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## MLCA BOARD RECRUITMENT

Are you new to the neighbourhood? Or have you lived here for 20 years? Are you looking for a way to get involved and give back to your community? If so we are interested in having you join our Board or a Board Committee. The MLCA Board is actively looking for and recruiting people for the following positions:

### Board Position

**Facilities Director** – This is a Board position with a two-year term. This person is responsible for the long-term planning and maintenance of our facilities. They would work closely with our staff and city staff to monitor and carry out our Lifecycle Plan as established by the city. We are also looking for people to serve on a Committee to assist a new Director.

### Committee Positions

**Hall Rentals Committee** – This is a committee position with a chairperson in place. He says “I would like to get 3 – 4 people and here is my skill wish list - people with the occasional ability to go to the hall during the day and people with purchasing experience. The time commit-

ment would be more of an ongoing thing, keeping up with emails with the very occasional in person meeting”.

**Marketing Committee** – This is a committee position with a chairperson and a committee member in place. She says “I would love to have 2-3 additional people with experience in marketing, event promotions, PR, social media, sponsorship or graphic design. It doesn't need to be formal training/education, just someone who knows what they are talking about!”

**Mobility Committee** – This is a committee position with co-chairs and several committee members in place. They are looking to add a few people who are interested in the traffic and movement challenges of Marda Loop and how best they can be addressed and solved.

**Sustainability Committee** – This is a committee position with a chairperson and a committee member in place. This committee would like to add a few people interested in making Marda Loop a leader in environmental and sustainability issues.

**Environment, Health & Safety Volunteer** – We are looking for someone in the neighbourhood with Environment, Health and Safety experience to provide advice to the board. The scope of work is negotiable and may include advising on EH&S issues, developing policies and completing an EH&S audit of the community association.

Interested? Think you can add something to our Board and neighbourhood with your skills? Please contact Catherine Fraser, volunteer@mardaloop.com and she will put you in touch with the correct Board Director for more information.

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Hello Family and Friends of Mohamed A. Nasser:

You are invited to attend a celebration of Mohamed's life on Sunday, July 16th, 2017 at that Marda Loop Community Hall. 3130 16th Street SW, Calgary at 3:00 pm. The Nasser's will greet you, come and share your memories with us. Danny Nasser, 403-860-8899.

## MLCA EVENTS & NEWS

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### MLCA Board Meeting

Board meetings are usually held the first Monday of every month (except in July and August). If you would like to address the Board, or simply attend one of these meetings, please contact: president@mardaloop.com Upcoming meetings: June 5 and then resumes again in September!

Starts: 7:00 pm

Location: MLCA Hall, 3130 - 16 Street SW

### Seniors' Gathering

STAMPEDE time is near. Join us on June 5 any time between 9 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. at the MLCA Upper Hall, 3130 - 16 St. SW for a pancake breakfast, line dancing and a whole lot of fun. All Marda Loop residents 55 and above are welcome. We hope we can convince you to become an MLCA Seniors member which costs just \$10 a year. For more information call 403-244-5411 x22. Members may e-mail seniors@mardaloop.com with questions or suggestions.

### Wine Appreciation Night (Last one until September)

This is going to be FUN! Do you know your Italians from your Californians? The June Wine Appreciation night is a blind tasting! Claude Fournier of Highlander Wine and Spirits is going to treat us to some his favourites, but he's not going to tell us which is which. (You won't have to wear a blindfold, I promise.) Shawn McDonald from Springbank Cheese will line up some cheeses to pair with those wines. Come out and join us! Let your palette decide which pairing you like best. It's an informal evening and a great way to get involved in the community. Welcome all!

