

POLICY regarding FESTIVAL FUNDING

This policy is in keeping with the mandate set out by the Provincial government in the *Family and Community Support Services (F.C.S.S.) Act*. The F.C.S.S. handbook, in section 5.2.b.2 (a), states that FCSS is not to provide for the recreation needs or leisure time pursuits of individuals. Therefore, Lac La Biche & Regional FCSS will not provide funding for community events (i.e., festivals, fairs, and celebrations) except:

- ◆ February Family Day Festivals because this day was set aside by the Provincial government to encourage families to spend time together in healthy activities, and this activity encourages family participation;
- ◆ Extraordinary circumstances can be demonstrated that the activity encourages and promotes socially healthful *family* activity.

PROCEDURE regarding FESTIVAL FUNDING

In keeping with the spirit of the F.C.S.S. Act (section 5.2.b.2 (a) of the F.C.S.S. program handbook), the Lac La Biche & Regional F.C.S.S. Board will not approve grants for community events, except as laid out in the policy.