



East Village Place Community Space

Stakeholder Report Back: What we Heard

November 4, 2016

Project overview

On June 30, 2016, Calgary Housing Company became the new owner of East Village Place (750 – 5th St. S.E.). East Village Place consists of 163 apartments and approximately 23,000 square feet of community space on the first two floors of 610 – 8th Ave S.E. This project is looking to develop the first two floors of the building for community use. As part of the plan's development, The City would like to collaborate with community members to hear their ideas on how they would like to see the space used.

Input has been sought from community members on their vision of the space and how it could benefit the whole community.

Engagement overview

This report reflects information that was collected through online engagement activities. For information collected from in-person activities, [click here](#).

Engagement aimed to capture:

- Citizen input into the community identified needs regarding the usage of space within the East Village Place Community Space

Online engagement included an online survey from Aug.10 – Sept. 21, 2016. In total, 58 respondents provided input through this survey. The information reflected in this report is representative of the 58 people who participated in the survey and should not be considered statistically representative.

Engagement Guiding Principles

In alignment with City Council's [engage! Policy](#), all engagement efforts, including this one are defined as: purposeful dialogue between The City and citizens and stakeholders to gather meaningful information to influence decision making.

As a result, all engagement follow the following principles:

- **Citizen-centric:** focusing on hearing the needs and voices of both directly impacted and indirectly impacted citizens
- **Accountable:** upholding the commitments that The City makes to its citizens and stakeholders by demonstrating that the results and outcomes of the engagement processes are consistent with the approved plans for engagement
- **Inclusive:** making best efforts to reach, involve and hear from those who are impacted directly or indirectly
- **Committed:** allocating sufficient time and resources for effective engagement of citizens and stakeholders
- **Responsive:** acknowledging citizen and stakeholder concerns
- **Transparent:** providing clear and complete information around decision processes, procedures and constraints.

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How information of the project was shared

Information of this project was shared with community members through:

- Calgary Municipal Land Corporation (CMLC) communications
- East Village Neighbourhood Association (EVNA) website and/or social media
- Postcard delivered to your door
- Posters in your building
- Website
- Window display in East Village Place
- Word of mouth
- Condo association
- Church
- City of Calgary resource

What we asked

Input reflected here was collected through an online survey. Question six on the survey was amended after the survey was launched based on feedback from a community group. The change to the question limited the person completing the survey to three choices. As a result of the amendment to question six, five per cent of who responded provided more than three choices.

For a detailed list of all questions asked online, please see [Appendix A](#).

Who we heard from

We heard from 58 people all across East Village: volunteers, Calgarians who work in the neighbourhood, and residents in the community. Age range, connection to East Village and building participation are reflected in the following charts. Chart 1 shows the age range; chart 2 shows participants' connection to East Village; and, chart 3 shows what building respondents are from.



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Chart 1

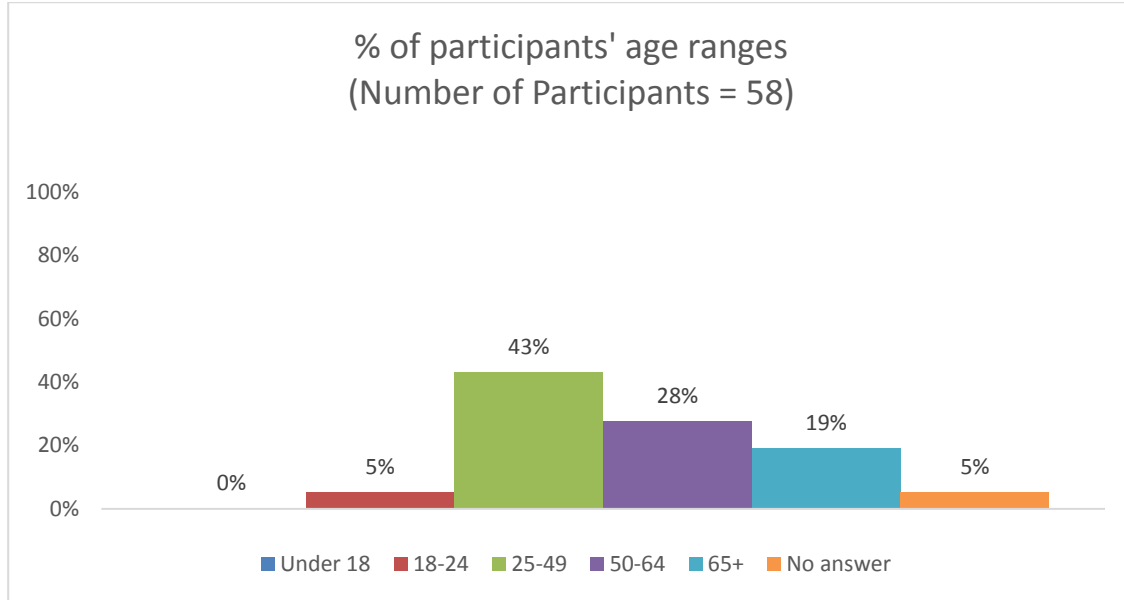
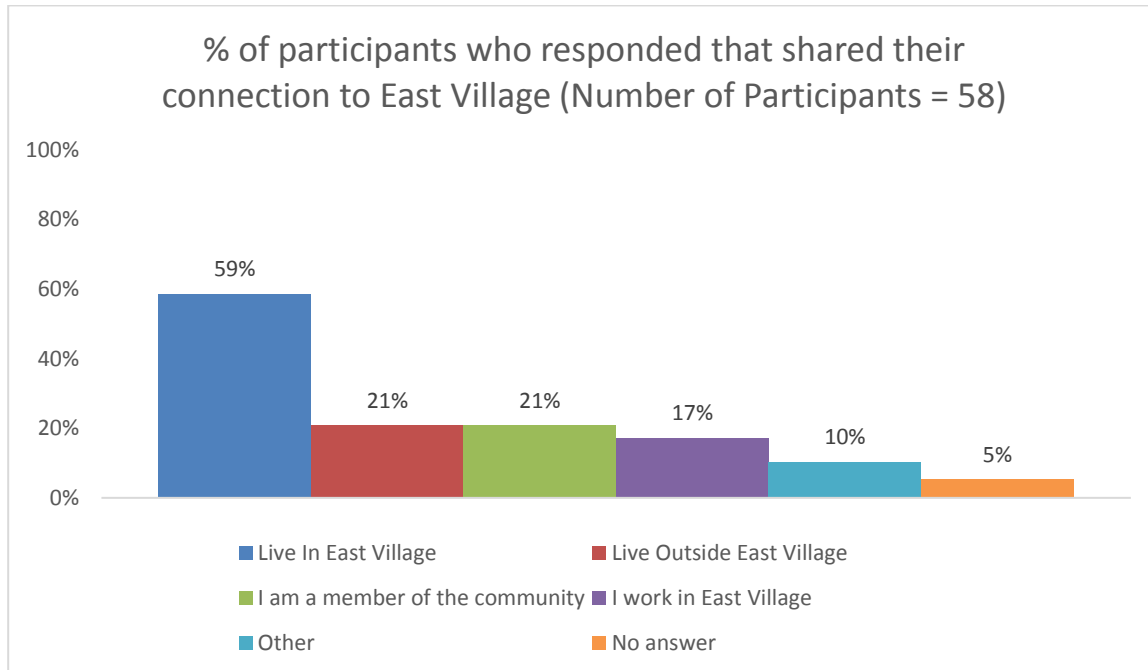


