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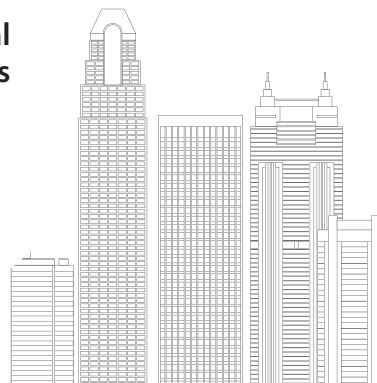
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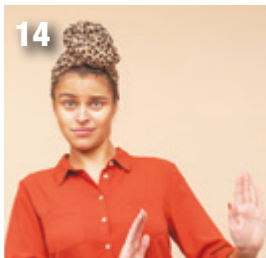




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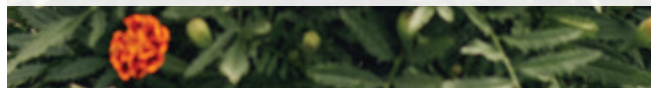


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## Bicycle Helmet Safety

from Alberta Health Services

Head injuries are the leading cause of serious injury and death to kids on wheels\*. Most injuries occur when a cyclist suffers a fall, strikes a stationary object, or collides with another cyclist/pedestrian. Remember – it's the law in Alberta that cyclists under the age of 18 must wear a helmet (and highly recommended for all ages). Helmets should be CSA approved and worn during recreational activities such as skateboarding, in-line skating, and cycling.

### Getting informed

- Wearing a helmet while cycling can prevent a serious injury, or even save a life
- Brain injuries can cause permanent disability or death
- Reduce your risk by always wearing your helmet
- Replace any helmet that has been involved in a crash, even if it appears undamaged

### Getting started

- Allow children to assist when buying their helmet
- Cyclists who choose their own helmet are more likely to wear them
- Start the habit early. Young children learning to ride tricycles need to wear helmets
- Parents must lead by example – always wear a helmet when cycling

### Getting the right fit

- Take the time to properly fit and adjust your helmet to ensure maximum protection in case of a crash
- When worn properly, helmets should fit level, not tilted up, or down over the forehead
- Helmets should feel snug, but not too tight. To test the fit, the helmet should not fall off when you shake your head from side-to-side while the straps are unfastened
- Adjust the chin straps to form a "Y" below and slightly forward from the ears
- Only one finger should be able to fit under the chin strap when it is fastened
- Do not forget to use the sizing pads included with the helmet. They will help improve the overall fit, comfort, and safety.

\* Parachute Canada: <http://www.parachutecanada.org/injury-topics/item/wheeled-activities1>.

## Two Separate Organizations

## Support Discovery Ridge

The Discovery Ridge Community Association (DRCA) exists because of you – the residents of our great community!

With the purchase of an annual \$25 membership, the DRCA can serve its residents better while meeting the needs of the community and can be a stronger voice when lobbying on community concerns with the City of Calgary and the Province of Alberta.

***We're all in this together – Please ensure your household membership is in good standing!***

### NDHA (Homeowners' Association)

- Relies on your \$307 fee / year.
- Annual fee legally required.
- Green space maintenance, boulevard/median plantings, and winter pathway snow clearing.
- Winter Lights at the entrance to Discovery Ridge.
- Pay by cheque or credit card.

### DRCA (Community Association)

- Relies on your \$25 annual membership.
- Fee is essential for continued, effective "voice" with the City of Calgary and Province on traffic (including Ring Road), safety and security and other issues.
- **Recreation Facility:** Design and construction of the ice rink and tennis courts as well as the seasonal maintenance of each. Further development plans under review.
- **Ring Road / Traffic:** Working with the City and the Province to improve the performance, design, interface treatment and safety of roads within, abutting and beyond our community.
- **Communications:** Facebook, website, Ridge Review newsletter, and member only e-communications.
- **Events:** Stampede Breakfast, Santa at Javino's, Family Skates, Galas, Fun Runs.
- **Safety and Security:** Collaborating with residents, police and the fire department to combat crime, vandalism and fire threats within the community and Griffith Woods
- Mail cheque to address below or pay online at [www.discoveryridge.com](http://www.discoveryridge.com).

