



# Claresholm

Where **Community** Takes Root

June 7, 2021

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

As many of you may know, my wife was a recipient of a Double Lung Transplant, which ultimately gave me more than 12 more great years with her in my life. I have recently become aware of a Province-Wide initiative called WALK TO BREATHE, and it hit close to home, in a very positive way.

**One Alberta man is walking over 500km from Lethbridge to Edmonton, to raise Awareness and Funds for The Lung Association of AB & NWT – please read the full story at [www.ab.lung.ca/walktobreathe](http://www.ab.lung.ca/walktobreathe) .**

This is his 2nd year with this initiative, and it's one that I, personally, will be supporting. IN FACT, I want to do more than I can from my Mayoral chair in Claresholm, by issuing a friendly Province-Wide Challenge to ALL Alberta municipalities and their overall communities. I encourage you to raise money and help battle the far-reaching, and devastating effects of Lung Disease for 1 in 5 Albertans, not to mention the toll it takes on family and friends. Watching another human being struggle to breathe is a very scary ordeal, and one that I know all too well.

**I humbly ask for your participation in this challenge, from June 14<sup>th</sup> through to July 23, 2021, at which time, we see which community shall receive exclusive bragging rights as Alberta's 'COMMUNITY that CARES'.**

While lighthearted in this challenge, it is a very important cause, and I hope to spearhead some strong participation across the province . . .

- ✓ Send to your Council members and discuss ways to participate in your town
- ✓ Involve Local Business
- ✓ Organize local fundraisers
- ✓ Involve your local media to help promote
- ✓ Share on Social Media

Your consideration and participation is a BREATH of FRESH AIR for all Albertans. I thank you, and I look forward to the challenge.

Please call with any questions at 403-652-6870. You may also reach out to the organizers for more detail and to organize fundraiser/donation: **Chris Sadleir [Sads.chris@gmail.com](mailto:Sads.chris@gmail.com) & Jennifer Hutchinson [jhutchinson@ab.lung.ca](mailto:jhutchinson@ab.lung.ca)**

Sincerely,

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