

Immigration

We understand that attracting and retaining talent is a key barrier to local business expansion. Supporting both the Rural Renewal Stream and Rural Entrepreneur Stream and attracting new talent to Lethbridge will be a key driver in the success of our business community.

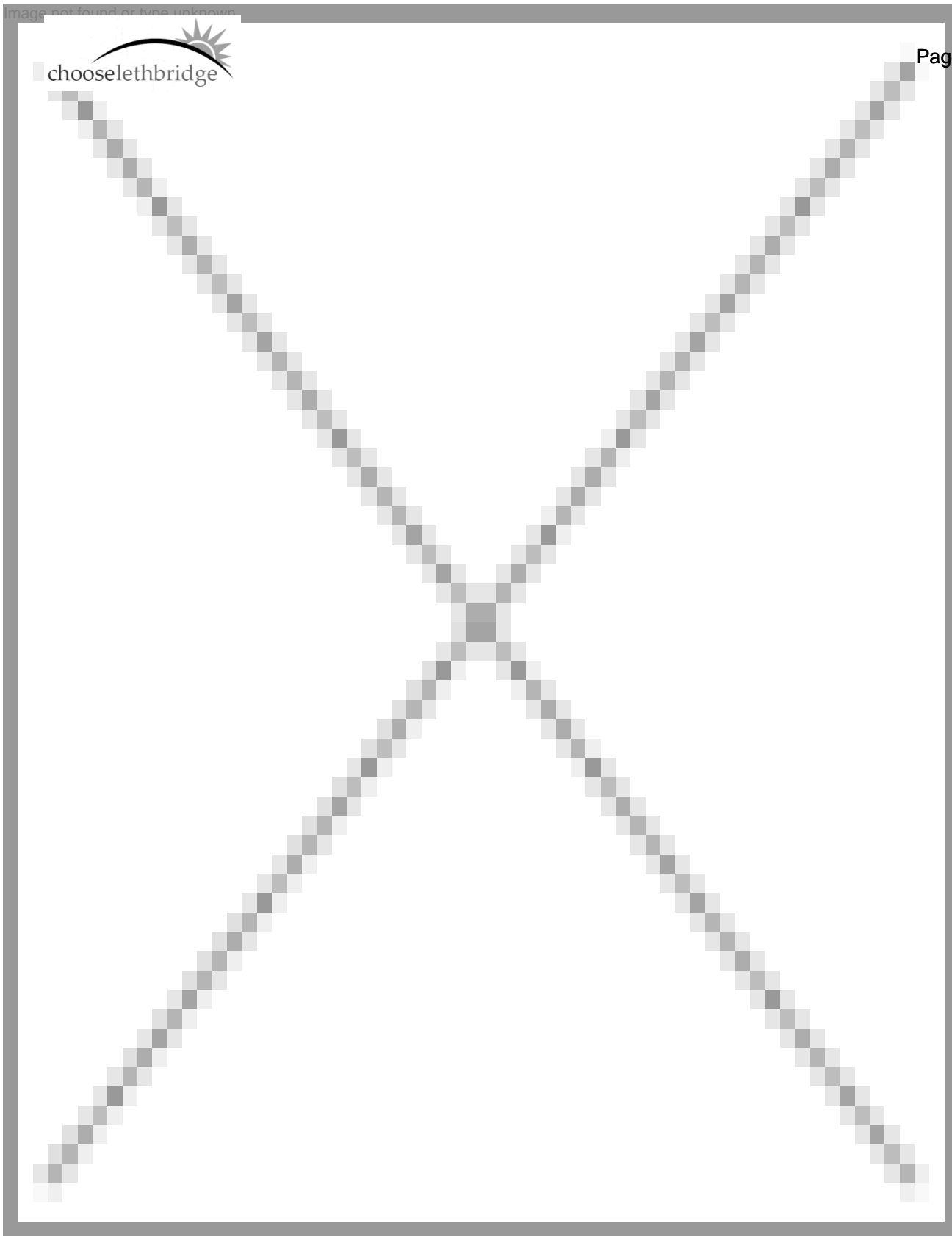
Listed below are some of the programs and resources we are working on that will lead to individuals and businesses considering Lethbridge as a place to call home and do business.

The next review date for the Lethbridge Rural Renewal Stream will be Friday, November 22nd. Employers and candidates are asked to have their forms completed and submitted by Thursday, November 21st at noon. The Lethbridge Rural Renewal Stream Community Partnership will notify businesses and candidates by Wednesday of the following week to the status of their application.