Not a member? Join online at [www.discoveryridge.com](http://www.discoveryridge.com).  
Not sure if you're a member?

Click the "Purchase/Renew Membership" icon on the website Already a member? Thanks for your support.

**We greatly appreciate it. The DRCA membership year runs from September 1 to August 31.**

# Girl Guides

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Sarcee Hills Girl Guides are in your area collecting bottles, cans, and refundable milk jugs to fundraise for a trip to London and Paris, and to go camping in Manitoba this summer.



Our next big bottle drives are April 22 or 29 and May 27. To contribute to our efforts, please contact us at [girlguidebottledrive@gmail.com](mailto:girlguidebottledrive@gmail.com).

Our District is also seeking new Guiders! For more information, email [any-calgarysarceehills@girlguides.ca](mailto:any-calgarysarceehills@girlguides.ca).

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Your Guiding Team,

Catharine, Krista, Marnie, Pam, Shauna

## GAMES & PUZZLES

### Trivia: Calgary Edition

1. What year did the Calgary Flames win the Stanley Cup?
2. What was Calgary's original name?
3. What iconic indie pop duo hails from Calgary?
4. In 1969, what cocktail did Walter Chell invent in Calgary?
5. Who was Canada's flag bearer at Calgary's 1988 Winter Olympics?



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## DRCA Channels of Communication

Our community association has several channels to communicate to you, and for you to communicate with us!

### Member Emails

Get a membership and provide your email for 'what's new' updates

### Ridge Review Newsletter

Twelve publications per year

### Website

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### Facebook

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### Email Us

See listing or the website 'contact us' page for contacts

## Do You Want to See Your Photo in Print?

The Ridge Review and Discovery Ridge social media channels are always looking for photos to use as a cover or in the photo gallery. We invite both amateur and professional photographers of all ages to submit photos for all seasons and events in Discovery Ridge. Please send your name and photos as high-quality JPEGs (300 DPI and 1MB in file size) to newsletter@discoveryridge.com.



## Mark Your Calendar

Did you know that board meetings happen monthly and all DRCA members are welcome to attend?

Please stop by to learn more about what the DRCA does for the community and our future plans. Email drca\_pres@discoveryridge.com for more information on the DRCA and if you wish to attend upcoming meetings.



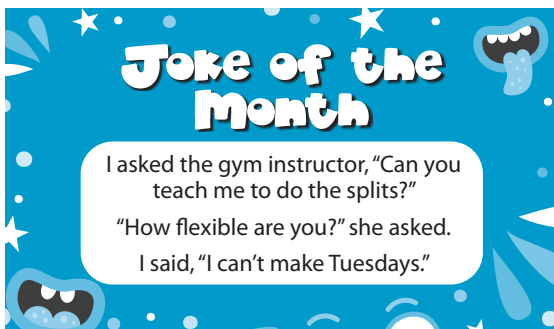
## DRCA Wildlife and Human Cohabitation Committee Update

We, as a community, share a responsibility to protect ourselves, our neighbours, as well as local wildlife. Tragically, a family of four bears were euthanized after becoming used to feeding on food in neighbourhood garbage and compost bins. Additionally, a bear family was relocated earlier in the fall for the same reason.

Real world experience points to garbage (including compost) as the most significant contributor to human-bear conflicts and supports a strategy of reducing bear access to garbage. In fact, it has been documented that putting garbage and compost out only on the morning of pick up cuts the chances of a bear visit from 70% to 2%! Garbage and compost should be stored securely until it is disposed of.

Please do your part to ensure your bins are not outside. We suggest using the final winter months to organize your garage to make space for your black, blue, and green bins. We urge everyone to put bins out after 5:00 am on the morning of pick up from April 1 to October 31, when bears are the most active. These bins are a potential safety risk to all when they are out as they encourage local wildlife to scour them for food. If we limit the amount of time that the bins are outside, it will be much better for our local wildlife and therefore our community.

Don't like the smell from bins? Consider one of the many companies in Calgary that offer bin cleaning services. Thank you!



## Letter from the Board

*by Lillian VanGenderen, Volunteer Coordinator*

Hello!

