibus service throughout the Municipal District, including the Springbank/Bragg Creek area. We have updated our 2004 strategy document (twice!) and continue to investigate options with the administration.

The MD of Rocky View is facing explosive growth as new commercial and residential developments are proposed. The term “Transit Plan” is starting to be used in certain concept plans. We look forward to assisting the development of a “family of services” for Rocky View residents and businesses.

Support from MD of Rocky View stakeholders include; Nexen (Balzac Employees), Bonavista Petroleum, Burnco Rock Products, South Rock Construction, Walton Group, Compton Petroleum Pembina Oil and a land developer near Airdrie.

## Crossfield

In 2004, the Crossfield Elks approached us regarding a twice a week program at the East Lake Fitness centre in Airdrie. With the renovation of the Airdrie facility, the Elks promoted a seniors fitness program with transportation provided by RVRH. The program permits some flexibility. A Crossfield resident

(senior or otherwise unable to drive) can also opt to catch a ride to the bank/ mall instead of the fitness facility. We hope to expand this program to include other Crossfield seniors groups in the near future.

In 2005, we were also challenged with a Crossfield resident requiring dialysis in Calgary as well as two special needs preschoolers requiring access to development programs in Calgary.

We appreciate the support of Crossfield Town Council who appoints a member of Council to sit on our board. We also appreciate the financial support of Finnie Trucking, Crossfield Legion, Crossfield Lions, Crossfield Elks #416 and Maxfield Inc.

## **Chestermere**

We regularly field calls from Chestermere residents and folks considering a move to Chestermere. Despite Chestermere's opinion that they are "too small for a handibus," we accommodate some Chestermere residents as scheduling permits. In 2005, we had to turn away 6-9 families requiring daily access to programs in Calgary, as we just don't have the resources to start an extra bus.

Throughout 2005 we have been attending meetings with a sub-committee of the Chestermere Family and Community Support Services Board (FCSS). We hope 2006 will be the year that we help Chestermere develop a plan for community transportation.

## **Irricana**

Through the Community Transportation Project, we have been able to continue to facilitate transportation for Irricana residents. We provided approximately 491 trips in 2005. We greatly appreciate the support of Tall Taylor Publishing for their willingness to make our story interesting to readers of the Rocky View Weekly.

## **Cochrane**

The Big Hill Seniors Activity Society continues to be a great collaborator. Although both of our groups have fairly defined regions with little overlap, we continue to coordinate whenever possible. For example, we occasionally transport a hospital discharge from Calgary to Cochrane when the Cochrane bus has a full schedule.

In June 2005, Cochrane's bus was unable to accommodate a lady wanting to attend convocation of her two daughters at the Calgary Convention Centre. The lady required a wheelchair as a result of her long battle with cancer. A phone call from Cochrane, a little scheduling manipulation and a bit of fortunate timing; we were able to get mom to the ceremony and home again. We were saddened to hear that she succumbed to cancer a few days after seeing her daughters receive their diplomas.

## **Rocky View School Division #41**

Although not a "municipality," the Rocky View School Division remains one of our strongest collaborators. We presently run:

- Irricana/Airdrie/Balzac to Calgary
- Beaupre/Cochrane to Calgary
- Shepard to Calgary
- Chestermere/to Calgary
- Airdrie and surrounding region

## Municipal Activity Summary

Municipality	Trips	Transport Total Cost	Passenger Revenues	2005 Municipal Contributions	Local Donations	Contribution from RVRH
Airdrie	1363	\$45,973.26	\$22,639.50	\$0.00	\$2,750.00	\$20,583.76
Beiseker	13	\$468.25	\$81.00	\$0.00		\$387.25
Irricana	491	\$16,116.48	\$4,828.48	\$0.00		\$11,288.00
Rocky View, MD of	1961	\$62,527.19	\$19,887.25	\$34,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$5,639.94
Chestermere	9	\$249.73	\$135.00	\$0.00		\$114.73
Crossfield	1597	\$51,998.41	\$12,599.75	\$4,700.00	\$600.00	\$34,098.66
<b>Municipal Totals</b>	<b>5434</b>	<b>\$177,333.33</b>	<b>\$60,170.98</b>	<b>\$38,700.00</b>	<b>\$6,350.00</b>	<b>\$72,112.35</b>

### Notes

- Village of Beiseker contributed \$3,000 in 2003. As previously mentioned, demand from Beiseker has declined as compared to a several years ago. Since that contribution, we've consider that amount to be "on account" toward present and future transportation activity. We continue to try to help Beiseker residents.
- Local donations reflect donations towards operating costs. This aspect of donation is lower this year as we focused the majority of effort on raising two new buses.
- Contribution from RVRH includes; lottery funds, reserves created from fee for service activities and other general donations not tied to a particular community



## Fund Development

2005 was our third year to directly fund-raise for operations. This is in addition to fund-raising activities for replacement of new buses. Our simple strategy asks neighbouring stakeholders to contribute part of the big funding goal. By spreading the work around, we achieve more stability.

Rocky View Regional Handibus has committed to the Ethical Fund-raising Code of the Canadian Centre for Philanthropy and is licenced for Fund-raising by the Alberta Government.

