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MD of Greenview to Host Level One Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) Training in Valleyview, AB

In August of 2019, MD of Greenview was approached by the Valleyview RCMP Detachment Staff Sergeant to discuss the potential of sponsoring a Level One Violence Threat Risk Assessment Training Course.

Administered through the North American Center for Threat Assessment and Trauma Response (NACTATR), the course is intended to integrate various community agencies such as school divisions, RCMP, Mental Health and Children and Family Services to anticipate the threat of violence by individuals against others or themselves, and to reduce the impact of trauma within communities. 66 participants from within Greenview and surrounding areas will take part in this two-day workshop, held at the Burnside Performing Arts Centre in Valleyview, AB on October 1-2, 2019.

It is timely intervention that prevents school shootings and other violent incidents. The program also looks at longer-term solutions, providing assistance to allow the subject to be reintegrated into the communities and schools. VTRA is used in 281 communities across Canada and in approximately 45% of the school divisions in Alberta. Reeve Dale Smith stated, "The MD of Greenview Council is pleased to provide the funding necessary to deliver this valuable training for people within the boundaries of Greenview. Training like this helps all communities to become safer and better places to live."

Funding for this training is proudly provided by the MD of Greenview Council.

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