



Métis Regional Council Zone IV of the Métis Nation of Alberta

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**Organizational Profile &
Cabinet Terms of Reference**



**Métis Regional Council - Zone IV of the
Métis Nation of Alberta**



**Métis Regional Council - Zone IV
Board of Directors**

President: Jerry Letendre

Vice President: Cecil Bellrose

Thomas J. Roy, President
Edmonton Local #1928

Robert E. Lee, President
Edmonton Local #2085

Melanie Omeniho, President
Edmonton Local #1886

George Pambrun, President
St. Albert Local #2359

Lyle Donald, Acting President
Central Edmonton Métis Local

Ed Laboucane, President
Edmonton Local #008

Ray McKenzie, President
Gunn Local #55

Noella Campbell, President
Battle River Local #94

Marie Thompson, President
Hinton Local #474

Ollie York, President
Callihoo Local #135

Muriel Stanley-Venne, President
Parkland Local #71

**Darold Dahl, President &
Zone IV Treasurer**
Drayton Valley Local #888

Mary Ann Stepein, President
Parkland Local #1116

Al Findlay, President
Grande Cache Local #1994

Diane Kirsh, President
Egg Lake Local #9

Elder Representative
Marge Friedel

Youth Representative
Melanie Moore

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**Métis Regional Council - Zone IV
Cabinet Members**

Zone Elected Leadership

Jerry Letendre, President
Cecil Bellrose, Vice President

**Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs
& Métis Rights**

Robert Lee

Minister of Community Development

Melanie Omeniho

Minister of Housing

Ed Laboucane

Minister of Economic Development

Ray McKenzie

Minister of Social & Children Services

Muriel Stanley-Venne

Minister of Education & Health

Maryann Stepien

Minister of Finance & Justice

Darold Dahl

Minister of Youth

Melanie Moore

Our Vision (Our Inspiration)

“Together we will continue to build a strong Métis Nation”

Zone IV Mission

“On behalf of all Métis people within Zone IV, Zone IV is responsible for the advancement of the rich Métis culture and ensure the social, economic and political well-being of all Métis people.”

Core Business

Jurisdiction

Zone IV Regional Council is the representative body for all Métis residents within the geographical territory highlighted on Appendix A attached to this document. This area is west-central Alberta including and west of Edmonton, north of Rocky Mountain House, south of Valleyview and east of the Alberta-British Columbia border.

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Overview of Zone IV Association

Metis Regional Council - Zone IV includes Local Presidents that sit on the Regional board along with an elected President and Vice President. The President and Vice President of Zone IV sit on the Provincial Council of the Metis Nation of Alberta along with the Presidents and Vice Presidents of Zones I, II, III, V, VI and the President and Vice President of the Métis Nation of Alberta (MNA).

**Committee and Board Representatives
of
Métis Regional Council - Zone IV**

**Métis Child and Family Services
Provincial Board**

Tom Daniels

**Métis Child and Family Services
Edmonton Board**

Alvena Strausburg – President
Gary Gagnon
Joe L’Hirondelle
Mary Trottier

Métis Harvest Council

Darold Dahl

Métis Judiciary Council

Austin Goulet

Métis Urban Housing Representative

Tim Collins

Health Committee Representative

Sherri DiLallo

ACES 2000

Robert Slate – Chairperson
Irene Collins
Gina Kent
Robert Lee
Cora Pillwax-Weber

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Administration Business

Zone IV currently provides a wide range of programs and services specifically designed to respond to the needs of Métis people in our area. These include:

1. Political Representation and Advocacy
2. Cultural Awareness
3. Labour Market Development Unit
 - Kayas (Hinton) – Employment Assistant Services (EAS)
 - Sagitawah (Blue Ridge) – EAS
 - ACES (Edmonton) – EAS
 - Edmonton Métis Micro Business
4. Literacy Project – Society for Métis Literacy
5. Métis Child and Family Services
6. Youth Cultural Camp (Drayton Valley)
7. Economic Development
8. Proposal Selection Committee
9. Asokan
10. Tender Ties
11. Riel Institute for Education & Learning Society
12. Métis Homelessness Program (Urban)
13. Crime Prevention and Awareness Program (Urban)
14. Métis Youth Programming
15. Cultural Events - Stony Plain Barbecue
16. Metis Opportunities Inc. [MOI]
17. Cultural Preservation

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Zone IV Clients, Partners and Stakeholders

Clients

We serve all Métis people that reside in the Zone IV boundaries.

- Youth, seniors, men, women, persons with disabilities

Partners

- Municipal, provincial and federal government
 - Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development, Human Resources Development and Employment
- Friendship Centers
- Oteenow
- Industry and Businesses
 - Alliance Pipeline, EPCOR
- Educational Institutions
 - i.e. Grant MacEwan Community College, Norquest, NAIT, SCTI
- Parks Canada

Stakeholders

- Métis business people
- Métis Children's Services
- Métis Urban Housing and Housing Authorities
- Apeetogoosan
- Métis Business Development Centre
- Métis Locals in Zone IV
 - Edmonton Local #1928
 - Edmonton Local #2085
 - Edmonton Local #1886
 - Edmonton Local #008
 - Central Edmonton Métis Local
 - St. Albert Local #2359
 - Grande Cache Local #1994
 - Gunn Local #55
 - Battle River Local #94
 - Hinton Local #474
 - Drayton Valley Local #888
 - Parkland Local #71
 - West Parkland Local #1116
 - Calahoo Local #135
 - Egg Lake Local #9



Zone IV's Major Goals

1. **Governance Structure:** To create a governance structure that will support self-governance, independence and prosperity for Métis people.
2. **Economic Development:** To promote, enhance and support economic development initiatives at the local community, regional, and provincial levels in order to ensure long-term self-sufficiency for Métis people.
3. **Programs and Services:** To develop a broad range of programs and services- delivered at the local and regional levels-that respond to the individual needs of Métis people involving the governmental departments of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Justice, Learning, Health, Environmental Protection, Family and Social Services, Economic Development and Tourism, Community Development, Agriculture, Food, and Rural Development and lastly, Advanced Education and Career Development.
4. **Cultural Strength:** To ensure that the Métis Culture is protected, preserved, and celebrated for our children of today and tomorrow.