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### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

We are really getting a taste of winter as I write this. It is good for the rinks, for ice skating, and of course the Winter Festival on January 7th 2017.

Thank you to the wonderful residents who flood, clean and maintain the ice rinks in our community all winter long. The main rink at the hall, and the pleasure rink beside it. Not to forget the Adopt-a-Rink by the Library. This winter is the 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Adopt-a-Rink.

So for all your hard work and efforts, thanks to:

Paul Webber and family and Alec Simpson, for the rinks at the Hall.

Bob Jonathan, Joe Short, and John (the manager at Jack Astors - who has come out to lend a hand as well), for the Adopt-a- Rink.

We will be having a meeting on January 17th with the City Engineers and residents regarding the sewer issue on Sabrina Road. I will report in the next newsletter regarding the information we get.

So that is all from me for this month. There will be more to report after the January meeting, so in the meantime I hope you all had a lovely and relaxing holiday season and wish you all the best for 2017.

A reminder about memberships: You can buy your membership online at Southwoodconnects.ca/Memberships. You can also purchase through Trico. March is Membership Month- so please come forward and support your Community Association and buy a member-

The next meeting will be on February 23rd at 7.00pm. Please feel free to join us!

Kind regards,

Vivien Jonathan





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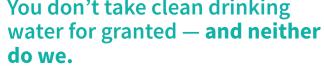
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Come as you are and work at your own pace, no prior yoga experience required.

Current participants ages 40s to 80s. All welcome.

Contact June Kwak for more information. 403-710-5126 / june@regroovenating.com.



# SOUTHWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

This is your community newsletter with a mission to keep Southwood residents connected and involved in community life. The volunteer efforts of contributors and distributors ensure its success. This newsletter is printed monthly and is distributed without charge to all residents of Southwood.

Please check out our website, which contains useful information for you to access at SouthwoodConnects.ca.

#### **Newsletter Submissions**

We welcome articles and letters from our readers. All submissions must be accompanied by a name and telephone number. Articles should be between 200 and 550 words and can be submitted to the Newsletter Editor.

We reserve the right to edit articles for appropriate content or length. Photographs of community events are also greatly appreciated. Editorial deadline is the 5th of the month prior to publication.

#### **Calendar Submissions**

We want to make our newsletter and calendar as complete as possible, to include all community events and programs. If we missed yours, please contact the Newsletter Editor.

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### SOUTHWOOD CHURCH OF GOD

Regular Service:

Sunday: 1:00 PM Worship 7:00 PM Prayer & Communion 7:00 PM Bible Study

Location: Lutheran Church of the Cross

10620 Elbow Dr. SW

Contact: Pastor Alfred Phone: 403-650-0380 Prayer has power to change any situation!

# THE LEARNING TREE PRE-SCHOOL

The Learning Tree Preschool is located in the South-

wood Community Centre. Register NOW for our 3 year old AM or 4 year old PM programs. There is very limited space available. For more information about the preschool program and registration, contact Meghan Collyer at www.thelearningtreepreschool.com.





Residents of partnered communities' pay 20% less for memberships than those who reside outside partnered communities. Phone: 403-278-7542 or see www.tricocentre.ca to find out more.

#### **February at Trico Centre**

Trico Centre for Family Wellness is a non-profit, community-owned and operated recreation facility. Our passes are affordable and our programs are family-friendly. With a pass, you can work out in the fitness centre, take more than 70-drop-in fitness classes a week, use the gymnasium, swim, skate, or play shinny, plus you get 20% off our fun, active registered programs. Residents of communities partnered with Trico Centre (yours!) pay 20% less for a Trico Centre pass with presentation of a community association membership or payment of the Community Support Fee (which is sent to your community association.)

#### **Recession Busters**

- The Trico Cares program offers fee assistance for passes and admissions. Plus, we have partnered with organizations that offer fee assistance for programs (Canadian Tire Jumpstart, KidzFirst, and KidsSport.) See www.tricocentre.ca for details.
- Affordable swim specials: 8:30-9:30pm Monday to Saturday, just \$3/person. Sundays 6-8pm, Family Night Swim, \$3/person.
- Swim specials: Early bird 50% off admission and last hour swim special for \$3/person. Parent and Tot swim \$6/parent; \$1/tot aged 2-6. See www.tricocentre.ca for schedule.