Please register at [www.mardaloop.com](http://www.mardaloop.com)

Date: Wednesday, June 21, 2017

Doors open: 7:30pm, wine tasting starts 7:45pm

Location: MLCA Lower Hall, 3130 - 16 Street SW

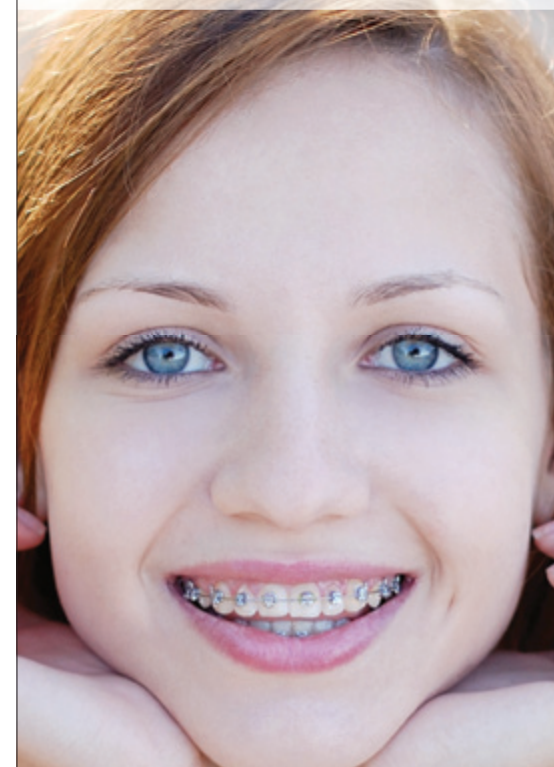
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## MLCA Membership

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- receive advance notice of special events and programming
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## **MLCA PRESCHOOL UPDATE**

With summer break on our doorstep, the children have been stepping out of the classroom and out into the community.

Over the month of May, the classes enjoyed their visits to and from Alexander Calhoun Library and for the second year running, the children will be taking part in our Little Gardeners Program with the help from Connie Ruben from Community Crop.

Community Crop is a volunteer driven, non-profit community gardening society, that runs the garden plots across the city and, conveniently, across the street from the MLCA preschool. The children will get their hands dirty and learn about planting, growing, and harvesting food. Perhaps most importantly, they will be developing their civic sense, planting potatoes which will be donated to the Calgary Food Bank.

We'd like to thank our "Grand Friends" for joining our class and assisting the children in some Mother's Day crafts. The "Grand Friends" program is a collaboration between the MLCA seniors group and the preschool. This intergenerational program encourages participants of all ages to share their unique talents and resources, forming relationships that benefit both the individuals and the community at large.



To wrap up the school year, the preschool will be hosting an end of year party in South Calgary Park. We look forward to celebrating with the classes, parents and teachers with a picnic, games, and a presentation for our latest preschool graduates.

Until next time, if you have any questions or comments about the preschool, feel free to email: [preschooldirector@mardaloop.com](mailto:preschooldirector@mardaloop.com)

### **About the MLCA Preschool**

We are a community-based preschool offering a cooperative and caring environment where children 3 to 4 years old come together to learn and explore through age appropriate play, activities, and materials. We are a parent-run cooperative and ask for parents to get involved by volunteering in class and through small administrative or operational roles.

Set in the heart of the vibrant Marda Loop, our newly renovated, bright and cheerful preschool is positioned opposite the community centre, playground, ice-rink, library, fire hall, and community gardens.



# MLCA JOB POSTINGS

## MLCA Facility Services Job Posting

The **Facility Services** position is responsible for renting the MLCA upper and lower halls and adjacent kitchens, multipurpose room, volleyball courts and ice rink in accordance with the defined facility rental processes. In addition to renting the facilities, Facility Services will either directly provide, or oversee the provision of rental services to clients. The position is responsible for maintaining a clean and safe environment for hall renters and other facility clients, delivering hall rental services for external or internal clients who require setup, tear down, cleaning or other event services for their event and supporting the MLCA's own programming and event requirements.

This is a full-time role based on 37.5 hours per week. The work schedule is a combination of daytime hours Monday to Friday as well as variable weekend and evening hours as necessary to meet renter needs.

