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Start with us! Email info@acadiaca.com and we'll point you in the right direction.

Building A Connected Community!



Community First!

We bring neighbours together through programs, events, and shared experiences.



Volunteer-Led

The ACA is powered by community members who step forward, get involved, and make things happen!



Community Engagement

We create opportunities for residents to connect, participate, and be part of shaping what happens in Acadia



Spaces to Connect

From events to programs, we create opportunities to gather, grow, and belong!



WE ARE LOOKING FOR A **VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR** TO JOIN OUR TEAM!

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- recruit, onboard & support ACA volunteers
- coordinate volunteers for programs, initiatives & events
- match volunteers to roles & schedules
- maintain volunteer records & contact lists
- support event leads & staff with volunteer planning & coordination
- promote volunteer opportunities through ACA communication channels
- foster positive volunteer engagement, recognition and retention

HELPFUL SKILLS:

- strong communication and people skills
- comfortable coordinating people and schedules
- organized, reliable, and detail oriented
- ability to work independently while collaborating with staff and committees
- data analysis and reporting skills an asset

ACA COORDINATOR ROLES:

- ~4 hours per month
- 1-year commitment encouraged

EMAIL VOLUNTEER@ACADIACA.COM FOR MORE INFO
AND TO APPLY!



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Annual General Meeting

October 1

Save the date for the next upcoming Annual General Meeting. We will be holding the AGM at the ARC on Thursday, October 1, 2026. Connect with the community, learn about current initiatives and how the past year has gone, and have your voice heard. Community members must have their membership for at least one month before the AGM to be eligible to vote on community issues and governance, so be sure to renew your membership before September 1!

Community Momentum

We're seeing strong momentum across the ACA this season, with activity building in programs, events, and community-led initiatives.

Fundraising is underway for the Allandale Close Playground replacement, and we're grateful for the strong early support, including Little Caesars-Acadia's recent promotion. This project reflects what is possible when the community comes together around a shared goal, and we invite everyone to continue helping move it forward, whether through donations, sharing the initiative, or getting involved directly. Visit acadiaca.com/playgrounds to donate, get involved, or follow along with the project.

Make a Difference Where You Live, Work, and Play

There are many ways to get involved and make a meaningful impact, whether through volunteering, joining a committee, or contributing your skills in other ways.

As we continue strengthening our governance, operations, and programming, we're always looking for people who want to help shape the future of Acadia. Every contribution, big or small, plays a role in building a stronger community.

Visit acadiaca.com/careers, check page 11 for volunteer opportunities, or email volunteer@acadiaca.com to get involved.

Let's Stay Connected!

We encourage you to stay connected with the ACA by following along on social media and keeping up with what's happening in the community.

Membership also plays an important role in supporting the programs, events, and initiatives that bring Acadia to life. If you haven't already, we invite you to join and be part of what we're building together!

Your Acadia Community Association

2026 EVENTS

WINTER CARNIVAL Fun for the whole family! Carnival games, s'mores around the fire, horse-drawn wagon rides. Feb 7	BIKE PARADE Decorate your bike with streamers & balloons! Join the group ride to Acadia to kick off Bike Month! May 30	MOVIE IN THE PARK Enjoy a fun family movie under the stars in one of Acadia's greenspaces! Sep 4
VELVET MIDWAY Adult Winter Carnival Gala. Upscale roaming-cirque performers, with live music, cocktails, and canapés. Feb 7	NEIGHBOUR DAY Bringing Acadians together to celebrate community at the block party! Jun 20	SOUTHEAST BREWFEST Live music. Great beer. Local draft breweries serve up their offerings for you to taste! Oct 17
EASTER EGG HUNT Kids can hunt for eggs filled with treats at one of Acadia's many parks. Apr 4	PARADE OF GARAGE SALES Shop for unique treasures as the community of Acadia opens shop! Jun 27-28	KIDS' HOLIDAY PARTY Visit with Santa, decorate cookies, make crafts & play games! Dec 5
COMMUNITY CLEANUP Get started on your spring cleaning and get rid of your unwanted items free. May 16	STAMPEDE BREAKFAST Pancake breakfast with live music, line dance lessons and petting zoo! Jul 4	HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST Light up Acadia this holiday season! Prizes in various categories to be won! Dec

Check out ACADIACA.COM/EVENTS FOR MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON ALL OUR EVENTS!

Your ACA membership comes with special and exclusive offers from our I ♥ Acadia Business Partners

Acadia Recreation Complex 15% off banquet hall, meeting rooms, curling arena and lounge bookings. - Discount rates for pickleball and squash/racquetball bookings	Energize Health - South Location Receive a FREE 30 min massage when you attend an initial physio or chiropractic appointment
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www.acadia.community/membership
www.acadia.community/aca-partnership-program

Youth Handball at the ARC

via the Calgary Handball Club

The Calgary Handball Club is looking for new junior handball players, boys and girls aged 11 and up. Young adults are welcome! Junior Handball practices run every Thursday at 5:00 pm and Saturday at 11:00 am at the Acadia Recreation Complex. Our game of handball is similar to racquetball, played on a four-wall court.

