

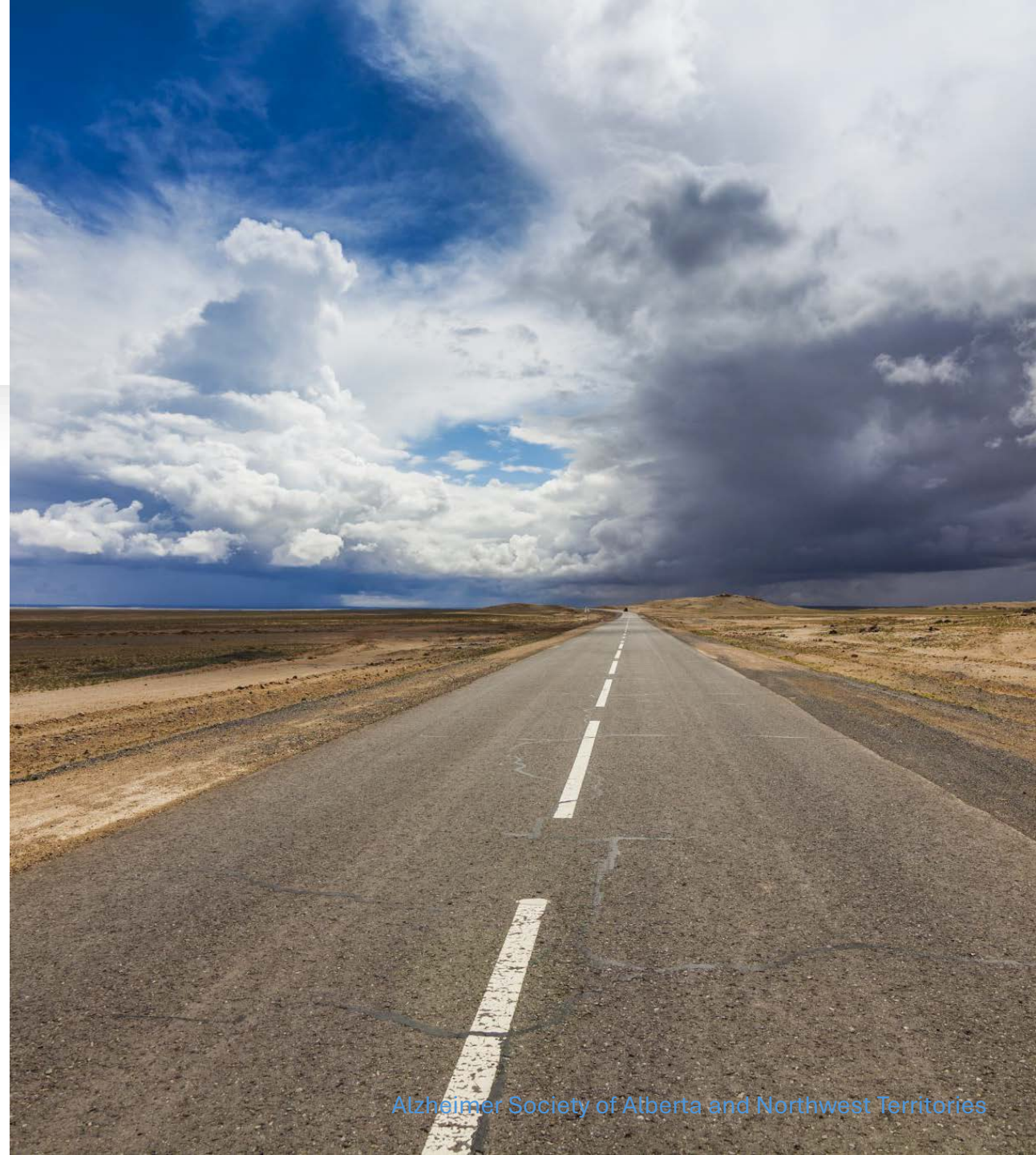
MOBILE RURAL NAVIGATOR PROJECT

Alzheimer Society of Alberta and Northwest Territories

Need for Rural Navigator

- ❖ In the past ten years, Navigators have spent many hours on the road with some results, but not at the level we hoped.
- ❖ Many of the referrals come from physicians and other health professionals from urban areas seeing people from rural areas, not from rural health care professionals
- ❖ Disconnect from rural to larger urban centers

Answer: We need staff in rural areas to connect and build relationships with people in rural Alberta