### The Role

- Completing the facility rental processes for the MLCA indoor and outdoor facilities
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- Assisting the General Manager
- Comply with MLCA policies in regard to financial management, expense authorization and contracting.

### Requirements

- Availability on evenings and weekends may be required.
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## MLCA General Manager Job Posting

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This is a full-time role, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with the balance of the work hours being flexible. Variable weekend and evening hours required as necessary

### The Role

- Manage and administer day-to-day operations of the MLCA facilities and staff
- Ensure that the operation of the MLCA meets the expectations of its members, Board and the City.
- Plan, promote, and run existing MLCA programs;
- Recruit, hire and oversee program delivery staff
- Provide oversight of the pool in the summer in conjunction with COSPA and the Pool Manager
- Participate in operational planning for association's activities
- Develop and work within the annual program and facility budget
- Assist in researching grant funding and prepare and submit grant applications
- Respond to community members' concerns and questions
- Manage the upkeep of the facility equipment

### Requirements

- University Degree in a related field; or a combination of education and relevant experience.
- Current first aid/CPR certificate and the ability to undergo a police clearance with vulnerable sector check.
- Sports and recreation-related degree or equivalent experience.
- Must be physically able to lift and move tables, chairs and other facility equipment.
- Knowledge of human resources management, financial management, facility and operational management principles as they relate to non-profit organizations.
- Knowledge of federal and provincial legislation applicable to voluntary sector organizations
- Proficiency in MS Word desktop publishing, Excel spreadsheets, Email and internet.

# MLCA VOLUNTEERS COLUMN

*We have to do whatever we can to help wherever and whenever it is possible for us to help.*

-Jackie Chan

### OPPORTUNITIES :

**Farmer's Market** – Our MLCA Farmer's Market opens again on Saturday, June 3 at 9:00 am. The market promises to be bigger and better than ever this year. To make this happen we need a few interested people to help with a variety of jobs - some the day of and some the day before, some with a 30-minute commitment and some with a two hour commitment. Want to hear how you can help and get involved? Contact Catherine at [volunteer@mardaloop.com](mailto:volunteer@mardaloop.com) for further details.

**Stampede Breakfast 2017** – Our annual Stampede Breakfast will be Saturday, July 15 this year. Our committee is hard at work planning some special events, inviting notable guests, ordering equipment and supplies, soliciting donations from the community and just generally trying to figure out how to feed over 2000 hungry neighbours. This is the single biggest event we host each year, participation wise, and we need LOTS of help. If you are ready to Stampede with us please let me know at [volunteer@mardaloop.com](mailto:volunteer@mardaloop.com) and I will add your name to our roster of volunteers for that day. We can't do it without you, so please sign up today.

That's the Volunteer News for this month. Want to get involved in your neighbourhood – email me at [volunteer@mardaloop.com](mailto:volunteer@mardaloop.com)

Catherine Fraser, Director of Volunteers

## Calling all Potential Volunteers!!!

Want to help the day of our MLCA Stampede Breakfast?

### Saturday, July 15

We need people to set up, cook sausage and pancakes, serve our hungry neighbours and clean up at the end.

Interested in getting involved with this very FUN event?

Contact Catherine at [volunteer@mardaloop.com](mailto:volunteer@mardaloop.com)

Tired of just shopping at the Market?

We are looking for some interested people to help out on Saturday mornings with crafts, answering questions, stamping Market passports, etc.

The Market runs from 9 am – 1 pm, starting Saturday, June 3.

What more information, contact Catherine at [volunteer@mardaloop.com](mailto:volunteer@mardaloop.com)







## SENIORS IN YOUR COMMUNITY

### Seniors Educated by Fire and Fall Experts; U of C Prof Presents Laneway Housing Project

After the regular light fitness session with Megan, attendees at the monthly gathering of "Seniors in the Loop" went straight into a long and busy but extremely important agenda.

