287 Beaumont Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron

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To Whom It May Concern:

We hope this message finds you well. We're reaching out with an important request that can help shape the future of our community's youth. 287 Beaumont Royal Canadian Air Cadets Squadron (RCAS) is dedicated to empowering youth aged 12 to 18, and your financial support could make a profound difference.

This year, 287 Beaumont's Squadron is proud to have over 200 cadets representing all genders. Approximately 1/3 of our cadets live in the Beaumont area and 2/3 come from South Edmonton and its surrounding areas.

The Cadet Program isn't just about teaching skills; it's about shaping futures. We provide a nurturing environment where youth can grow into confident, capable adults. Our cadets participate in unique experiences, building leadership, citizenship, and physical and mental fitness, alongside learning valuable life skills and aviation knowledge. The program offers awards and post-secondary scholarships to deserving cadets, helping the next generation of our youth reach their full potential.

Our cadets know that giving back to our country's veterans and serving the communities they live in are an important part of their service. They support veterans by selling Poppies for the Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund, speaking at Legions, participating in events like the Battle of Britain Memorial Parade and Remembrance Day ceremonies. We strive to maximize cadet involvement in community activities such as food drives and cleanup events, enriching their lives and benefiting the communities they call home.

Although the Department of National Defence covers some program costs, rising expenses—particularly for facility rentals—threaten our ability to provide enhanced opportunities beyond the core program for our cadets. Year over year, interest in the program rises and as a 'free program' we do our best to accommodate as many of the registration requests as we can. Unfortunately increasing our cadet numbers leads to a need for more training space and resulting rental costs.

Every donation, no matter the size, plays a crucial role in providing these young individuals with life-changing experiences. Your support can help cover facility expenses, offer opportunities for them to experience flying, and for cadets to learn etiquette and the history surrounding military mess dinners to name a few.

Beaumont 287 Air Cadets Parent Committee is a registered charity (Canada Revenue Agency #849610720 RR0001) and can provide tax receipts for donations over \$20. As a token of our gratitude, we would be happy to **feature your business on our website by including your logo on our rotating sponsor banner and include a brief description of your organization on our sponsors' page.**

Please don't hesitate to reach out to us at 287cadetparents@gmail.com with any questions about donations or sponsorship opportunities. To learn more about our squadron, visit 287aircadets.ca. For more about the program, visit Air Cadets - Canada.ca.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to make a meaningful impact. Together, with your help, we can inspire and support the next generation of leaders.

If you wish to make a donation, cheques can be made out to: **Beaumont 287 Air Cadets Parent Committee**, or e-transferred to **287cadetpayments@gmail.com**.