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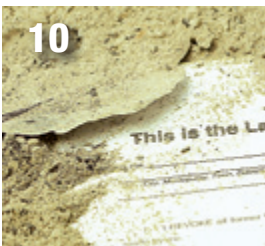
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UPDATE FROM THE ECCA BOARD



Development Updates

A proposal for Land Use Amendment to accommodate higher density, as well as adding a hotel and other uses and an increase in the height of the building has been made for 727 – 1st Avenue SW. A number of the existing buildings in the immediate area whose residents would be most impacted by this, requested a meeting with the City. They are concerned about the proposed increase in density from 5 to 8 FAR (Floor to Area Ratio – the higher the number the smaller the units) and have proposed a compromise of 6.5. They are opposed to the maximum increase in density and the usage of any part of the space as a hotel because this area is currently entirely residential and the streets are already constricted. Additional traffic and the impact on available parking as well as accommodating a drop-off/taxi area would be deleterious to the neighbourhood. And finally, they are concerned that “other uses” includes a community recreational space which is left undefined. Two ECCA Board members attended this meeting and agree that these are important points. As a result, ECCA has amended our response to the City to more accurately reflect the concerns of the community.

West Eau Claire Park project is on-schedule. Cyclists are reminded to dismount and share the pathway until the new pedestrian promenade is open.

Concorde Pacific is progressing rapidly.



Eau Claire Community Blood Drive

Join us in welcoming Canada Blood Services to our neighbourhood – we’re having a Blood Drive from November 15 to 30th. Please donate during that period and remember to identify yourself as part of the Eau Claire Neighbourhood.

Several of our Board members attended the Grand Opening on September 19 and they were extremely impressed by the facility and the professionalism of the staff. We’re lucky to have such a worthwhile new neighbour.



Contact us at info@EauClaireCA.com

Calgary Mayor on hand to celebrate the official opening of Eau Claire Market blood donor clinic

By Kimberly Martin

The official grand opening of the newest blood donor facility took place in Calgary on Sept. 19.

The new Eau Claire Market blood donor clinic is Canada's largest permanent collection site, and features 20 beds on a single floor for whole blood, plasma, and platelet collections.

With its proximity to transit routes and underground parking, it's a convenient location for staff, donors, and volunteers. The facility began operations in July and plans to collect 32,272 units of whole blood, 2,405 units of platelets and 7,750 units of plasma this year.

Susan Matsumoto, director of donor relations for the Prairies and Northwest Territories at Canadian Blood Services, welcomed 60 well-wishers to the grand opening event and extended thanks to nearly 80 local team members for the role they played in the clinic's success.

She was joined by several special guests, including Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi; Robyn Luff, MLA Calgary-East, representing Deputy Premier and Minister of Health Sarah Hoffman; recipient Sloan McGinn-Thompson with his mother Karin McGinn and their family; Christine McIver, founder and chief executive officer of the Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta; and Rick Prinzen, chief supply chain officer.

This new location will play an important role in the efforts to recruit new donors in the region. It is expected to bring in 4,565 new donors this year alone.



"Calgary is already one of our most high performing locations," said Prinzen at the event. "We are grateful to Calgary donors and volunteers, and to the dedicated team members who work here. Without you, this journey would not be possible."

Mayor Nenshi challenged all Calgarians and Canadians alike to think about giving blood. "It is a beautiful way to do service to people you don't even know, and to people that desperately need your help," he said.

In honour of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, Canadian Blood Services partnered with Kids Cancer Care to highlight the important role that blood plays many young cancer patients' treatments. Sloan McGinn-Thompson, an 11-year-old blood recipient shared his journey of treatment for a highly aggressive blood cancer. His mother Karin expressed her "gratitude and life to these strangers that come in here and give blood so generously and so selflessly, because it has saved someone's life."



Below from left to right: Rick Prinzen and Susan Matsumoto of Canadian Blood Services along with MLA Robyn Luff, Mayor Naheed Nenshi and members of the McGinn-Thompson family, watch 11-year-old blood recipient Sloan McGinn-Thompson officially open Calgary's Eau Claire Market collection centre.



