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WINE TASTING

March 31st
Oakridge Community Centre



OAKFEST

May 6th
Oakridge Community Centre



OAKRIDGE PARADE OF GARAGE SALES

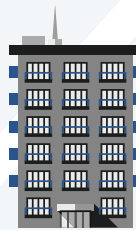
June 4th
Oakridge Community



Low Inventory In Oakridge



Please contact The Home Hunters
Real Estate Group if you have
questions about the local real
estate market or if you're
considering selling in 2023!



Apartments:

 0
Active Listings

 2 Sales
Since Jan 1/23

MARKET UPDATE



Single Family Homes:

 3
Active Listings

 2 Sales
Since Jan 1/23

 *Happy Saint Patrick's Day* 

May your troubles be less and your blessings be more, and nothing but happiness come through your door.



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Oakridge Crossing DENTAL

- Family Owned and Operated - Children's (Pediatric) Dentistry
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday	7:30 AM to 4 PM
Tuesday	7:30 AM to 7 PM
Wednesday	7:30 AM to 7 PM
Thursday	7:30 AM to 4 PM
Friday	7:30 AM to 3 PM
Saturday*	9 AM to 3 PM
Sunday	CLOSED

*Open two Saturdays per month

OAKRIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Complex

9504 Oakfield Drive SW
Calgary, Alberta T2V 0L1
Telephone: 403-238-0007
Fax: 403-238-1115
Email: oakcomm@telus.net
www.oakridgecommunity.ca

Office Hours

8:00 am to 4:00 pm weekdays

Complex Manager

Sandy Fitzgibbon

Maintenance

Ron Lukie, Jay Stewart,
Matt Brewster


Hall Rentals

- Contact Sandy weekdays at the centre, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.
- Space available for socials, meetings, wedding receptions
- Our large hall holds approximately 200 people with kitchen facilities

Social Media

The Oakridge community is now on Facebook and Instagram!

Please follow and like us to get all the latest news and community updates!

 OakridgeCommunityCalgary

 oakridgecommunityassociation

Oakridge Community Centre Abuse Policy

The Oakridge Community Centre values its staff, volunteers and patrons of the facility. In order to provide a safe and healthy environment, we are a zero-tolerance facility. Abuse or harassment towards volunteers, staff and patrons will not be tolerated.

EXECUTIVE

President	Brian Pedlar	587-830-2793
Past President	Gerry Stoddart	403-238-9715
Treasurer	Matt Joyce	587-215-2529
Secretary	Birgit Granberg	403-472-3301
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VP Membership	Lincoln Mitchell	403-471-4170
VP Social	Dave Thomson	403-835-7475
VP Sports	Steve Hunter	403-921-0801
VP Fundraiser	Vacant	
VP Civic Affairs	Hugh Stewart	403-386-0304
VP Civic Affairs	Terry Kemp	403-616-9935
VP Community Affairs	Dale Evans	403-281-3473
VP Communications	Gary Davies	587-890-8609
Directors at Large	Ian MacRae, Rachael McCarthy	

DIRECTORY

Beavers/Cubs/Scouts	Lori Baher loribaher@hotmail.com	403-253-8662
Before/After School Care	Kelly Krebs	403-238-9322
Bingo Volunteers	Sandy Fitzgibbon	403-238-0007
Silverbirch Girl Guides	anycalgarysilverbirch@girlguides.ca	
Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator	Cathi Groves	403-476-7290
Oakridge Curling Club	Rick Waraksa oakridgecurling@gmail.com	403-281-4733
Elm Obedience School	Eda Milne	403-281-7937
Holiday Adventures	Kelly Krebs	403-238-9322
Jump Start	Kelly Krebs	403-238-9322
Line Dancing	Mary Rochfort	403-238-4692
Netball	Paula MacWilliam	403-281-8348
Quick Fit	Sandy Fitzgibbon	403-238-0007
Ringette	Steve Hutchison	403-238-3538
Soccer	Gene Pawlak	403-238-2199
Southwest Hockey Association	admin@southwesthockey.ca	
Weaselhead Society	Maureen	403-701-7474
Yoga with Jane		403-281-7553
Learning Experience Preschool	Nicole Rosendorff	403-460-0389
Tai Chi with Jane		403-281-7553
Oakridge Community Garden	Bev Romerman	587-437-2494



Keep the Oakridge Community Centre Smoke-Free

Please be aware that smoking is not permitted within 5 metres of the Oakridge Community Centre entrance, per City of Calgary Bylaw 57M92 the provincial Tobacco Reduction Act.

