

Farm Stands across Calgary are coming to a neighbourhood near you this spring!

Since 2017, The City has partnered with local and regional farms to offer Calgarians more options for fresh and local food through The Farm Stand Program. This program supports 9 incredible farmers and vendors with over 30 farm stands to bring more fresh fruit, vegetables, and artisanal products to more Calgary communities.

Beyond increasing accessibility for Calgarians to purchase healthy, fresh and local food, the Farm Stand Program supports local and regional growers by creating more places for them to sell their produce.

When you shop at a farm stand, you get to participate in your food shopping in a new and personal way. You can ask questions about how your food was grown, get recipe ideas, get to know your farmer, connect with your neighbours and keep your dollars spent in the local economy. You also help to build a stronger local food system, which keeps us all stronger when we face various disruptions to our food systems, such as a pandemic, fuel price increases, or political instability.

Launch dates for each farm stand vary throughout May-June and most of the stands run weekly for two to five hours. We encourage all Calgarians to stop by your local farm stand, grab some delicious seasonal produce, chat with a farmer and learn more about where your food comes from.

To learn more about the program, or find a location near you, visit <u>calgary.ca/localfood</u>.

ChargeYYC: helping Calgarians install EV chargers in multi-residential buildings

ChargeYYC is designed to support residents living in apartments, townhouses, rowhouses, and other multi-residential buildings to install electric vehicle (EV) chargers. This initiative is part of The City's commitment to prepare for the future of low carbon transportation.

Building owners and property managers can apply into Phase 1 of the program for financial incentives of up to \$4,000 to develop a plan to install EV chargers in their buildings. ChargeYYC aims to simplify the process and reduce the costs associated with EV charger installations, making it easier for more Calgarians to own electric vehicles.

Motor vehicles are a major contributor to Calgary's greenhouse gas emissions, making programs like ChargeYYC essential for achieving the city's climate goals. The first phase of the program focuses on planning, with future phases offering additional financial incentives for installation.

For more details and to apply, visit <u>calgary.ca/chargeyyc</u>.

### **Creating Calgary's Business-Friendly Construction Policy**

As The City continues to invest in infrastructure and amenities for all Calgarians, we are working to enhance the way businesses and customers experience City-led construction.

Throughout 2025 we've been actively listening to Calgary's business community and their customers to help shape policy objectives that support a more consistent approach and improve how Calgarians experience City-led construction.

### Learn more and share your input!

Throughout June, we will be gathering feedback during Phase 3 engagement to refine the policy objectives and prepare the final recommendation. Learn more and see how you can participate at engage.calgary.ca/BusinessFriendlyPolicy.

### Register to vote in Calgary's General Election in October

Calgary's General Election will take place on October 20, 2025 and eligible voters can check if they are registered, update their information or add themselves to the Permanent Electors Register until August 1, 2025.

Visit www.voterlink.ab.ca or call Elections Alberta toll free at 310.0000 then dial 780.427.7191.

If you miss the opportunity to register or update your information in advance, you can register at the voting station during Advance Vote (Oct. 6-11) or on Election Day (Oct. 20). Information about Calgary's upcoming General Election, including voter eligibility can be found at www.electionscalgary.ca.

### **Celebrate Neighbour Day!**

Celebrate Neighbour Day in your community on Saturday, June 21! Get involved in this year's event by gathering with your neighbours for a block party or community event. In addition to the many neighbourhood events taking place across the city on June 21, Sport Calgary's All Sport One Day will also give children a free opportunity to try a new sport, while collecting donations of used sports equipment.

Neighbour Day is our city's annual celebration of community spirit and connection. Held on the third Saturday in June, Neighbour Day is a step toward creating welcoming and inclusive communities where neighbours connect and belong every day of the year. Get to know your neighbours—whether through a friendly chat or a helping hand, small connections build stronger communities and a greater sense of belonging and wellbeing.

Show us how you're celebrating! Share your photos on social media using #YYCNeighbourDay.

To see Neighbour Day events in your community visit <a href="calgary.ca/NeighbourDay">calgary.ca/NeighbourDay</a>.

Seniors' Week is celebrated annually across Alberta, and it will be held this year from June 2 to 8. This week is a wonderful opportunity to express our gratitude for older adults and acknowledge the invaluable contributions they make to our communities. Seniors are dynamic and integral members of community life. They support their families and friends, volunteer their time and resources to various charities, and play a crucial role in enriching our communities.

Activities across the city will reflect the theme, Explore, Engage, and Boldly Embrace Aging in Calgary, which highlights the importance of aging well, and being active and engaged. Seniors' Week is not just for older adults, it's a time when seniors-sector organizations, not-for-profits and Calgarians from all walks of life come together to organize a variety of fun, inclusive, cross-cultural, and multi-generational events in our city.

Get involved! Drop into any Seniors' Week event of your choice, meet seniors and other members of the community, and just have fun. Join us in celebrating Seniors' Week and make this year's event the most memorable yet! Seniors' Week events and updates will be posted at <u>calgary.ca/seniorsweek</u>.

### Property tax is due Monday, June 30, pay or join TIPP by then to avoid late payment penalties

Property tax bills were mailed out on May 14, with a payment due date of Monday, June 30.

New this year, property owners will also be able to access online their current year's tax bill, and four previous years, through the City Of Calgary's secure website, <a href="mailto:calgary.ca/mytax">calgary.ca/mytax</a>.

The City's Tax Instalment Payment Plan (TIPP) is the most popular payment method. You pay the same amount as your annual property tax bill, but instead of one large lump sum payment in June, you pay smaller monthly instalments. TIPP makes budgeting easier, and you reduce the risk of late payment penalties.

Signing up for TIPP is easy and you don't need to re-apply each year. The easiest and fastest way to join is using TIPP Online. It's easy, safe and secure. Through TIPP online, your customized agreement will be

processed automatically. Once you submit, you will receive an email confirming your enrolment. To access TIPP Online, go to calgary.ca/TIPP and click on the Join TIPP box.

You can also request a TIPP agreement by calling 311. If calling from outside Calgary dial 403-268-2489.

Plan enrolment must be completed by the due date shown on your tax bill to avoid a late payment penalty.

If you're already on TIPP, you can visit <u>calgary.ca/TIPP</u> to learn how your monthly TIPP instalments are calculated and adjusted.