#### Did You Know?

- Refer a new passholder and get a free month on your pass!
- Buy a new pass and receive a coupon for up to \$50 off a program, personal training, or a daily/ 10-visit pass for friend/family.

### Active Learning

#### Open House February 12, 2017

French Immersion Preschool (some Transportation provided)

Out of School Care for Acadia, Fairview & Lake Bonavista Schools

403.473.0600 | www.activelearningprograms.ca 2 - 430 Acadia Dr. SE, Calgary, AB



#### **Adults**

- Focus on your specific goals in a 6-week, small-group (max of 4 participants) setting. Choose from Focus on Fat-Burning, Focus on Learning the Basics, Focus on Power Lifting, Focus on Strength Training Design, or Focus on Healthy Back and Joints. Register at www. triciocentre.ca.
- Learn how to stop the chatter of your mind and relax your body with our Mindful Relaxation Intro Workshop February 4, 2 3:30pm.
- Maximize your mobility and reduce pain with Myofascial Stretch and Release. This 6-week registered class runs Tuesdays 5:30-6:30pm starting February 21 or Thursdays 9:15-10:15am starting February 23.
- Trico Centre now provides emergency response certification courses. This month, CPR C/AED recert & First Aid/CPR full recert on February 4. Wilderness & Remote First Aid covers material in Standard First Aid & CPR, plus special material on techniques for wilderness & remote areas. Part of the class is taught in an outdoor setting. February 11 and 12, 8am 6pm.

#### **Families**

Family Day Event: Join us for SHINE FM and Trico Centre's Funderful Family Day Celebration, Monday February 20 from 10am to 2pm. Admission to the event is free. There will be lots of cool activities including a free family leisure skate, hot chocolate bar, and Storytime Theatre. Plus, a swim in the wave pool is just \$2 per person.

#### **Children & Youth**

- Mindfulness for Youth Workshop (8-12 years with parent.) You and your child will learn techniques that will achieve life-long calming strategies. February 4, 12-1:30pm.
- Preschool Drop-Ins: Drop-In Gymnastics (Monday 9:30-10:30am and 10:45-11:45am, Wednesday 11:30am-12:30pm.) Drop-In Playtime (Tuesday and Fridays 9:30-11:00am) and Drop and Go (Saturday and Sunday 9am-12pm.) See www.tricocentre.ca for schedule and details.



Southwood Real Estate Update

Last 12 Months Southwood MLS Real Estate Sale Price Update

|                | Average Asking Price | Average Sold Price |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| December 2016  | \$529,450.00         | \$510,000.00       |
| November 2016  | \$418,000.00         | \$395,000.00       |
| October 2016   | \$429,900.00         | \$430,000.00       |
| September 2016 | \$459,950.00         | \$449,250.00       |
| August 2016    | \$466,950.00         | \$461,000.00       |
| July 2016      | \$412,062.00         | \$410,000.00       |
| June 2016      | \$425,000.00         | \$408,000.00       |
| May 2016       | \$449,900.00         | \$445,000.00       |
| April 2016     | \$442,400.00         | \$416,750.00       |
| March 2016     | \$449,900.00         | \$425,000.00       |
| February 2016  | \$519,900.00         | \$505,000.00       |
| January 2016   | \$464,900.00         | \$452,500.00       |

Last 12 Months Southwood
MLS Real Estate Number of Listings Update

|                | No. New Properties | No. Properties Sold |
|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| December 2016  | 2                  | 2                   |
| November 2016  | 3                  | 1                   |
| October 2016   | 5                  | 3                   |
| September 2016 | 6                  | 8                   |
| August 2016    | 7                  | 6                   |
| July 2016      | 6                  | 6                   |
| June 2016      | 10                 | 9                   |
| May 2016       | 6                  | 7                   |
| April 2016     | 3                  | 4                   |
| March 2016     | 8                  | 1                   |
| February 2016  | 3                  | 3                   |
| December 2015  | 2                  | 6                   |

To view more detailed information that comprise the above MLS averages please visit **southwood.great-news.ca** 

# IN & AROUND SCHOOLS

#### St. Gerard School

Happy New Year! I would like to welcome you all back as we kick off 2017. We hope that everyone had a joyous and wonderful Christmas and school break.

