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## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

### Neighbour Day 2025!

Despite the less-than-ideal weather, Neighbour Day in Acadia was an incredible success! Huge thanks to McDougall United Church for stepping up at the last minute to host us indoors and keep the spirit of the day alive. Neighbour Day is all about coming together and supporting one another and McDougall United truly embodied that spirit, showing just how strong and connected our community really is.

We were thrilled to support the Acadia Food Pantry by encouraging attendees to bring non-perishable food items. Thank you to everyone who contributed!

A big highlight of the day was seeing our local leaders—Mayor Jyoti Gondek, Ward 11 Councillor Kourtney Penner, MLA Diana Batten, and NDP Leader Naheed Nenshi—take on the obstacle course challenge. Their energy and enthusiasm added so much fun to the day!

In honour of National Indigenous Peoples Day, we were incredibly grateful to welcome Violet's Michif Dancers, who shared their culture, stories, and incredible talent with us. It was a truly meaningful experience.

We also want to give a heartfelt shoutout to our amazing mini market vendors who braved the weather to bring their energy and offerings to the event: Energize Health South, Oxford Learning Acadia, D-Lites and Epicure, Flux Renewables, Panago Pizza MacLeod, and Canine Endeavours. And of course, a sweet thank you to the Girl Guides, who helped us make and hand out free cotton candy to all our guests!

Rain or shine, Neighbour Day always reminds us how lucky we are to be part of such a vibrant, resilient community. We can't wait to do it all again next year!

### Another Successful Parade of Garage Sales

Thank you to all of the community members that participated in this year's Parade of Garage Sales. We had over 40 individual vendors selling pre-loved items over the two-day community-wide sale! The weather was beautiful, and the event made for a perfect opportunity for neighbours to connect and support one another. A huge thank you to Justyna Jakimowicz of Royal LePage Realty for sponsoring this event and making it possible!

### New Community Playground Replacement Project

The Playgrounds Committee is actively seeking

volunteers to help bring Acadia's next community playground project to life! This is your chance to be part of something meaningful and create a lasting impact in the community.

Learn more about the project and how you can get involved by visiting [www.acadiaca.com/playgrounds](http://www.acadiaca.com/playgrounds).

### Movie in the Park is on Friday, September 5

Last year's event was such an amazing time! We are looking forward to bringing this event back to Acadia this September. Check our website and socials for updates as the event details come together and vote for which movie you want to see this year!

[www.acadiaca.com/movienight](http://www.acadiaca.com/movienight).

Facebook and Instagram: @acacalgary

### Volunteer Casino Fundraiser

The ACA's biggest fundraising opportunity of the year is coming up, and we need your help! Our Casino Fundraiser takes place on September 24 and 25 at the Deerfoot Inn & Casino, and volunteers are essential to making it a success.

No previous experience is required as you will be fully trained during your shift and supported every step of the way. Meals and snacks are also provided while you're volunteering.

Whether you've worked a casino before or are trying it for the first time, we'd love to have you on board. Every role filled directly supports the ACA's ability to continue offering programs, events, and community initiatives.

Email us at [volunteer@acadiaca.com](mailto:volunteer@acadiaca.com) to sign up or learn more.

### You're Invited - ACA Annual General Meeting

**Thursday, September 18, 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the ARC**

Get ready for an evening of connection, community, and big reveals! Come to the meeting for a chance to hear firsthand about the exciting initiatives and bold vision shaping our next year.

Whether you're a longtime resident or new to the neighbourhood, this is your opportunity to network with fellow community members, meet the people behind the ACA, and share your voice in shaping the future of our community. We'll kick things off (and wrap up) with a casual networking session and light refreshments, so come early, stay late, and connect!

This year, we'll also be electing a new Board President, Secretary, and other key leadership roles and your vote matters. To be eligible to vote, you must have an active ACA membership for at least 30 days before the meeting, so be sure to renew or sign up today!

Let's build the future of Acadia together. We can't wait to see you there!

### **Become a Board Member, Join a Committee! Make a Difference Where You Live and Play**

Do you want to help shape the future of your neighbourhood? The Acadia Community Association is driven by passionate volunteers who bring our community to life through exciting events, meaningful programs, community enhancement projects and initiatives. We also own and operate the ARC which is a major facility built in the 1980s that serves as a vital hub for sports, recreation, and gathering in our neighbourhood. Keeping it running smoothly and accessible to all takes time, care, and community support. And we can't do it without you!

As we head into a new term, we're looking for passionate community members to join the ACA as Board Members, Committee Volunteers, and event supporters.

At the Annual General Meeting on September 18, we'll be electing a new President and Secretary—critical leadership roles for our future.

If you've ever wanted to make a real impact where you live, now is the time. Whether you have a few hours a month or are ready to take on a leadership role, your contribution matters.

Reach out to [volunteer@acadiaca.com](mailto:volunteer@acadiaca.com) to learn more.

### **Are You Following Us On Social Media?**

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9:00 PM

THURSDAY  
SEPTEMBER 18

- Review ACA Annual Report & financial statements
- Meet & elect Executives and the Board of Directors
- Learn about ACA committees and how you can get involved
- Hear about the exciting initiatives for your community
- Network before & after and enjoy refreshments with your neighbours

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Due to seasonal availability, the contents of each box cannot be guaranteed. However, all Good Food Boxes contain the maximum amount of produce available to ensure clients get the best value for the price. There are three box sizes to choose from, and the program is available to everyone regardless of income level.

