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**28 Sept. 2021** (*Crossfield, Alta.*) – This year the Town of Crossfield will recognize the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Sept. 30 in a variety of ways, including lowering the flag at the Crossfield Community Centre to half-mast, turning the lights on Railway St. to orange and providing links to important information on its website ([crossfieldalberta.com](http://crossfieldalberta.com)) and social media.

“Crossfield Town council and administration feel it is important to mark this day to recognize all of the shared history we as Canadians have in regards to our indigenous citizens,” Mayor Jo Tennant said. “We collectively need to start the journey towards healing and the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is an important first step.”

The Canadian government declared Sept. 30 the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in direct response to the findings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, which published 94 calls to action in June 2015. Additionally, a National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation was established at the University of Manitoba.

Town residents, council and administration are encouraged to wear orange Sept. 30 in recognition of both the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day, which commemorates the experience of indigenous people in Canada’s residential schools, and to honour the survivors and their families.

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