

THE SCOOP

Spruce Cliff Community Association Bi-Monthly Newsletter



Message from the Board

Wow, we are not sure if it is just us, but the summer just flew by! We can't believe its September already with kids returning to school. As Alberta opened up in July, we relaunched our community events with the Food Truck Frenzy on July 28 and the Rise-up Summer Bash on August 15. It felt so good to be able to gather as a community again with things starting to feel somewhat normal, though we are still being cautious.

It was also a busy summer of planning for us, as we are excited to kick-off fall with our brand-new bi-monthly newsletter with a new advertising program and our fall membership drive with some new membership perks and a special bonus offer. We are also launching a resident survey to gain a better understanding of our resident needs. Make sure you read along to learn more about these initiatives.

This fall is also an important one as we will have two elections - the federal election on September 20 and the municipal election on October 18. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)

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MUNICIPAL ELECTION OCTOBER 18

FALL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

SUMMER EVENTS - THANK YOU!





Sonshine Children's Centre

The Children's Centre offers an attachment based, specialized program that incorporates leading edge child development research to unlock children's potential.

Located in the community of Westgate, the Centre offers 28 spaces for children 19 months to 6 years of age. The enhanced staff to child ratio allows us to focus on what each child needs for their social and emotional development.

With the help of a Government of Alberta grant, we support low-income families with exceptional child care at a cost of \$150 per month.

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few spots available!
sonshinechildrenscentre.ca
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Message from the Board continued.

Spruce Cliff is also moving to Ward 6 in this election. In advance of the municipal election - on October 2, we will be bringing all of the Ward 6 candidates to Spruce Cliff to learn what they are all about and what they will do for our community. Make sure to save the date.

We also encourage you to check out our newly revamped website at sprucecliff.org. Here you can learn more about us, see what's happening in the community and sign-up to receive our e-newsletter to help save on paper.

We hope you enjoy reading our new newsletter!

Westbrook Local Area Plan

The Westbrook Communities Local Area Planning (LAP) project includes the communities of: Wildwood, Spruce Cliff, Westgate, Rosscarrock, Shaganappi, Glendale, Killarney/ Glengarry, Glenbrook and the portions of Upper Scarboro/Sunalta West and Richmond that are west of Crowchild Trail.

Through the local growth planning process, the City will work with communities to create a future vision for how land could be used and redeveloped in the area - building on the vision, goals and policies outlined in Calgary's Municipal Development Plan and the Guide for Local Area Planning. In 2019, the City kicked off the project and completed one phase of engagement. However, due to the pandemic the project was put on hold.

Currently, the project team is continuing to draft policies for the LAP and incorporating feedback where appropriate. Further engagement with the community is anticipated to start later this year with a first draft of the proposed plan anticipated to be shared early 2022. We hope to share updates with you as they are known, but make sure you visit calgary.ca/Westbrook to sign-up for the City's project email list.

BOARD MEETINGS

Board Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month.

Email president@sprucecliff.org if you are interested in attending.

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Resident Survey - Share your ideas!

Staying up-to-date on the interests, ideas and concerns of our residents are top priority. As things begin to return to normal, we want to hear from you on what you would like to see from the community association. From events to programs to understanding your concerns so we can better advocate to The City, we want to hear it all.

Let us know what you would like to see or what you feel is missing from Spruce Cliff. The survey will be open until October 15, and all respondents will be entered for a chance to win a Spruce Cliff t-shirt.

Visit <https://bit.ly/sprucecliffsurvey>



UPCOMING EVENTS

Coffee with the Candidates
Meet the Ward 6 election candidates

EVENT CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19

Winter Celebration Event
Details TBA
Stay tuned!

Upcoming Municipal Election - October 18.

Did you know that the 2021 election will bring Ward boundary changes, with Spruce Cliff Moving to Ward 6?

The 2021 municipal election is taking place this fall. Voters can cast their ballots during the advance vote (October 4-10) or on election day (October 18). If you are unable to vote during the advance vote or on election day because of a physical disability, absence from the city or working as an election worker, you can request a mail-in ballot online by visiting electionscalgary.ca.