It's April, and the best part of this month is celebrating our volunteers (plans are underway)! April 16 to 22 is National Volunteer Week. In Discovery Ridge, we have the most amazing and dedicated volunteers who support our community and make it such a wonderful place to live. Here are some of the ways our volunteers support us:

- **Bottle Shack:** Bottles and cans are dropped off, sorted, and organized in the shack. Once the shack is full, volunteers come in and help with the unload. This involves transferring bags and boxes of bottles onto a depot truck that takes them for recycling. Revenue from donated bottles helps to pay for the operation and maintenance of our recreation facility.
- **Rink Crew:** This hard-working group comes out to maintain our ice rink for both hockey and recreational skating.
- **Wildlife and Human Cohabitation Committee:** This newly formed committee is addressing the issues with wildlife, particularly bears in our community, and our need for safe cohabitation.
- **Stampede Round Up:** A fun, family-oriented event with games and activities with a Stampede feel. Volunteers help to keep the afternoon running smoothly.
- **Music in the Park:** A great event filling our park with neighbours enjoying an afternoon of music! Many hands are needed for this to be a success. Volunteers help with event set-up, ticket sales, in/out flow of guests, and more.
- **Casino Fundraiser:** About every 18 months, Discovery Ridge CA is offered a casino fundraiser date(s). Funds from the fundraiser support our operations. Volunteers take on roles such as banker, cashier, chip runner, and count room staff.
- **DRCA Board Members:** Our board members are volunteers! They generously give their talents and time.

If you are not yet a volunteer, please consider joining this awesome group! There's something for everyone! Send me a note at [volunteer@discoveryridge.com](mailto:volunteer@discoveryridge.com) and I'll be happy to fill you in on our events and answer any questions you may have.

# Homeowners' Association (NDHA) News

Spring is finally upon us! While all of us wait for the ground to thaw and trees to bud, the NDHA will be working behind the scenes with our ULS team, preparing for the start of another busy growing season. As weather dictates, the main priority will shift away from pathway snow clearing and toward spring clean up of the greenspaces, medians, and boulevards.

**Bristles:** When snow accumulation is not substantial enough to require a blade, sweeping is the best way to clear down to the pavement. An unavoidable consequence of using the brush apparatus to carry out this task is that some bristles are shed. The NDHA requires ULS to clean up visible bristles on a regular basis throughout the winter. As the snow melts, more of these rogue bristles will be revealed. Please know that we are “on it,” and that ULS will do a thorough deep clean of the bristle litter during their spring cleanup measures.



**Street Sweeping:** The City of Calgary typically launches street sweeping in mid-April. At the time of this writing, the community sweeping schedule is not yet available. Please access the City of Calgary website for schedule updates or to sign up for their “Street Sweeping Service Alert,” which will notify you via email or text. Please note the following:

- During the program, daytime crews will sweep in neighborhoods Monday to Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

- Major roads are swept overnight to reduce traffic impact.
- Watch for signs in the community indicating when your street is scheduled for a cleanup.
- Parking bans are in place when signs are present. Vehicles are subject to be ticketed and towed. Remove vehicles and cart bins from the road on the posted dates and times.

The NDHA will work with ULS to ensure they have completed all median and boulevard cleanups prior to the City of Calgary carrying out street sweeping operations in our neighbourhood.

**Yard Cleanup and Garbage Bins:** Once the snow is gone and we truly break into spring, many of our residents begin the hard work of cleaning up their own yards in preparation for the growing season. It is always surprising how much garbage and other debris can be collected after a long winter! The NDHA would like to ask that residents use their own green/blue/black bins to dispose of waste from their household and property. We have had instances in the past where community park garbage bins were inappropriately used for the disposal of large cardboard, Styrofoam, plastics, etc. This is considered “illegal dumping” and offenders can be fined. The City empties community bins only a few times a month; please use them as intended so that all of us can benefit from the convenience. If you find a full or overflowing bin, call 311 to have it emptied.