Thank you for your support of Mission Mexico and St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper program! Although December can be a challenging time for all of us as we budget for gifts, juggle time, decorate spaces, and welcome relatives while working no less, through it all, our school community was able to generously support Mission Mexico as well as several families with Christmas Hampers of gifts. Merci!

Kind regards, Christian Harries | Principal

#### **Important Dates:**

January 9th: Classes resume; SPARK (daily physical

movement program) Presentation;

Healthy Hunger special lunch

January 11th: Sammy's Pizza Lunch
January 12th: Grade 6 Field YouthLink

January 16th: Healthy Hunger special lunch
January 17th: Grade 6 Criminal Justice Presentation

Jan 19th-20th: Grade 6 Canada Olympic Park January 23rd: Healthy Hunger special lunch

January 23rd-25th: Alien In-Line Skating K-2

January 27th: PD Day

# SOUTHWOOD BUSINESS MEMBERS

We thank the following businesses for their ongoing support of the Southwood Community Association.

#### **Please Support These Local Businesses**

- Southwood Veterinary Hospital
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- Apple Dental Group
- Psychology Plus
- Great News Publishing
- Kimberly Hull, CPM

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# Guides Canada BLACKFOOT DISTRICT











#### **Happy Thinking Day!**

2017 So what is this Thinking Day? World Thinking Day -February 22nd- is the joint birthday of Lord and Lady Baden-Powell the founders of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides. World Thinking Day gives Girl Guides and Girl Scouts the world over the chance to reflect and show camaraderie with their sisters in far flung places. Units will hold parties or special events in celebration of Thinking Day and raise funds for the CWFF (Canadian World Friendship Fund). These funds will go to WAGGGS



### Valentine's Trivia

Based on retail statistics, about 3 per cent of pet owners will give Valentine's Day gifts to their pets.

(World Association of Girl Guides & Girl Scouts) for development of programs in other countries.

Blackfoot District will be hosting a bridging roller skating night at Lloyd's Recreation for all its members. This is an event sure to be filled with spins and thrillscan you do the Hokie-Pokie on roller skates?

The Spark units will be visiting the fire hall, celebrating Valentine's Day with cupcakes and cards, and learning about Guides from around the world.

The Brownie units will be working on Keys, sleeping over at Telus Spark & the zoo, celebrating Thinking Day through games, songs, dances and crafts from our sister Guiding countries.

The Guide units will be learning about the 4 World Guiding Centres by participating in activities from Mexico (Our Cabana), India (Sangam), Switzerland (Our Chalet) and England (Pax Lodge) in celebration of Thinking Day.

The Pathfinder & Ranger units will be winter camping, snowshoeing, making birthday boxes for the food bank and will be attending STEM Day at U of C.

Guiding is a great place to build new friendships and experience new challenges. Why not give us a try.

If you have any questions regarding Guiding or registration please contact

Calgary Area Girl Guides at 403-283-8348 or ggcinfo@calgarygirlguides.com.

**Girl Greatness Starts Here** 

# 6-9 pm - (P) - Moh Pai Martial Arts 1-3:30 pm - (P) - Home schoolers' Girl Guides 7-9 pm - (P) - Southwood Monthly Board Meeting 6-10 pm - (C) - BridgeNutz Bridge Club 7-9 pm - (P) - Narcotics Anonymous 6-10 pm - (C) - BridgeNutz 10-11:30 am - (P) -June Kwak Yoga 6:30-7:30 pm - (P) - Sparks 6:30-8:30 pm - (C) - Brownies 8-10 pm - (P) - Moh Pai Martial Arts June Kwak Yoga 6:30-7:30 pm - (P) - Spark 6:30-8:30 pm - (C) - Brownie 8-10 pm - (P) - Moh Pai Martial Arts June Kwak Yoga 6:30-7:30 pm - (P) -6:30-8:30 pm - (C) - Br 10-11:30 am - (P) -10-11:30 am - (P) 10-11:30 am 7-9 pm - (P) - Gamblers' Anonymous 8am-1pm - (P) - ECCChurch 7-9 pm - (P) - Gamblers' Anonymous 7-9 pm - (P) -(C) - Chihuahua