Chart 2



*this chart exceeds 100% as some participants checked off more than one response

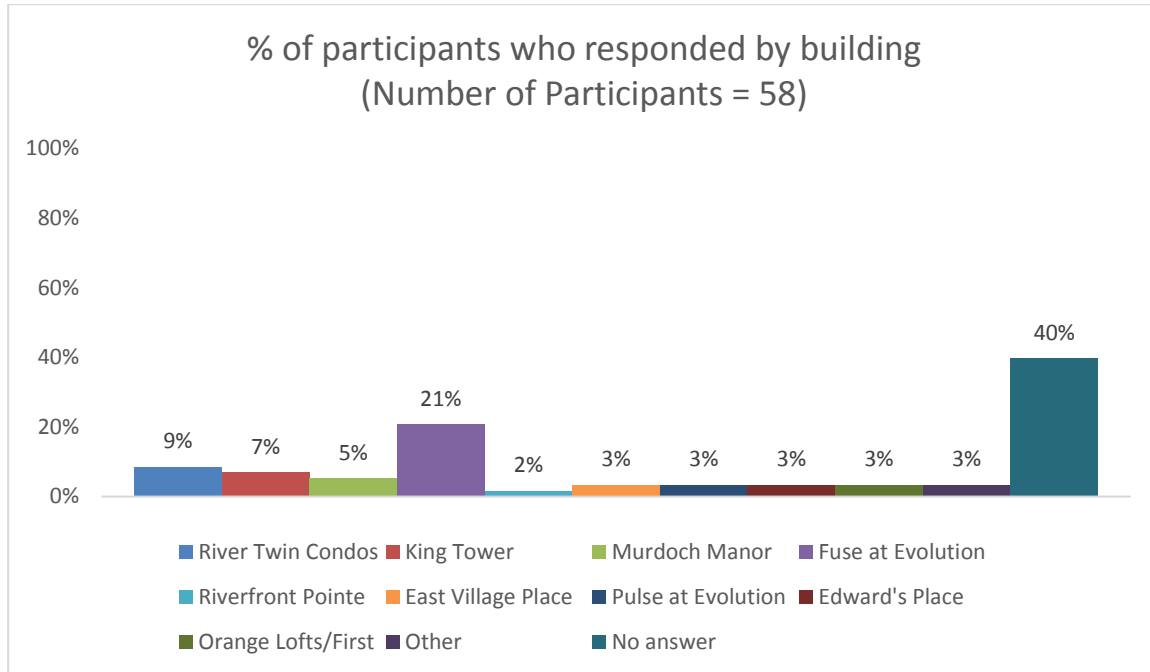


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Chart 3



*Your responses are not in any way connected with your place of residence.

What we heard

A wide range of input was received and we have reviewed all your feedback. We received responses from 58 participants via completion of the online survey.

Top themes that were identified upon review of your input are captured below. We start by sharing themes based on your responses regarding your vision for the community space (**Focused Responses**) and then expand to share the top themes identified when we combined your feedback from all the questions that we asked (**General Responses**).

