

# Lead, Feed, Share

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10:00-12:00

Food Banks Alberta is the provincial association of food banks in Alberta with a mission to strengthen the impact of the food bank network by sharing best practices, innovations, and essential resources between members, stakeholders, and community partners. FBA is comprised of 97 member food banks across Alberta. Learn more here: <http://foodbanksalberta.ca/>. This session will focus on who Food Banks Alberta is, the importance and value in being a member of Food Banks Alberta, what resources we provide, and how we help you in feeding your community? We will also provide information on how we can help if your community does not have a food bank, and assist in making connection to a food bank near you and assist in developing these relationships to better serve your community.

## Learning Objectives:

- Understand who FBA is.
- Understand how FBA can assist and support existing Food Banks in First Nation, Métis and Inuit communities.
- Understand how FBA can support the building of better relationships between indigenous communities and Food banks.

## Speakers:



Arianna Johnson, Sr. Projects Manager of Food Banks Alberta. A leader in the social profit sector and community advocate, Arianna Johnson has served as the Executive Director of the Wood Buffalo Food Bank for 7 years and Executive Director of the Fort McMurray SPCA from May 2018 until October 2019. Arianna has always been an active volunteer and has played many roles as Chair, Co-Chair, and Director. During times of both turbulence and calm, Arianna provides strong community leadership through all the roles in which she serves. Residing in Fort McMurray since April 2006, Arianna is also the proud recipient of many awards and honours. Arianna has worked in the social profit sector since 1997, serving in several capacities. In 2012 she completed the Nonprofit Management Certificate through Keyano College/Mount Royal University, having completed her degree in Psychology and Political Science at University of British Columbia Okanagan in 2003. Through her work with the Food Bank, her other roles in the social profit sector and her volunteer roles, Arianna has developed a keen eye for fiscal responsibility and an interest in securing the future for those she represents. She is deeply committed to Fort McMurray and the Wood Buffalo region, and serves her community with passion, dedication and strength.



Stephanie Walsh-Rigby, CEO, Food Banks Alberta. Stephanie didn't start out with a plan to work in the non-profit sector, but like so many others, found her career path eventually lead her to this fulfilling work. A graduate of Carleton University's School of Journalism, Stephanie worked in Ontario as a newspaper reporter and then managing editor, before returning to her seaside home of St. Andrews, NB to run a desktop publishing business. She gradually moved into positions that cemented her connections with her community - a heritage project, community economic development and then animal welfare. Stephanie was recognized for her work with two national awards. In 2011 she relocated to Edmonton and became the Director of Operations at the Edmonton Humane Society. Now in her 7th year with Food Banks Alberta Stephanie sits on several national committees with Food Banks Canada and is an active volunteer in the Edmonton Region Immigrant Employment Council (ERIEC) supporting highly skilled immigrants find work.



### Target Audience

Anyone who is involved in food banking, social services, or human service. Anyone who is interested in increasing food security services within your community.



