



Serving Our Community

A competition sponsored by the

Sustainable Black Diamond Advisory Committee

The committee is looking for family-inspired ideas that could help kick-start sustainable environmental and service developments in the communities of Black Diamond and Turner Valley.

There is increasing debate among the world population about global warming, climate change and the sustainability of the planet. This competition is not taking a partisan view or debating those arguments though we acknowledge many environmental events in recent times, which have impacted all the citizens in the town, for example:

air quality issues due to wildfires both far and near, ongoing town water use restrictions, river flooding, unpredictable markets for recycled goods, increasing utility costs, increasing food and fuel costs, changing growing seasons.

As an inspiration for your competition entry, we would like participants to consider what we hold dear in the Town and our local environment and why we choose to live here. Then forecast forward to look, as a family, at what we would wish the town to look and be like in years to come10 years on as our community's children grow and develop; 20 years on as we perhaps introduce our grandchildren to where we live; 30 years on as we head towards retirement years; or, as seniors, how we might want to spend those final years.

Ideas and proposals should be framed in the spirit of this competition; in a positive, creative, and forward-looking manner. *No submissions containing criticism of either personnel or existing policy will be accepted.*

The style of the submission is entirely up to the participants, but each paper should clearly state:

What the idea is;

How it will improve a situation or people's lifestyle, in Black Diamond / Turner Valley;

Who the idea is aimed at...e.g. all the people in the towns, the Town Council, particular age groups, businesses or clubs in the towns, wildlife, etc.;

When this might have an effect...e.g. a quick and immediate change, or a long term plan; and

If costs might be involved, some evidence that this has been thought about (but no costings or sources for funding are expected).

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- ✓ Papers must be an absolute maximum of 1000 words (approximately 2.5 pages of typed text) – references and bibliography may be added, beyond the word count, in a separate section at the end (if appropriate & necessary).
- ✓ Papers may be handwritten or (preferably) typed, but must be clear and legible.
- ✓ They may include diagrams, drawings or pictures to illustrate points or ideas if desired.

Contact details (address, email, telephone) for families, countersigned and approved by parents if in a child's name, should be attached to any competition entry but on a separate sheet of paper.

Submissions are invited from all families (with or without children) living in the town of Black Diamond.

It is suggested that families with children might like to work on their entries over the Family Day long weekend as a joint venture.

** All entries become the property of the Town of Black Diamond and the Sustainable Black Diamond Advisory Committee. Ideas submitted or generated through this contest may or may not be implemented by the Town, regardless of judging outcomes.

The Sustainable Black Diamond Advisory Committee will judge the entries and all decisions will be final. Results will be announced two (2) weeks after the closing date. Entries will be coded on receipt, judged 'blind' and then re-matched to the contact information afterwards.

Entries will be judged and prizes awarded by the committee as below:

- One First Prize of \$100.00
- A second-place runner up prize of \$60.00
- A third-place runner up prize of \$40.00

A brief summary of ALL ideas submitted will be produced and circulated through the towns, and possibly in local media (without identifying personal details) for the public interest, and all entrants should be aware of that when making their submissions.

Deadline for entries is 12 noon, Monday 24th February

Entries may be emailed to: info@town.blackdiamond.ab.ca

Paper entries should be dropped off at the Town of Black Diamond Office in an envelope marked 'Sustainable Black Diamond Advisory Committee'.

No follow-up correspondence will be undertaken, except to notify the winning entries.

The personal information collected under section 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA) and may be used to contact those who made prize-winning entries. Personal information, other than the names of the winners, will not be released. A general disclosure (as a topical summary) of any/all entries may be made via local media outlets, Town websites and social media platforms, or as otherwise determined by the Committee or Council. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the FOIP Coordinator for the Town of Black Diamond at (403) 933-4348, or email info@town.blackdiamond.ab.ca