7-9 pm - (P) - ( Anonymous

8am-1pm - (P) - ECC Church

(P) indicates Pioneer Room (C) indicates Chateau Room

6:30-7:30 pm - (P) - Sparks 6:30-8:30pm - (C) - Brownies 8-10 pm - (P) - Moh Pai Martial Arts



Please take a moment to use one of the following payment options to purchase or renew your Membership

- 1. Go to Southwoodconnects.ca/Memberships to purchase your membership online.
- 2. Complete the form below and drop it off or mail it to the community association with a cheque payable to Southwood Community Association (11 Sackville Dr SW Calgary, Alberta T2W 0W3)

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|----------------------------|-----------------|---------|--|
| Address:                   |                 |         | Postal Code  |
| Email:                     | (Used only by S | CA to s | end occasional emails about community issues & events) |
| Phone #:                   | Cell            | #:      |  |
| SCA Family Membership      | \$30            |         |  |
| SCA Seniors Membership     | \$20            |         |  |
| Donation to the Community  | (Tax receipt    | Yes     | No)  |
| nterested in Volunteering? | YES             |         | NO   |

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# IN & AROUND

#### **Southland Leisure Centre** 403-648-6576

#### **MEND Mind, Exercise, Nutrition...Do it!**

Child obesity is a significant issue in Alberta. There is substantial evidence linking obesity to preventable chronic diseases and psychological impacts on children. MEND is a community, family-based healthy lifestyle program. These programs are provided at NO COST to participants and provide a comfortable environment for families to interact and learn how to make healthy lifestyle choices. The program will provide you with the tools and support you need to help you and your family transition to a healthier lifestyle. Ages 2Y - 4Y: A 10 week healthy eating and activity program for families.

#### **Southland ProShop**

"Did you know Southland Leisure Centre has a Proshop? We have a great selection of swimsuits for all ages. Proshop sharpens skates using the Blackstone Stealth Skate Sharpening machine, CHECK US Out"

#### Friday Night Dance Party at Southland Leisure Centre - February 24 from 7:15-10:00pm.

Admission to the Party includes a dance lesson (primary movements, rhythmic structure, posture, leading and following), social dance, as well as refreshments. No Partner Required!

#### Family Valentine's Crafts & Cookies

Tuesday, Feb 14 - 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 am and 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - Family Valentine's Crafts & Cookies at Southland Leisure Centre

Celebrate family month and Valentine's. Make some Valentine's crafts for your family and friends and enjoy some light refreshments. Drop-in to our lobby!

#### Family Day Week-end Climbing & Gymnastics Drop-in

Sunday, Feb 19 – 3-5 p.m. – Family Day Week-end Climbing & Gymnastics Drop-in at Southland Leisure Centre. The whole family is welcome to our special Family Day week-end Climbing (Indoor rock Climbing) and Gymnastics Drop-in.

#### **Drop-in Climbing and Gymnastics at Southland Leisure** Centre

There's so much to do at Southland Leisure Centre!



Come have some fun and unique experiences in our rock wall climbing and gymnastics gym drop-in times. All equipment is provided and instructors are present to quide you.

#### Drop-in Badminton and Basketball, Soccer, Pickleball at Southland Leisure Centre

Please see calgary.ca/recreation or contact 311 for the latest schedules as cancellations may be in effect for special events or holiday hours.

#### Every Sunday, 8 am to noon. Family Swim at Southland Leisure Centre.

It's a designated family swim time. Come enjoy our waterpark, including a trip or two to the AquaPlay structure. Be prepared to get wet! Adults must be accompanied by a child and all children must be accompanied by an adult. Regular admission applies.