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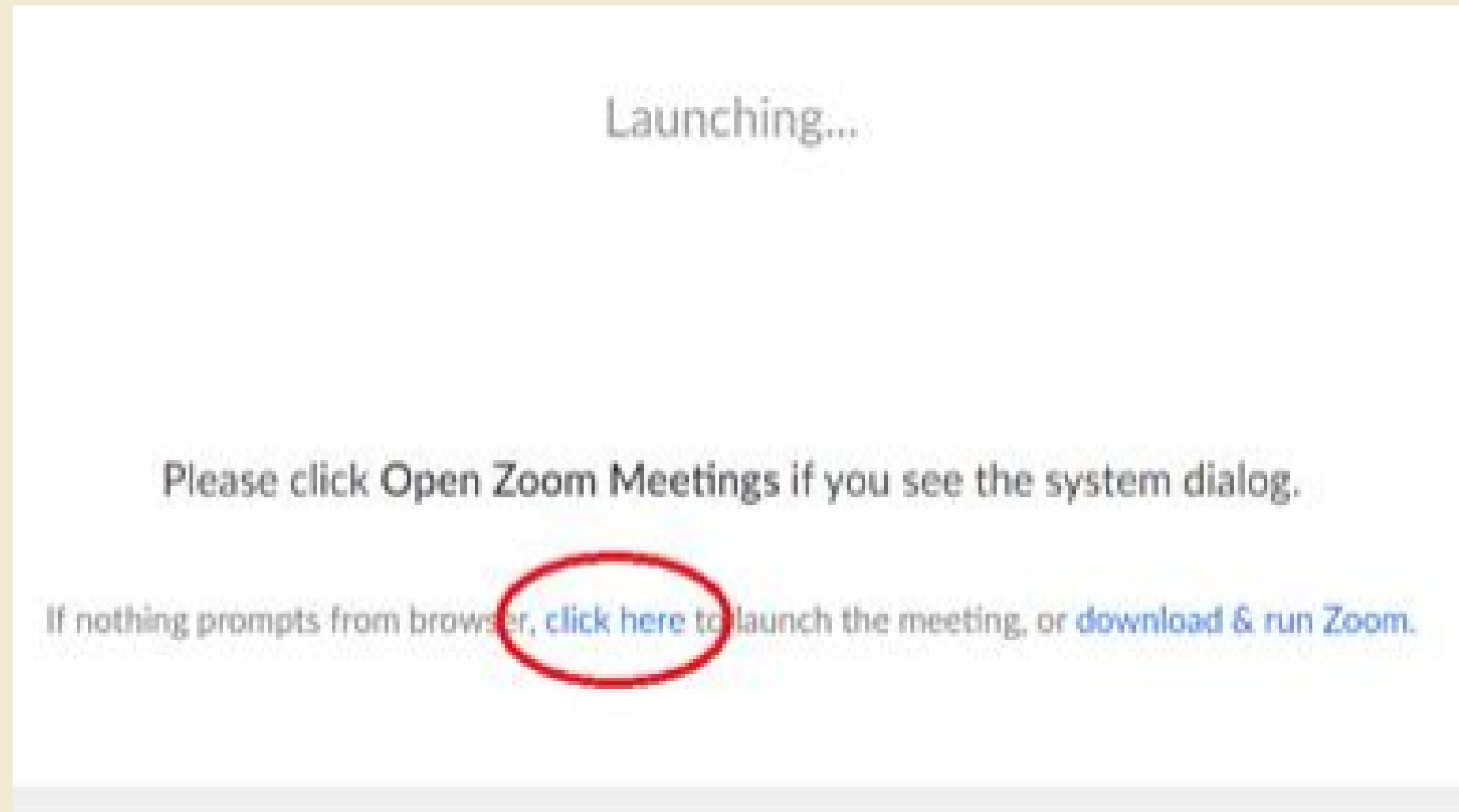
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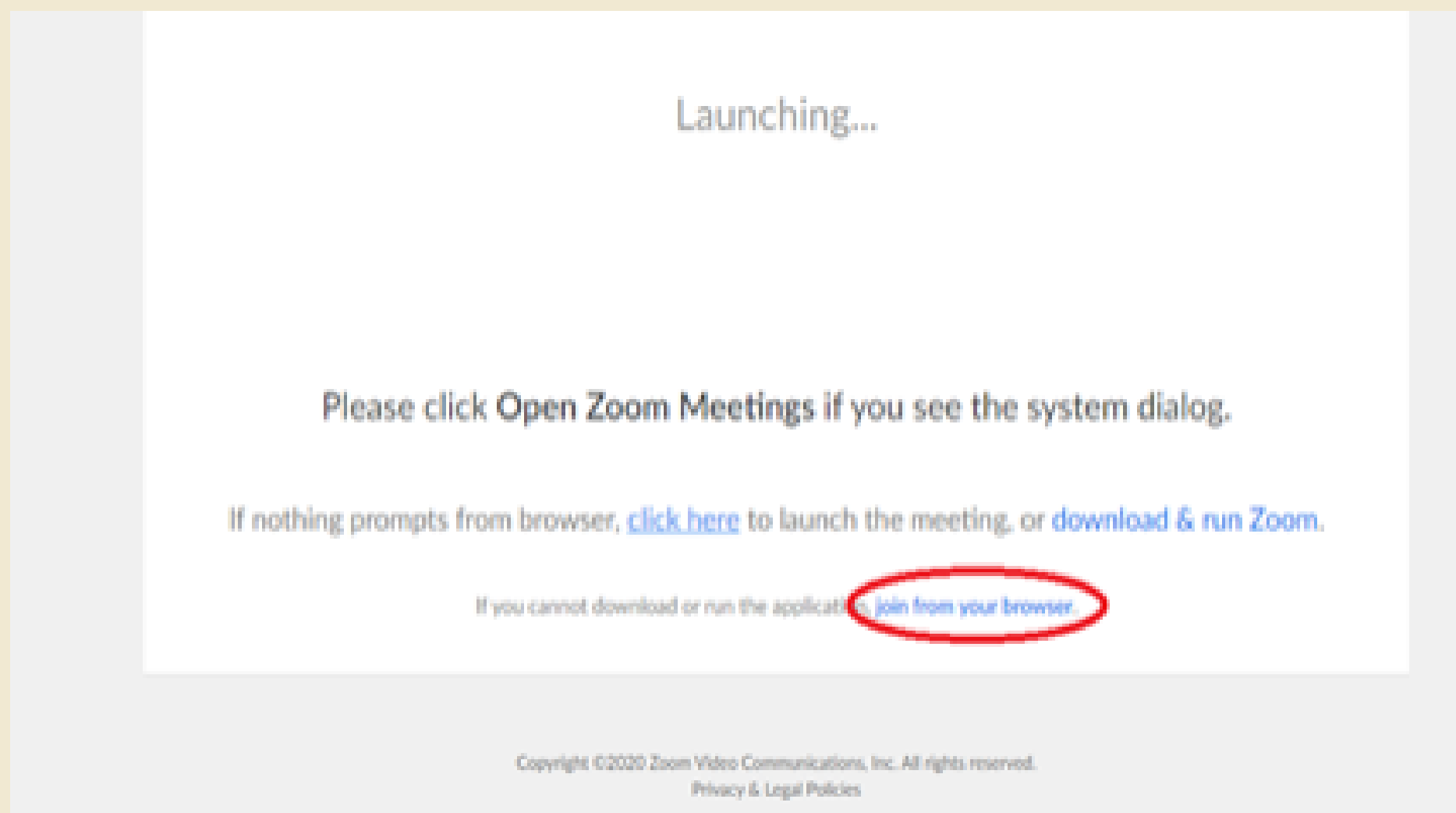
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