Box Size	Price	Weight
Small	\$30	15 to 20lbs* of fruits and vegetables
Medium	\$35	25 to 30lbs* of fruits and vegetables
Large	\$40	35 to 40lbs* of fruits and vegetables

\*Weights are approximate.

If you are interested in purchasing a Good Food Box, please complete the contact form online at [acadia.community/goodfoodbox](http://acadia.community/goodfoodbox) or email [goodfoodbox@acadiaca.com](mailto:goodfoodbox@acadiaca.com). Once your order is confirmed, payment instructions will be sent to you. Payment must be made within one day of the order deadline. Boxes are available monthly and can be picked up at the Acadia Recreation Complex, 240 - 90 Ave SE. Visit our website [acadia.community/goodfoodbox](http://acadia.community/goodfoodbox) for more details.

### Good Food Box Order Deadlines and Pick Up Dates For 2025

Order Deadline - Friday	Pick Up Date - Wednesday From 11:00 am to 2:00 pm or 4:00 to 6:00 pm
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September 5	September 17
September 26	October 8
October 24	November 5
November 28	December 10

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# ACA Volunteer Callout - We Want You!

Community volunteers are an essential part of the Acadia Community Association. As a volunteer, you will make a tremendous impact on your community while gaining new skills and building new connections. There are a variety of ways for you to get involved. Please see below for what our current volunteer needs are and reach out to us if you can envision yourself in those positions, making a difference in the community you live in!

To learn more about these roles and to apply please contact [volunteer@acadiaca.com](mailto:volunteer@acadiaca.com) or visit [www.acadiaca.com/volunteer](http://www.acadiaca.com/volunteer).

## Board of Director Members

June 30, 2025, marked the end of terms for our current volunteers in the President and Secretary positions. We will be electing a new President, Secretary, and some board members at our AGM on Thursday, September 18. If you are interested in joining a really exciting organization that has plans to impact and bring high value for Acadians, please reach out to [volunteer@acadiaca.com](mailto:volunteer@acadiaca.com) to inquire!

## Playgrounds/Green Spaces Committee Members

We've identified our next community playground project and are looking to expand our committee to help bring it to life! There are several ways to get involved in the work that goes into our green spaces in Acadia. Opportunities to work on our rink boards project, become a tree ambassador, and advocate for playground structure updates are all available. Did you know the ACA playgrounds/green spaces committee lead the Addison Place Playground replacement project? Come sign up to be a part of impactful change in Acadia!

## Event Committee Members

Every fun event you've attended or heard about relies on key people to bring the plan together and execute it seamlessly.

The following event committees are looking for long-term members who have a passion for bringing high-quality events to Acadia and would be interested in helping to plan and execute these events every year: Winter Carnival, Easter Egg Hunt, Bike Parade,

Neighbour Day, Stampede Breakfast, Movie in the Park, Fall Festival, Halloween Party, and Holiday Party.

If any of the above major events interest you, reach out today to learn more about the commitment and responsibilities. We hope you will consider joining us and bring your creative touch to these awesome events!



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**YOUTH DROP IN | BIKE PARADE**  
**MOVIE IN THE PARK | NEIGHBOUR DAY**  
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### VOTE

Have a say and influence on issues that are most important to you. Have a passion for a new playground, public art, or more programming? Joining the ACA is how you get involved in shaping the community where you live!

### COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Keep up to date with all the happenings in the community, including new infrastructure developments, planning, traffic, events, programs, townhall meetings, ward news, and City news.



### MEMBERS ONLY PERKS

ACA members get discounts on various local area food and retail outlets. In addition, members get access to the ARC Social Lounge and 15% off room and ice bookings at the ARC for private events!

### FREE EVENTS

Most of our events are free or at a very reduced rate for members. The ACA hosts some great events each year, such as the Winter Carnival, Stampede Breakfast, Neighbour Day, and more!



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EVENTS

**WINTER CARNIVAL**

Fun carnival games, s'mores around the fire, horse-drawn wagon rides.

**COMMUNITY CLEANUP**

Get started on your spring cleaning and get rid of your unwanted items for free!

**STAMPEDE BREAKFAST**

Pancake breakfast with live music, line dance lessons and petting zoo.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The ACA Board and ARC staff will update the community on their activities, accomplishments & goals.

**ACA SOCIAL NIGHTS**

Meet & greet with ACA board members and coordinators over drinks and snacks. Occurs every second month.

**BIKE PARADE**

Decorate your bike with streamers & balloons & join the group to ride Acadiana kick off Bike Month!

**PARADE OF GARAGE SALES**

Shop for unique treasures as the entire community opens their shop!

**FALL FESTIVAL**

Food trucks, kids' business fair, glitter tattoos & fall themed activities. Local Acadian businesses on site to showcase their offerings.

**KIDS' HOLIDAY PARTY**

Visit with Santa, decorate cakes, make crafts & eat fun holiday themed treats.

**EASTER EGG HUNT**

Kids can hunt for eggs filled with fun treats at one of Acadia's many parks.

**NEIGHBOUR DAY**

Bringing Acadians together for a fun block party!

**MOVIE IN THE PARK**

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**SOUTHEAST BREWFEST**

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