For a detailed breakdown of all the collected comments, please see the [Verbatim](#) section of this report, which can be found in [Appendix B](#).

Focused Responses

The objective of engagement for this project was to capture citizen input into the community identified needs regarding the usage of space within the East Village Place Community Space. On the next page, you will see four questions that focused on the space and the top themes associated with each that speak directly to what you envision this community space to be.



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Question that we asked	Top ideas you shared with us
Thinking about the first two floors that will be developed for community use in East Village Place, in your opinion, what should be included in this community space?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A social gathering space... somewhere to meet your friends and interact • Space that anyone can reserve and use • Space for community groups to host events

Question that we asked	Top ideas you shared with us
What programs, services, businesses or other amenities would encourage you, your friends or your family to come to this community space?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entertainment, including events and fairs would encourage use of space • An affordable restaurant / coffee shop / beverage establishment would be reason to visit a community space • A gym and access to fitness related activities for various ages

Question that we asked	Top ideas you shared with us
How should this community space look and feel?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A space that is inviting, welcoming and inclusive • A space that has a natural feel and is bright with natural light

Question that we asked	Top ideas you shared with us
What programs, services, business or other amenities are missing from the East Village?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grocery stores and farmers' markets are missing from East Village • A variety of food establishments that have a diverse menu and price point is missing • A recreation facility with exercise classes and space for everyone to enjoy is missing

General Responses

These are the top themes that were found when we combined all of the input collected from all your feedback in online engagement. They are outlined in the following table and are explained in more detail in the [Summary of Input](#) on page 6.

Feedback across online feedback	Top ideas you shared with us
When we combine all your responses, the top ideas that you shared with us are:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to a variety of food establishments that have a diverse menu and price point to ensure affordability for community members would be appealing in a community space • Grocery stores and farmers' markets that are responsive to residents' financial situations and mobility



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A range of amenities and services, including medical, dental, and postal were identified as missing from East Village • Access to entertainment, including art, culture and music is important in a community space • A community space should feel inviting, welcoming and inclusive and accommodate a wide range of uses including exercise classes, recreational activities and space for everyone to enjoy • Opportunities to socialize and learn are considered important aspects of a community space
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Summary of Input

Summary of Feedback

All comments are reviewed to create themes. Each theme includes a summary and examples of verbatim comments in quotation marks. These are the exact words you used. Verbatim comments have not been altered to ensure we capture all responses accurately. For all verbatim comments go to Appendix B. This table shows some of the themes and the verbatim comments that support these themes.

- For a verbatim listing of all the input that was provided, please see the [Verbatim Responses](#) section.

Summary of top themes from online engagement	
Theme	Detailed explanation and supporting examples
Access to a variety of food establishments that have a diverse menu and price point to ensure affordability for community members would be appealing in a community space	<p>You told us that you wanted access to restaurants and coffee shops in East Village that are responsive to your respective financial situations. You shared that you want a comfortable space that is affordable where you can meet friends and new people.</p> <p>“Variety of cafes/restaurants (Different price points and cuisines)” “An affordable cafe. A comfortable space to meet friends to socialize. A space simply to get away from the lonely four walls you sit in day after day.” “More coffee shops or cafes with little patios; an outdoor fitness set up would be cool with outdoor fitness "equipment" like bars etc”</p>



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<p>Grocery stores and farmers' markets that are responsive to residents' financial situations and mobility</p>	<p>You shared that you would like the addition of affordable grocery stores and farmers' markets in East Village. You also told us that you envision a centre that has food delivery options for residents experiencing mobility challenges.</p> <p>"Affordable grocery stores (i.e. No Frills, Superstore, and Walmart)" "low cost non-profit groceries with delivery service for shut-ins doubling up with school lunch program"</p>
<p>A range of amenities and services, including medical, dental, and postal were identified as missing from East Village</p>	<p>It is interesting to note that some of you shared that you would like to have more access to a range of amenities like unique stores, postal outlets as well as opportunities for services like lending libraries. You shared that you would like a community hub model that offers a variety of services in one location.</p> <p>"A permanent church, a medical clinic, a social worker/counselor office . . ." "Farmer's markets, Unique boutiques/amenties, public spaces." "Tools for woodworking, bikes, gardens, etc." "a place for more services under one roof"</p>
<p>Access to entertainment, including art, culture and music is important in a community space</p>	<p>You shared with us a wide range of entertainment opportunities you would like in a community space. Ideas that were most prominent included space for music and theatre performances. You also expressed a desire to experience cultural programming and art.</p> <p>"Entertainment such as performances (comedians, theatre, shows), fairs or trade shows" "Performance/Theatre/Art space" "Artistic/cultural programming. Educational activities."</p>
<p>A community space should feel inviting, welcoming and inclusive and accommodate a wide range of uses including exercise classes, recreational activities and space for everyone to enjoy</p>	<p>Your vision of a community space included a space that should feel welcoming, accessible and inclusive of all who go there. You shared that you would like a community space that is host to meeting spaces, activities for all ages and promotes a sense of community spirit. Interestingly, you also shared an idea for a functional space with moveable furniture to accommodate a diverse use of the space and a bright space that allowed for natural light.</p>



