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January	25	13	8	\$513,500	\$510,000
December	24	6	4	\$369,900	\$380,000
November	24	7	7	\$469,000	\$464,000
October	24	13	10	\$682,400	\$672,500
September	24	7	8	\$889,750	\$870,500
August	24	7	7	\$1,150,000	\$1,120,000
July	24	13	8	\$522,500	\$525,500
June	24	12	12	\$634,900	\$629,200
May	24	14	10	\$849,900	\$860,500
April	24	11	10	\$915,000	\$939,500
March	24	6	10	\$639,950	\$635,000

To view more detailed information that comprise the above
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DISCOVERY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (DRCA) EXECUTIVE (2025)

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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!

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Ridge Review Newsletter

Twelve publications per year

Website

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Email Us

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

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News, Events, & More



Crime Statistics



Real Estate Statistics



- April 7 at 7:30 pm - DRCA Regular Board Meeting
- April 8 at 7:30 pm - Public Safety and Community Engagement
- May 7 at 7:30 pm - DRCA Regular Board Meeting
- May 31 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm - Community Cleanup at Westside Kings Church

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

Please contact the DRCA to learn more about what we do 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.

LETTER FROM THE BOARD

Hello neighbours,

Weekly Farm Stand Coming to Discovery Ridge

The DRCA board has been collaborating with the City to bring a mini farmers' market to Discovery Ridge this summer. The Farm Stand Program is designed to provide Calgarians with easy access to locally grown produce right in their own community. We are excited to announce that Shirley's Greenhouse will be joining us this summer, offering a variety of greenhouse and field-grown produce, including tomatoes, cucumbers, lettuce, potatoes, kale, and more. They will also have an assortment of jams, relishes, farm-fresh eggs, and baked goods available. The Farm Stand program is tentatively scheduled to run on Saturdays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, starting in late May, and will be located near the parking lot of our recreation facilities. Stay tuned for more updates and keep an eye out for event signage near the fields this season!

Calgary Police Service – Community Safety Dashboard

Did you know that the Calgary Police Service maintains a Community Safety Dashboard at data.calgarypolice.ca. This dashboard offers detailed crime statistics for various neighbourhoods across Calgary, enabling residents and stakeholders to access up-to-date information on crime rates and trends. This resource is valuable for staying informed about local safety issues and fostering community engagement.

Below is an example of some of the information available:



Discovery Ridge remains very low on virtually all crime measures by comparison to other communities in Calgary. The DRCA plans to hold periodic virtual

information sessions for community residents with Calgary Police Service representatives to provide updates and answer any questions. Our next Public Safety and Community Engagement Awareness Session will be held April 8, 7:30 to 8:30 pm. Please visit www.discoveryridge.com for more information.

2025 Community Cleanup

The Discovery Ridge Community Association, alongside the Signal Hill and Springbank Hill communities are planning on another community cleanup day where we will have multiple city garbage trucks in a parking lot to assist you in removing some unwanted items from your home. Think of things like old electronics, tires, wood, mattresses, chairs, beds, landscaping etc.

Event Date: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Time: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Location: Westside Kings Church parking lot (SE corner of Springbank Blvd and 69 St SW)

The City will provide trucks to collect garbage going to the landfill. Other recycling vendors include: metal, electronics, tires, and household donations. The Drop-In Centre is accepting any furniture.

Unfortunately, we cannot accept organics, chemicals, contaminated materials, or hazardous items. Household hazardous waste can be dropped off at the fire stations located on this site with the nearest being the Lincoln Park/Garrison Green Fire Station #20 at 2800 Peacekeepers Way SW.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with the event – please contact volunteer@discoveryridge.com if you are interested in helping out.



The Discovery Ridge's very own Instagram page is now live! Follow for up-to-date information and action in our community. We are accepting submissions for our "Pets of Discovery Ridge" Series! Feel free to directly message our page with a picture of your pet and a little write up of their name, age, and little quirks :)



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In Honour of Volunteer Week 2025, The Discovery Ridge Community Association is inviting you to volunteer in your neighbourhood!

What we're looking for:

- Volunteers of various age groups,
- Roles:
 - Ice Rink Crew,
 - Board Members,
 - DRCA Casino,
 - Events and more...
- Individuals who want to grow our community.