GRAND OPENING GALL

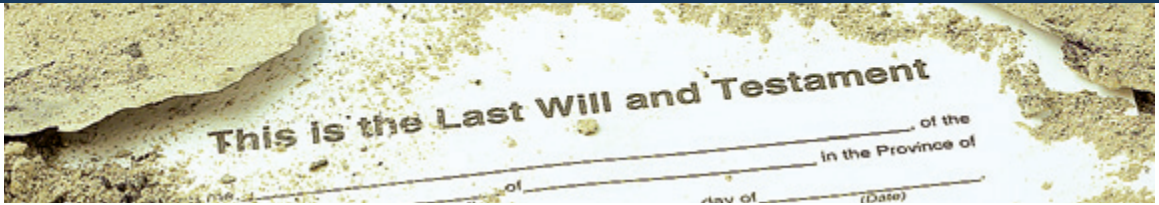


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Raise Your “Awareness” of the Benefits of Life Insurance

By Kevin O'Hagan, PFP, FMA, CIWM

September was Life Insurance Awareness Month in the U.S. When you consider the benefits you and your family may receive from life insurance, you might agree that Canada should also have a month focused on this important part of your overall financial picture.

According to the 2012 Insurance Barometer Study, published by the non-profit LIFE Foundation and LIMRA, a research and consulting organization that specializes globally in insurance and financial services, too many North Americans are uninsured or under-insured. In fact, nearly a third of all consumers think they need more life insurance. And it appears that one of the main reasons so many people lack sufficient life insurance is their perception that they can't afford it. Yet, the cost for basic term life insurance has fallen by about 50 percent over the past 10 years, according to the LIFE Foundation.

The cost — financial, emotional and psychological — of not having adequate life insurance certainly outweighs the expense of carrying the proper coverage. You'll hear about many things that are designed to “last a lifetime,” but in the case of life insurance, that expression is appropriate. Consider the various times in which you should look at the need for life insurance:

When you're married

Many married couples assume they won't need life insurance until they have children. But if you or your spouse died, would the surviving spouse's income be sufficient to pay off the mortgage, or even the rent? How about credit card balances, car loans, or student loans?

When you're married...with young kids

Now, in addition to having to pay off the mortgage if anything should happen to you, your surviving spouse will have to find the money to educate your children — and that's a big challenge, given the rapidly escalating expenses associated with post-secondary education. But with sufficient life insurance in place, your spouse can deal with the high costs of higher education. Furthermore, if you have permanent life insurance, such as whole life or universal life, you have the potential to build cash value, which you may be able to tap to help pay for school — while you're still alive. (Keep in mind, though, that using some of your cash value could lower your policy's death benefit.)

When your children are grown

Even with your children grown and gone, you can benefit from life insurance. For example, if your spouse outlives you by a decade or more, will he or she have enough money to enjoy a comfortable lifestyle?

When you're retired

Your need for life insurance doesn't retire when you do. For one thing, you may be able to access the cash value of your permanent insurance to help meet your retirement expenses. (Keep in mind this may affect your death benefit.) And your policy's death benefit could help your children or other heirs deal with estate taxes, if any exist. Furthermore, if you'd like to be able to pass on something to your children or grandchildren, life insurance may be an ideal vehicle, because the proceeds are typically income tax free and can avoid the time-consuming process of probate.

Life insurance can offer a lifetime of benefits. So, make sure you get the coverage you need.



It's time for everyone to keep food and yard waste out of the garbage

Live in an apartment, condo or townhouse? It's time to keep your food and yard waste out of the garbage. As of November 1, 2017, all multi-family complexes in Calgary are required to separate food and yard waste from the garbage for composting or diversion. Your building owner or manager is responsible for setting up a food and yard waste program in your complex – ask them how it works.

Businesses and organizations are also now required to separate food and yard waste from the garbage. Look for the food waste bin at your workplace, food court or favourite coffee shop. If your multi-family complex or workplace does not offer a food and yard waste program, you can contact 311 for support.

