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Social Events:	Casino:	Rink:	Membership Driv	/e: 5	Social Media:
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Once complete, send this form & payment to the Kingsland Community Hall - 505 78 Avenue SW, Calgary, AB T2V 0T3 (by mail or using the drop box at the front door).

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Hours: Please book an appointment by email.

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Our community board meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm (Except July, August, and December) unless otherwise posted. Everyone welcome!

ARE YOU PLANNING AN EVENT?

The Kingsland Community Hall is an ideal location for any occasion such as:

- Wedding receptions
- · Family reunions
- Barbeques
- Kids birthday parties
- Business meetings
- AGMs
- Corporate parties
- Bridal showers
- Baby showers
- Political forums
- Anniversary parties

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- · Ideal for board meetings

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Weekday rentals (Monday to Thursday, and Friday before 4:00 pm) will be \$40 per hour with a minimum four-hour rental, or \$400 for a full day rental.

Weekend rentals (Friday at 4:00 pm to Sunday) will be \$50 per hour with a minimum four-hour rental, \$400 for a half day, or \$650 for a full day rental.

Plus, sanitation fee per event: \$25.

Outdoor hockey rink can be reserved for \$25 per hour plus GST.

Come check out the Kingsland Community Center, we would love to give you a tour of our hall; please call or email to book a time.

Phone: 403-255-1400

Email: admin@kingslandcommunity.ca Book your event early!





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy New Year, Neighbours!

Hard to believe 2024 is upon us, I hope your holiday season was restful, and you were able to connect and spend time with those you hold dear. We are actively working on community events for the 2024 calendar and look forward

to posting details, dates, and times on our social media and website – volunteers stay tuned as we will call on you to assist!

Our ice rinks are open, it is exciting to see people out and enjoying the fun and fresh air. A big thank you to all the volunteers who help make the rink happen.

We are always looking for more volunteers to help with maintaining the ice rinks through the winter months. No experience is required, as we have a couple of leaders that will be there to show you the ropes of cleaning the ice and using the fire hose to flood the rink! Please reach out if you are interested in joining this great group of volunteers.

Our 2024 casino fundraising days will be mid-April this year – please reach out to volunteer.

We held our first Kingsland School Site subcommittee meeting in late November and will have another meeting this month – reach out if you would like to be part of this subcommittee. We continue to work with our Ward 11 Office and the City of Calgary on the future of this green space. Keep an eye on the City's dedicated webpage for the Kingsland school site and our website for updated information as we receive it – located on the Planning and Development page of our site (under resources).

To stay up to date on all things Kingsland community, make sure to check out our website's homepage to see what's new in our neighbourhood, and follow us on social media @kingslandcommunityyyc! We also have an email newsletter that goes out every month or two – subscribe to the eNewsletter using the purple button at the very bottom of our website. As always, don't hesitate to reach out if you want to connect, have feedback, ideas, or questions.

David Sanderson

CRIME PREVENTION AND SAFETY

Appreciating Calgary Transit

Thousands of Calgarians use our transit system every day, either by bus or the Light Rail Transit known as LRT or C-Train. Both are a convenient and efficient way to travel around the city. Fortunately, those of us living in Kingsland have both bus routes and LRT stations within minutes of our door.

It's All About Safety

There are 45 LRT stations in Calgary and staying safe is a top priority for the Calgary Transit Authority (CTA). To that end, the CTA has implemented a number of measures to ensure the safety of passengers and reduce the risk of accidents or incidents.

One of the most important safety measures is the use of CCTV cameras on all LRT trains. These cameras are monitored by staff at the Calgary Transit Operations Control Centre, who can quickly respond to any safety concerns. Additionally, all LRT stations have CCTV cameras, which help to deter criminal activity and provide evidence in case of incidents.

In addition to these measures, the Calgary Transit Authority provides safety education and training for both passengers and staff. They are committed to ongoing training for LRT operators to ensure that they are equipped to handle any safety issues that may arise.

In a city the size of Calgary, there will be problems that present themselves such as unruly and sometimes violent behaviour. To address these issues, the City has brought about some changes in security and law enforcement. Calgarians will now see more officers on patrol along with some changes to C-Train services. The changes include an increase in the number of Transit security guards and ambassadors. Overnight patrols will also be conducted seven days a week by police officers paired with transit peace officers. Furthermore, more peace officers will be moved to high concern areas like stations on 7 Avenue. They will also be proactively sent to locations where suspicious behaviour or gatherings are observed to increase uniformed presence. These moves are a response to the hundreds of charges made in relation to C-Train lines. Through these changes, the City of Calgary aims to reduce violence and ensure the safety of its citizens on the C-Trains and around the LRT stations.

Calgary Transit Watch - How To Report Safety Concerns

Public transportation can be an excellent and convenient way to get around, but it can also be a bit overwhelming, especially if you're new to the area or the transit system. If you are riding on the C-Train and have an immediate safety or security concern, you can send a text message to 74100 with as much detail as possible. Provide information on who is involved, what is happening, when and where it is occurring, and how the situation is unfolding.

Remember, if there is an emergency, always contact 9-1-1 first.

Transit staff will acknowledge the receipt of your text and will likely have follow-up questions. Additionally, if you have any images or video clips that can assist them in understanding the situation, you can send them through the text number service. Your safety and security are the top priority.

If you find yourself in need of assistance while at a C-Train or Max Purple Station, there are Help phones and buttons available 24/7.