## Pre-school/youth

We initiated another 12-month campaign to raise \$25,000 towards operation of our youth/preschool transportation. We are pleased with our first six months of this fund-raising effort. As of Dec 31, 2005, this campaign has raised.

• Bow Valley Credit Union	\$250
• Calpine Calgary Energy Centre	\$500
• South Rock Employee's Fund	\$1,000
• Optimist Club of Airdrie	\$500
• Airdrie Knights of Columbus	\$500
• Maxfield Inc	\$500
• McKee Homes	\$500
• Pembina Pipeline	\$500
• Royal Canadian Legion #288 ( Airdrie)	\$1,000
• Walton International	\$500
• Compton Petroleum	\$1,000
• Friends of Bert McLarity (memorial)	\$300
• Alberta Lotteries	\$27,941

## Capital Funding/Vehicle Replacement

Between 2001 and 2004 our repair and maintenance costs have more than doubled. This is mostly due to the age of the buses and the high mileage nature of the transportation we provide. A concise capital funding proposal has been developed and is being circulated with interested parties. Through donations and matching grants from Alberta's Community Initiative program, we replaced two buses in 2005

The estimated cost of a replacement bus is \$60,000 to \$75,000. Replacing two buses, we estimate that \$12,000 of operation savings will be available in the first year. Another \$8,000 will be saved in the following year.

In November 2004, the Associated Commercial Travellers (Calgary) presented us with a cheque for \$15,000 towards a new bus. In Spring 2005, The Calgary Rotary Club Olympic donated \$15,000. Nickle Family Foundation donated \$15,000 and staff at Nexen's Balzac Complex donated another \$15,000.

Our first bus (picture) was put on the road in August 2005. In December 2005, the Alberta Government's Community Initiatives Program matched the \$60,000 ( plus \$10,000 from casino funds). Our second bus was then picked up from the dealership in Dec 2005 and put into service Feb 2006.

• Nexen Inc	\$15,000
• Rotary Club of Calgary Olympic	\$15,000
• Nickle Family Foundation	\$15,000

We are already realizing fuel saving of approximately \$3,000 per year ( per bus) as these vehicles use less fuel. We have already started fund-raising for the next two buses. Our goal is four new buses over the next two years

## Fleet Details

Our buses are equipped to Canadian Standards Association (CSA) D409 specifications. Our vehicles are maintained by licensed mechanics and also inspected semi-annually to Alberta Transportation standards.

<b>Van</b>	<b>Year/Model</b>	<b>Fuel</b>	<b>Seating</b>	<b>Odometer (12-31-04)</b>
1	1996 GMC Rally 350	Gas	W/C: 1/Amb: 7	430,707 km
2	1994 Dodge Ram 350	Propane	W/C: 2/Amb: 7	552,125 km
3	1994 Dodge B250	Propane	W/C: 1/Amb: 7	399,771 km
4	2000 Dodge B350	Propane	W/C: 1/Amb: 10	297,499 km
5	1994 Dodge Ram 350	Gas	W/C: 2/Amb: 7	240,450 km
6	1995 Ford 7.3L	Diesel	W/C: 2/Amb: 15	298,457 km
8	2000 Dodge B350	Propane	W/C: 2/Amb: 7	290,708 km
12	1998 GMC/Girardin	Gas	W/C: 2/Amb: 7	293,873 km (Ray Howden bus)
7	2005 Dodge Sprinter	Diesel	W/C 1/ Amb: 8	22,172 km (159" wheel base)
9	2005 Dodge sprinter	Diesel	W/C 2 amb 4	121 km (140" wheelbase)