The Tobacco Reduction Act prohibits smoking in public places and workplaces, and within 5 metres of any doorway, window or air intake. If you do smoke, please be sure to do so at least 5 metres from the entrance. We appreciate your cooperation.

Oakridge Community Garden (OCG)

This will be our fourth growing season. It is an exciting time to be planning to plant more edibles in our rented and common beds, including the vertical garden. There is such a diversity of edibles from many countries that we can try to grow and share with our families and friends.

Have you started to plan for your gardening in 2023? It's never too late! Come join our fun-loving, nature focused, 'green' volunteers, both novices and experienced gardeners – we are all interested in learning more. We will be starting new gardener registrations on March 1. Be quick to register because there are only a limited number of raised beds available at <https://www.oakridgecommunity.ca/>.

We have lots of personal and common goals, and activities and events planned. Our perennial garden and food forest is filling out and the recent addition of a wooden canoe to reflect our 'Weaselhead' theme should enable gardeners and local residents to reflect on nature, smell the roses, and watch the blooming flowers and busy pollinators. Everyone is invited!

Please use our free, little library so others can enjoy the books you have read or drop by and visit our notice board for more info on the OCG.

We hope to have some OCG member only events and visits in 2023, but also some more community events in the OCG and surrounding green spaces.

Many of our gardeners continue to take a keen interest in local efforts to help encourage pollinators and sustain biodiversity as discussed at the Montreal UN's biodiversity summit. Our contribution is small, but every little effort helps and together we can make a big difference.

Watch for details in future Oakridge Echo issues, the Oakridge Monitor, and OCA websites.

Looking For Volunteers

If you have ideas about potential community events and some time to help organize them, the Oakridge Community Association would like to hear from you. Please send us an email to oakcomm@telus.net with your idea(s) and contact information, and we will be in touch.



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FRIENDS *of* Fish Creek

March in Fish Creek

Fish Creek Community Terrace

Phase 3 Bricks Are Available – Reserve Yours Before June 1

Dedicate a brick within the Fish Creek Community Terrace to help support the Friends and our conservation efforts here in Fish Creek Provincial Park. A brick would also make an amazing gift for anyone you know who enjoys visiting this unique and ecologically diverse urban park. If you have a small business near the park, consider dedicating a brick for your company. Bricks are only \$250 each and you will receive a tax receipt for your contribution. There are limited spaces available in the Fish Creek Community Terrace so make sure to dedicate your brick today! For more information, please contact the Friends of Fish Creek or visit friendsoffishcreek.org/programs/brick.

Fish Creek Speaker Series 2023

Exploring the Impacts of Effluent Release in the Little Bow River Watershed

Presented by Matthew Bogard, Assistant Professor and Canada Research Chair in Aquatic Environments

Thursday, March 9, 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Matthew is an assistant professor and Canada Research Chair in Aquatic Environments at the University of Lethbridge. He has studied the ecology of lakes, rivers, wetlands, and coastal environments across North America, and is currently Associate Editor at Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences. Matt's research focuses on understanding how human activities impact our precious water resources in southern Alberta. Free for Friends members and \$10 for non-members. Registration required. To register visit friendsoffishcreek.org/event/watershed.

Park Protectors Needed

Now is the perfect time of year to become a Fish Creek Provincial Park Protector! Fish Creek is a cherished natural green space that we are fortunate to have in



the city, and all of the Friends' programs and activities are designed to help preserve biodiversity and ensure a sustainable park environment. The Park Protector monthly donor program is the most convenient way to support Fish Creek Provincial Park every day and you can rest assured that your hard-earned donation will be used effectively and efficiently right here in Fish Creek. For more information, please visit friendsoffishcreek.org/park-protector-signup.

Tru Earth Household Products – A New Partnership with Fish Creek

The Friends are pleased to partner with Tru Earth, a Canadian company that focuses on creating eco-friendly household goods. Order your Tru Earth household products today and the Friends of Fish Creek will earn at least 20% profit on every sale made through this exciting ongoing fundraiser. Make a purchase to support the Friends of Fish Creek today. Visit the Friends' Tru Earth page at <https://bit.ly/37kyppt>.

