



ROSSDALE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Message

from our Community Executive:

The Executive has been continuing to meet, albeit, remotely due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Meeting minutes can be found at our website.



Proposed Big Bin Event – Save the Date Sep 19 & 20

We are hoping that we might be able to have another Big Bin Event this year, but it is contingent on current COVID-19 social distancing requirements being relaxed.

The City of Edmonton is reviewing and re-working their policy regarding future events at all community halls. Once we have some clarity and direction from the City, we will provide an update.

Edmonton City Police (EPS)

Each day Edmonton Downtown Division reviews call logs to help identify ‘hot spots’ for increased patrol. EPS base their activities on statistics, so even if the item that was stolen has minimal value, report it.

If you notice any suspicious activity please call the non-emergency EPS number, 780-423-4567, and listen to menu options to report mischief and suspicious activity. We have invited a member of EPS to attend our next meeting (May 19) to discuss crime, security, as well as to help explain the changes made in light of the fact that there is no longer a dedicated Rossdale officer.

Crime Prevention -- As the summer approaches and activity in the neighbourhood increases, both good and some not so good, a reminder of some of the things you can do to help prevent crime in our area:

- Get to know your neighbours.
- Be aware of strangers and look out for each other.
- Leave keys and emergency phone numbers with a trusted neighbour.
- Keep up appearances – a well-tended neighbourhood is less attractive to criminals and vandals.
- Avoid putting refundable containers/bottles out with garbage.
- Get involved in crime prevention programs. Check out the EPS website for tips on crime prevention.

Remember -- If you see something, say something.

Contact information for Edmonton Police Services:

Emergency Call	911
Mobile Access	#377
Non-Emergency	780-423-4567
Deaf or Hard of Hearing	780-425-1231
Crime Stoppers	1-800-222-8477
Website:	www.edmontonpolice.ca

You can also report a crime online, just go to the EPS website and follow the links. Graffiti to public or personal property, homeless camps, etc. should be reported to 311 not to EPS.



Casino Update

We have received approximately \$76,000 from The Gaming Commission for our casino held last fall.

The RCL Executive has made a decision to donate \$5,000 of the casino proceeds to the Edmonton Food Bank to help the many Edmontonians in need due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who gave generously of their time to make this casino a success.

Gardening is a Go!!

Recently City Council voted to support the opening of community gardens.

Regulations set out by Alberta Health, as well as specific protocols for our garden will need to be followed. These include social distancing. Regardless, we are thrilled with this decision to allow us the opportunity to grow our own veggies and be connected to nature during such a stressful time. With growing interest in the garden, plots are very limited for 2020.

If you are interested in the Rossdale community garden, or have any questions please contact Karen at rossdalekaren@gmail.com

Capital City Clean-up

If you choose to pick up litter on public property around where you live, work or play, please be safe and follow the safety guidelines listed below.

Litter kits are available through our community league. Each kit includes a safety guide, litter grabber, a pair of gloves, and small and large garbage bags. If you wish to participate in the City cleanup, please request a litter kit from the RCL Executive.

Preparing For Your Clean-up

- Wear gloves at all times.
- Dress appropriately for the weather.
- Wear sturdy footwear (no open-toed shoes).
- Wear a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent.
- Be familiar with your clean-up area.

During Your Clean-up

- Do not pick up needles/syringes, glass, sharp, heavy or oversized objects or hazardous waste. Call 311 to report the location so that the item may be collected by City staff.
- Do not approach homeless encampments; call 311 to report the location for clean-up.
- Do not compress garbage or reach into containers with hands or feet.
- Do not wade into the water to retrieve items.
- Do not walk on roadways or steep hills and embankments.
- Do only pick up litter during daylight hours.
- Do try to work with a partner or group and carry a cell phone.
- Report Graffiti by calling 311.
- Remember to stay hydrated and wash your hands after your clean-up.
- Do not trespass on private property

Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL)

EFCL has received official announcement from the City's Neighbourhood Services identifying the extent to which the budget cuts have affected their department. EFCL is working with Neighbourhood Resource Coordinators to determine how EFCL can best support Leagues through this change.