# Transportation Statistics

Municipality/Group		Calgary Destinations					Local Destinations				
		2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>School Board</b>	Education	1287	1644	2029	2759	3980	2437	1715	2224	4222	3867
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1287</b>	<b>1644</b>	<b>2029</b>	<b>2759</b>	<b>3980</b>	<b>2437</b>	<b>1715</b>	<b>2224</b>	<b>4222</b>	<b>3867</b>
<b>Airdrie</b>	Education	2175	1949	1461	908	1080	34	68*	138	211	0
	Medical	323	150*	0	94	269	626	170*	0	0	0
	Personal	351	115	3	1	13	509	120*	0	0	0
	Respite	0	8*	0	0		891	176*	0	0	0
	Work/Volunteer	265	127	80	0	1	311	116*	0	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3114</b>	<b>2349</b>	<b>1544</b>	<b>1003</b>	<b>1363</b>	<b>2371</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>0</b>
<i>Note: *: tender awarded to Cardinal Coach lines April 1 2002.</i>											
<b>Crossfield</b>	Education	0	0	141	412	477	36	4	0	0	0
	Medical	19	49	64	56	131	15	22	24	33	46
	Personal	16	18	4	7	168	62	80	37	695	775
	Respite	0	0	0	0		6	97	58	0	0
	Work/Volunteer	0	0	10	0		0	0	28	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>821</b>
<b>MD of Rocky View</b>	Education	458	804	846	1009	665	0	0	6	0	0
	Medical	127	193	258	405	167	4	26	25	7	0
	Personal	85	88	75	6	31	0	53	140	127	34
	Respite	11	0	0	2	0	0	64	204	147	0
	Work/Volunteer	665	654	801	767	595	424	400	522	465	479
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1346</b>	<b>1739</b>	<b>1980</b>	<b>2189</b>	<b>1458</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>746</b>	<b>513</b>
<b>Beiseker</b>	Medical						4	0	0	13	
	<b>Total</b>						<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	
<b>Irricana</b>	Medical	0	1	0	7	3	0	0	6	0	0
	Personal	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
	Respite	0	0	0	0	0	0	94	335	201	243
	Work/Volunteer	0	0	0	0	212	0	0	0	0	33
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>276</b>
<b>Chestermere</b>	Education	420	165	0	9	0					
	Medical	0	0	0	0	2					
	Respite/personal	17	0	2	8	7					
	Work/Volunteer	122	96	0	0	0					
	<b>Total</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>9</b>					
<i>Note: Transportation reduced in June 2002 due to program losses</i>											
<b>Misc</b>	Education	0	0	156	410	429	0	0	0	0	0
	Personal	10	19	68	199	113	1	30	0	22	0
	Respite	9	0	0	0	0	16	10	0	53	3
	Work/Volunteer	5	16	99	131	0	0	2	0	2	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>3</b>
<i>Note: Transfers, Charters, pro bono transportation, etc.</i>											
<b>Regional Sub-Totals</b>		<b>6365</b>	<b>6096</b>	<b>6097</b>	<b>7192</b>	<b>8343</b>	<b>5372</b>	<b>3251</b>	<b>3747</b>	<b>6186</b>	<b>5493</b>
<b>Overall Activity (all regions)</b>		<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>					
		<b>11737</b>	<b>9347</b>	<b>9844</b>	<b>13378</b>	<b>13836</b>					

## Donations and Support

Over the past few years (2003 -2005), operations in the North Rocky View region were possible because of these generous supporters:  
(N.B \* indicates multi-year assistance)

### Champions (\$15,000-\$34,999)

☪ Calgary Foundation\* ☪ Nexen Balzac Complex\* ☪ Nickle Family Foundation\*\*  
☪ Rotary Club of Calgary Olympic  
☪ ACT/UCT Calgary Club

### Benefactors (\$5,000-\$14,999)

"Colin Fraser, Daniel Fraser and May Shields Fraser Fund" ☪ Children's Hospital Aid Society\* ☪ RBC Foundation ☪ TD Canada Trust\* ☪ TransCanada Pipelines

### Underwriters (\$2,500-\$4,999)

☪ ScotiaBank ☪ South Rock Employee Charitable Foundation\*

### Associates (\$1,000-\$2,499)

☪ Airdrie Lions Club\* ☪ Airdrie Lioness Club\*  
☪ ATCO Gas Employee Fund\* ☪ Royal Canadian Legion #288\* ☪ Compton Petroleum\*  
☪ Sears Young Futures ☪ Southern AB Action Fund for the Disabled Foundation ☪ Airdrie Knights of Columbus\* ☪ Beddington Hall Board\*

### Sustainers (\$500-\$999)

☪ Bonavista ☪ Petroleum, Crossfield Elks #416  
☪ Encana ☪ Lloyd Ralston Memorial Fund  
☪ Burnco ☪ Calpine Calgary Energy Centre  
☪ Albert Hulzebos ☪ Irricana Lions Club  
☪ Mckee Homes ☪ Maxfield ☪ Optimist Club of Airdrie ☪ Pembina Pipeline Corporation  
☪ Walton International Group ☪ Yankee Valley Estates Ltd.

### Contributors (\$100-\$499)

Airdrie Kinsmen Club ☪ Airdrie Women in Business ☪ Alberta Agricultural Social Club  
☪ Andrews Family ☪ Bow Valley Credit Union  
☪ C. Calder ☪ R&G Church ☪ Mr & Mrs Combs ☪ Finnie Hauling & Storage ☪ Kinsmen Club Of Airdrie ☪ E. McCracken ☪ J.A. Miller  
☪ Royal Canadian Legion #113

### Municipalities

Town of Crossfield\*  
MD of Rocky View #44\*  
Village of Beiseker\*  
Village of Irricana \*  
Town of Chestermere

(\* Indicates funding assistance)

### Affiliations

Canadian Urban Transit Association  
Calgary Chamber of Voluntary Organizations  
Imagine Canada

### Collaborating Organizations

*(We greatly appreciate their advice and cooperation)*

Alberta Transportation  
Big Springs Seniors Activity Society (Cochrane)  
Calgary and Area Child and Family Services  
Calgary Community Network Association  
Calgary Handi-bus Association  
Calgary Health Region:  
Calgary Regional Partnership (Rick Butler)  
Calgary Transit/Access Calgary  
Claresholm Transportation Society  
Focus IT Solutions  
High River Handibus Association  
Kahanoff Centre  
Municipal District of Rocky View FCSS  
North Rocky View Community Resource Centre  
Prince of Peace Village  
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