



Raymond Stampede Fundraiser GET INVOLVED & BE A PART OF HISTORY

Although the Historic Raymond Rodeo grounds were torn down and relocated in Fall 2023, a devastating time for Canadian history and the Home of the First Stampede in Canada, it is now time to rebuild. After a long battle to save the grounds, we lost the war, but we did gain some choice land on the northeast corner of town, donated by the Ron Heggie Family.

With the acquisition of this land and the involvement of the Town of Raymond, County of Warner, Raymond Stampede Committee and many volunteers, we have moved forward with earthwork preparations, acquired an arena package and purchased new bleachers. But now we must cover costs and to continue building including a covered grandstand that will replicate the authentic one Southern Albertans were so proud of.

Now is a crucial time on our 'Mission for Tradition', when we invite everyone to become involved by supporting this great cause of keeping Raymond's heritage alive. We ask anyone who has participated in rodeo, are part of the agriculture world, have links to pioneer families or even enjoyed watching a rodeo, to come on board to be part of this historical event. We have already received donations ranging from \$50 to \$10,000, so any amount will help.

We are a non-profit, volunteer driven association who depends solely on sponsor support and donations and the estimate to rebuild will be close to one million dollars, with a current goal to reach \$250,000 for the covered grandstand. Every generous donation will count and we will reciprocate by offering not only many continued years of rodeo entertainment, but by **including supporter's names (for \$1,000 donation or more) on an admirable Raymond Stampede Builders Wall of Fame.**

The Raymond Stampede location may change, but the claim to fame will not. With your help, we will proudly remain the *Home of the First Stampede in Canada*. See you at the 2024 event, on Saturday, June 29 at 6 pm and Monday, July 1 at 2 pm.

The Raymond Stampede Committee thanks you for your support.

All funds will be secured in a Raymond Alberta Treasury Branch account. E-transfer to <u>raymondstampede@gmail.com</u> or thru the Town of Raymond <u>contact@raymond.ca</u> Mail to: Box 1032, Raymond, AB TOK 2S0 (403) 635-0555 website: raymondstampede.ca