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	<p>“It should be 100% accessible for the disabled, have soft neutral colors on the walls, comfy seats, tables, area for people to use laptops, gender neutral accessible washrooms, and should be welcoming to everyone.”</p> <p>“pictures/art/projects/etc. so it is more like home. Functional and adaptable furniture that can be grouped for that particular use and then re-arranged for another use.”</p> <p>“a space used by different groups with different activities within the community”</p> <p>“A space where there are activities, meeting place for seniors and younger people, should be a space for all. Should be something to do everyday.”</p> <p>“All ages getting together. People can talk, walk, engage in recreational activities.”</p>
<p>Opportunities to socialize and learn are considered important aspects of a community space</p>	<p>You shared with us the importance of an environment where you can socialize and learn new things. You envisioned a space that would be conducive to meeting your neighbours somewhere that is affordable and accessible. Educational opportunities and study areas were shared by some of you as a good use of a community space.</p> <p>“Socialization and meetings - inexpensive, easily accessible”</p> <p>“A welcoming environment/area with the purpose of connecting neighbours.”</p> <p>“A multi-functional place where all community members can interact and socialize/learn/engage.”</p> <p>“Motivational speakers, coaches”</p> <p>“Artistic/cultural programming. Educational activities.”</p>

Next steps

Input into the East Village Place Community Space project is completed and no additional feedback is being sought. The information collected through online that is included in this report will be shared with the project team, led by Calgary Neighbourhoods. This report will also be shared with members of the public, including anyone who provided input.

Feedback received from engagement will inform Calgary Housing Company in developing criteria to include in the Request for Proposal for an organization to make use of the space located on the first two floors of 610 – 8th Ave S.E.



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Results of engagement will be shared at two open houses hosted by Calgary Neighbourhoods. Open houses are scheduled for:

- November 7, 5:30 – 8 p.m. at the St. Louis Hotel (430 - 8th Ave S.E.)
- November 10, 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Murdoch Manor Auditorium (808 - 5th St. S.E.)

Open houses will be promoted in East Village through the use of posters, personal invitations to anyone who provided their contact information at the small table conversations, the East Village Neighbourhood Association website and other forms of social media and The City of Calgary Community Social Worker in East Village. This report will be uploaded to <http://engage.calgary.ca/EVP>. Additionally, Calgary Neighbourhoods will share regular project updates at the quarterly East Village Neighbourhood Association town hall meetings.



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Appendix A

Online Engagement Survey

1. When you meet your family, friends, neighbours or other people, where do you like to go most often?
2. Why do you go there? What do you like about it? What time of day do you go there?
3. When I hear the words “community space” I think of ...
4. Thinking about the things you do, use and visit every day, are the places you go most often located Inside East Village or Outside East Village?
5. What programs, services, business or other amenities are missing from the East Village?
6. Thinking about the first two floors that will be developed for community use in East Village Place (shown in the photo above), in your opinion, what should be included in this community space? (Please select your TOP 3 priorities)
 - Space that anyone can reserve and use
 - Space for vendors, retailer or other businesses
 - Space for community-minded businesses
 - Space for community groups to host events
 - Space for organizations to provide services to the community
 - A social gathering space... somewhere to meet your friends and interact
 - Space for a community church
 - A dedicated space for seniors programming
 - A fitness space
 - A community performance/theatre/auditorium space
 - Other, please specify
7. What programs, services, businesses or other amenities would encourage you, your friends or your family to come to this community space?
8. How should this community space look and feel?
9. How did you hear about the East Village Place Community Space project?
10. Which of the following best describes you?
 - I live in the East Village
 - I live outside the East Village
 - I am a member of the Community
 - I work in the East Village
 - Other, please specify
11. If you live in East Village, where do you live?
12. I identify as ... male, female, other
13. My age is ...



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Appendix B

Verbatim Comments

Verbatim comments are written here as they were submitted and have not been amended/alterd. Feedback followed by “*Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*” is input that was submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods on behalf of respondents who participated in in-person activities on paper surveys. The letter ‘X’ has been used to replace personal names that were removed from this report.

Online Feedback

When you meet your family, friends, neighbours or other people, where do you like to go most often?

- Coffee shop or for a walk by the river
- out aound E.V. Since the clean up its convenienet to just go somewhere close by.
- Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods. I stay at home. I can't go over to friend's houses because they aren't accessible for my wheelchair and I'd rather not go to restaurants.
- East Village. *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- Nearest coffee shop *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- Coffee shop, bar, park
- The river parks
- Coffee shop; outside
- To a nearby restaurant or a park.
- Markets, pubs, restaurants, yoga, outdoor spaces
- restaurant, go for a walk, and church and shoping *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- Outdoor parks, restaurant, pub, coffee shop, farmers market *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- To a pub.
- To a pub or music venue.
- Movies, picnics, personal development
- Movies, picnics, motivational speakers
- Fitness centre, park
- Eau Claire
- Kensington area
- Coffe shops, nice parks with offleash areas for puppies
- The river pathway and St. Patrick's Island.
- Bar *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- For coffee. Tim Hortons. Also, restaurants. *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- Community meeting room, affordable

