

## <u>Drayton Valley continues to receive evacuees from Alberta communities affected by wildfires from</u> across the province

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DRAYTON VALLEY- The Town of Drayton Valley has received over 100 evacuees to our area in the last 48 hours and we are expecting more into the weekend. The Reception Centre at the Drayton Valley Omniplex is going to be available for all evacuees arriving to our community.

Red Cross Representatives and Alberta Health Services officials are in our community to provide assistance to displaced individuals in our area. They will provide support and direction to resources needed by those affected by the wildfires in Fort McMurray.

The Town of Drayton Valley and Brazeau County staff continue to work together to assist the evacuees to attain the resources and support needed.

Important information is as follows:

- Cash donations can be made to the Red Cross through the website: <a href="www.redcross.ca">www.redcross.ca</a> or by texting 30333.
- Our Local Drayton Valley Foodbank is accepting donations. You can contact and make a NON PERISHABLE FOOD donation by calling: 780 514 3777
- If you want to donate services such as towing or equipment contact the Provincial Operations Centre 1-866-618-2362

If you have friends or family members arriving from one of the evacuated areas in Fort McMurray and surrounding area we encourage them to register in person at the reception center at the Drayton Valley Omniplex located at 5737 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue or call 780 514 2234.

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