For more information or any inquiries please email immigration@chooselethbridge.ca

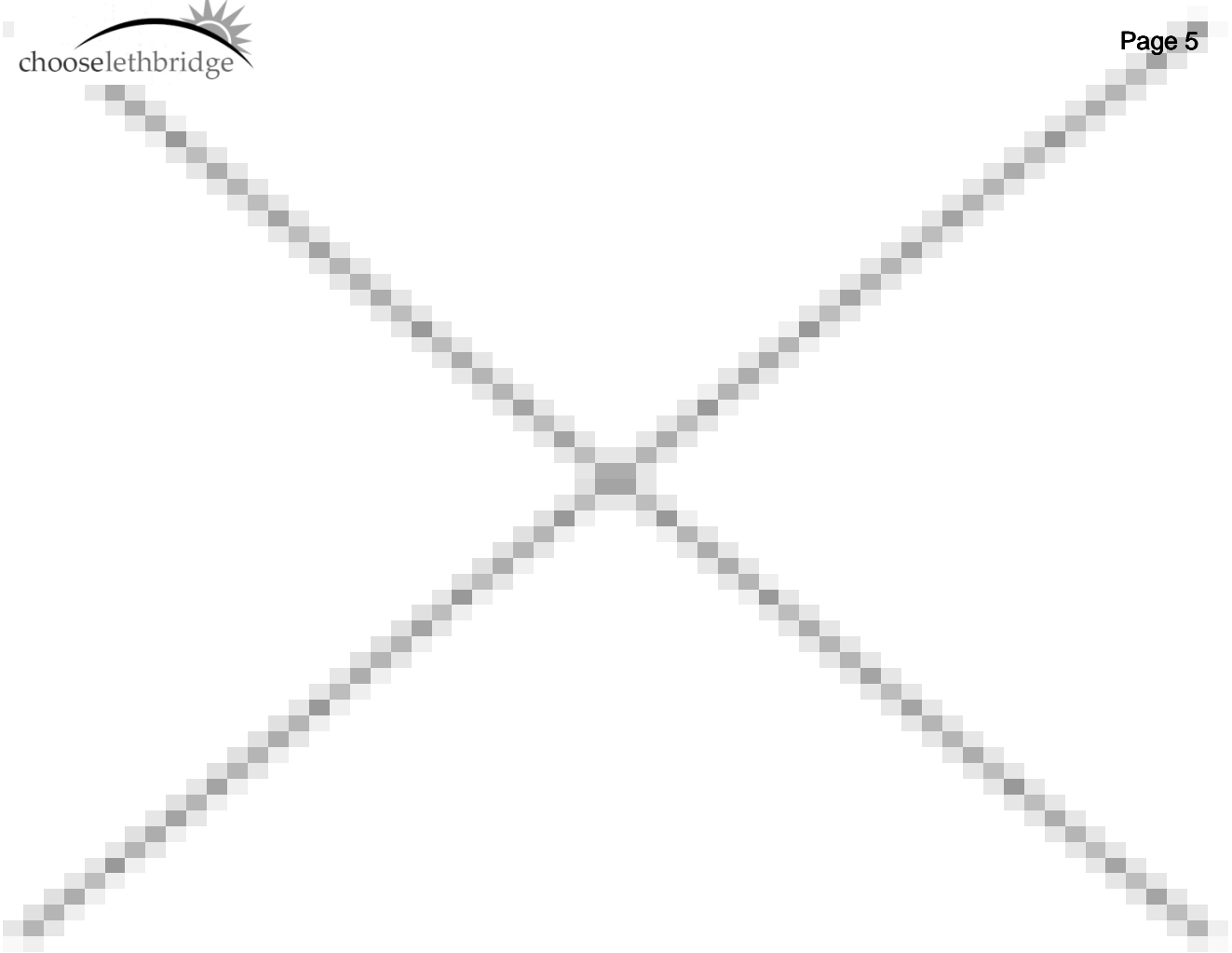
Economic Development Lethbridge is honoured to administer the Rural Renewal Stream of the Alberta Advantage Immigration Program for the City of Lethbridge. The Rural Renewal Stream offers approved employers in eligible industries the ability to seek out non-permanent residents to fill labour gaps in eligible occupations within designated industries. This program provides employers access to a wider labour pool, while offering eligible workers a pathway to employment and permanent residency. Through the parameters of this program Economic Development Lethbridge is able to help reduce labour shortages by endorsing employers and job seekers to fast track immigration for eligible candidates.