- Cafes or restaurants. Fitness classes (yoga, spin, etc.) *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- Downtown/inner City: East Village, Bridgeland, Inglewood, Stephen Ave, 17th Ave, Mission *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- To the park or for coffee
- to a restaurant or event with energy and a vibe
- Restaurants, Coffee Shops, Bars.
- Restaurants , movies, parks
- Out for lunch or dinner. *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- restaurant
- Coffee shop, free seating area (park, lobby, indoor community area)
- We enjoy going to Kensington/Sunnyside
- restaurant or bar
- Out to eat or coffee
- Tim Hortons or the Calgary Public Library (Forest Lawn branch)
- Restaurants and Parks
- To places like Coffee shops, or community areas
- peoples homes.
- Coffee places or eating place (restaurants) with ethnic food. *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- Up until it was closed, I and my family would be in the Auditorium space of the Golden Age Center at least once per week and to the cafe on the second floor at least every other week.
- Church and the various coffee shops and restaurants and various events in the EV community
- Restaurant, bar, café, park, my/their house
- Mostly private residences - though public parks are great for BBQs
- A lot of them come to visit me here (in his building). My sons take me out to nice restaurants. *Submitted by Calgary Neighbourhoods*
- coffee shops; shared events like theatre and concerts; dinner or lunch out in a restaurant.
- A local pub
- Restaurants, pub, theatre or arts events
- home, lunch out, local sites, zoo, calgary towers
- Restaurant, coffee, walking in a park
- Restauant
- For walks around the river or to a pub, or both!
- Sitting together, having a coffee, tea or a meal and chat

Why do you go there? What do you like about it? What time of day do you go there?

- It's a place outside of my work that we can sit
- at night, the coffee shops and parks are great places to go. The art is very neat around my community!



- I live there. I love the area with all the trees and open spaces.
- convenient
- I go to those places because they offer a neutral space for conversation, food and drink, as well as opportunities for people watching
- The nature, the open space, the trees. The daytime.
- Available, no cost or barriers, anytime
- Because it's social and a treat. I have 5 grandchildren and like to do things that aren't too costly.
- Eat a meal with and talk, company of meeting, pray
- Can visit with company, can walk - (outdoor parks), farmers market - pick up a few things, all have nice atmosphere, family friendly, evenings & weekends
- I love supporting local and touring talent. Especially metal, punk, and rock. Evening into the night.
- Meet new people, neighbours
- To meet new people, new m
- Community atmosphere, opportunities for physical activity
- Fitness classes for babies and adults. Lots of daylight. Restaurants nearby. Weekend mornings.
- Lots to walk around and see while chatting, places for food and drink
- Any time, I like being around puppies, feeling safe, nice greenery/landscapes, having the option for a treat or coffee
- Exercise, fresh air, community, bakery and coffee shop, etc.
- Afternoons
- To get out for one. Anytime of the day. To socialize.
- To socialize, play cards, meet and talk to people; weekends
- Cafes for the atmosphere (it's nice to hang out in trendy/beautiful spaces that are vibrant and bustling with people); time of day: evenings or weekend mornings.
- Restaurants, shops, coffee shops, fitness/workout classes
- The morning/afternoon. Good people watching, areas to walk around.
- I like being in a place where everyone can make observations of the environment
- Social aspect, something to do, exciting atmosphere.
- Anytime
- No place in particular.
- Mornings
- Socialization and meetings - inexpensive, easily accessible - during work hours
- It's centrally located, close to the river, and accessible by transit. We enjoy the variety of activities offered in Kensington. We generally go to Kensington around midday, or after school.
- time to slow down and just visit; go mainly evenings
- Afternoon place to sit and talk
- both places are fairly close to everyone's homes.
- Something to do - after work (evenings) and weekends
- Sundays I do church at Lifespring Community Church. Usually Sunday Mornings



- Its comfortable.
- You can't bring friends to your place and feed them the same place.
- I enjoy the people there, the Lifespring church is a very welcoming group and serve the community in many practical ways - I volunteer with Lifespring church. Most often I am there on weekends. Sunday mornings and afternoons, many Saturdays as well.
- The relationships that I have developed live in the East Village
- Daytime and nighttime. I choose these places to be amongst other people.
- Good food - I like to go to restaurants for good food. We go on Saturday, Sunday, or whenever birthdays and usually it's supper.
- all times of day to places where we can share food or a drink, have a pleasant and private ambiance
- Its a good casual gathering place, not too expensive, its fun. Usually go around supper time.
- Quiet restaurants where you can hear a conversation at a table, 6-10pm
- things to do, shows off my community, day time
- All times of the day
- during the day, can relax and meet people
- Beautiful views and nice to have and activity and conversation. View public art.
- My friends and family understand my physical limitations so we don't go far but to somewhere where it's quiet, comfortable and accessible. Mostly enjoyable about it is the comfortable seating and availability of good food. For me afternoon, or after din

I hear the words “community space” I think of ...