Shelley Steele, Fire Safety Officer at the City of Calgary rolled out a Fire and Fall Prevention Program for Older Adults called "Remembering When". She provided the group with tips and checklists to ensure the safety of our homes as well as how to plan a home escape in case a fire breaks out.

Shauna Ragust-Smith, Community Relations, AHS complemented the foregoing presentation with information and demonstration on how to prevent and deal with falls.

Professor John Brown who is a professor of architecture at the University of Calgary and the project lead for The Age-in-Place Laneway Housing Research Project, described the project to us and solicited potential test residents for the laneway house prototype in Altadore. For those who are unaware, the project is in its fourth year of development and the first fully-functional prototype will be deployed on the property of a volunteer Altadore resident to conduct the first in a series of three 3 month trials on-site starting in summer 2017. For more information about this study, please contact: David Borkenhagen, Research Associate, University of Calgary, 403-210-6921 or e-mail [dbborken@ucalgary.ca](mailto:dbborken@ucalgary.ca).

Useful information was also provided to the group by Marianne Wilkat about CAIP Calgary Aging in Place Co-Operative, which provides seniors who remain in their own homes and communities to access the supports they need.

Amidst all of the above, the "Seniors in the Loop" celebrated, with great pride, the 100th birthday of one of the members – Hub Winter, as well as the recognition of outstanding volunteer services rendered by member Carol Dann, who recently received the Martha Cohen Award.

Stampede is coming and at the gathering on June 5, our Seniors will get in the mood with line dancing, Happy Trail sing-alongs and a breakfast hosted by members of the Marda Loop Community Association Board. If you are a 55 or older resident in our Community, you are most welcome to attend. We hope that you will, if you have not already, buy an annual membership which costs just \$10 a year! We look forward to having you join us.

Heather Bhatti, Coordinator "Seniors in the Loop" • [seniors@mardaloop.com](mailto:seniors@mardaloop.com)

## IN YOUR COMMUNITY

### Why Nursery Rhymes are Great for Growing Brains – Part II



Last month, we talked about how rhyme was so good for little people's brain – this month, here's bit about rhythm... which is different than rhyme. Rhyme is the pattern of words containing similar sounds, while rhythm is simply a beat.

#### So, why is rhythm important?

Rhythm is literally the heartbeat of a poem, and the cadence and musicality behind the words, the roadwork that brings words and phrases together. Humans have come to expect rhythm in nursery rhymes, poems, songs, rap and other art forms because mirrors the rhythm of the natural world-- day and night, the order of the seasons, the human pulse. And this is satisfying to readers of all ages.

So, at story time, choose books and stories and nursery rhymes that use rhyme and rhythm.

#### Great rhyming stories

A great start for really little kids are the classic nursery rhymes, like Humpty Dumpty, Hickory Dickory Dock, Little Miss Muffet, Jack and Jill. Because nursery rhymes use patterns and sequence, kids also begin to learn

simple counting skills as they recite, and help kids learn some basic brain skills of recall and memorization.

There are some wonderful, more modern rhyming stories, too, like stories by Australian Mem Fox (some people are better than others at creating successful rhymes for kids!), The Magic Hat, and Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes.

#### Here're a few more favourites...

- Dr Seuss' Green Eggs and Ham ("That Sam-I-am! That Sam-I-am!...")
- The Owl and the Pussy Cat, by Edward Lear
- The Madeline stories, by Ludwig Bemelsman
- Revolting Rhymes, by Roald Dahl
- Alligator Pie, by Canada's own Dennis Lee
- The Just So Stories, by Rudyard Kipling

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Join us for our Grand Opening Party June 3, for a great family day at the market with a bouncy castle, drop-in yoga for 3 - 6 year olds from 9 - 10am, and inviting all market-goers to lend their hand (print) to make their mark on a community banner we'll be creating this day and using to decorate our market area.



We'll be celebrating Neighbour Day in a big way on June 17 at the market, with a "Chalkwalk" community-wide event! Try your hand at making some urban artwork with us at this all-ages event, where we'll be making artworks on the asphalt with sidewalk chalk. At the end of the event, these amateur artworks will be judged by some very "special" surprise guests. No registration required, just come on down!