Voter checklist:

1. Check your eligibility to vote.
2. Some ward boundaries are changing on election day. Look up which ward you will be in as of Oct. 18, 2021.
3. Get informed - find out who is running in your ward and what is on the ballot.
4. Make a vote plan - look up your designated voting station for the advance vote and election day (available after Sept. 21) or watch the mail for your Voter Information Card to decide when and where to vote.
5. Print and fill out your voter statement in advance to save time at the voting station.
6. Make sure you have one of the several acceptable forms of ID with your name and current address on it.
7. Get out and VOTE!

Voting is an important responsibility for every Canadian. It's how we shape our communities and choose which leaders will represent us. Voting connects citizens with the political process and with each other. When you take part in an election and express your view, you make democracy work. Visit electionscalgary.ca for more information, learn about job opportunities and to sign up for the Elections Calgary eNewsletter

Ward Boundary Changes

October 2021 marks the changing of ward boundaries in Calgary. While Spruce Cliff has historically been part of Ward 8, in this upcoming election we will be moving to Ward 6.

Ward 6 Candidates

Please note that this online version has been updated and is different than the printed version delivered to households. Our event to meet the Ward 6 Candidates on October 2 has been cancelled due to COVID-19.

Ward 6 currently has 3 candidates running for election on October 18.

To learn more about these candidates, please consider visiting their websites to learn more.

- Lana Bentley, lanabentley.ca
- Richard Pootmans, richard4ward6.ca
- Sanjeev Kad, sanjeevkad.ca

Summer Events - Thank you!

Boy, did it ever feel great to be able to gather as a community this summer at our two events! We held our first event the Food Truck Frenzy at Cedar Crescent Park on July 28. It was a beautiful hot day in the park and thanks to YYCFoodTrucks we were able to raise over \$300 for the community association.

For our second event on August 15, we were the lucky recipients of a grant from the Federation of Calgary Communities to host a Rise-up pop-up musical performance in the park. This grant would not have been possible without the support of Rise Up YYC, Tourism Calgary, Calgary Arts Development and Bird Creatives. We also had the YYCFoodTrucks join us once again, and thanks to the wonderful support (and hungry tummies!) of our community you sold out nearly every food truck! Thanks to YYCFoodTrucks for helping us raise additional funds for the community. And of course we can't forget our wonderful artists who rocked the park - Kate Stevens, Brayden Bell and Ollee Owens.

We can't wait to see you at our next community event - Coffee with the Candidates on October 2.

Thanks for being a part of it and contributing to our community vibrancy.



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Becoming a member with the Spruce Cliff Community Association

You can be part of something great when you sign-up to become a member of the Spruce Cliff Community Association.

As a member you are kept up-to-date on all things happening in the community and you have an opportunity to have a voice in important City matters. You don't need to be a homeowner to be a member- all you need is enthusiasm and desire to build a strong sense of community.

When you become a member you are contributing to our organizations mission and allowing us to offer more events and programs to the community.

Memberships start at \$10 for single and \$30 for a household.

What are the perks to becoming a member?

- You are the first to learn about upcoming events
- You receive discounts on community association events & programs
- You get first dibs on adopting one of our community planters in the Spring
- Opportunities to get involved in community events and meet like-minded people.

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SKIP THE DEPOT

We've partnered with SkipTheDepot! What is SkipTheDepot? A door-to-door bottle collection service that makes refundable recycling and fundraising easier than 1,2,3

1. Download the app and book a pickup via. <https://app.skipthedepot.com/sprucecliff> (link in bio)
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- And more perks coming soon!!

Are you a local business wanting to get involved? email us at communications@sprucecliff.org

Members will be emailed a membership card to be presented to businesses

Special Offer!

Purchase or renew your membership before the end of 2021, and your membership will be extended until March 2023.

Purchase your membership by visiting sprucecliff.org/membership or pick up an order form in the outdoor display at Spruce Cliff Centre.



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

As the ol' adage goes - many hands make light work. The more residents that we have to help out, means the more residents we are able to reach and keep engaged in our events and programs.

If you like to organize events, have a knack for social media, love chatting about redevelopment, and envisioning the future of our community – then boy, do we have jobs for you! Email us info@sprucecliff.org

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