**Dog Waste Bag Dispensers:** The NDHA installed and continues to maintain several of these stations throughout the community. This initiative was undertaken to help dog owners ensure dog waste is never left behind. Unfortunately, some people have been observed taking out reams of bags at a time, rather than only one or two. This behavior is inappropriate and causes unnecessary expense. The dispensers are not intended to be used as a personal bag supply for pet owners; they are there for occasional need and should only be accessed when unexpected situations arise. We ask that you purchase your own bags at a store and bring them along on the dog walk. Please contact the NDHA to have a pet waste bag dispenser refilled if you see it empty, and also indicate the station location.

We are always happy to hear from our NDHA members; please access our website at [www.ndha.ca](http://www.ndha.ca) for NDHA news updates or to send an email. You can also call us at 403-237-9595.

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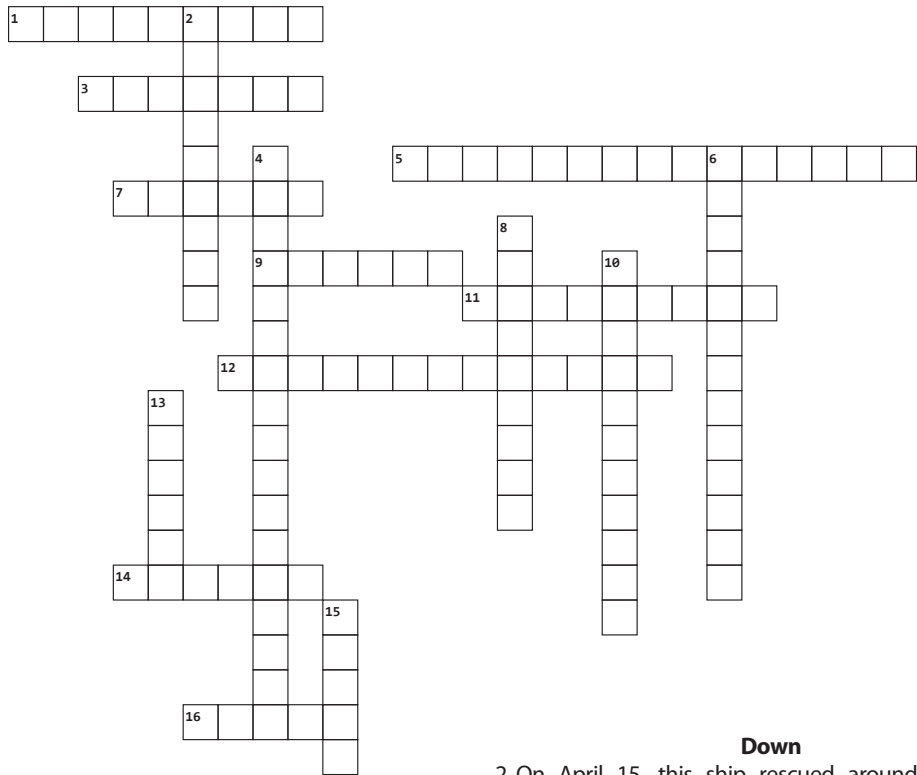
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# April Crossword Puzzle



**Across**

- 1. The smell that is caused by the mixture of rainwater and various earthly compounds.
- 3. Kids will leave these out for the Easter bunny in case he gets hungry.
- 5. Born on April 15, 1452, this artist's painting was famously stolen.
- 7. On April 11, this national observance advocates against animal violence and cruelty.
- 9. The Latin root for the word 'April.'
- 11. This Calgary-born competitive pair skater won gold at the 2002 Olympics with her partner David Pellettier.
- 12. This Vancouver-born actress is best-known for playing Robin Scherbatsky on the CBS sitcom *How I Met Your Mother*.
- 14. Literature lovers will know that April is National \_\_\_\_\_ Month.
- 16. A colourful and popular marshmallow Easter treat.

**Down**

- 2. On April 15, this ship rescued around 705 people from a famous shipwreck 595 km off the coast of Newfoundland.
- 4. What makes April 9, 1917, an important date to many Canadians?
- 6. It is said that this day began in 1852 when France started using the Gregorian calendar and the new year no longer began on April 1.
- 8. Born on April 21, 1816, she is the oldest Brontë sister and author of *Jane Eyre*.
- 10. This Chilean-American *The Last of Us* actor was born on April 2, 1975.
- 13. In the United States, spring is said to have arrived when this bird comes to town.
- 15. One of April's birth flowers that comes from the Old English phrase 'dæg-es-eage'.