Users of baseball and soccer amenities must continue to adhere to two-metre physical-distancing rules, ensure gatherings are kept to 15 people or fewer, and avoid or limit touching commonly touched surfaces like sporting equipment or stationary field objects.

Hall Rental

The community hall will remain closed until the City and the Province lift the COVID-19 restrictions and as a result no bookings are currently being taken.

Rossdale Connect – Have you Signed up Yet?

You asked us to look at improving community league communications and we have responded. Rossdale Connect is an initiative designed to streamline and improve communications within the community by sending bulletins to your phone or email. You get community information faster and we can reduce and, possibly, eliminate the need for printed, hand-delivered paper communications.

Personal information will not be shared. Sign up now to receive bulletins by visiting:
www.rossdaleconnection.ca

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Sign up to receive community news, newsletters and other communications delivered directly to you by SMS / email.

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**Help Wanted in Rosedale -
“Contract Summer Jobs for Youths”**

There will be some contract summer jobs available to help out around the community

hall and the community garden. RCL is looking to hire youth who live in the community to help out with the following tasks:

Duties - will include watering shrubs/bushes in the community garden, filling water cubes, cutting grass using a manual push-mower, picking up litter and debris in and around the community garden and hall areas and any other related duties to ensure that the area is kept tidy and clean. Additional task of watering individual gardens beds may also be required when owners of plots are on vacation.

Time Commitment - Weekly shifts consist of a minimum of three (3) hours.

Remuneration/Pay: \$60/3-hour shift

Please note that due to the nature of the work, all youth must be 14 years of age or older.

If interested, or if you have further questions please contact Karen at rossdalekaren@gmail.com

Stay safe, stay healthy



COVID-19: Purchasing Groceries in a Safe & Healthy Manner in Edmonton, Alberta

Shopping Hours reserved for Seniors, Individuals with Immunocompromised Systems or Disabilities

- Walmart: Weekdays at 7-8 AM
- Safeway, Save-on-Foods, Sobeys & Superstore: Daily at 7-8 AM
- Sunterra: Wednesday & Saturday at 8-9 AM
- Italian Centre: Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs at 9-10 AM
- Co-Op: Daily from 8-9 AM
- Costco: Tues & Thurs at 8-9 AM
- Shoppers Drug Mart: 8-9 a.m., daily (hours vary by location)



Online Grocery Shopping:

Pick-up (all free)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superstore/No Frills/Loblaws • CityMarket through PC Express (free) • Walmart | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Save on Foods • Italian Centre • Bountiful Farmers Market (Fri, Sat, Sun) |
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Delivery to your Home

- Walmart (\$9.97 fee)
- Costco Wholesale (free if >\$75 spend)
- Save on Foods (delivery fee ~\$5-10, varies by timeslot, or you can redeem More Rewards points for free delivery with promo code RD2500)
- Italian Centre (free if >\$75 spend)
- Sunterra (\$8, min purchase of \$50)
- Organic Box (subscription service, can pick up or have delivered)
- Bountiful Farmers Market (\$10 charge, min purchase of \$50)



3rd party Delivery Options to your Home

- Men in Kilts (free)
- SPUD (free)
- Edmonton Grocer (unknown \$)
- Grocery Link (\$19.99/delivery)
 - Delivers food from Superstore, Walmart, M&M Foods, Wholesale Club & Loblaws CityMarket & Save on Foods
- InstaCart (\$3.99 for orders over \$35 + 5% service fee or \$9.99 monthly membership for free delivery)
 - Delivers food from Superstore, Shoppers Drug Mart, Walmart, Loblaws, M&M Food Market, T&T Supermarket and Bulk Barn.
- INABUGGY (unknown \$)
- JY Grocery Delivery (McKernan Foods) (\$10/delivery)
- Bag-Half-Full-YEG (free)

** Up to date as of April 14, 2020. This may change without notice and vary by location.