The basic skills required to learn how to play four-wall handball are the ability to throw a ball, good hand-eye coordination, running, and some athletic ability.

Our low-cost program includes loaner gloves and eye guards, court time, and instruction delivered by certified coaches.

If you have any questions, or would like to sign your child up for an introductory lesson, please contact the Calgary Handball Club with an email to calgaryhandballclub@gmail.com.

What's Happening with the ACA

COMMUNITY EVENTS



- Acadia Classic Golf Tournament - August 16
- Movie in the Park - September 4
- Annual General Meeting - October 1

See the full calendar at acadiaca.com/events

FACILITY HIGHLIGHTS



- Summer event season is underway!
- New lounge and kiosk hours for summer
- Free drop-in community space in the ARC lounge every morning
- Meeting rooms and spaces available to book for your next event

acadiaca.com/facilities

GET INVOLVED



- Volunteers needed for Good Food Box!
- Join a committee
- Purchase a membership to support the ACA's initiatives!

acadiaca.com/get-involved

COMMUNITY UPDATES



- Allandale Close Playground Replacement project in progress
- Planning & Development updates
- Watch for engagement sessions on our website and social media!

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KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- lead and coordinate the Membership Committee, setting clear goals and priorities
- develop and implement strategies for member recruitment and retention
- strengthen relationships with existing members and encourage participation
- oversee membership value, including management of the I ♥ Acadia Business Partnership program
- monitor membership trends and report to the Board
- collaborate with other committees to support organizational goals

HELPFUL SKILLS:

- strong interpersonal and relationship-building skills
- leadership or committee experience
- ability to engage members and local businesses
- organized, proactive, and reliable
- clear communicator with a community-first mindset

TIME COMMITMENT AND TERM:

- time commitment of approx. 3-5 hours per month
- 2-year term commitment appreciated

EMAIL VOLUNTEER@ACADIACA.COM FOR MORE INFO
AND TO APPLY!

A Good Food Box Depot in Acadia!

To maintain the current pick up schedule, the program needs more volunteers! Regular volunteers are needed for the Wednesday morning pick-ups. Duties include setting up the boardroom by moving tables and chairs, ensuring the correct number and sizes of boxes have been delivered, and tracking boxes as they are picked up. Time commitment is typically from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Volunteers will need their own laptop and must be comfortable working with Google Drive. Volunteers will have to complete an Acadia Community Association volunteer application form and police check. This position can accommodate more than one volunteer who can alternate between months. If you are interested in volunteering for the Good Food Box program, you can sign up by emailing goodfoodbox@acadiaca.com.

Thanks to the community support for the Good Food Box Program, individuals and families in Acadia can purchase boxes of fresh fruits and vegetables at an affordable price, and have those boxes delivered to the ARC for pick up on the scheduled dates.

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	\$35	15 to 20lbs* of fruits and vegetables
Medium	\$40	25 to 30lbs* of fruits and vegetables
Large	\$45	35 to 40lbs* of fruits and vegetables

**Weights are approximate.*

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If you are interested in purchasing a Good Food Box, please complete the contact form online at acadiaca.com/goodfoodbox or email 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 acadiaca.com/goodfoodbox for more details.

Good Food Box Order Deadlines and Pick Up Dates For 2026

Order Deadline - Friday	Pick Up Date - Wednesday From 11:00 am to 2:00 pm or 4:00 to 6:00 pm
October 23	November 4
November 27	December 9



We are searching for

Volunteers

Acadia Community Association is bringing some great events & initiatives to the Acadia community in 2025!

Email volunteer@acadiaca.com to express your interest in supporting events such as:

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YOUTH DROP IN | BIKE PARADE
MOVIE IN THE PARK | NEIGHBOUR DAY
FALL FAIR | KIDS' HOLIDAY PARTY
AND MANY MORE!

REASONS TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE



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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.

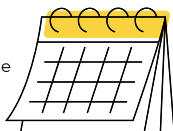


MEMBERS ONLY PERKS

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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RENTALS

The ARC has many different facilities available to rent. There are courts, curling and hockey ice, as well as special event spaces.

PROGRAMS

Check out the array of different programs hosted at the ARC. We run skating and pickleball programs, and are the home of multiple program organizations.



EVENTS



The ARC hosts multiple events throughout the year. Scan the QR code below to visit our website and see all the ARC has to offer!



Turning Trash into Treasure: Terry Moore's Recycled Art



For Acadia resident Terry Moore, inspiration can be found just about anywhere—even in the things other people are ready to throw away.

The 69-year-old lifelong creative has spent years transforming discarded and forgotten objects into one-of-a-kind works of art. Many of his creations find a home on the front lawn of his Acadia Drive residence, where they've become something of a neighbourhood attraction.

Moore's approach to art is simple: save the pieces, find their potential, and figure out what they could become. He jokes that he's an "art hoarder," keeping screws, wheels, metal, and other odds and ends because he never knows when something might become the missing piece of a future creation. For example, while Terry worked as a truck driver, he spotted a large piece of wood with a sweeping curve out in a field—in the middle of winter



no less. Making the trek through the deep snow, Terry retrieved the large Samorost, hauled it back to his truck, and took it home with him. While the Samorost required a bit more work to retrieve, a lot of Terry's trinkets are found in thrift stores or around his home. The hand-made tractor at the front of the yard contains reflective tape Terry had leftover after using it on his car.

