

# Mobile Global Development Exhibition rolls into town for Stampede

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Representatives from Aga Khan Foundation Canada (AKFC) rolled into town for Stampede Week with their travelling global development exhibition entitled *Together*, which gave community members an opportunity to learn more about Canadian contributions to positive change around the world. The compact exhibit is run out of a custom built truck with about 1,000 square feet of space and offers information on a number of different global issues and the many ways Canadians are helping to improve upon them.

"It's a very hands-on type of exhibit," said tour manager Francois Grenier.

"Almost every screen is a touch screen, so it's a very fun way to learn about what our government is actually doing

in different parts of the world."

AKFC is a not-for-profit international development agency that aims to find sustainable solutions to global poverty issues in Asia and Africa. The *Together* exhibit highlights the work being done by several different Canadian organizations around the world to help find solutions to issues in health, food security, gender rights, education and more.

"We're showing problems that certain regions of the world are actually facing and also presenting modern solutions. People are really happy that we're showcasing these problems," said Grenier.

"It's a big eye opener. We have it pretty good here in Canada, and it's important to tell people. You're only as good as your weakest link, and we need to be a healthier planet so people can read, eat and live healthy."

The exhibit also gives people an opportunity to get involved by sharing their

feedback and ideas regarding positive global change.

"There is a test people can take to see what kind of a global citizen they are and what ways would be best suited to them to help out," said Grenier.

"It's nice to know that there are all kinds of ways you can actually help out people in other countries and in other regions of the world by just targeting your skills."

After a busy spring heading through British Columbia and into Alberta, the



**Together tour manager, Francois Grenier**, encourages anyone who visits the *Together* truck to share their ideas of positive change in the world and hang them in the truck for others to see as it tours across the country.

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*Together* truck will continue to head east to Ontario over the summer, spending a total of six months on the road and making stops in many communities along the way.

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