HISTORY

In December of 1989, Drayton Valley was struck with a murder/suicide tragedy.

This tragedy focused renewed interest and concern on the problems of family violence facing this community. PCCS was formed to address the issue of safe-housing women and children fleeing abusive relationships.

The group realized that all aspects of family violence, as well as suicide, needed to be addressed. The Pembina Crisis Connection Society was formed in 1990 to bring prevention in focus.

A telethon scheduled in \may, 1991 brought the Society to front page headlines when over \$25,000 was pledged in six hours! The community support was overwhelming and the Pembina Crisis Connection Society was able to achieve its goal of accessing the Distress Line (a 24 hour crisis line) in Edmonton on July1, 1991.





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WHAT IS PCCS? & HOW CAN I HELP?

> Drayton Valley & Surrounding Area

ABOUT US

The Pembina Crisis Connection Society (PCCS) was established in April, 1990 to coordinate resources and educational opportunities focused on the prevention of all forms of violence directed towards self or others.

We require that the dignity, privacy and security of any person utilizing the resources is safeguarded through the maintenance of confidentiality.

The well-being of the community is at the centre of the Society's activities. In order to ensure the efficient, effective and economical delivery of services, coordination towards set goals and continuing evaluation of all activities is essential.

The Society will continue to communicate and cooperate with provincial and federal agencies within the community.

The Society will endevour to educate board members, related professionals and the public in these area of concern.

GOALS

- Provide residents with educational information regarding suicide, physical, psychological, financial and sexual abuse.
- Maintain a resource centre within the community to address the issues of violence and suicide prevention.
- Actively pursue current evidence-based resources pertinent to our goals and projects.
- Partner with other agencies in order to support a continuum of service from prevention to intervention.
- Offer education sessions to Junior and Senior high School students on dating violence and suicide awareness.
- Initiate community awareness in all types of Abuse.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

PCCS is in need of cash donations to fund the various projects, workshops and programs aimed at helping the community.

Volunteers are also vital to the survival of the organization. They are needed to sit as the Board of Directors and to be involved in committees and various activities.

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