Food and yard waste makes up nearly 40 per cent of garbage from apartments, condos and townhouses, and over 30 per cent from businesses and organizations. Composting will create a useful new product and keep this material out of the landfill.

Find out more at calgary.ca/multifamily.



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Explore expanded access to TumbleBookLibrary

Calgary Public Library has partnered with the Calgary Board of Education and Calgary Catholic School District to expand our access to TumbleBookLibrary. This free online resource for kids offers more than 1,100 titles, including talking picture books, narrated chapter books, ebooks, and graphic novels, all available at calgarylibrary.ca/tumblebooklibrary.

\$1M grant transforms early learning at the Library

The Calgary Foundation Early Learning Centre at Saddlestone Library opened September 16. This new space for children ages zero to five to play and learn in is the first of four Calgary Foundation Early Learning Centres set to open this year, thanks to a transformational \$1 million investment from the Calgary Foundation and an anonymous donor. Discover the new space today!

What does Calgary Public Library mean to you?

In celebration of Canadian Library Month this October, Calgary Public Library is part of a nation-wide initiative sparking conversation about the importance of libraries. Share your most vivid memory or meaningful library moment on social media using #LibraryMoments and tag us @calgarylibrary.

Math is No. 1 at this free after-school program

Students ages 6 to 12 are invited on a Math Quest! Explore the library while completing numeracy challenges at this one-hour drop-in program, offered at 18 Library locations. Quests are connected to Alberta's curriculum, have real-world applications, and demonstrate math can be fun. For more details, visit calgarylibrary.ca, click programs, and search Math Quest.

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November

By Hilary Angrove

November: the month where there's too much snow for hiking but not enough for skiing, when the snowbirds go south and potential tourists stay south. Not a snowbird and don't have a November vacation lined up? Luckily, November in Calgary offers many opportunities to get cultured, from just a stone's throw away.

The Calgary Underground Film Festival elevates Calgary's cultural landscape with the best in local and international independent cinema. Recently, they noticed Calgarian's growing desire for non-fiction films so from November 16th – 19th they will be presenting a unique roster of never before screened in Calgary documentaries.

Without a doubt, Calgarians have an appetite for engaging, educational, cinematic output. From November 16-19, The Marda Loop Justice Film Festival will be screening films on issues important to us as individuals, Canadians, global citizens, and humans. Improve your dinner table discussion and hang out for post-show discussions with local and international cinematographers, and take advantage of the Festival's different opportunities to interact with experts.

Not a cinephile? Explore the untold stories of lemurs in Madagascar with Mireya Mayor during the National Geographic Live presentation at Arts Commons on November 5th and 6th. The talk includes a post-show Q & A - a chance for you to fully engage with this inspiring explorer.

Calgary is a wonderful place with much to offer - and there are a multitude of places to get cultured, beyond this list.

Old Age Security: Now or Later?

If you meet the eligibility requirements, you can start collecting Old Age Security (OAS) benefits as soon as you turn 65. But did you know that you don't have to take them then? You can delay getting your benefits by up to five years and increase your payments by up to 36%.

Why delay?

There are two main benefits to delaying OAS:

- **Earn higher monthly payments.** For each month beyond age 65 that you delay receiving OAS, your payments will go up by 0.6%. For example, if you turned 65 this summer and are eligible for the full OAS pension, you'll receive approximately \$580 a month.* But if you delay these payments to age 70, they will increase by 36%, to about \$790 a month. And that's not including any cost of living increases.
- **Reduce or avoid OAS claw-back.** If your net income exceeds a certain level (\$74,789 for 2017), your OAS benefits are gradually clawed back. So, if you're planning to work past age 65 or expect to have other sources of income, deferring OAS may help minimize the claw-back.

Every situation is unique

There are pros and cons to either option. A financial advisor can help you weigh all the factors and decide what's right for you.