BOTTLE DRIVE

MARCH 26

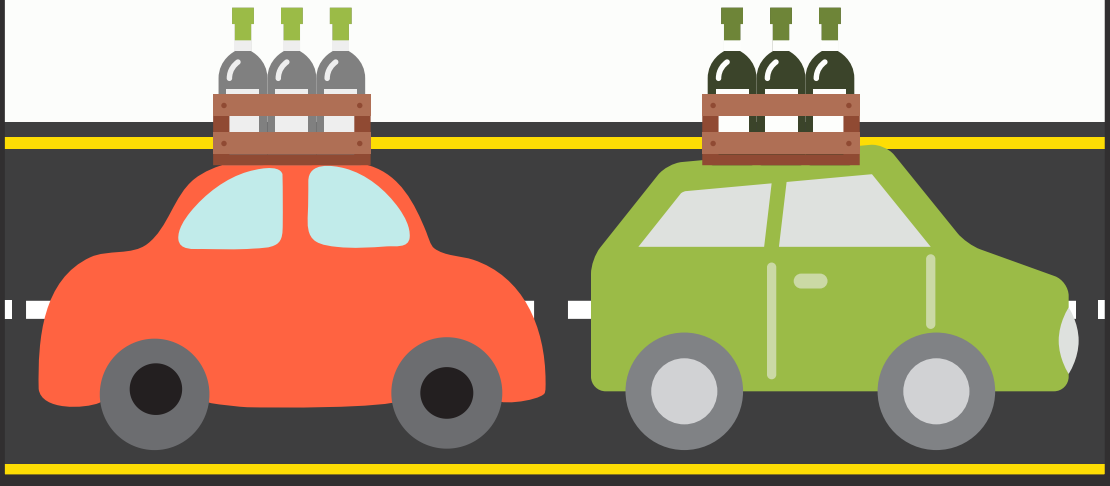
10 A.M. - 1 P.M.

IN SUPPORT OF



Oh MY Oakridge
Upgrading Community Greenspaces

Bring your bottle to the Oakridge Community Association for a drive-thru bottle drive on March 26. Oh MY Oakridge volunteers will be there collecting bottles with all proceeds going to our Master Plan Project





Oh MY Oakridge

Upgrading Community Greenspaces

In late January we received our account details from the Parks Foundation for the end of 2022. To our pleasant surprise, we are closer to our goal for the Master Plan project than we anticipated. As of December 31, 2022 that account sits at almost \$18,000. While this is a far cry from the \$60,000 we need in the account to start the RFP process, it is a few thousand more than we thought we were at so we couldn't be happier. The extra funds that we had not accounted for based on our fundraising came from community members in the form of either direct donations or through corporate donation programs that match volunteer hours. We encourage you to check with your employer to see if they have a corporate matching program that allows you to make donations to a charitable organization of your choice. The Oh MY Oakridge projects are set-up under the Parks Foundation so you can see your donation go directly into supporting the community you live in.

This year we will select our playground vendor for the Oakridge Way Park Upgrade and work with them to design the first revitalized park space as part of this project. We are encouraged by the initial designs we received for grant purposes and can't wait to finalize a design to share with you. Once we have a firm design and have received confirmation of grant funds, we will run a cheque writing campaign for direct donations to the new park.

Additionally, we are discussing opportunities for Oh MY Oakridge to run 50/50 draws and another raffle to support the infrastructure in the new park. Our first raffle, held at our second annual Skate with Santa event, raised just over \$5,000 to put into infrastructure in the park. While we were hoping to raise more with that raffle it was our largest fundraiser to date and we are happy with the result.

We have a few more opportunities to support Oh MY Oakridge coming up:

On March 26 we will be at the Oakridge Community Association from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm with a big truck collecting bottles. All proceeds from the bottle drive will go towards the Master Plan project. Our very first fundraiser in August 2021 was a bottle drive and we raised \$1,800. Our goal with this drive is to beat that! Spread the word around the neighbourhood and to your friends to come out and support upgrading greenspaces in our community.

In May we will most likely run our plant fundraiser again, although we are investigating a different supplier this year, so keep checking our Facebook page for more details on that.

