

THE WARD 11 WIRE

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monthly newsletter

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Find something fun to do this summer!



The City of Calgary offers a variety of fun, free, and low-cost programs for children, youth, and families across the city.

Kids ages 6–12 can enjoy Park n' Play, featuring field games, creative activities, and special guest speakers. Youth ages 11–15 can take part in LEAD, LEAD 2.0, and Nature LEAD programs to build leadership skills, earn a certificate, and gain hands-on community experience.

Families can also check out free wheeled activities at Mobile Skate & Scoot sites, sign up for Skate Spot skateboard lessons, or explore nature through Birding Breaks, Wetland Wonders, Community Nature Walks, and YYC Trees guided walks.

The City also offers Sport Hub, a community-based program that provides free or low-cost sport lessons for kids and teens ages 6–17. Equipment is provided, and sessions are led by coaches from local sport organizations.

Find free programs at calgary.ca/free and Sport Hub lessons at calgary.ca/SportHubLessons.



Community Representation

Concerns With The Calgary Plan

I recently brought forward an amendment to stop work on the proposed Calgary Plan and instead focus on targeted updates to Calgary's existing Municipal Development Plan. Unfortunately, the amendment did not pass.

My concern is that much of Ward 11 is identified for future intensification under the Calgary Plan, including areas within 400 metres of the Primary Transit Network and within 600 metres of LRT and BRT stations.

While the Calgary Plan does not rezone individual parcels, it does provide policy direction that could support future densification. I believe growth and housing are important, but residents deserve transparency about how these policies may affect their communities.

Take a look at the maps and let me know what you think. Do these maps reflect the future you want for Ward 11? Send your comments, questions, or concerns to Councillor Ward at ward11@calgary.ca to help inform his discussions going forward.

Message from the Cllr. Ward

Happy July! Our Ward 11 office hopes everyone enjoys the warm weather, community events, and time with family and neighbor's this month. We also wish everyone a very happy Canada Day on July 1st and a safe, fun, and memorable Calgary Stampede. Enjoy the celebrations and have a wonderful month ahead!



Rain barrel rebates

Rain barrels are a simple way to collect rainwater for trees, shrubs, and flowers while reducing outdoor water use and stormwater runoff.

The City of Calgary's 2026 Rain Barrel Rebate is available through Green Calgary. Eligible households can receive \$50 back per rain barrel, up to 3 rebates per household, while funding lasts. Applications are open until October 31, 2026, or until all 3,500 rebates are allocated.

The rebate applies to the rain barrel container only. Accessories, add-ons, and resale barrels are not eligible. Receipts must be dated within 12 months of applying.

Learn more at calgary.ca/rainbarrel.

Watering schedule

Calgary's year-round watering schedule allows sprinkler or irrigation use up to three days per week:

- Even addresses: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
- Odd addresses: Wednesday, Friday, Sunday

Water before 10 a.m. or after 7 p.m. on your assigned days to reduce evaporation.

Hand watering plants, watering new grass/trees/shrubs, watering fruits and vegetables, filling pools or hot tubs, washing outdoor surfaces, and running through sprinklers are allowed any day, anytime.

Learn more at calgary.ca/whentowater.

Community cleanup!

Each year, The City partners with community organizations and volunteers to host community cleanups, giving residents an easy way to dispose of items that do not fit in the black cart.

All Calgarians are welcome to attend any cleanup location, regardless of where they live. No commercial or contractor waste will be accepted.

The 2026 cleanups run city-wide from April 25 to September 27, with local upcoming events including:

- July 4, 2026, 9:00 AM–2:00 PM — Willow Park/Maple Ridge, 680 Acadia Drive SE
- July 26, 2026, 9:00 AM–2:00 PM — Windsor Park, 5304 6 St SW
- September 13, 2026, 9:00 AM–2:00 PM — Cedarbrae, 11024 Oakfield Drive SW
- September 26, 2026, 9:00 AM–2:00 PM — Southwood, 10690 Elbow Drive SW

For more information, check out community cleanups.



See You in the Community!

Have an upcoming event, grand opening, or community celebration? Councillor Rob Ward and the Ward 11 team are always happy to connect with residents. Reach out to us at CLWard11@calgary.ca – we'd love to attend, participate, or support your event if we can.

Your City, Your Voice!

Applications for The City of Calgary's Boards, Commissions and Committees open Friday, July 31, 2026.

Share your experience, support inclusion, and help shape decisions for Calgary.

Apply at calgary.ca/boards by Tuesday, September 1 at 4:00 p.m.

Know someone who should be at the table? Please share this with them!

Neighbour Day 2026



It was great to visit residents in Oakridge, Windsor Park, Southwood, and Acadia for Neighbour Day. While rain and hail kept us from making all of our planned stops, we hope everyone had a wonderful day. We look forward to visiting more Ward 11 communities next year!

Outdoor Fire Safety



As Calgary's summers get hotter and drier, please help reduce outdoor fire risks.

Check for fire bans or advisories before using fire pits, barbecues, or open flames. Never put cigarettes in planters, keep propane, firewood, and yard waste away from your home, prune low branches, space new trees at least three metres apart, and clear debris within 1.5 metres of your home. Visit calgary.ca/firebans.