July 1 will find us all celebrating Canada's 150th Birthday at the Market, with lots of Canada themed activities in red and white, a bouncy castle for the kids and some very special entertainment.

#### 2017 Market Special Event Schedule

June 3: Farmers' Market Grand Opening  
June 17: Neighbour Day "Chalkwalk" Community-Wide Event  
July 1: CANADA 150 Market Party  
July 15: MLCA Stampede Breakfast  
August 2: Canada FOOD Day  
September 2: Back-To-School Kids Day! Bike Decorating & Parade  
September 9: MLCA 60th Birthday Community Party  
October 7: Thanksgiving Market

We can't wait to see you at the market! Visit us at [www.mardaloop.com](http://www.mardaloop.com) or on Facebook: [facebook.com/mardaloopfarmersmarket](https://facebook.com/mardaloopfarmersmarket)

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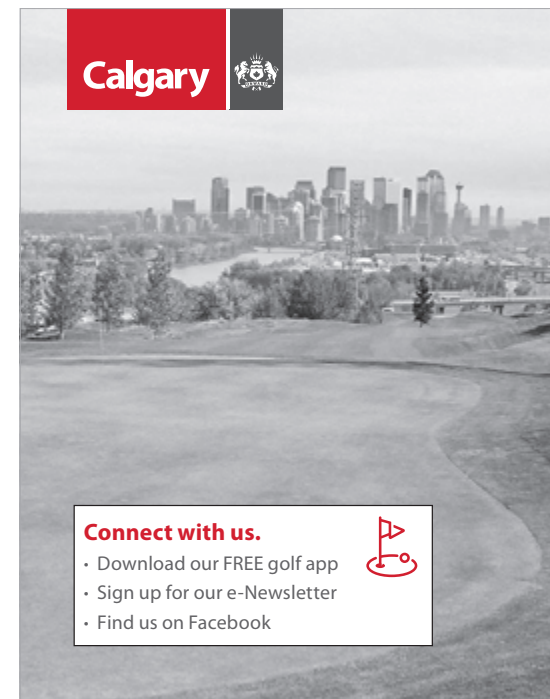
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The same idea applies to home appliances. For example, a regular top-freezer refrigerator may consume 500 kWh of electricity per year while another same-sized refrigerator that is ENERGY STAR qualified may consume 350 kWh/year. ENERGY STAR is an international symbol managed by the US Department of Energy used to designate premium energy efficient products. At the current total electricity cost of \$0.12/kWh the more energy efficient refrigerator will save approximately 250\$ over it's 15-year life (assuming a conservative 4% cost escalation for electricity). Would you factor in this extra cost of \$250 if you were to decide to buy a non-ENERGY STAR rated refrigerator? The extra cost of non-energy efficient products is often hidden.

When you decide on buying a specific product that uses energy, you also assent to the energy bills accompanying the product. If the energy consumption is minimal, such as for a mobile phone that uses to charge approximately 5 kWh/year, or less than \$0.50/year, this will probably not be a consideration at all. But what about other much larger products? What about homes? Could some homes use way more energy than others? How

can you know how much energy per year your home, or your future home, is likely to consume?

Such energy estimate does exist. The new EnerGuide Rating System for Homes gives precisely the home expected energy performance under standard operating conditions. With the average Alberta home using 120 GJ of natural gas and 7,200 kWh of electricity every year, and the marginal cost of energy at around \$1,400/home per year, a typical energy efficient home will use half this amount of energy, thus generating savings of \$700/year. Over 40 years, those \$700+ per year savings do make a difference. The type and size of house you buy directly affect your energy bills, and this is reflected in the energy life-cycle cost associated with purchase decisions. When you select an energy-consuming product, whatever it is, you do also pick the long-term energy bills you will pay.