Moore's creations have brought more than just visual interest to the busy Acadia Drive. He says people often slow down to admire his work, take photos, and stop to chat. For Moore, however, the artwork itself is only part of the experience. He enjoys sharing the story behind each creation with the people who buy his pieces or just come to visit and see what his work is all about. So the next time you drive down Acadia Drive, take a moment to slow down and keep your eyes out for Terry's masterpieces!

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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. We need your help to keep our organization and programs running smoothly. We have 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.

Membership Committee Chair

Our membership is the heart of our organization, and we are looking for a motivated individual to lead this important committee. The Membership Committee Chair helps strengthen member engagement, retention, and growth by welcoming new members, supporting a positive member experience, and providing insight and recommendations to the Board on membership trends, structures, and opportunities. This is a great role for someone who enjoys building relationships, thinking strategically, and making a meaningful impact in our community. Please reach out today if you have the ability to take on this very impactful role!

Volunteer Coordinator

The Acadia Community Association runs on volunteers, and we are looking for a volunteer coordinator to help keep things running smoothly. We are looking for someone with strong people skills to help recruit

and onboard new volunteers, as well as support and manage current volunteers. Key responsibilities would also include the maintenance of volunteer records and coordinating volunteers before and during ACA events. If you are organized, reliable, and have an eye for detail, consider joining us in this integral position!

Grants Writer

Grant funding is essential to our ability to deliver inclusive programs, events, and services for our community. We are seeking a volunteer Grants Writer to research and write funding applications that help make this work possible, while also building valuable, transferable skills. This role offers hands-on experience in grant research, persuasive writing, and working with nonprofit leadership — all while directly enabling programs that strengthen connection, belonging, and access in our community. Reach out today to see how you can make a lasting impact on where you live, work and play!

Event Committee Members

Our events bring our community together, and we are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to support our Events Committee. Working alongside our Events Coordinator, Sarah Bruinsma, committee members help plan and deliver beloved annual events such as Winter Carnival, Easter Egg Hunt, Bike Parade, Neighbour Day, Stampede Breakfast, Movie in the Park, Fall Fair, and the Kids' Holiday Party. Whether you can help with one event or several, your involvement plays a key role in creating high-quality, community-centred experiences for our neighbours.

Reach out to events@acadiaca.com if you can help plan and organize one of these events, or if you have any questions on how you can help!

A banner for the Acadia Community Association (ACA) featuring a blue background with a white diagonal stripe. On the left, the ACA logo is visible. The main text reads "VOLUNTEER WITH US" in large yellow letters, followed by "The ACA is built on strong foundations of volunteerism. Help keep those values alive and make an impact in your community!" in white. At the bottom left, there is a "JOIN US" button and a location pin icon next to the website "www.acadiaca.com/volunteer". On the right side of the banner, there is a photograph of two smiling volunteers, a man and a woman, standing behind a counter with a cash register.

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Divorce—Business Income is Personal Income

by Christopher Bungay, Divorce Lawyer



In many divorces, one spouse is the owner/operator of a business. In these families, the line between business income and personal income is often blurred. Many business owners (intentionally or not) often use their company credit cards and corporate money to pay for personal family and home expenses. As a result of this, the personal tax returns of a business owner often do not reflect their true personal income.

In the above scenario, the personal tax return of a business owner might show a very low amount of personal income, while their business tax return can show a very high amount of corporate earnings. It is also common to see personal expenses counted as “business expenses” on business tax returns. This is sometimes done intentionally so that CRA will think the business earns less and thus would be taxed less than it otherwise should be.

The mixing of personal/business income and expenses can cause significant problems in divorce cases. The amount a spouse must pay for child support and spousal support is often based on his or her reported personal income. A spouse who owns a business sometimes uses a false lower income amount on a personal tax return to argue they should pay a lower amount of support. Unfortunately, in many cases, the actual personal earnings power of the spouse is hidden within the business income.

Judges and divorce lawyers are keenly aware of

situations where business owners try to muddle their personal and business income. Fortunately, the law can protect vulnerable spouses and children in these cases. If a judge believes that a spouse is hiding income within a company, the business income can be used as the correct amount for determining support payments. Similarly, the law gives judges power to examine business expenses to ensure these are not actually personal expenses. In an Alberta divorce case, if a spouse is self-employed, he or she must demonstrate their business expenses are reasonable and that they are truly business expenses. If a self-employed spouse cannot show their business expenses are reasonable, a judge can add these expenses back into the spouse's income amount. In these situations, the higher income level, after adding back in the unreasonable expenses, is used to determine that spouse's support obligations.

It is also important to remember that many business-owning spouses are not intentionally hiding their income. The mixing of personal and business income can result from someone not understanding tax laws. Sometimes, a business owner is just too busy and is not paying enough attention to their personal/business spending patterns. However, whether intentional or not, divorce law is clear: business income and business expenses can both be used to determine the true personal earning power of a spouse.

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