Benefits:

- Letter of recommendation,
- Being a part of a large supportive community,
- Staying involved for a healthy lifestyle,
- Beating the winter blues & enjoying the summer heat!

Scan QR Code to sign up on Google Forms!



For more info, contact us below:



volunteer@discoveryridge.com



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Mother's Day

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Sunday, May 11 • 10:00 am – 2:00 pm • All welcome for a Free Family BBQ

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- Organizes social events such as Music in the Park, annual Stampede Round Up, 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.
- Communicates regularly with the Ward 6 Office 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 to purchase your \$25 membership or see the membership form.

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DRCA MEMBERSHIP FORM

- New Membership Renewal Membership

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Address: _____

Phone: _____

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Email: _____

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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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Mail to: Discovery Ridge Community Association - 160 Discovery Ridge Blvd - T3H 4Y3

Undersigned hereby consents to: (1) the collection of the personal information on this form; (2) the use of the information for the following purposes: to solicit volunteers for DRCA's programs and activities; to recruit members and solicit renewal of membership in DRCA; to solicit participation or membership in programs or activities provided by DRCA; to provide information to you on the DRCA programs and activities; (3) disclosure of the information in the DRCA register of members which is available for review by various members of the public as required by law. The purpose of collection of the information is to provide contact and registration information for DRCA and to use in and disclose it as described above. The DRCA does not sell membership lists. Designated members of the board of the DRCA are able to answer questions about the collection of the information.

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Homeowners' Association (NDHA) News

Happy April everyone! Spring seems to finally be settling in and not a moment too soon. While we are all waiting for the first shoots from our flower beds and buds on our trees, NDHA is working behind the scenes with our landscape team at ULS preparing for a busy growing season. The first priority (weather permitting of course!) will be spring cleanup of our greenspaces, medians, and boulevards.

City of Calgary "Branching Out Tree Program"

The City is working to grow and expand the tree canopy coverage within the city from 8.25% to 16%. You could get a free tree through this program – trees are provided by the City of Calgary to residents, to plant on your private property, at no cost to you. The Branching Out 2025 program is currently scheduled to open in late March or early April. You can get more information on the program webpage (<https://www.calgary.ca/parks-rec-programs/nature/branching-out.html>) as well as on Calgary Parks' Facebook or Instagram pages.

Black Knot Tree Fungus – Please Prune It Out!

If you look at your trees right now and you see a dark, lumpy mass clinging to any of the branches, you probably have a tree infested with Black Knot Fungus. Black Knot is endemic to Calgary and spreads via spores from within the lumpy mass. This fungus can infect Mayday, Chokecherry (including Schubert Chokecherry trees prevalent in Discovery Ridge), and other stone fruit trees. For the survival of your infested tree, it is recommended to prune it out while the tree is dormant (no leaves), and the mass is easy to see. Specific procedures must be followed when pruning to reduce further contamination.

The City of Calgary prunes Black Knot Fungus from trees on public property within our community. Please help to control this scourge and potentially save your own tree(s) by doing the same. Also consider your safety - hiring a professional certified arborist may be the best plan. More information on Black Knot can be found on the City's or Province's websites under "Black Knot Fungus".

Street Sweeping

The City of Calgary typically launches street sweeping in mid-April. At the time of writing, the community

schedule is not yet available. This schedule is weather-dependent. You can access the City of Calgary website for schedule updates or to sign up for their "Street Sweeping Alert" to get notified via email or text. Please note the following:

- During the program, daytime crews will sweep in neighbourhoods 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 cleanup.
- Parking bans are in place when signs are present. Vehicles are subject to be ticketed and towed. Please move all 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 cleanup 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 your 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, you can call 3-1-1 to have it emptied.

We are always happy to hear from our NDHA members. You can contact us in various ways via our website at www.ndha.ca, send us an email at General@ndha.ca, or even call us at 403-237-9595. As always, if you are interested in helping the NDHA maintain one of the most beautifully landscaped communities in Calgary, reach out through the website or email us at NDHAMembership@ndha.ca.

