



Municipality of South Huron, Ontario

Communities in Bloom - 2018 National & International Edition

Winner **5 Blooms - Bronze** **Rural Gardens**

PRESS RELEASE: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STRATHCONA COUNTY, Alberta, September 29th, 2018 —

The Municipality of South Huron is the winner of the 5,001 - 10,000 population category. They received a 5 Blooms - Bronze rating and a special mention for *Rural Gardens* during the 2018 National/International Symposium and Awards Ceremonies in Strathcona County, Alberta. The Municipality of South Huron was in competition with with Bay Roberts NL and Coaldale AB.

Over the summer, trained volunteer judges travelled to participating communities to evaluate the overall contributions of municipal council and departments; industry; businesses and the private sector – including volunteer efforts – in regards to the following criteria: Tidiness, Environmental Action, Heritage Conservation, Urban Forestry, Landscape and Floral Displays.

Following their evaluation, volunteer judges Berta Briggs and Karin Rindal wrote:

"The Russel farm has an extensive garden that is beautifully designed with annuals, shrubs, perennials and indigenous plantings in addition to two large vegetable gardens. It is on the prestigious Huron garden route. The Prout farm has beautiful landscaping with gardens that specialize in pollinators flowers to complement their bee hives. The Kirkton Horticulture Society plants and maintains a perennial border beside the local community hall. The rural residents definitely play their part in making South Huron beautiful with impressive gardens."

Within the actual context of climate changes and environmental concerns, communities involved in the program can be proud of their efforts, which provide real and meaningful environmental solutions and benefit all of society.

For a complete list of the results and the electronic copy of the Communities in Bloom magazine, please visit www.communitiesinbloom.ca

About Communities in Bloom

Communities in Bloom is a Canadian non-profit organization committed to fostering civic pride, environmental responsibility and beautification through community involvement and the challenge of a national program, with focus on the enhancement of green spaces. The pride, sense of community and feeling of accomplishment generated through participation are visible in communities across Canada. For more information about Communities in Bloom, visit www.communitiesinbloom.ca

Communities are evaluated using a "bloom" rating determined by the total score of the evaluation:
 0 to 55 %=1 Bloom 56 to 63 %=2 Blooms 64 to 72 %=3 Blooms 73 to 81 %=4 Blooms 82 % and over=5 Blooms

There are four (4) levels of 5 Blooms exclusive to the National and International Edition:
 5 Blooms: 82 to 83.9% Bronze: 84 to 86.9% Silver: 87 to 89.9% Gold: 90% and over

Municipality of South Huron
 Mr. David Atthill
 Tel: 519-235-2833 x: 302
 Email: d.atthill@southhuron.ca
 Website: www.southhuron.ca

Communities in Bloom National Office
 Sonia Parrino
 514-694-8871
bloom@cib-cef.com
www.communitiesinbloom.ca

Thank you to our National Sponsors and Partners

National Sponsors



National Partners