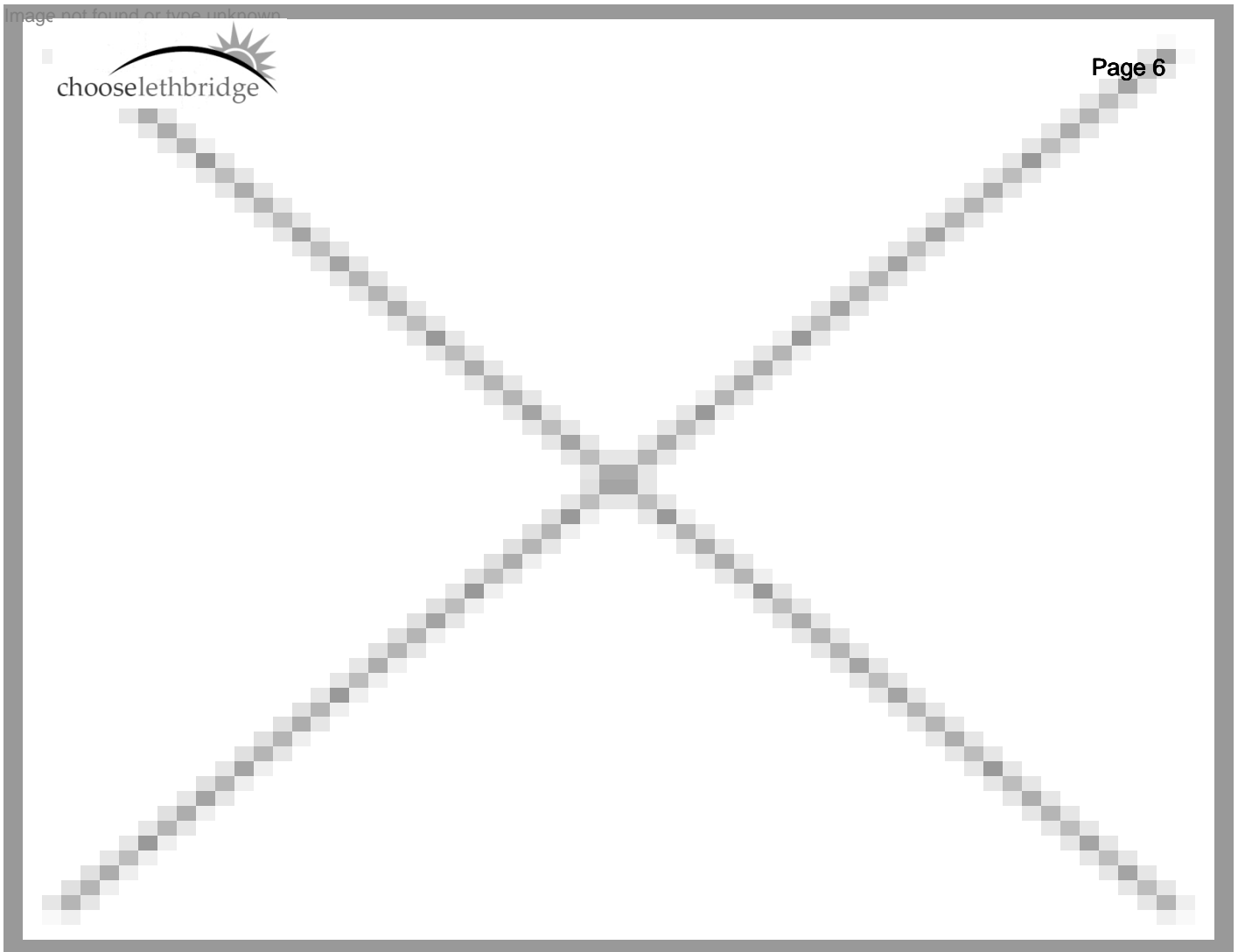
The Lethbridge Rural Renewal Stream



The eligible sectors that are currently being considered under the Lethbridge Rural Renewal Stream are:

As we have worked our way through the initial employer approvals and candidate inquiries, we have found that many common questions and concerns have come up. We hope we can answer most of them below:





Please make sure to submit the most current RRS Forms, they have been updated to reflect information needed to make the process of approving businesses and candidates as easy as possible. Links to these forms can be found below.

Lethbridge Rural Renewal Stream Community Partnership

The Lethbridge Rural Renewal Stream Community Partnership is made up of community stakeholders with a shared mandate of supporting employers and newcomers to the community. The partnership is made up of:

Economic Development Lethbridge
Lethbridge Family Services - Immigrant Services Division
Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce
Flexibility Learning Systems
Lethbridge Construction Association

The 'Community Partnership' is responsible for approving eligible employers and endorsing candidates who are a good fit for the community and are interested in applying for permanent residency through the Alberta Advantage Immigration Program – Rural Renewal Stream.

Lethbridge Rural Renewal/Entrepreneur Forms

[McMan - Health and Safety Administrative Assistant](#)

[C&A Group - Industrial Mechanics \(Millwrights\) and Helpers](#)

[C&A Group - Metal Fabricators/Welders and Helpers](#)

[C&A Group - Machinist and Helpers](#)

[C&A Group - Plumbers and Pipefitters](#)

Candidates should apply directly to employers.

Lethbridge Rural Entrepreneur Stream

The Rural Entrepreneur Stream of the Alberta Advantage Immigration Program (AAIP) allows Economic Development Lethbridge (EDL) on behalf of the City of Lethbridge to potentially nominate entrepreneurs who want to start a new business or invest in an existing business in the city. The Rural Entrepreneur Stream will promote economic growth by attracting immigrants who can start new ventures or assist with succession planning for businesses with owners looking to either retire or move on.

For more information about the Lethbridge Entrepreneur Stream please [click here](#).