- Variety. In this neighborhood - drunk people haning out on the corner.
- Community Centre. neighbours getting together!
- A space where there are activities, meeting place for seniors and younger people, should be a space for all. Should be something to do everyday.
- A gathering place to do things.
- A place where people can meet their neighbours, have fun, get together.
- an area used for gathering
- A welcoming environment/area with the purpose of connecting neigh ours.
- A large bright space filled with nature and comfortable places for a community to gather and/or lounge.
- Park, recreation facility
- Parks and recreation
- Meeting people, friendship and entertainment and activities, engaging with people
- Community Centre, park, plaza, hall ,library
- A vibrant space that is continually active.
- Questioning why I'm there.
- Green spaces, swimming pools
- People, green space
- Multi purpose, uses that support a sense of community
- Multi-purpose space, under utilized.
- Outdoor public spaces, places with seating, lively areas



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- open, friendly, safe
- A space that welcomes everyone.
- Shops: restaurants, cafe, coffee place (Tim Hortons), bakery, banks, petstore, winestore, bookstore, hardware store would be nice.
- A place to meet friends
- Lots of people/activity
- For all community members. Get to know your neighbours.
- All ages getting together. People can talk, walk, engage in recreational activities.
- energy and activity, busy, interesting and creative
- To be honest...somewhere I wouldn't go, boring, focused on older generation.
- A place to meet and greet with your community
- 5th Ave Square
- a place where neighbors can meet
- A multi-functional place where all community members can interact and socialize/learn/engage.
- A park. A recreation centre. A university.
- a space used by different groups with different activities within the community
- A space that is free to use, welcoming, easy to get to by car/ train/ bus/ and Access Calgary, that is 100% accessible for the disabled and the elderly.
- Something everyone is welcome to use
- A meeting place, place for social events, a place for spiritual care, a drop in area
- A waste of tax payer money.
- They used it to rent it to different groups and the space will accommodate it and useful to groups who don't have access to a large space.
- A place where people gather to relax, get information, obtain support and encouragement, a faith community serving one-another.
- I think of a space that represents the needs of the community that it resides in. It is a place of gathering that represents the various opportunities for people to meet. The community space represents the smaller spaces of people's lives.
- cultural and sports activities, services to the community
- A place with basic services, such as washrooms, facilities to socialize and share meals. A place where all are welcome.
- Nice people there and good talkers. Friendly. Really active. Music with different guests. Table games too.
- events that give a service to the community such as meetings about issues and proposals; events that entertain and bring a chance to meet others; outdoor spaces, not just indoor spaces.
- Trees, wide walking spaces, lit areas, nicely taken care.
- A place no one wants to use
- something for everyone at affordable costs
- Space open to multiple uses, without barriers, shared space
- place for meals, activities, community building
- Friendly environment where people can come together and share ideas.
- -a place to congregate and visit with friends and family or craft with others of like minded crafts or just chat



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Thinking about the things you do, use and visit every day, are the places you go most often located ... (select one)

- Inside East Village
- Outside East Village

What programs, services, business or other amenities are missing from the East Village?

- Not much, I'm reluctant to say shopping. There is much community space in the summer.
- Grocery store (being built), Liquore store, more dining options
- Weekly movie (big screen, sounds around, etc.), a space for senior's programming, space for Lifesprings church, knitting, BINGO (afternoon, once a week on Fridays with cash prizes), board and card games, celebrations (birthdays), Adult Day program, create
- Some kind of fitness place for everyone to enjoy.
- Grocery store (affordable)
- box food store
- A large/moderate sized grocery store
- Fresh Grocery
- Fitness facility, salons, doctors offices, wine store, major grocery store (considering if Loblaws is ever built)
- Community farmers market (year round), art gallery, grocery store or market, pub, yoga studio,
- Common place for meeting people in the community, a community center, grocery store, health center, worship place (church), and leisure centre
- hot yoga, preschool, farmers market, daycare
- Night life. Live music venues. Places that don't solely support lifestyles of boring 9-5ers.
- An affordable cafe. A comfortable space to meet friends to socialize.,A space simply to getaway from the lonely four walls you sit in day after day.
- Tennis court, economic grocery stores
- An indoor recreational facility
- Indoor recreation facility. Indoor play areas for children.
- Grocery, doctor office, restaurants of all price points, bookstore, drug store
- More coffee shops or cafes with little patios; an outdoor fitness set up would be cool with outdoor fitness "equipment" like bars etc
- Small first-aid office, vet's (veterans) office/program, food bank
- Banks, coffee shop - Tim Hortons, restaurants, wine store, book store, bakery, pizza joint, etc. pet store
- Daycare, affordable
- Variety of cafes/restaurants (Different price points and cuisines) and gyms/fitness oriented spaces.
- Fitness facilities, wine/beer store, more places to eat, grocery store
- More restaurants and shops to walk around.
- grocery store, more unique restaurants, notable retailers,
- Grocery shopping, food and drink, activities like swimming, skating, interactive kids activities.
- Arts and music center for kids and teenagers
- Sewing, crafts, needlework.
- Dollar store, liquor store, grocery store



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- Grocery, inexpensive prepared food options, inexpensive bookable gathering space, senior friendly exercise/recreation space
- A place to meet new friends
- community center for events, shows, displays, and opportunities for people to connect and engage
- Coffee shop
- Affordable grocery stores (ie. No Frills, Superstore, and Walmart)
- Fitness facility (gym), restaurants/pubs, a permanent home for the community church
- We need a meeting place, drop in area, Church, a place to belong and share with others
- If a business was "missing" from the East Village then someone would start it. The government does not need to decide what businesses are "missing" from different areas.
- All Golden Age Club programs used to be liked. They are missed.
- A permanent church, a medical clinic, a social worker/counselor office . . .
- A multi use space that allows a multiple types of events and needs
- A medium-size event space
- I would like a park with BBQs /fire pits to cook hot dogs with friends and family.
- The restaurant. The church service - so handy to walk across the street. Potluck suppers. Entertainment (country music, the "Blues").
- The original EV focuses on seniors who seem not to go outside the area, and who seem very frugal, perhaps for good reasons. Program seems to be very narrow & repetitive. We need varied food & drink spots. Twice I ran out of space to type..so uni
- There seems to be a lot of unused business space. Not sure why? Is it too expensive for businesses to move in? I do'nt know if any particular thing is missing. But it still has an empty feel.
- Seniors residences for Gay and Lesbian people. Low income housing (not shelters). Grocery and convenience stores
- low cost non profit groceries with delivery service for shut-ins doubling up with school lunch program
- A gym, wine store, higher end grocer
- AFFORDABLE restaurants, affordable groceries, hampers for low income seniors
- Easy access over the river. Right now it s only 2 bridges, makes one not want to go to Inglewood (which is a shame). Bridge by drop-in shelter avoided at night for safety reasons, so it feels like even less access available.
- Community fresh food market, accessible restaurant, gym for seniors, gathering place