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For more information about the Sustainability committee in Marda Loop, please email [sustainability@mardaloop.com](mailto:sustainability@mardaloop.com).

*i EnerGuide is an official mark developed by Natural Resources Canada to promote energy efficiency in the Canadian marketplace, [www.nrcan.gc.ca/energy/products/energuide/12523](http://www.nrcan.gc.ca/energy/products/energuide/12523)*

*ii reflecting 55% city and 45% highway driving*

*iii Statistics Canada, CANSIM data for Calgary from 1990 to 2017, [www5.statcan.gc.ca/cansim/a01](http://www5.statcan.gc.ca/cansim/a01)*

*iv Out of \$0.12/kWh total fees, approximately 67% are variable fees and 33% are fixed fees*

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*vi Part of the cost of energy that varies with consumption, or the total cost of energy minus the fixed fees: combined fee for natural gas at \$6/GJ, and electricity at \$0.09/kWh.*

## Community Crop Garden Society

Knowing where your food comes from and eating what you grow can be a very satisfying experience. If you do not have the space at home to grow vegetables, herbs and flowers, then joining a community garden can solve your problem.

Community Crop Garden Society is a non-profit volunteer driven gardening society. We have three pesticide-free garden sites in central and southwest Calgary totaling 126 rental garden beds.

Our three garden sites are:

**South Calgary Garden – 3130 - 16<sup>th</sup> Street SW**

There are 46 garden plots, a large perennial garden and a small orchard of dwarf apple and pear trees.

**Currie Booster Garden – 3410 - 16<sup>th</sup> Street SW**

This garden has 36 garden plots. There are gooseberry and haskap bushes as well as a large rhubarb patch.

**Alternative High School Garden – 5003 - 20<sup>th</sup> Street SW**

The 44 garden plots are laid out in a circular pattern. In 2010, we took over the already established Alternative High Garden from the Calgary Alternative Support Service.

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## The Military Museums Events

### Yorkton Film Festival

The Military Museums and the Military Museums Foundation in Marda Loop is collaborating with the Yorkton Film Festival to host several evenings of documentary films on the First and Second World Wars. Films selected from Canada's longest running film festival include the following:

### Secret Secretaries: The Women of B.S.C. (47:18 min)

About the vital role Canadian women played in putting an end to World War II by working for spymaster William Stephenson, aka "Intrepid". Includes talk on: Women in War  
June 8 at 7 pm and June 15 at 4 p.m.

### Jajo's Secret

My father and I made a shocking discovery - a secret Jajo had kept his entire life. A certificate of parole issued by the Sault Ste. Marie Police in 1918. About the journey to discovering the Ukrainian internment. Presentation TBA  
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### War Stories 2017

New Museum Exhibit Opens on Vimy Centennial  
Personal stories of the battles of 1917 will be on display in the Founders' Gallery from April 9 to August 25th at the Military Museums. War Stories 1917 commemorates the 100th anniversary of the battles of 1917: Vimy, Hill 70 and Passchendaele. The exhibit tells the stories of these battles through the eyes of the men and women who were there.

The new exhibit includes John George Pattison's Victoria Cross and a Red Ensign flag flown at Vimy (on loan from the Imperial War Museum in England). War Stories 1917 connects Canadians to the personal experiences of people like those of Mike Mountain Horse, Major General Sir David Watson and Major Talbot Papineau. Adding another dimension to the displays, the University of Calgary's Founders' Gallery will feature the contributions by contemporary artists: Jason Baerg, Dianne Bos and Adrian Stimson. Their works include artistic portrayals of the battles of 1917 and representation of Indigenous participation in the First World War.

The Military Museums of Calgary, Alberta located at 4520 Crowchild Trail SW is the largest tri-service museum in Western Canada and the second largest military museum in Canada. The Military Museums is supported by The Military Museums Foundation, a non-profit organization that develops and delivers Alberta curriculum based education programs.