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# Bored? Think Twice Before Taking That Facebook Quiz

from the Better Business Bureau



Social media is used as a fun distraction for some people, and taking a Facebook quiz may seem like a harmless way to pass the time. But are you giving away more information than you think?

### How the scam works

A fun quiz pops up on your Facebook feed or another social media platform. A few questions are answered to prove how well you know a friend. Or a short personality test is offered to match you with a character from a favourite TV show.

These quizzes appear to be meaningless, but the intent behind them is to collect information. For example, questions like: "What was the first car you owned?", "What is your mother's maiden name?", or "What is the name of the street you grew up on?" These are common security questions for insurance, banking, and credit card accounts. Sharing this information can lead to accounts being hacked, and personal and financial information being stolen.

Not all social media quizzes are data collection scams; however, BBB cautions users to be careful about what they share online and to check the privacy settings on the account. Social media data and quiz answers can be used to steal identity or enable a scammer to impersonate you to your friends and family.

### Tips to avoid social media scams

- **Be skeptical:** Before answering a quiz, figure out who created it. Is it a brand you trust? Just because something appears to be fun and innocent, doesn't mean there isn't an inherent risk.
- **Adjust privacy settings:** Review the social media account's privacy settings and be strict about any information that is shared - and be mindful of who you are sharing it with.
- **Remove personal details from your profile:** Don't share information like your phone number or home address on social media accounts.
- **Don't give answers to common security questions:** Be cautious if the questions in a quiz ask for things like your mother's maiden name, street you grew up on, previously owned vehicles, favourite foods, or the name of your high school.
- **Monitor friend requests:** Don't accept friend requests from people you don't know. Also be wary of a second friend request from someone you are already connected with; the second profile may be an imposter trying to access your data and your friends list.

Read more at [BBB.org](https://www.bbb.org).

# 27 Ways to Say No

by Nancy Bergeron, R.Psych. | [info@nancybergeron.ca](mailto:info@nancybergeron.ca)

Are you a people pleaser? Do you have trouble finding the words to say no? Maybe you just need some time to evaluate whether you want to say yes. Don't let others rush or pressure you into something you may not have the capacity for.

### Here are 27 ways to say no or defer your answer:

- I am not comfortable with that.
- I have some other things that need my attention right now.
- I need to focus on myself/personal life/job.
- I'm sorry but I just don't feel qualified to help with that.
- I wish I could but I am unable to help.
- I can see you want my help but I am just unable to.
- I just don't have that to give right now.
- That sounds wonderful but I just can't commit.
- Gee, I wish I could, but I just can't right now.
- I'm sorry but I can't help you at this time.
- I'm just too occupied at this time, so I can't.
- Unfortunately, it's not a good time.
- Circle back to me in few weeks.
- I can't make it this month, week, day, year.
- Perhaps another time.
- I am not available for this.
- Sorry, this is something I can't do right now.
- I really appreciate you asking me, but I can't commit to that right now.
- Sorry, I can't make it, maybe another time.
- I'm afraid I don't have any open time for that/this.
- I can't as I have some other pressing commitments.
- I've filled my schedule.
- I'm really swamped right now.
- I'm so overwhelmed these days that I can't take on any more.
- Right now, I've got way too much on my plate.
- I'm not taking on any more work/tasks/projects at the moment.
- No.

\*Remember that you do not have to provide any explanations for saying no.

People pleasers are constantly getting manipulated. You are not responsible for other people's emotions.



Every time you say yes to something or someone, you are unwittingly saying no to someone or something else at the same time (usually your own needs). In trying to please everyone, you end up disappointing almost everyone, especially yourself.

People will actually learn to respect you more if you stay true to your values. It's empowering to say yes when you truly want to. You are of value; you have the right to say no.