6(a). Thinking about the first two floors that will be developed for community use in East Village Place (shown in the photo above), in your opinion, what should be included in this community space? (Please select your TOP 3 priorities)

- Space that anyone can reserve and use
- Space for vendors, retailer or other businesses
- Space for community-minded businesses
- Space for community groups to host events
- Space for organizations to provide services to the community
- A social gathering space... somewhere to meet your friends and interact
- Space for a community church
- A dedicated space for seniors programming



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A fitness space

A community performance/theatre/auditorium space

Other, please specify

- Space anyone can reserve and use...in the form of tables or booths (not private rooms)
- Space for organizations plus space for student nurses (flu shots), specialists (e.g. lawyers to offer advice, legal clinic, build relationships and free information)
- Also, perhaps a fresh food garden?
- Small business incubation 2. Market for community made and/or farmers market e.g. Produce from community garden
- An affordable nail salon/spa that provides manis, pedis, waxing etc.
- Book store
- A social gathering space and a community performance/theatre were both checked.
- community and open events, board game, dance, painting, etc.
- A live music venue/pub. If you didn't get the hint.
- Activities for children
- Space for led-activities for children or play equipment
- This person completed the earlier version of the survey and chose the above 2 plus: space for vendors, retailers and other businesses and space for organizations to provide services to the community.
- Restaurant, coffee place
- swimming pool
- Space for teenagers
- This person had a printed copy of the earlier survey where it didn't ask for Top 3, they also checked off: space for vendors, retailers, and other businesses.
- I would like to see a "Thrift store" that would service all residents of East Village and other communities
- Community arts space. A makerspace, with a community laboratory or fabrication workshop. A community learning space.
- All the above! They are all great suggestions!
- How about the city rents it out and then uses the money to lower everyone's taxes!
- A space that is multi purposed which will allow for anyone to use/host events/CHurch/Performance centre/seniors programs/services
- Top 3: Space for community groups to host events, space for a community church, other: Restaurant
- need to acknowledge diversity; with 12,000 people - think of kids, all cultures, ages; take care to not be heterosexist.
- non profit low cost coop groceries for seniors/universal elementary school lunch program, dining, carpentry fellowship,
- Indoor public park
- very important it be run as a not for profit in order to be helpful to the low income senior population
- public art!
- A community gathering place

What programs, services, businesses or other amenities would encourage you, your friends or your family to come to this community space?



- Many different events and information with the potential to be involved (even private businesses, clubs like gaming, or local businesses)
- a fitness centre, dining options
- Dances (evenings), live bands, affordable is important (\$20 for an event tops), special meals on holidays, chow and chatter, food, music, volunteer opportunities, coffee, beer, restaurant is a very important piece, food events the week before payday
- Try to bring back the Spin Around Program (food program)
- Entertainment such as performances (comedians, theatre, shows), fairs or trade shows
- Grocery store, some sort of organization similar to 'Pips' (board game cafe), a community gym/fitness area
- Farmer's markets, Unique boutiques/amenities, public spaces.
- More retail shops, a flower shop, child related activities, activities in general, one night wine tastings, cooking classes.
- Community market, multiple food options
- Art and entertainment, health centre, food and drink, seniors and children's activities.
- yoga, children's play area that interacts with all ages (open concept), farmers market, music guests, community garage sale, crafts and art market (1-2 /yr)
- If the streetscape looked more inviting and the space looked less like a bunker.
- Music!
- Affordable cafe
- Motivational speakers, coaches
- Fitness, especially in winter, children's programming
- Fitness or child activities
- Nothing specific, more so a diverse array of all of these, at any price points
- Fitness related, cute local shops/farmers market style vendors, coffee/cafes
- Indoor playground for children and youth that will be particularly useful during the cold weather months
- Flea market, library, computers, play movies, kid's programs
- All of the above. It would be nice to have many amenities inside East Village, Walking distance.
- Dining, coffee, shopping, classes: canning, knitting, cooking, & fitness, doggy space, pop up cafe - those recovering from addictions or homeless folks could participate, East Village Heritage Days: having all cultures in the EV - dancing/food
- grocery store, more unique restaurants, notable retailers,
- Theatre, shopping, food/drink, interesting events, pop up events.
- Sports, arts, music
- Coffee shop and bakery.
- Friends would volunteer their time to work in a thrift store
- A coffee shop. A place to meet new people. Fitness facilities.
- events, parties, art shows, etc.
- affordable coffee shops, the space is accessible for people who have a variety of disabilities, have free wi-fi/ power sources for laptops and phones, an accessible bus stop/ c-train stop that is nearby, programs for people with low incomes, doctor office
- Community church space, fitness facilities
- Movie space, events such as theatre, coffee spot etc.
- Live band, food, dance, raffles, you meet people there.