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### Justice for Albertans

When Judges are in the news condemning policies and demanding action it's typically a bad sign ("Top Alberta judges condemn trial delays, demanding Parliament acts to fill vacancies on the bench," Kaufmann, Calgary Herald, Sept. 28, 2016).

In 2016 one judge in particular – Court of Queen's Bench Chief Justice Neil Wittmann – was blunt in his assessment. Of the previous federal government's treatment of Alberta's justice system he said this:

*"The previous federal government wouldn't even authorize the appointment of the number of judges that the Alberta government had, by statute, said they require. In my opinion that is constitutionally impermissible."* ("Alberta judge shortage at 'breaking point,'" Grant, CBC News, Oct. 26, 2016)

In some cases a trial would have a wait time of one or two years before it was even seen by a judge. It's this undermining of a legal system by starving it of resources that underserves Albertans and Calgarians, and has ensuing costs to commerce, jobs, and justice for Canadians.

That's why in 2017 our government is creating 28 new federally-appointed judicial positions, to help address demographic pressures in regions like Alberta and ensure that Canadians have timely access to justice in

Canada – through an investment of \$55.1 million over five years and \$15.1 million per year thereafter, as well as legislative amendments.

This is in addition to the good work that provincial Justice Minister Kathleen Ganley is doing with a recently announced boost in funding, adding new judges to provincial courts, and hiring 50 new Crown prosecutors (and thirty support staff).

All Canadians – no matter their means – should have the right to a fair trial and access to a modern, efficient justice system. We are committed to ensuring that our justice system is fair, relevant and accessible to all Canadians by helping economically disadvantaged people in obtaining legal assistance and representation.

In Budget 2016, we committed to an additional \$88 million over five years for legal aid funding partnerships with the provinces and territories, and today we have announced an additional \$30 million per year in ongoing funding. These new funds will make more legal aid available for those who need it and will support new ways of delivering services. Performance measurement will also be added to make sure legal aid funding is doing what it needs to do.

Our 2015 platform was built for Alberta – by immediately working to ease EI rules for those hit by the commodity downturn, investing in carbon pricing to create a consensus to approve (and to soon build) four pipelines to foreign markets, and by working with international partners to open up new markets. I take my role as the cabinet minister from Calgary seriously, in supporting veterans as Minister of Veterans' Affairs, and work every day to make sure that we can continue to build this city.

As always, you can contact my office by email at kent.hehr@parl.gc.ca or by phone at 403-244-1880. My office is located at 950 6 Ave SW and my door is always open to you. You can follow my work in Parliament online and sign up for my e-newsletter at www.KentHehrMP.ca.



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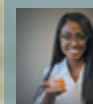
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## Neighbour Day

One of my biggest goals when running for office was to build, nurture and grow diverse and activated neighbourhoods. While all of our communities might look different, the thing that makes Calgary so great are the people who live here. Passionate and engaged Calgarians are found in every corner of our city and it's been awesome to meet so many of them in my role as your City Councillor so far.

Our inner city and established communities are not only diverse in age, gender, income and ethnicity but also in what they value in a city. These different perspectives are a big part of the constant dialogue surrounding how we make our neighbourhoods better. Personally, I think the best way to increase and improve our city is to get to know each other.

Neighbour Day is held every year on the third Saturday of June and is an opportunity for neighbours to come together. The idea is to meet your neighbours, make new friends, have fun and maybe work together on a project that benefits the entire community. Whether you're having a front yard barbecue, a garden party, a street clean-up or setting up some games in a local park, I encourage you to be a part of the neighbourhood you want.

For every other day of the year, The City of Calgary offers a wide variety of community-based programs and special events for children, youth, families, adults and seniors across Calgary. There's a range of opportunities to take advantage of to help build strong and inclusive neighbourhoods where citizens are empowered, connected and involved.

Make Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> the day you get to know your neighbours! Visit calgary.ca/neighbourday for ideas to help you celebrate or contact my office at 403-268-2431 or ward08@calgary.ca for more information.