We are always looking for more help and support on our committee. If you are passionate about Oakridge and want to help us create a plan for the greenspaces in our community, we would love for you to join us. Reach out to ohmyoakridge@gmail.com to learn about opportunities available on our team.





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Along with the new location, we are now operating under the name of Oakridge Denture & Implant Centre, which reflects our many professional services.

Charles and the staff look forward to seeing you in our new clinic. Please give us a call to set up an appointment and ensure we are in our new location. Our phone number is still 403-251-1522.

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Now Hiring

General Manager Job Posting

Organization: Oakridge Community Association

Position Description: General Manager (G.M.)

Reports to: Board of Directors

Term: Full-Time

Hours of Work: Full-Time, Various hours based on hours per week.

Salary: Based on experience, education, and skill level.

Benefits: Health Spending Account, bonus based on performance.

Overview:

The Oakridge Community Association (the association organization) was established in 1970. A volunteer Board of Directors, passionate staff, and countless members and volunteers contribute to making Oakridge one of the best communities to live in in Calgary, voted the 2022 best community in SW Calgary. The G.M. is responsible for the implementation of the strategic plan developed by the Board of Directors, sustainable financial management of the organization, and management of the day-to-day operations of the Oakridge Community Centre and Arena and all events and programs provided by the organization.

Position Overview:

The G.M. is responsible for the overall operation of the organization including supporting organizational development and good governance, ensuring sustainable and responsible financial management including fund development, oversight of facility operations, program and event offerings, and acting as leader, creating a culture of respect and community. The successful candidate must be able to act independently and exercise sound judgment. Typical duties will include the following:

- Work with the Board of Directors on strategic planning of the organization and develop an operational plan.
- Ensure policies and procedures are in place and enforced to mitigate risk and encourage consistency.
- Monitor and evaluate program and event delivery to maintain quality and relevance to strategic direction.

- Oversee the planning, implementation, execution, and evaluation of special projects.
- Establish relationships with stakeholders including funders, politicians, and other organizations to help achieve the goals of the organization.
- Oversee facility upgrades and renovation projects ensuring proper lifecycle planning and present recommendations on capital expenditures to the Board of Directors.
- Manage purchasing and leasing contracts necessary for the efficient operation of the facility in accordance with the License of Occupation and Board Policy.
- Oversee the administration of the financial affairs of the association ensuring sustainable, responsible planning and budgeting throughout the organization.
- Research, prepare, and manage grant applications and other funding activities ensuring compliance with funding conditions including program reports.
- Identify and evaluate risk to the organization including people, property, finances, goodwill, and image, and implement measures to control exposure including ensuring appropriate insurance.
- Be a role model for staff, customers, residents, and other stakeholders representing the values of the organization.
- Lead staff and volunteers in a manner that fosters an open, positive, creative, and trusting professional environment.
- Other duties as the Board of Directors May require from time to time.

Skills and Experience:

- Minimum of five years relevant management experience, preferably in a not-for-profit organization.
- Undergraduate degree in not-for-profit management, business management, or related field preferred.
- Ability to work collaboratively with diverse stakeholders.
- Experience in working with a volunteer Board of Directors and strategic plan.
- Strong leadership skills with ability to guide, motivate, and inspire self and others.

- Solid understanding of financial and business planning practices.
- Exceptional communication skills, both written and verbal, with a range of audiences.
- Criminal and vulnerable sector record check will be required.
- Intermediate skills with Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook, and Simply Accounting.

To Apply:

Please send resume with cover letter including salary expectations to:

Oakridge Community Association

Attn: Sandy Iwamoto - Fitzgibbon

oakcomm@telus.net

Please apply before March 3, 2023.

Help your community and become a **BINGO** Volunteer!



The **Oakridge Community Association** requires volunteers to work monthly bingo's at the Bingo Barn in NE Calgary.

For each bingo worked you would receive a **\$50 Bingo Buck** that can be spent on any activity that is run through the Community as well as numerous sports organizations, Learning Experience Ltd. Preschool, BASC and HAP Programs, and Southland Leisure Centre just to name a few!