- in addition to the above, more restaurants (reasonably priced), hair salons, convenience store, electronics store.
- Performance/Theatre/Art space
- Artistic/cultural programming. Educational activities.
- Basic services (i.e. washrooms, picnic tables, BBQs, fire pits), park space that is accessible. Comfortable indoor gathering spaces with very low rental fees
- Entertainment programs, church, restaurant
- small musical events in a cabaret style space; art gallery; post office; games room; seamstress/tailor; pet-sitting; bike repair shop; consignment store; meeting space for condo AGMs and for election forums, etc.
- If its clean and people are around.
- Arts, theatre, or music space
- dinning, shopping, church, carpentry
- Gym, park, events like concerts
- medical, dental, etc facilities, again if they cater to those on a low income
- Music, arts and use of river path
- Restaurant, gym, computer space.

How should this community space look and feel?

- Comfortable, open
- Mordern and clean
- Accessible bathroom on main floor (even if just for emergencies), friendly people, courteous staff, accessible, furniture in hallways just to sit there and chat, reasonable prices, inclusive
- Inviting for people of all ages to come and interact with each other.
- Bright, safe, welcoming
- Natural, safe, beautiful.
- Friendly
- Upscale and trendy but also with reasonably priced eateries for families and friends.....maybe a neighborhood pub or two.
- Eclectic, multifunctional, inviting (like Simmons building)
- Should be friendly and freely accessible.
- bright and light - display community event pictures/art/projects/etc. so it is more like home. Functional and adaptable furniture that can be grouped for that particular use and then re-arranged for another use.
- Busy.
- Unlike all the boring/Sodasopa aspects already in East Village.
- Welcoming. Fresh, bright, clean. Comfortable seating areas,
- Open, friendly
- Bright and modern
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- Bright, open, vibrant, visually appealing (ie: art)
- Safe, friendly, approachable
- Lots of natural light and using natural products (e.g. wood, rock, etc) to fit into the local landscape.
- Safe, open to all



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- Very cozy! Couches, chairs, lighting, fireplace, wall paper walls, no smoking areas
- Welcoming - bright, extended hours. Inclusive - All community members can participate in.
- Open, welcoming, lots of glass so people feel welcome to come in.
- open, modern design, creative, artful, interesting
- Young, cool, fresh, modern, nicely designed.
- Clean and new
- Like home, inviting.
- welcoming, lots of windows, movable tables and chairs, kitchen/canteen facility - durable building materials
- It should look bright. It should feature a Calgary-specific design, and it must showcase works from Calgary artists.
- updated! just looking kind of old right now
- Bright and open
- It should be 100% accessible for the disabled, have soft neutral colors on the walls, comfy seats, tables, area for people to use laptops, gender neutral accessible washrooms, and should be welcoming to everyone.
- comfortable and inviting
- It should feel cost effective. Please don't waste the tax payers money on projects like this.
- Every one of us is lonely. We make friends there, no tolerance for people who cause trouble.
- Open and accessible to all, well finished and maintained.
- It needs to be inviting for the various and diverse people that make up EV
- Welcoming, multi-purpose
- Welcoming and inclusive. East village is very diverse and marginalized groups should be welcomed.
- Should feel homey and friendly.
- Very well-finished!! i.e non-institutional; non-florescent lighting; clean and modern; warm; comfortable; flexible large space; accessible for all; 'smart' and tasteful
- Clean and populated and safe.
- It would depend on what was going into it
- welcoming, warm, relaxed
- It should feel open safe and clean, it should have a lot of windows to see in and out, I like the old school gym feeling of the gym there too
- clean, homey
- Friendly, creative and engaging
- Comfortable, accessible, clean and cozy

How did you hear about the East Village Place Community Space project? (check all that apply)

East Village Neighbourhood Association (EVNA) website or social media

Poster in my building

Word of Mouth

Website

Window in East Village Place

Postcard delivered to my door

Other:

- City of Calgary website



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- I wanted to suggest to the city that the redevelopment of the old train tracks could be an opportunity to go radically forward with a hyperloop like upgrade but there is no survey for that. The tracks go through east village so kind of relevant. :)
- On condo board
- City of Calgary
- Curious to know what was happening in my neck of the woods.
- Email from condo
- City of Calgary website
- Lifespring Community Church
- Friends at Lifespring Community Church
- Because I'm involved at various leadership levels in the Village I heard it through those groups.
- city of calgary Social Worker

Which of the following best describes you? (check all that apply)

- I volunteer in the East Village
- I have pre-bought a single condo in the East Village due to be built in 2018. I will be a community member shortly.
- I work very close to East Village
- I work adjacent to East Village and enjoy the space during the week and on the weekend with family.
- Volunteer in Village.
- I attend Lifespring Community Church and volunteer for the many events (Canada Day, Stampede breakfast, Neighbourhood Day, etc.)
- I go to school in East Village. I am taking some continuing ed courses at Bow Valley college.
- Member of various boards and leadership groups