



NEWS FROM THE CITY 2025

Type of Information	Information	Contact Information (Website, email, phone number)
PRCL Specific Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waiting on the Parks and Facility Development Team for a formal response on the Seacan proposal. Apparently it's been drafted and is under review so I expect it will come soon. Airways Park field is extremely busy the weekend of Sept. 6. It might be better to move locations or choose a different date. 	
Funding Opportunities	<p> April 2025 Funding Opportunities.pdf</p> <p>A few highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local festivals: Arts and Culture grant Community Clean Up Grant Neighbourhoods Connection Grant Active Communities Initiative - Amenity Building to support outdoor activities? 	Contact your NRC for more information
Community Programs	<p>"Beyond the Bouncy Castle" Workshop - May 7</p> <p>Neighbourhood Services will once again be offering our popular, "Beyond the Bouncy Castle" workshop this spring. This free, online workshop is designed for anyone who would like to learn more about hosting a neighbourhood gathering such as a Block Party or Play Street to build neighbour connections in their community. Participants will explore why gathering matters and hear about what activities are possible at various locations in your neighbourhood. Permitting, insurance, and other process considerations will be shared.</p> <p>Workshop Details: May 7, 2025 7-8pm Free Online Event Register through Eventbrite.</p>	https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/beyond-the-bouncy-castle-ideas-for-neighbour-gatherings-tickets-1278896055529?aff=oddtatoreator
Community Programs	<p>Neighbouring for Climate: Let's Talk Climate and Health - May 8</p> <p>Do you wonder how climate change is impacting our health and well-being? Join your community for a free workshop at Kinsmen Sports Centre on Thursday, May 8.</p> <p>Discover how climate change affects our environment, and our well-being, and learn what you can do to make a positive difference. This is an opportunity to connect, share ideas, and build climate resilient neighbourhoods together.</p> <p>Register online through Eventbrite. If you have questions about the workshop, contact change4climate@edmonton.ca.</p>	https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/neighbouring-for-climate-presents-lets-talk-climate-health-tickets-1268976696459?aff=oddtatoreator <p> April-May-Neighbo...</p>

Public Engagement	<p>Winter Park Use Survey</p> <p>Edmonton is proud to be a WinterCity and we value your input as we continue to evaluate our winter offerings. We invite you to share your experiences and insights about how you enjoy Edmonton's River Valley Parks during the winter months by completing this brief survey.</p> <p>Your feedback will help us understand how visitors utilize these spaces, what activities they enjoy during winter and more opportunities to be explored in the future. This survey will take 8-10 minutes to complete and closes on April 7 at 11:59 pm.</p>	https://cityofedmonton.ualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_e36YPzg87UVs08m
Community Programs	<p>Firesmart Neighbourhood Recognition Program</p> <p>FireSmart is a way of living with and managing the risk of wildfire, and is a shared responsibility between government, community leaders, neighbourhoods, and residents.</p> <p>How can you be FireSmart?</p> <p>Visit FireSmartAlberta.ca to learn more about what you can do and then head to FireSmart Canada Training and take the free FireSmart 101 course or go directly to FireSmart Ambassador training! Once you've completed your training, you're ready for your neighbourhood assessment. Make an account on the FireSmart portal and request an assessment from a Neighbourhood Recognition Program Specialist.</p> <p>If you have questions about this program, please visit FireSmartAlberta.ca or email: fireprevention@edmonton.ca.</p> <p>Visit edmonton.ca/Wildfires for more information about how you can be prepared for wildfires.</p>	
News and Updates	<p>Edmonton Elections news</p> <p>The next Edmonton Election is on October 20, 2025, when Edmontonians will select a new Mayor, council and school trustees. Learn more about the many ways to shape your city. Subscribe to Edmonton Elections' newsletter, which includes the latest news about opportunities to vote, run, organize or work. It's your election, Edmonton. Get connected. Stay informed. Visit edmonton.ca/elections to learn more.</p>	http://edmonton.ca/elections
News and Updates	<p>Spring Thaw & Bales of Straw events</p> <p>The snow has melted and the City's toboggan hills are closed for the season. Edmonton residents can pick up straw bales at no charge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dates, times, locations at edmonton.ca/compost or @YEGCompostSchool - Max. 6 bales per vehicle at each event - No charge - Be prepared to move & load your own bales - Follow @YEGCompostSchool for updates - Available during events only 	edmonton.ca/compost