**Please contact Sandy if you can help out at
(403) 238-0007 oakcomm@telus.net**

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COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP (also required)

Adult \$40.00

Family \$40.00

Seniors (60+) \$20.00

(Community Membership is from May 1 to April 30)

HOURS

Monday to Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sundays / Holidays

Sept to June

8 am to 8 pm

8 am to 4 pm

8 am to noon

closed

July / Aug

8 am to 5 pm

8 am to 5 pm

closed

closed

REGISTRATION

Sandy (403) 238-0007

oakcomm@telus.net

LOCATION

Oakridge Community Centre - Main Level
9504 Oakfield Drive SW T2V0L1

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Coffee & Chat 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Line Dancing 10:00 - 11:00 am Yoga with Jane 7:30 - 8:30 pm	1 Death Ed. Series 10:00 - 11:30 am Member Skate 2:30 - 4:30 pm Dance Compound 5:45 - 8:00 pm	2 Line Dancing 9:30 - 11:30 am	3 4
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LEARNING EXPERIENCE LTD. PRESCHOOL: Weekdays September to June, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

BASC PROGRAM (SCHOOL-AGE CARE): Weekdays September to June, 7:00 am - 6:00 pm



EXPLORE ENDLESS FAMILY FUN AT CALGARY'S HISTORICAL VILLAGE

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Oakridge Racquet Club

2023 Summer Program

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Email: oakcomm@telus.net oakridgecommunity.ca

ORC

MEMBERSHIP

An annual Oakridge Community membership is required to join Oakridge Racquet Club. ORC membership includes online booking for play and drop-in sessions. To purchase your community membership please go to our website at oakridgecommunity.ca and click on ***purchase your association membership***. Then continue with purchasing your ORC membership.

Oakridge Community Membership

Membership Type	Annual Fee
Household	\$40
Senior Household	\$20

Oakridge Racquet Club Membership

Membership Type	Early Bird April 30th	Regular Season
Individual	\$113	\$118
Senior	\$88	\$93
Couple	\$195	\$205
Senior Couple	\$175	\$185
Family - with kids under 18	\$225	\$235
Junior - under 18 not with family	\$25	\$25

EARLY BIRD pricing in effect from February 15 to April 30, 2023

Regularly Scheduled Drop-in Sessions

Tennis

Day	Time
Mon/Wed/Fri	9:30-11:30am
Thursday	6:30-8:30pm
Saturday	9:30-11:30am
Sunday	3:00-5:00pm

Pickleball *(usually held on courts 5 and 6)*

Day	Time
Tuesday/Thursday	9:30-11:30am
Thursday	6:30-8:30pm
Saturday	9:30-11:30am
Sunday	9:30-11:30am

GLASS FUSION WORKSHOP

April 16, 2023 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Upper Level - Oakridge Community Centre
All welcome ages 5 to 95 years old!

Do you want to make something special for Mom for Mother's Day?
Are you looking for that unique yet personal gift to give someone special? Or have you always wanted to unleash your inner artist and create something for yourself to enjoy?

Anna Bilek from the
Passion for Glass Gallery and Studio will be your instructor.

Dive into colour! Instead of using paint, you will be using art glass, instead of using brushes, you will be using pieces of coloured and transparent glass.

Anna will show you how to design and construct your pieces, fusing the glass will complete the project.
The result is a spectacular piece of art that can be given as a one-of-a-kind gift or enjoyed by yourself for years to come!

No experience is necessary.
Children as young as 5 are encouraged and welcome.
Anna will lead you step by step into the world of glass fusion!

REGISTER ONLINE at oakridgecommunity.ca

Members: \$30.00/person **Non-Members:** \$40.00/person

PLEASE NOTE:

When registering please choose your project as supplies will need to be pre-ordered.
Options are a 6 x 6" plate, or 4 x 7" wave, or 4 x 6" picture with frame or stand.

Oakridge Community Association (OCA): Civic Affairs Report

Property Taxes and Oakridge Projects

Property Assessments were mailed out to residents in early January and further details are available at <https://www.calgary.ca/property-owners/assessment.html>. The 2023 Customer Review Period ends March 13. Regarding the list of common Oakridge projects shared with our Ward 11 representatives, we are cautiously optimistic that some of our projects will get approved and implemented, especially the road safety ones.

Southland Crossing – Co-op Development Plans

Work has begun on the new store, with a completion/move in date of spring 2024. Note, we have yet to understand details of the nine storey tower blocks and their implications on existing and new Oakridge residents. We hope to have more information shared with us soon – the latest details are available at <https://www.oakridgemonitor.com/>.

