**Curbside Treasure Hunt: One weekend. Thousands of finds. Endless possibilities.**

On Sept. 6 and 7, join the city-wide Curbside Treasure Hunt by setting gently used items on your curb, marked “free” for neighbours to take. It’s a fun and easy way to give your things a second life and keep usable items out of the landfill.

How it works:
**1. Clear the clutter**
Find gently used items you no longer need—books, toys, small furniture, electronics, etc.
**2. Label it “FREE”**
Clearly mark each item with a “FREE” sign. Only labeled items are part of the event. Download signs at [calgary.ca/treasurehunt](http://calgary.ca/treasurehunt)
**3. Set it out**
Place your items neatly at the curb Saturday morning.
**4. Treasure hunt!**
Explore your neighbourhood and discover free finds all weekend long.
**5. Wrap up by 5 p.m. Sunday**
Take in anything left and consider donating to a local charity.

For safety reasons, please don’t put out items that could be hazardous or not safe to reuse, such as:
• Mattresses
• Toilets
• Baby gear or safety equipment that may not meet current standards

Do you live in a condo or apartment? You can participate as well! Coordinate with your property manager to establish a shared drop-off location.

On Aug 5, we launched an interactive map at [calgary.ca/treasurehunt](http://calgary.ca/treasurehunt) to help treasure hunters find their way and allow participants to post where items are available across Calgary. Let’s keep good things out of the landfill and in the community—happy treasure hunting!

**Let’s keep our kids safe as they head back to school**

As we gear up for the school year, we are asking people who drive to prioritize the safety of our students, and remember these safety tips:

* **The kids are counting on us. Slow down and look out for them, especially in playground zones and around schools.** It takes less than a minute to travel through most playground zones and speeding typically only “saves” a driver 10 seconds. Be safe and slow down.
* **Watch the crosswalks.** Stopping or parking too close to a crosswalk creates dangerous conditions for pedestrians. People crossing the street cannot see past a car that is parked too close and approaching drivers cannot see pedestrians. Stopping too close to a crosswalk, even for just a minute, is too long. Be safe and watch out – please do not block crosswalks.
* **Double parking creates unsafe conditions.** Double parking is when a vehicle stops or parks in the roadway alongside another already parked car. Double parked vehicles not only obstruct the flow of traffic but can block the view of other drivers, making it difficult to see pedestrians or other vehicles. Encouraging passengers to get out of the car when double parked puts them in harm’s way. When you choose to double park, even just for a minute, our kids are at risk of getting hurt. Be safe, park smart!

When driving, please choose safety over convenience – the kids are counting on us.

Learn more at [calgary.ca/besafe](http://Calgary.ca/besafe).

**Celebrate Calgary Culture Days this September**

Calgary Culture Days showcases the people, places and stories that make our city one of a kind. From Sept. 1 to 30, experience this city-wide celebration of local arts, culture, heritage and community spirit.

Events are taking place downtown and in neighbourhoods across the city — many of them free and family-friendly. Whether you’re catching a live performance, exploring a pop-up exhibit or taking part in a hands-on workshop, there’s something to discover around every corner.

It’s your chance to connect with Calgary’s creative scene and celebrate the vibrant cultures that shape our city.

See what’s happening near you at [calgary.ca/culturedays](http://www.calgary.ca/culturedays).

**Get the lowdown on slowdowns: how we keep Calgarians moving**

We know construction season can be frustrating The City of Calgary’s Mobility teams work in close collaboration with project managers and city event organizers to avoid multiple delays and plan for traffic flow congestion.  [The City’s Traffic Management Centre](https://www.calgary.ca/roads/traffic-management-centre.html?redirect=/tmc) monitors roadways 24/7 by using traffic cameras, live traffic data and digital road signs.

It’s not a pain when you have a plan. And we have Waze to help. [The City partnership with Waze](https://newsroom.calgary.ca/city-of-calgary-partners-with-waze-for-cities-data/) means you can get real-time traffic flow and construction updates right in the app. This free download is our preferred navigation tool because it syncs with The City’s advanced traffic system. With the right tools you can get to where you need to go.

Learn more at [calgary.ca/planyourtrip](https://www.calgary.ca/roads/conditions/navigating-construction.html?redirect=/planyourtrip).