Have You Started Your 9 pm Routine?

by Calgary Police Service

Vehicle Theft and Car Prowling Prevention

- Garage openers should not be left in vehicles, or should be disengaged, as thieves can use them to gain entry into a home.
- Avoid parking in unlit areas at night.
- Lock your doors and close all windows at all times, even while you are in your yard.
- Hide your valuables out of sight, or better yet, take them with you.
- Don't keep extra keys in your vehicle.
- If you park your vehicle in a parkade, be sure that you do not let anyone else in who doesn't belong when you are entering and exiting.
- Report any suspicious activity or behaviour, such as someone trying door handles on parked vehicles.

Home and Garage Break-In Prevention

- Offenders will often break into a residence as a way to steal a vehicle parked outside the residence. When you're at home, store your vehicle keys away from the entrance to your house.
- Consider installing home and vehicle alarm systems and vehicle anti-theft devices.
- Ensure that all doors and windows are secured at all times, even when you are home. Culprits need mere moments to commit a theft or break-in. If you do open any windows or doors, make sure you only open them for rooms that someone is present in.
- Report any suspicious people or activity in your community by calling 403-266-1234 or 9-1-1 if there is a crime in progress.

9 PM ROUTINE

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- Remove valuables & garage door openers from vehicles
- Lock vehicles
- Close overhead garage door
- Lock door between garage & house
- Close & lock all external doors
- Ensure windows are shut
- Turn on exterior light



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1. This flower's colour depends on the acidity of the soil.
2. Named after the Greek messenger of the gods, this flower comes in nearly all colours of the rainbow except red.
3. Despite misconceptions, this spring-blooming bulbous plant is not officially the Dutch national flower.
4. This prickly pink plant became Alberta's floral emblem in 1930.
5. The national flower of South Africa belongs to one of the oldest families of flowering plants on Earth – approximately 300 million years!
6. This flower's Greek name, Galanthus, translates to "milk flower".



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by Alberta Health Services EMS

Most injuries occur when a cyclist suffers a fall, strikes a stationary object, or collides with another cyclist or pedestrian. It is the law in Alberta that cyclists under the age of 18 must wear a helmet (and 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.
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Zucchini Spears with Zesty Tomato Sauce

by Jennifer Puri

Zucchini is a green, oblong squash that is typically served in savoury dishes. It has a mild taste and the smaller to medium-sized zucchinis have the best flavour.

Low in calories but high in fibre, zucchini contains more potassium than a banana. Loaded with vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants, zucchini is good for the digestive system and eye health.

Zucchini can be eaten raw in a salad or with a dip, but it can also be steamed, sautéed, added to breads, muffins, and pancakes, stuffed with rice and meats, or spiralized into zucchini noodles.

Baked zucchini with herbs and parmesan cheese is a quick and easy side dish, as shown in the zucchini spears with zesty tomato sauce recipe below.

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes

Servings: 4

Ingredients:

- 4 medium-sized zucchinis
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 2 tbsp. fresh oregano
- 1 cup finely crushed breadcrumbs
- 1 cup shaved or grated parmesan cheese
- ½ tsp. salt
- ½ tsp. ground black pepper
- 1 tsp. red chilli flakes (optional)

Tomato Sauce

- 1 small can (398 ml) tomato sauce
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 8 cherry tomatoes halved
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 2 tbsp. oregano
- 1 tsp. sugar
- Salt and pepper to taste

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 450 degrees Fahrenheit.
2. Rinse the zucchini and pat dry with a paper towel. Place the zucchini on a cutting board, trim the ends off, and then slice into four pieces lengthwise.



3. Place the zucchini spears on a foil-lined baking sheet, drizzle with olive oil, and then sprinkle with salt, pepper, and oregano. Next sprinkle the breadcrumbs evenly over the zucchini followed by the parmesan cheese and red chilli flakes if using.
4. Place the zucchini on the middle rack of the oven and bake for 12 minutes uncovered. Make sure not to overcook the zucchini as it will turn mushy.
5. To make the tomato sauce add olive oil to a small pan over medium heat. Add the chopped garlic and sauté for about a minute, then add the cherry tomatoes and oregano. Sauté for another couple of minutes and then add the tomato sauce, salt, pepper, and the sugar. Simmer until the sauce starts to thicken and then remove from heat.

To serve, place the zucchini spears on a platter and pour some of the tomato sauce over it. Leftover tomato sauce can be stored in the fridge in an airtight container for a couple of days.

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