OCA Board Meeting with Residential Traffic Safety Unit (RTSU)

In February, the monthly OCA Board meeting was privileged to have representatives from the RTSU visit us and explain their focus. “Their strategy is to utilize citizen feedback to develop operational responses. Their focus is on playground zones, pedestrian rich areas, and other high-risk locations identified through collision data analysis and public feedback.” They also utilize the Traffic Service Request System (TSR). The TSR is a key tool to help Calgary Police Service monitor and track traffic safety issues. You can submit a TSR by visiting <https://www.calgary.ca/cps/traffic/traffic-service-requests.html>.

Please also use the City of Calgary 311 line or go to <https://www.calgary.ca/311.html> to document any road safety or infrastructure issues. Please copy the OCA, giving us your Service Request number, so we can evaluate and possibly add to our OCA Oakridge list of projects, mentioned above, that need addressing.

Climate Change Emergency and OCA Mitigation

For overall details of the City's initiatives, see <https://www.calgary.ca/environment/climate/climate-change.html>. Enmax presented their plan of installing solar panels on the OCA Facilities Roof, subject to several approvals, to the OCA Board at our January meeting. The OCA Board is continuing to support this project with a

potential implementation this May, 2023. We continue to look at other climate enhancing opportunities such as electric charging stations as part of an expanded car park, growing trees, working with the Oakridge Community Garden, etc. We are also discussing other improvements with ‘Oh My Oakridge’ such as bike routes between green spaces.

District 32

We have been advised that the Local Area Planning (LAP) activities have been delayed further to post-2025. Details at <https://www.calgary.ca/planning/projects.html>.

However, many developments are proceeding such as the Co-op, and other changes including review of playgrounds and green spaces. Enmax and Telus are also busy with service upgrades to the area. These incremental changes without an overall plan remain a concern for District 32 participants.

We are in parallel monitoring The Heritage Communities LAP or Growth Plan which is currently in Phase four. It will be brought forward to the Infrastructure and Planning Committee (IPC) on April 5, 2023. Details of the LAP can be found at <https://engage.calgary.ca/heritage>, and we hope to learn more from their experience.

Residential Traffic Concerns

The Residential Traffic Safety Unit (RTSU) is a unit created to specifically address residential traffic issues. Our strategy is to utilize citizen feedback to develop our operational response. We focus on playground zones, pedestrian rich areas, and other high-risk locations identified through collision data analysis. The RTSU is attached to the Traffic Section of the Calgary Police Service.

We strongly emphasize public awareness and education, facilitating citizen engagement by attending Community Association Board meetings to discuss the Traffic Service Request System (TSR). The TSR is a key tool to help Calgary Police Service monitor and track traffic safety issues.

The RTSU also utilizes strong collaborative relationships with City partners on traffic concerns requiring resolutions other than enforcement, such as sign changes, installation of crosswalks, Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons, extension of playground zones, etc.

We can further assist by liaising with established community partnerships. This includes MLA offices, City Councillor offices, and Neighborhood Committee Coordinators as we continue to expand events attended by the RTSU.

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Degrees of Burn

- 1°: Affects only the top layers of the skin; appears red like a sun burn; discomfort is generally tolerable.
- 2°: Deeper and much more painful than 1° burns; broken skin or blisters commonly develop.
- 3°: Severe: The deepest layers of skin and tissue are injured; may appear charred or leathery.

First Aid for Burns

- Skin may continue to burn if not cooled. Immediately douse burns with large amounts of cold water.
- Cover the burn with a sterile dressing, or at least clean material to protect infection.
- Over the counter medications may be used for pain. Adhere to directions given on the label.
- Seek further medical attention, as required.

Prevention of Burns

- Check the temperature of your hot water tank. Temperatures as high as 60°C / 140°F will scald a child in just seconds.
- Use placemats instead of tablecloths. Tablecloths can be yanked downward causing hot drinks or food to spill on a child.
- Turn pot handles to the back of the stove and ensure cords from kettles, slow cookers, and other electrical appliances cannot be reached.
- Avoid picking up a child while holding any hot liquids.
- Ensure electrical outlets are made secure by installing commercially available safety devices which prohibit access.
- Keep children away from areas where appliances are in use (kettles, irons, hot stoves).

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