**Government of Canada Old Age Security payment amount June–September 2017.*



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November 17, 2017

Calgary Night Market

5:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Eau Claire Market - Centre Court

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November 18, 2017

Sight Night 2017

5:30 pm

Eau Claire Market - North Plaza & Centre Court

Sight Night is a fun run fundraiser in support of ASRAB - the Alberta Sports and Recreation Association for the Blind, which promotes healthy lifestyles for visually impaired Albertans through the provision of competitive sport and recreating opportunities.

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November 24, 2017

Calgary Night Market

5:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Eau Claire Market - Centre Court

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December 2, 2017

Salvation Army Santa Shuffle

9:00 am

Eau Claire Market - North Plaza

This merry event helps The Salvation Army to assist families and individuals in need during the Christmas season and throughout the year. The annual 5K Santa Shuffle fun run brings families and friends together.

www.santashuffle.ca

December 8, 2017

Amble with Angus

6:00 am - 10:00 am

Eau Claire Market - North Plaza & Centre Court

Amble with Angus specifically supports The Children's Milk Program at the Calgary Food Bank which enhances the nutritious food choices of women and children in low-income families that have limited, inadequate or insecure access to sufficient, nutritious, personally acceptable food to meet the daily needs of an active and healthy life. Milk and baby formula is accessed through the Home Delivery Program and/or the Agency Program.

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Send your ideas for community events to info@eauclaireca.com





West Eau Claire Park

October 2017

We would like to share some updates on the West Eau Claire Park revitalization project.

Peace Bridge Closures

The Peace Bridge will be closed during:

- Friday, October 20 from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Friday, October 27 from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Friday, November 3 from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The bridge needs to be closed to make pedestrian improvements to West Eau Claire Park. Access across the Bow River will be available via Prince’s Island pedestrian bridge or the LRT bridge underpass (10th Street).

Pathway detours

The main promenade remains closed during phase two, detours are in place to keep pedestrians and cyclists separated for safety reasons. **Please obey all signage for everyone’s safety.**

Project Updates

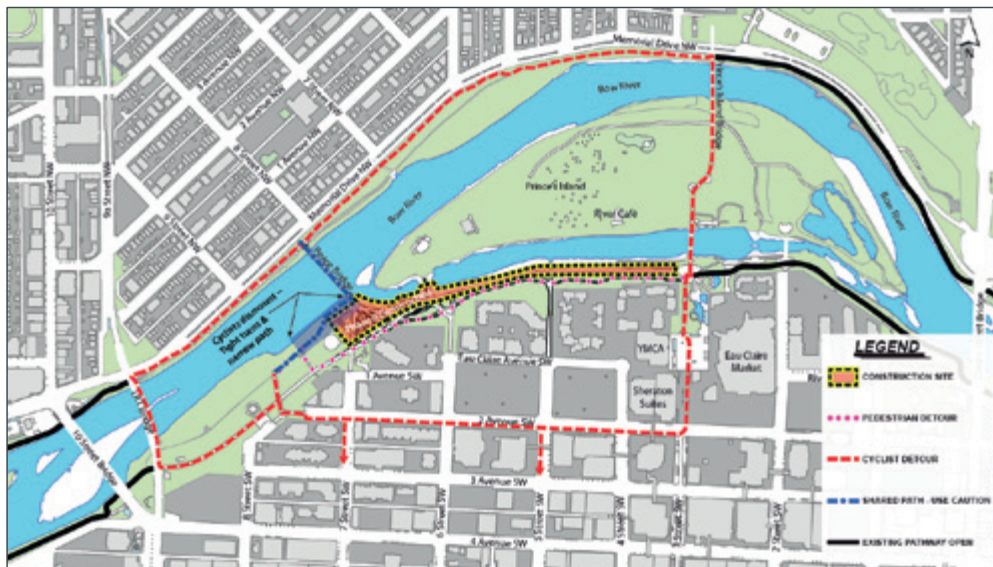
- A new separated cycle path with lighting is now complete
- A flood wall in the Delta Garden and higher grading in the area is complete, increasing flood protection for the area
- The irrigation system is substantially complete
- A new seating area near the river is 50 per cent complete
- Paving has begun on the main promenade

We are excited as work progresses during phase two, developing this space into a desirable, active, and lively cultural destination. Please visit the [project website \(Calgary.ca/westeauclaire\)](http://Calgary.ca/westeauclaire) for additional information and project updates as construction progresses.