Community Programs	<p>Root for Trees Programming 2025</p> <p>Root for Trees programming begins on April 7! Sign up your school groups, businesses or any other volunteer group for a (free) registered tree planting event. Root for Trees provides gloves, shovels and native trees & shrubs to plant at various locations around the city. This is a great way to connect with others, enjoy outdoor physical activity, and contribute to our urban tree canopy. To sign up for a registered event, group size needs to be 15-30 people. More information on drop-in events will be listed on the website soon! Visit edmonton.ca/rootfortrees to sign up (After April 7), or contact rootfortrees@edmonton.ca.</p>	<p>edmonton.ca/rootfortrees</p> <p>Email: rootfortrees@edmonton.ca</p>
Community Programs	<p>National Indigenous History Month Community Tree Planting - Save the Date! (Sunday June 1)</p> <p>Join Root for Trees and the Indigenous Relations Office as we welcome National Indigenous History Month! Along with the Indigenous Knowledge and Wisdom Centre, you are invited to come plant native trees, shrubs, grasses and wildflowers on site at the kihcihkaw askî-Sacred Land site.</p> <p>Sunday June 1 12-3 pm kihcihkaw askî (14141 A Fox Dr NW)</p> <p>More details to come about food, performers and transportation!</p>	<p>edmonton.ca/rootfortrees</p> <p>Email: rootfortrees@edmonton.ca</p>
Public Engagement	<p>The City of Edmonton is creating a 2SLGBTQIA+ Safe Spaces Action Plan</p> <p>The City is conducting community engagement to identify opportunities to enhance community safety and inclusion for members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. There are two ways you can quickly provide input on the plan:</p> <p>There is a public survey for 2SLGBTQIA+ people in Edmonton open until April 21 that takes 5-7 minutes to complete.</p> <p>There is an interactive online map through Engage Edmonton open until April 21 to share about spaces that feel safe or could be more safe in Edmonton for 2SLGBTQIA+ people.</p>	<p>https://www.edmonton.ca/city_government/initiatives_innovation/safe-spaces-action-plan</p>
News and Updates	<p>Valley Line West LRT Update</p> <p>Accelerated roadwork at key intersections and along busy roadways is scheduled to begin in mid- to late-April. To complete this work, Marigold Infrastructure Partners (MIP) will need to close or significantly reduce traffic lanes at a number of key intersections along the Valley Line West LRT route. The three-phased approach to complete the majority of roadwork will last from April to November. More information about this work can be found on the City website.</p> <p>To receive key updates on this work and resulting traffic restrictions, sign up for our newsletter by selecting "Valley Line (Downtown to Lewis Farms)" here.</p>	<p>https://www.edmonton.ca/projects_plans/transit/valley-line-west</p> <p>https://edmonton.us4.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=7f5fec92b3704efec7186953b&id=742461aef8</p>
Community Programs	<p>Clean up Your Community</p> <p>The Capital City Clean Up team has all the essentials you need to clean up your community safely.</p> <p>Request your free litter kit online and pick up at any participating recreation center.</p>	<p>https://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/graffiti_litter/litter-services</p>

News and Updates	<p>Dealing with Leaves & Plants: 6 Things for Spring 6 ways to deal with grassclippings, leaves, plants, and branches this spring. Mother Nature loves these things to feed healthy soil.</p> <p>3 Things to Do Less Rake less Leave some leaves Leave some clippings on the lawn</p> <p>3 Things to Do More Mulch on your soil Water well (trees will thank you) Use finished compost</p> <p>Disposal Options Seasonal Yard Waste Collection (starts mid-April) Take it to the Eco Station Visit edmonton.ca/yardwaste for details.</p>	http://edmonton.ca/yardwaste
Community Programs	<p>Welcome to Swimming - Spring Schedule Welcome to Swimming is a FREE program for newcomers that provides an orientation to the swimming pool and a full tour of the aquatic centre and change rooms. Visits include a lifejacket fitting, a swim assessment, water safety education and the opportunity to ask questions. Attendees are welcome to stay and enjoy a free public swim after the tour. Translators are welcome and will also be provided a free public swim. Registration is not required.</p> <p>Welcome to Swimming is offered at the following locations:</p> <p>The Meadows Community Recreation Centre: 2704 17 Street NW Fridays: April 25, May 23, June 27 (6-8 pm)</p> <p>Mill Woods Recreation Centre: 7207 28 Avenue NW Saturdays: April 19, May 17, June 21 (2-4 pm)</p> <p>Clareview Community Recreation Centre: 3804 139 Avenue NW Sundays: April 6, May 4, June 1 (2-4 pm)</p>	<p>https://movelearnplay.edmonton.ca/COE/public/category/browse/WELTSWIM#gsc.tab=0</p> <p>Contact Jennifer Bowman with any questions: jennifer.bowman@edmonton.ca</p> <p>Welcome to Swimming Dates & Locations Poster</p>
Community Programs	<p>StrongHER - Spring Schedule Calling all girls aged 12-17! Get pumped for StrongHER – the program that's all about making fitness fun and empowering YOU! In StrongHER, you'll learn the basics of exercise, nail down proper technique, and crush workouts like a pro! Plus, when you complete the program, you'll score your very own Youth In Action card, giving you access to the fitness center for independent workouts!</p> <p>The Meadows Recreation Centre April 27 - June 8 (Omit May 18) (Sundays 3-4:30 pm)</p> <p>Booster Juice Recreation Centre in Terwillegar May 8 - June 12 (Thursdays, 6:30-8 pm)</p> <p>Register today at www.movelearnplay.edmonton.ca</p>	https://movelearnplay.edmonton.ca/COE/public/Category/browse/SEARCH903?dosearch=true&CourseTypes=000bddec-2bc1-4332-9658-caae918890bb#gsc.tab=0

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Public Engagement	<p>Upcoming Public Engagement Activities</p> <p>The City is committed to involving the people affected by the decisions it makes and seeks diverse opinions and experiences. The Public Engagement Calendar lists all active and upcoming City of Edmonton engagement activities.</p>	<p>edmonton.ca/programs_services/public_engagement/public-engagement-calendar</p>