#### **Babysitting Room at Southland Leisure Centre**

Treat yourself to some 'me time' to workout or take a class. No bookings required for our Babysitting Room.

Mon -Sunday - 08:30am - 12:30pm, Monday-Thursday 04:00pm - 08:00pm

Reasonable rates for a well deserved break!

#### Calgary AfterSchool at Southland Leisure Centre

A FREE supervised drop-in program for youth ages 11-15 during the school year. Come use the pool on Tuesdays and Fridays, and the Sport Hall and Youth Room are open each day! New activities are always introduced and daily snacks are available.

Cost: Free

Ages: 11 – 15

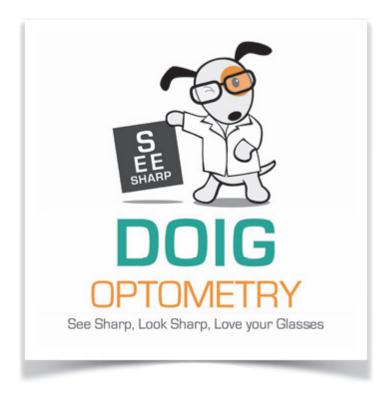
Day: Monday to Thursday, 3 – 6 p.m. and Fridays, 1 – 5 p.m. Location: Southland Leisure Centre (2000 Southland Dr. SW)

#### Fridays, 7:30 to 10 p.m. Youth Night at Southland **Leisure Centre**

Friday nights have taken an active twist! Come with your friends and join us in the Sport Hall for a variety of youth exclusive sports including basketball, badminton, dodgeball, soccer and much more. Weekly planned active activities are also available. If swimming is your thing, admission also includes access to public swim in our waterpark. General youth admission applies.

### **Everybody Loves a....**

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Hi friends and neighbours

You may have heard in the news that last month our Government banned door-to-door sales of household energy products at the beginning of the year.

I am really proud of this decision, which helps protect Albertans from misleading, high-pressures sales.

The Government had received more than 1,000 consumer complaints about energy products and services, including:

- Deliberate misrepresentations,
- · Selling products they don't really need,
- Energy contracts not being cancelled upon request, and
- High-pressure tactics

Under these new rules, Alberta has banned door-to-door sales of:

- Furnaces
- Hot water tanks
- Natural gas and electricity contracts
- Air conditioners
- Windows
- Energy audits

Energy companies can continue to sell directly to Albertans, including telephone and online sales, kiosks, and advertising. Consumers are still able to invite salespeople to their homes if they choose, and at the customer's request.

Alberta's Fair Trading Act protects consumers from unfair business practices before, during, and after a consumer transaction. Anyone with concerns about door-to-door sales should:

- Call our consumer protection line at 1.877.427.4088, and
- Visit servicealberta.ca to learn more about their rights

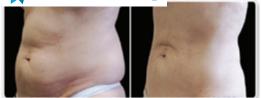
Alberta's Utilities Consumer Advocate website offers tips on buying energy products; helps customer shop around by comparing utility rates online; and explains utility bills. UCAhelps.alberta.ca

Open House Saturday March 28th from 2-4pm. Chat with your neighbours and friends over coffee and a snack. Bring your questions and join the conversation.

As always, my staff and I are here to help and hear your feedback. If you need assistance accessing government programs, want some support for a community event or initiative or just want to say "Hi," you can reach us by email at Calgary.Acadia@ assembly.ab.ca, by phoning 403-640-1363 or visiting #10, 8318 Fairmount Dr SE.

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Our first meeting of the year will be February 9th at 7 pm and we will have monthly meetings on the second Thursday of the month. Meetings will be held in the Southwood Community Hall Upper floor.

Everyone is welcome to attend. Please contact us at southwoodcommunitygardens@gmail.com, join our facebook page called "southwood community gardens" or call Teresa at 403-539-1364 if you are interested or want to know more.

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# IN & AROUND

#### February Is Heart Month

Do you know the signs and symptoms of a heart attack and what to do if someone experiences these? Knowing can make the difference between life and death. Recognizing and responding immediately to the warning signs of a potential heart attack can significantly improve survival and recovery.