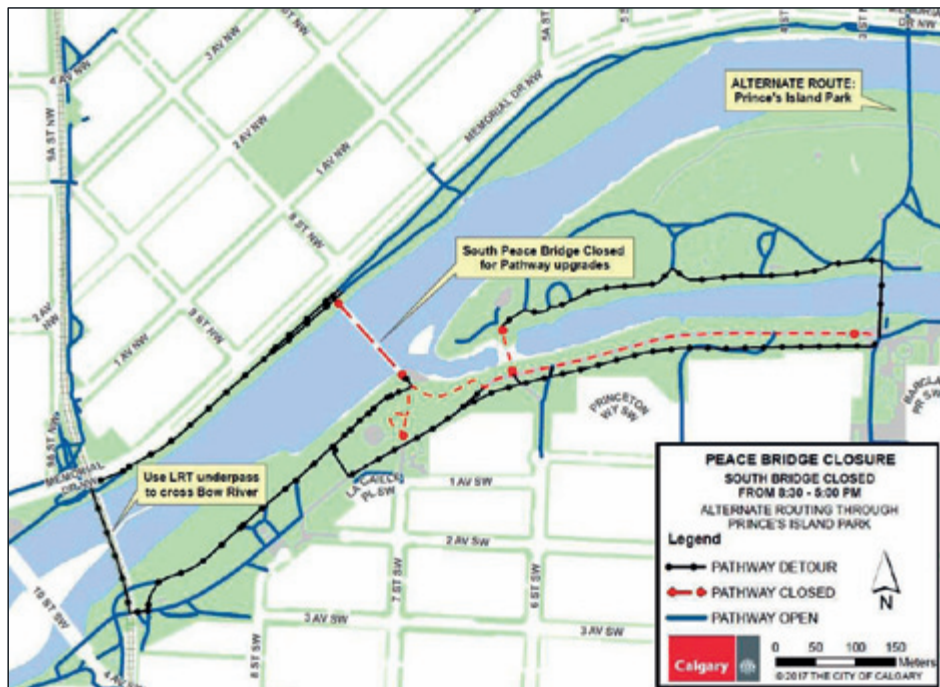
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Artist renderings, park may not be exactly as shown.



Phase 2 pathway detours – please note cyclists are to use 2 Avenue SW to avoid conflicts with pedestrian traffic.



The Peace Bridge will be closed on three separate days – see the detour routes above via the LRT underpass or Prince's Island Park.

Extra Christmas Ornaments?

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This year, we will focus on the first part of the theme, “Ask, and it will be given you.” This theme speaks to the power of faith and prayer. Fostering a faith relationship with God through prayer is part of the ongoing work of Catholic education, as it is through prayer that we come to know God’s abundant love and mercy for us, are helped to become all that God wishes us to be and learn to live and act in God’s abiding presence.

Faith formation remains one of our four district priorities this year, as well as student success, student wellness and success for First Nations, Metis and Inuit students. Together with our district administration, we will focus on our faith theme, as well as our district priorities. We are thankful to our district administrators, teachers and staff; we know that through working together we can meet these priorities and help our students succeed.

In recognizing the value and importance of Catholic education, we encourage our community to celebrate Catholic Education Sunday at their local parish on November 4-5. During this weekend, there will be a special collection at each mass, with some funds going to the Calgary Catholic Education Foundation (CCEF). The CCEF is a charitable organization that provides grants to support innovative programs and projects that touch the lives of students in our schools. We thank the CCEF for their support in providing enhanced educational opportunities for Calgary Catholic students and we look forward to celebrating the wonderful work that takes place throughout our province in Catholic schools.



