



# News Release

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## CAEP Honours Town of Olds / OICRD with Partnership Awards

**8 December 2010, Olds, Alberta** – The Central Alberta Economic Partnership's annual awards ceremony recognizes success and rewards the efforts made towards enhancing economic development, fostering collaboration, and sustaining prosperity across the central Alberta region. Awards are designed to celebrate leading economic development and business practices accomplished through promotion, collaboration, impact and innovation.

At this year's awards ceremony held in Red Deer, the Town of Olds walked away with four awards:

- PLATINUM - Town of Olds & Olds Institute submission for Innovation in Business: Uptowne Olds
- PLATINUM - Town of Olds submission for Economic Development Collaboration: Olds Institute for Community & Regional Development
- PLATINUM - Town of Olds submission for Economic Development Impact: Olds Institute for Community & Regional Development
- GOLD - Town of Olds & the Olds Institute submission for Economic Development Impact: Heritage Management Plan

Town of Olds Councillor Arvin Bull represented the Town of Olds in receiving congratulations from CAEP while Leon Durand and Michael Dougherty were on hand to represent both Uptowne Olds and the Heritage Management Plan. OICRD Chair Rob Smith and Community Economic Development Officer Gail Scott represented the OICRD.

Other local stakeholders in attendance were Town Councillor Debbie Bennett as well as CAEP Chair and OICRD Associate Director Al Kemmere. Bob Lloyd (Prairies2Peaks) and Doug Erdman (Mountain View County, EDO) were also in attendance as was a delegation from Olds College for they, too, received two separate Silver Award recognitions in the category of Promotion and the category of Collaboration that they shared with the Chinook's Edge School District.

Olds Councillor and CAEP Director Harvey Walsh presided over the ceremony, even though he was completely uninvolved with the evaluation of nominees and determination of final results.

OICRD Chair Rob Smith praised CEDO Gail Scott for recognizing the value that Uptowne Olds, the Heritage Management Plan and the Olds Institute bring to our community and for preparing the nominations for submission.

The Olds Institute thanks the Town of Olds for its support, and recognizes the many volunteers who have spent thousands of hours in the community building economic development capacity and results for Olds and the surrounding area.

For more information on the OICRD and its work, visit [www.oldsinstitute.ca](http://www.oldsinstitute.ca).

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