

**WE ARE
ALL
AFFECTED**

Stand Together for Public Services!

On Saturday, September 15, 2012, Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC) members in the Lethbridge area spent over \$132,000 in local business. This includes purchases like clothing and groceries and fuel, spending at the local Farmers' Market, accessing services provided by painters, contractors, hair stylists and massage therapists, and meals at restaurants and coffee shops.

Missing from this value is the amount of money that enters the local economy with large purchases like homes and cars. Municipal tax revenue and school fees, mortgage payments, insurance and investment spending are also not included. Local economies suffer with Public Service job loss.

Can Lethbridge Afford this Loss?

- We are all affected by government cutbacks because we all rely on services like food inspection, Old Age Security, environmental protection, preservation of parks and historic sites, search and rescue, assistance to veterans, support for our troops, border security and transportation safety.
- Canadians find it harder to access the services they need and may not even realize that programs have been cut until after they are gone. Lethbridge has been affected with the closure of its Citizenship & Immigration office.
- These job cuts are bad for our communities, our country and our economy. Workers and their families are forced to cut spending, small businesses lose customers and local economies suffer.
- Public service workers are our families, friends, neighbours, constituents and customers.



PSAC member purchasing coffee at the Love N Records festival.

PSAC represents a large percentage of federal government workers across Canada, with about 500 living in and around Lethbridge. For more information, please contact aglocal30048@gmail.com.

Visit **weareallaffected.ca** to say "no" to the cuts!



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