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Have your say on condo consultations

I have been working alongside my colleagues to make life better for all Albertans. Making life better for Albertans means having access to the protection they deserve when purchasing a home. If you are a condo resident, you will receive a letter from my office regarding the Condominium Property Amendment Act (CPAA). The second phase of consultations on this amendment are currently taking place as our government works to hear from all stakeholders involved, including those owning, living in, or managing condos. Our government has heard the need for a more efficient, less expensive way to resolve condominium disputes than having to proceed through the courts system and we are working hard to introduce a dispute tribunal intended to provide that alternative. Along with the dispute tribunal and new amendments, Albertans will benefit from the same level of protection as condominium owners elsewhere in the country. To provide feedback on condominium rules, you may submit a feedback form or fill out a survey on Service Alberta's website: <https://www.alberta.ca/condominium-consultation.aspx>. You can also contact my office at Calgary.buffalo@assembly.ab.ca.

As Minister of Justice, I have also launched community consultations regarding street checks in Alberta. All Albertans deserve to feel safe and respected in their communities. Under Alberta's policing standards, police agencies are required to provide impartial policing without regard to ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, belief, or social standing. Working closely with community groups across the province, I am working hard to ensure the views of those impacted by street checks are heard. Our government will be drafting a provincial guideline on the issue of street checks to ensure the rights of the public are respected, while still allowing community policing that engages with the public. I believe a provincial guideline created based on feedback from those groups impacted will allow for consistent rules across the province for all police to follow. I look forward to hearing from Albertans, community groups and police agencies on this matter.

On a final note, I would like to recognize those who have fought and died for their country. November 11th is Remembrance Day. Many Canadians have given up their lives to protect those they love and to ensure this great country remains strong and free. I will be paying my respects at the cenotaph in Central Memorial Park. I hope to see you there.

You may have heard I was recently named Canada's Minister of Sport and Persons with Disabilities. The role allows me to:

- Continue to bring the needs of all Calgary Centre residents to the Cabinet table
- Promote healthier Canadians through sport and recreation
- Ensure greater accessibility and opportunities for Canadians with disabilities

The role combines two important aspects of my life, from my younger days loving swimming and baseball to the disability I acquired at age 21.

Growing up, my family and I took part in everything Calgary had to offer. By 1991, I was attending Mount Royal College and planning to become a phys-ed teacher. I played college hockey, worked part-time and had a busy social life.

Then I lost it all. I became a C-5 quadriplegic. Suddenly it was just me and my family, with no sense of direction.

One in seven Canadians has a disability. By age 75, it's one in two. People with a disability are more likely to be unemployed, divorced, or homeless. In all of Calgary, there are only 400 fully accessible rental suites.

It's tough. And, it's expensive.

That's part of why we made historic new investments in affordable housing. That why we brought in the Canada Child Benefit, putting more money in the pockets of nine out of ten families, and helping lift hundreds of thousands of kids out of poverty. That's why we're investing in public transit, including \$1.5 billion for the Calgary Green Line – which will incorporate accessibility.

Whether you have a disability, whether you're born into a wealthy family or one that struggles, our government wants you to have the opportunity to succeed.

PS: I hope to see you at my Holiday Open House:

December 16, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

1133 7 Ave. SW (Kerby Centre)

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Eau Claire

Real Estate Stats

Last 12 Months Eau Claire
MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

	Average Asking Price	Average Sold Price
September 2017	\$499,900	\$490,000
August 2017	\$599,900	\$572,000
July 2017	\$447,450	\$427,500
June 2017	\$459,000	\$425,000
May 2017	\$469,900	\$452,500
April 2017	\$464,900	\$452,000
March 2017	\$699,000	\$700,500
February 2017	\$599,000	\$570,000
January 2017	\$458,900	\$445,000
December 2016	\$372,250	\$358,500
November 2016	\$492,200	\$469,500
October 2016	\$0	\$0

Last 12 Months Eau Claire
MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

	No. New Properties	No. Properties Sold
September 2017	14	3
August 2017	5	3
July 2017	5	2
June 2017	8	5
May 2017	12	4
April 2017	9	7
March 2017	10	5
February 2017	9	5
January 2017	13	1
December 2016	2	4
November 2016	5	6
October 2016	5	0

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