These Help phones and buttons are strategically placed throughout the stations and on platforms to ensure that you can easily access them if you need assistance. In addition, C-Train cars also have Help buttons and Help Strips that function in a similar way. Should a need for help arise, simply press the Help button until it clicks. Once the green light comes on, you will be connected to an agent at the Transit Operations Centre who can assist you with any questions or concerns you may have. Help buttons are there for you - don't hesitate to use them. The agents are always there to make your transit experience as smooth and stress-free as possible.

Doing Your Part

Passengers using Calgary's transit should take several precautions to stay safe while commuting by following these tips:

- Where to Sit: Sit away from the door to avoid a purse or chain snatch.
- **Vigilance**: It is crucial to pay attention to your surroundings at all times and be aware of any suspicious activities or individuals. Always stay alert and keep an eye out for any potential threats.
- Prime Targets: Remember that cell phones and electronic devices are prime targets for thieves.
 Therefore, it's recommended to keep your personal belongings close to you and avoid displaying any

visible expensive items such as electronic devices or jewelry. Never carry your wallet in the outer compartment of your backpack or in your rear pants pocket. This will minimize the risk of theft or robbery.

• Follow All Safety Rules and Regulations: Make sure not to block emergency exits. Doing so will ensure the safety of yourself and others around you.

Your Safety

This should always be your top priority while commuting. Passengers feeling uncomfortable or unsafe while using Calgary's transit are encouraged to report any incidents to transit authorities or call the police immediately. The City of Calgary and the Calgary Transit Authority are committed to providing a safe and reliable transit system for all passengers. In addition, doing our part helps to ensure our Calgary Transit System remains a safe and convenient way to travel.

Final Thoughts

Winter is a beautiful season, but it also brings its own set of challenges, especially when it comes to transportation. Whether you're commuting to work or running errands, the cold, snow, and ice can make getting around a stressful experience. Driving in adverse weather conditions, well let's just say - it's no fun! With that in mind, consider taking Calgary Transit and let someone else do the driving. It's an easy way to keep stress out and stay calm throughout your day. Happy New Year!





KINGSLAND PROGRAMS



Monday to Friday

Kingsland Preschool in Lower Hall

Tuesday

Once per Month - Calgary Camera Club

Wednesday

Last Wednesday of Each Month - Piecemakers's Guild of Calgary

Thursday

Voix Des Rocheuses - French Choir Practice

Friday

Jumma Prayers at 1:00 pm Every Week All Welcome

Sunday

Second Sunday of each month - St. Brigid Catholic
Church



Preschool Update

Happy 2024!

We hope everyone had a special holiday season and that you found peace, joy, hope, and love, and created memories with the special people in your life.

In December, we were busy making presents for our families, and learning about polar bears and the new polar bear habitat at the Calgary Zoo. The children were inspired to draw their own plans for a habitat, and we talked lots about what the polar bears require to thrive in their new home. On our last day of class, we wore our pajamas to school, made gingerbread houses, and watched a little movie while we ate popcorn. It was a special and cozy time for all of us to just slow down and enjoy our time together.

Thanks to everyone that supported our Purdy's chocolate Christmas arrangements fundraisers. The money raised will go to the operation of our program, supplies, and new toys and equipment for our preschool. It is much appreciated.

We are starting to plan for the 2024/2025 school year. We will be holding an open house at the preschool on Wednesday, January 24 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Your children are welcome to attend with you if you would like to bring them.

Our registration is scheduled for January 31 for our current learners and February 2 for new students.

We still have a few spaces open for the current school year. We would love to have your child join us for the remainder of this year. Tuesday and Thursday Afternoon run from 12:30 to 3:00 pm. For more information, please call 403-258-1308 or email kingslandpreschool@gmail.com, and please check out our website at www. Kingslandcommunitypreschoool.com. We also post regularly on Facebook and Instagram so look for us there.

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Sledding Safety

by Alberta Health Services

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) would like to remind parents and children about a few toboggan/sledding safety tips as the winter season continues. Injuries may result from collisions with stationary objects on the hill, such as trees, poles, rocks, or even collisions with other people. Unprotected falls can also result in more serious injury if you lose control at high speeds. However, everyone can be safe and have fun on the toboggan hill by following these reminders.

Equipment

- Always ensure your toboggan, or sledding device, is in good repair. Inspect it for any damaged or missing parts before each use.
- Be certain the operator is fully capable of staying in control of the sled at all times.
- Wear a ski helmet, designed for use in cold weather and high speeds.

Hazards

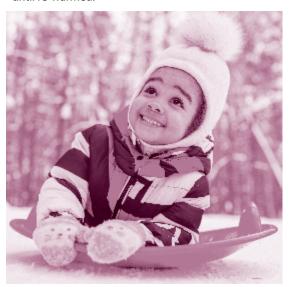
- Avoid hills that are too steep or too icy.
- Choose hills free of all obstacles such as trees, rocks, utility poles, benches, or fences.
- Beware of loose scarves, or clothing containing drawstrings, which could present a strangulation hazard if they become caught or snagged.
- Look out for others. Move quickly to the side after finishing a run and stay to the side of the sliding path when walking up the hill.
- Children should be supervised by an adult; never toboggan alone.
- Tobogganing at night is not advised.

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Plan Ahead

- Dress warmly in layers and anticipate weather changes.
- Consider bringing extra sets of gloves and toques to exchange wet garments for dry ones.
- Take breaks out of the cold to warm up.
- Attempt to cover any exposed skin.
- Even when properly protected from the elements, the fingertips, toes, ears, the tip of the nose, and other high points on the face, such as the forehead and cheek bones can be affected by frostbite.
- If frost bite has occurred, treat it by first removing the individual out of the cold environment. Gently warm the affected skin by placing a warm hand over it, or by placing the affected part in warm not hot water, until re-warmed.



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