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## Budget Town Hall Update

On April 8<sup>th</sup>, I held a budget town hall. The event was attended by people from all parts of the political spectrum who provided their input on the current state of Alberta's finances. The common theme I heard at the event was that the government is on an unsustainable path and that we cannot continue to go further into debt. Our continued reliance on unpredictable resource revenues means that we will never be able to balance the budget.

Participants were presented with the question of how to increase provincial revenues in order to reduce our reliance on non-renewable resource revenue. When asked how they felt about revenue options, their preferences were ranked in the following order:

1. Carbon Tax fully offset by Personal and Corporate Tax reductions and innovation tax credits
2. PST with cuts to Personal and Corporate Tax
3. New user fees: Toll roads, health care premiums, etc.
4. PST on top of other taxes
5. Carbon Tax on top of existing taxes
6. Increase Corporate Tax
7. Increase Personal Tax

I also asked those in attendance to identify where they felt they sat on a continuum of budget options from our current deficit path to the sustainable path to cutback path. I overwhelmingly heard people want to find savings in government spending without hurting front-line services. This includes:

- Cap on non-renewable resource revenue used for core programs
- Constrain operational spending by 1%
- Public sector pay freeze
- Rethink tax system to reward individual effort and increase investment
- Shift to new, sustainable revenue sources to fund core programs

I would like to thank the volunteers and everyone who attended. I appreciated receiving the feedback and would like to hear from all constituents on the issue of our provincial finances. Please feel free to contact

my office at calgary.elbow@assembly.ab.ca with your thoughts.

## Neighbour Day

This year marks Calgary's fourth annual Neighbour Day. The event was created to recognize and remember how Calgary's communities came together to help their neighbours after the 2013 flood. Held this year on June 17<sup>th</sup>, Neighbour Day is a time for Calgarians to celebrate our strong community spirit by organizing community events such as garden parties, picnics or neighbourhood clean-ups. Contact your local community association for information on events in your neighbourhood. Each year I try to attend as many events as possible in Calgary-Elbow. If your community is having an event, please let me office know by calling 403-252-0346 or by email at calgary.elbow@assembly.ab.ca.

## RESIDENT PERSPECTIVES

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The many creative and inquisitive minds that arrived at my grade one door have filled my heart with wonderful and enduring memories. And to you parents, I will always be grateful for your trust and ongoing encouragement that supported me in the classroom.

Merci à tous. À Bientôt,

Susan Lobell

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This June marks two years since you promoted me from the shop floor to the Legislature floor as your representative in a government led by Rachel Notley. Every day since, our government has been working hard to implement meaningful policies and programs that provide stability and affordability for Alberta families. In fact, we have fulfilled 73% of our 2015 election platform, with another 15% in the process of being completed this legislative session.

This year alone, 380,000 children in 199,000 families across Alberta and right here in Calgary Currie will be helped by the Alberta Family Employment Tax Credit and the new Alberta Child Benefit. Bill 1 has reduced mandatory school fees by 25%. And a new agreement with the federal government prioritizes the hiring of Alberta workers in 29 high-wage jobs including civil and mechanical engineers, machinists, electricians, plumbers and carpenters meaning as jobs continue to return, Albertans will be at the front of the line.

My work continues on introducing Henson Trust legislation in Alberta. This month I am excited to launch a second round of consultations beginning in Lethbridge on Saturday, June 10 at the Lethbridge Senior Citizens Centre. If you have family or friends in Southern Alberta who would like to participate - or if you yourself would like to speak to me about Henson Trust legislation - please contact my office. I continue to be overwhelmed by the support this initiative has received to date, and by working together we can ensure this becomes a reality.

As the legislative session winds down later this month, I look forward to getting out and meeting more of you at the many summer community events in and around Calgary Currie such as Lilac Festival on June 4. I will be hosting my 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Stampede Breakfast at the Glenbrook Community Association on Sunday, July 9th – all are welcome! If you want to volunteer by flipping pancakes, let me know.

Brian

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