February is Heart Month - take the time to be heart safe and learn how you can reduce your risk.

#### Know the signs of a heart attack

(Any, or all, of these signs & symptoms may occur)

- Chest discomfort described as crushing, squeezing, pressure, or heaviness:
- Discomfort that moves beyond the chest, such as the shoulder, arm, neck, or jaw;
- Shortness of breath, sweating, or nausea and vomiting.

#### Reduce vour risk

Heart attack risk factors include:

- Obesity\*
- Sedentary lifestyle\*
- Smoking\*
- · High cholesterol\*
- · Age / gender
- Family history

Speak with your doctor about how to treat your modifiable (\*) risk factors and learn to be heart safe.

#### What to do when seconds count

- Call 9-1-1 immediately. Early treatment can greatly reduce heart damage and make the difference of life and death;
- Treatment starts the moment EMS arrives. Paramedics can provide oxygen, start an intravenous and perform an electrocardiogram (ECG);
- · Paramedics can also administer important medication(s) in the early minutes of a heart attack to lessen heart damage;
- During transport, EMS will share information with the hospital, so definitive treatment can begin immediately upon arrival;
- Take a CPR/AED (automated external defibrillator) course. Training is widely available from many reputable organizations. It's easy, inexpensive, and only takes a few hours.

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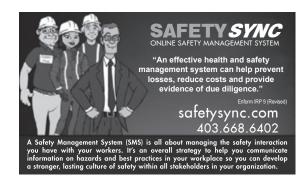
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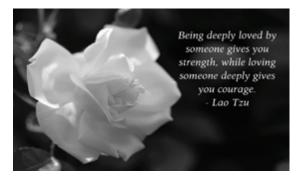
#### Dear Constituents:

As we enter the second month of the New Year, I am happy to mention that I am chairing the Caucus Budget Advisory Committee: it works closely with the Minister of Finance and provides assistance to the ministry to prepare the upcoming spring budget 2017. I am glad to have this leadership opportunity to provide my insight into the budget to serve Albertans' best interests.

We are working hard towards job creation in our province: with new initiatives like the Energy Efficiency Program, the Alberta Investor Tax Credit and the Capital Investment Tax Credit, the Petrochemicals Diversification Program and with capital investment in roads, hospitals and schools, you will begin to see the effects in our economy. Since August of 2016 the province has added 25,000 jobs.

- Two new facilities approved under the **Petrochemical Diversification Program.**
- These plants, for the first time in Alberta, will process propane extracted from natural gas resources into value-added plastic products that people all over the world use every day. Both plants will operate in the Edmonton area (Sturgeon County and Strathcona County).
- During construction of the Pembina/PIC petrochemical processing facility, there would be an average of 2,000 to 2,500 workers on site, with more than 150 full-time operations and head office jobs upon completion. Construction is expected to start in 2019, with the facility operating by 2021.
- The second project, by Inter Pipeline, will create 2,000 full-time equivalent jobs over the three year construction period. About 1,600 of those would be at the site and the rest would be in fabrication or module shops and engineering firms. An additional 95 full-time operations positions would be created upon project start-up. Construction is expected to start in 2017, with the facility operating in 2021.
- New wells drilled under Modernized Royalty
   Framework

- Since July, 129 new wells have been drilled in Alberta under the modernized royalty framework.
- Each new well supports 135 direct and indirect jobs and about \$4.5 million in spending.
- It was clear that the old method of confrontational politics of shouting at Ottawa and the other provinces, was not working to get Alberta better access to markets for our oil and gas products.
- We chose a different path and decided to build a plan that would protect our environment and build our energy economy. The pipeline approvals are proof that this plan worked: When Prime Minister Trudeau announced these pipeline approvals, he said, "Let me say this definitively, we could not have approved this project without the leadership of Premier Notley and Alberta's climate leadership plan."
- Starting in early 2017, **Energy Efficiency Alberta** will deliver a variety of programs and services for energy efficiency and small scale renewables.
- Free installation of residential efficiency products such as lighting, water fixtures, and heating components in homes across Alberta.
- Rebates for efficient appliances, lighting, and insulation for homes.
- Incentives for high-efficiency retrofits of lighting, heating, cooling, and hot water systems for businesses, non-profits, and institutions.



