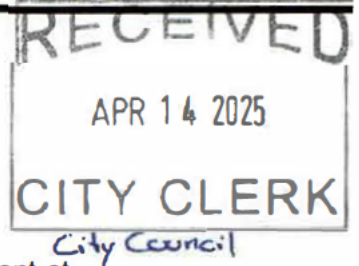


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Myself as well as I'm sure many Prince Albert residence are very upset and disappointed to hear of the recent potential placing of the homeless at the exhibition ground, once again. The fairgrounds of most city's are considered to be in a way the heart of your city, a safe place to enjoy events with your friends and family. In the recent years since the homeless have been sheltered on our fairgrounds, this is the opposite. The Prince Albert Fairgrounds are often filthy, littered with garbage, needles, feces, and people loitering the area. As we all know many of the buildings present at the fair grounds have now been vandalized, damaged and burnt SINCE the homeless have been moved in to the grounds. As a person who has grown up with agriculture being a large part of my life and attending the summer fairs when I was younger, it is a shame to now see the damaged, burnt and now some non existent horse and cattle barns.

Another recent experience that I have had this winter was when I had rented the log cabin at the exhibition grounds for an event with family and friends. We constantly had homeless people coming up to the door, sitting on the front deck, and even trying to come in to our event. Many just being a nuisance, asking for food, money, cigarettes etc. One family member even had a person try to get into her vehicle that was parked out front. The individual said they were "just heading over to the shelter". It was an absolute embarrassment for family and friends from out of town to witness that. The large majority of homeless people struggle with addiction, and due to not being sober, they are unpredictable and don't even realize what they are doing when they are consumed by drugs. Continuing to place them at our fairgrounds would be not only dangerous, but make our "heart of pa" deteriorate even more. Our Prince Albert Fairgrounds are now an absolute embarrassment, and this is only going to continue to drive the "good crowd" away from wanting to attend or have anything to do with any events happening at the out fair grounds. There are MANY other options of currently closed buildings that would be a much better choice.

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