Multiple District 2 District C2

'Joined together in service because charity has no borders'

In 2014 Multiple District 2 (MD2) was created from the prior MD37 (Alberta/ Montana) and is comprised of Lions Clubs throughout all of Alberta, northeast BC and the NWT. District C2 includes clubs within Calgary and Southern Alberta, including here in Magrath!

Websites:

- www.magrathlions.com
- www.lionsofdistrictc2.com
- www.mdclions.org

'Lions Clubs bring people together for service and friendship and for a better tomorrow'

Lions Clubs International

Headquarters: 300 W 22nd St Oak Brook IL 60523-8842 USA phone 630-571-5466 fax 630-571-8890 website www.lionsclubs.org Lions serve. It's that simple, and it has been since we first began in 1917. Our clubs are places where individuals join together to give their valuable time and effort to improving their communities, and the world.

Every day, every way, Lions are investing their time, talents and resources in the communities where we live, work and serve. We believe there is no challenge that can't be overcome when we unite for good.

Founded in Chicago, Illinois, in 1917, by businessman businessman Melvin Jones. Lions Clubs International is dedicated to helping those less fortunate in their communities and around the world. In 1925, Helen Keller challenged the members to be 'Knights of the Blind'. International Membership

- World's largest service club organization
- more than 1.4 million men and women members worldwide
- over 48,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographical areas

Interested?

Check out our <u>website</u> or contact a member of the local Magrath Lions Club.

MAGRATH LIONS CLUB

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Magrath Lions Club 'Working to Bring Our Community Together'

Club History

The Magrath Lions Club was founded in Magrath, Alberta, in May 1938 with Gladstone Balderson as the first president and soon had 35 active members. One major accomplishment back then was the construction of the original Magrath Swimming Pool (now long gone) and the Magrath Lions Playground (still operating / upgraded in Jul 2009 and again in 2020). This year we will celebrate our 86th year as a club in Magrath!

Membership: We are a small but active club currently with a dozen or so mighty club members in Magrath and area. Because our numbers are small, there are many local leadership opportunities. However, thanks to many willing local volunteers, we get great support in carrying out our projects.

Select Past Community Projects:

- Original Magrath Swimming Pool
- Pal's of the Pool Fundraising
- School Playground Upgrades
- Lion's Park Children's Playground
- Magrath Fishpond 'Terry Trainer' Playground
- Lion's Annual Community Birthday Calendars
- D.A.R.E and Lions Quest Program in local area schools
- 24th of July (4th Saturday) Town Celebration Pancake Breakfast
- Donations to local programs and community events

Current Community Projects:

- Casino Fundraiser scheduled for Spring 2026. We use these funds for playground projects and other local organization support.
- Community Food Drive April/May 2024. Food donations are collected with assistance of local church groups. This will be the 19th annual drive with proceeds (some 2 tons of food each year) going to the Lethbridge Food Bank.
- Garage Sale Fundraiser June 2024 Household donations are collected the month before and then sold back at great prices in the annual Magrath Lions Club Garage Sale. Remaining items donated on to other local charities.
- No Cost Clothing Event -August 2024 Clothing donations are collected the month before and then given away at the annual Magrath No Cost Clothing event Remaining items donated to other local charities.
- Operation Christmas Child Boxes

 November 2024 We support
 and serve as a collection point for
 those wanting to donate prepared
 gift boxes.
- Peace **Poster** Contest 2024 is a new project we plan to start running on an annual basis.

All interested parties are welcome to come assist or join us.

See our <u>website</u> for more information on club membership and/or volunteering opportunities.

Thanks Magrath!

The Magrath Lions Club coordinates our events online via our lions club website and meets for our monthly face to face meetings usually on the 4th Thursday of each month (Sep-Jun). Twice per year in June and December we hold club dinner events.



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