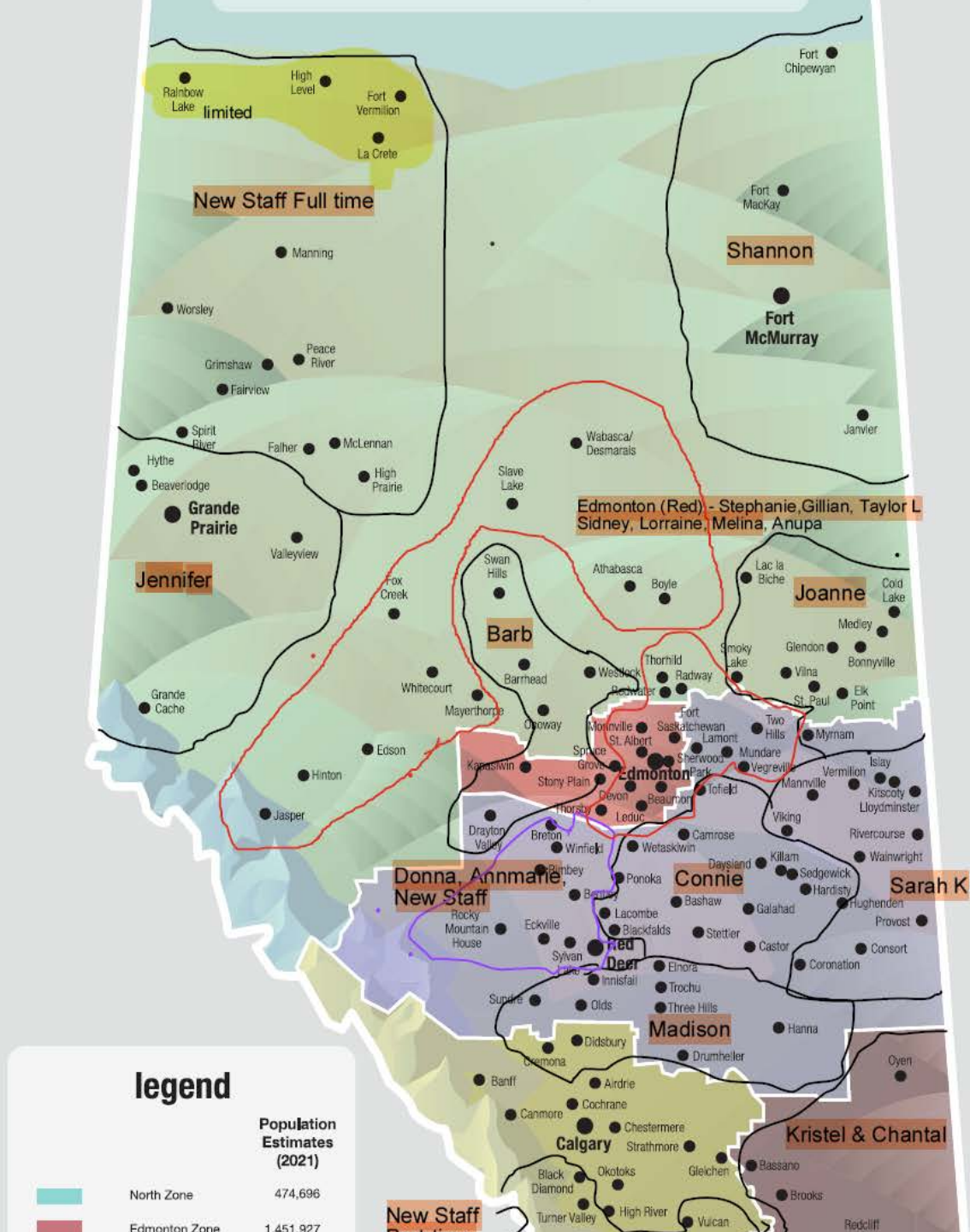


What is the Mobile Rural Navigator (MRN) Project?

- A team of Navigators that are located rurally and who serve communities in their area.
- Four new staff members between March 4 and April 10.
- Currently hiring two more mobile rural navigators:
 - full-time staff in the areas around Peace River, Fairview, Berwyn, Grimshaw or Spirit River for support in the north/northwest part of the province;
 - part time MRN in the areas of Claresholm, Nanton, Vulcan, Turner Valley, Black Diamond to serve the south/southeast area and a.
- Fulfills Government of Alberta grant with our full complement of 7 staff (including a coordinator).
- Currently have funding until the end of June 2027.
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Objectives of Project

- ❖ Plan formal partnerships with PCN's (Primary Care Network), continuing care centres, homecare and continuing care programs such as day programs.
- ❖ Build relationships and partnerships Family Community Support Services (FCSS) and other community organizations.
- ❖ Create collaborative relationships other organizations, allied health groups, Alberta Hospice Palliative Care Association, CCH, FCSS and other Continuing Care to provide services
- ❖ Continue to connect with rural MINT clinic in Whitecourt
- ❖ Provide support services to Continuing Care Homes and other Continuing Care programs through rural mobile Client Service Navigators



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- In our growth phase, we are hiring and training staff. We are also establishing relationships and providing service and support:
 - 5 Interagency Meetings in and around the communities we are located within
 - 11 Booths/Seniors fairs/community events to increase awareness
 - 15 Community Presentations to offer information and reduce stigma
 - 48 Outreach Meetings, promoting the First Link Referral program
 - Looking at “soft space” to have office hours in community in Wainwright, Killam, Didsbury, Elnora, Camrose, Cold Lake, St Paul and other communities served by the MRN project





QUESTIONS