## DRCA MEMBERSHIP FORM

☐ New Membership ☐ Renewal Membership

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| <input type="radio"/> General assistance | <input type="radio"/> Membership               |
| <input type="radio"/> Communications     | <input type="radio"/> Environment              |
| <input type="radio"/> Special Events     | <input type="radio"/> Skating Rink maintenance |
| <input type="radio"/> Sponsorship        |  |

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Membership runs from September 1 to August 31 each fiscal year.

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Benefits of DRCA Membership

### What does the DRCA do for me?

- Organizes social events such as Music in the Park, annual Stampede breakfast, Santa event.
- Coordinates the Ridge Review community newsletter.
- Provides up-to-date information about issues affecting you and the community through member only email provides updates on important items for all at [www.discoveryridge.com](http://www.discoveryridge.com).
- Communicates regularly with the Ward 6 Office and Councillor Pootmans on community and city related issues.
- Provides effective representation and advocacy to external third parties about issues of concern to the community, including public safety, development and the natural environment.
- Attains and works casinos to fundraise for the community.
- Creates a sense of community pride through participation in community activities.

### Membership Perks!

Did you know that only up-to-date DRCA Members receive regular community emails informing them of events and ongoing activities in your community? Visit [discoveryridge.com](http://discoveryridge.com) to purchase your \$25 membership or see the membership.

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### How To Report Crime In Discovery Ridge

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- For non-emergencies, dial 403-266-1234.
- To report a crime anonymously, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (Talk, Type or Text), submit tips online at [crimestoppers.ab.ca](http://crimestoppers.ab.ca), or text ttTIPS to 274637.

### Concerns or issues about Discovery Ridge traffic or Griffiths Woods

- Dial 311 to contact City of Calgary



### Acrobatic Skunks

Shy and about the size of a squirrel, the spotted skunk has a unique way of warning its attackers to back off. When threatened, this tiny skunk will flip itself into a handstand with legs splayed out. It will also puff up its tail to look bigger.

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January	23	2	3	\$359,900	\$368,500
December	22	4	6	\$891,850	\$865,250
November	22	3	4	\$362,400	\$355,000
October	22	6	7	\$399,000	\$397,000
September	22	10	10	\$562,400	\$571,950
August	22	4	4	\$396,950	\$388,050
July	22	9	8	\$344,000	\$336,000
June	22	21	16	\$895,000	\$975,000
May	22	9	12	\$409,950	\$407,750
April	22	14	13	\$375,000	\$382,000
March	22	25	22	\$744,000	\$753,000

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# DISCOVERY RIDGE BUSINESS DIRECTORY

## MEDICAL SERVICES

Cornerstone Veterinary Hospital  
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Discovery Dental Centre  
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Are you interested to help to make our community even more beautiful?

## Join DRCA Environment Committee!

The Environment Committee has two key events in its portfolio—Earth Day Litter Pick-Up (late April) and Community Cleanup (late May). We appreciate all the volunteer help we are getting for these two important projects. But we can do more if we have more people in the Committee!

These are some of the ideas we could do if we can extend our team:

- Fighting littering
- Tree planting and grants
- Preventing graffiti
- Addressing doggy doo-doo on sidewalks
- Exploring energy efficiency programs for community
- Conducting fire-related informational programs as we live close to the woods
- Informing the community on environment projects via DRCA Ridge Review
- Keeping in touch with the City of Calgary with regards to flood response and other environment-related issues

If you are interested but have limited time—that's not a problem. We do not need large time commitments. Let's have a talk and see what works.

Please contact Andrei Romaniuk, Chair for Environment Committee, at [environment@discoveryridge.com](mailto:environment@discoveryridge.com).

## Please Donate to the DRCA Bottle Shack

### Where Does the Money Go from the Bottles Collected at the Bottle Shack?

The money made from these resident donations helps:

- Supports the recreational facilities
- DRCA operating costs

### How Should the Bottles be Packaged When Donated?

- Please have bottles in bags or boxes. Make sure the bags are safely tied and the boxes taped shut to keep our volunteers safe.

### Is There Any Other Way I Can Help Support the Bottle Shack?

- Yes, we are always looking for volunteers to help empty the shack.
- If you can volunteer 15 minutes every month or so, please email [volunteer@discoveryridge.com](mailto:volunteer@discoveryridge.com).

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