

# Invest In

# The Village of Foremost



The Village of Foremost is a member of Palliser Economic Partnership (PEP), which is the economic development alliance for Southeast Alberta. The Village of Foremost is located in the southern region of the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor.





### ABOUT THE VILLAGE OF FOREMOST

The Village of Foremost is located in the Palliser Economic Partnership (PEP) region of Alberta. PEP is a regional alliance of communities and agencies in Alberta Southeast that work together to enhance the area's economic well-being. Foremost is a small community with big city appeal. Established in 1913, Foremost has a population of over 500 and serves a trading area of over 2,000 people. A host of recreational facilities, a diversity of cultural activities, an award winning school and a broad range of businesses provide residents with a high quality of life. Recreational, cultural and business opportunities abound in our friendly rural community.

## Community Snapshot

Population	541
Value of all Regional Building Permits	\$197,900,000
Non-Residential Mill Rate	11.1489 (2017)
Value of Major Projects in the Region	\$8,800,000,000

Source: 2015 Alberta Regional Dashboard















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#### **OUR TOP INDUSTRIES**



#### Agriculture

Foremost has been an established dryland grains area since it was settled. Agriculture products in the area include wheat, barley, rye, flax, canola, oats, peas, mustard, chick peas, lentils, beef cattle, hogs, and poultry. Approximately 10 percent of the region is irrigated. Within Foremost, there are a number of agricultural service companies from seed cleaning to grain hauling to assist in any agricultural production needs.



#### **Aersopace**

In November 2016, the Foremost UAS Range operating out of the Foremost airport, received final Transport Canada authorization to begin operations as Canada's first restricted airspace for civil and commercial BVLOS (Beyond Visual Line-of-Sight) UAV (Unmanned Air Vehicle) research, development, and testing. With 700 square nautical miles of restricted airspace up to 18,000 feet above sea level, the Foremost UAS Range is ideally suited for BVLOS flight operations as well as development and evaluation of payloads, communications, and sense and avoid technologies for BVLOS flights.



#### Tourism

Foremost is located in the tourist area known as the "Gateway to the Parks" due to its close proximity to four parks. Within a 15 minute drive, visitors enjoy water sports and camping at 40 Mile Park and touring the Historical Windmill Museum in Etzikom. The breathtaking views and activities of Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park, Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park, and Waterton Lakes National Park are also easy to access from Foremost. Tourism opportunities abound in the region.



#### Oil and Gas

Oil and Gas contributes significantly to the region's economy and employment. There are various oil and gas product and service companies in the area, one of which is Matt's Heavy Crude and Water Hauling. The Village of Foremost is a service center for the area, including the oil and gas sector, serving a trading area of over 2,000 people.

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#### **COMMUNITY STATISTICS**

	2016 Totals*	2016 %*
Demographics		
Population	541	
Median age of the population	44.1	
Total number of census families in private households	150	
Total number of private households by tenure	230	
Owner	215	93.48%
Renter	15	6.52%
Average value of dwellings (\$)	\$185,400	
Average income \$	\$69,507	
Average household total income \$	\$135,349	
Labour Force		
In the labour force	305	64.90%
Participation rate		64.90%
Unemployment rate		6.60%
Management occupations	75	25.86%
Business, finance and administration occupations	10	3.45%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations		5.17%
Health occupations	15	5.17%
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	60	20.69%
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	0	0.00%
Sales and service occupations	35	12.07%
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	40	13.79%
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	40	13.79%
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	0	0.00%
Education		
High school diploma or equivalent	180	29.75%
Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree	210	34.71%
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma		10.74%
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma		14.05%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level 15		2.48%
University certificate, diploma or degree at bachelor level or above	50	8.26%

<sup>\*</sup>Source: 2016 Statistics Canada Census

#### SITE SELECTION INFORMATION

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Services	Providers*
Electrical Provider(s)	Fortis Alberta; Equs
Natural Gas Provider(s)	ATCO Gas; The Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd
Broadband Provider(s)	CCI Wireless; Shaw; TELUS
Water Management	Foremost Regional Water Treatment Plant
Waste/Sewage Management	Village of Foremost
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\*Please contact Providers for pricing & capacity information



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