### Southwood mybabysitterlist

| Name    | Age | Contact      | Course |
|---------|-----|--------------|--------|
| Alana   | 25  | 587-888-4854 | Yes    |
| Alana   | 25  | 403-869-1993 | Yes    |
| Alex    | 17  | 587-225-7463 | No     |
| Ariel   | 18  | 587-500-6166 | No     |
| Chloe   | 16  | 403-975-7037 | Yes    |
| Kim     | 25  | 587-585-4647 | Yes    |
| Kyra    | 16  | 403-397-3870 | Yes    |
| Rexilla | 40  | 403-478-9465 | Yes    |

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On January 5th of this year, the Assessment Department mailed out the 2017 Property Assessment Notices to property and business owners in Calgary. The assessment process is how property taxes are distributed among all property owners to meet The City's budget needs to pay for services all Calgarians benefit from like police, fire protection, transit, parks, recreation and more. Your property assessment provides the basis for your share of taxes, relative to all non-residential properties in Calgary. On June 27th, 2016, City Council made the decision to reduce the 2017 property tax rate increase to zero through a one-time rebate. Please note this only affects The City's portion. Your property assessment is based on your property's estimated market value on July 1st, 2016, and is used to calculate your property taxes. Your property assessment can change year to year.

#### **Residential Property Assessment**

The average home in Calgary saw an assessment decrease of 4 per cent. If your assessment decreased 4 per cent, you will pay about the same municipal taxes as last year. If your assessment decreased less than 4 per cent or increased from 2016, your municipal taxes will increase. If your assessment decreased by more than 4 per cent, you will see a decrease in your municipal taxes. Please note, the Provincial portion of the tax rate is not announced until spring, and will also have an impact on your property taxes.

#### **Non-residential Property Assessment**

The average non-residential property saw an assessment decrease of 6 per cent. If your assessment decreased 6 per cent, you will pay about the same municipal taxes as last year. If your assessment decreased less than 6 per cent or increased from 2016, your municipal taxes will increase. If your assessment decreased by more than 6 per cent, you will see a decrease in your municipal taxes. Please note that regulated assessments are not subject

to the market value standard, and assessment changes may not be reflective of the average 2017 assessment changes for non-residential properties. The Provincial portion of the tax rate will impact your property taxes. This is not announced until spring. The Business Tax Consolidation will also impact your property taxes.

#### **Business Tax Consolidation**

The City is phasing out the Business Tax through a gradual transfer of the business tax revenues to the non-residential property tax. Each year, business tax bills will go down and non-residential property tax bills will increase. The Business Tax will be eliminated in 2019. Consolidating the taxes into a single, easy to understand real estate-based assessment and tax system for non-residential property owners will make Calgary more competitive and attractive for business. Please note that Business Tax Consolidation will not impact your property/business assessment nor will it be reflected on your assessment notice. It will not increase the amount of revenues collected by The City.

#### **Customer Review Period**

The Customer Review Period is from January 5th to March 6th, 2017. If you have any questions about your assessment, please contact 403-268-2888. Changes can only be made to your 2017 Property Assessment during the Customer Review Period.

The City offers online tools to help property owners understand and review their assessment. By logging into Assessment Search at calgary.ca/assessment, you can access details on your property to check and review the accuracy of the information The City has on file, and compare your assessment with other similar properties in your area to ensure your assessment is fair and equitable. You may also conduct more in-depth assessment research and can access sales, community and property reports.

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| Year                     | Avg Days          |                               |    |  |  |  |
| 2014                     | Total Sales<br>49 | <b>Avg Price</b><br>\$464,039 | 31 |  |  |  |
| 2015                     | 49                | \$455,322                     | 31 |  |  |  |
| 2016                     | 48                | \$451,322                     | 38 |  |  |  |

| Southwood Attached Homes          |    |           |    |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|----|-----------|----|--|--|--|
| Year Total Sales Avg Price Avg Do |    |           |    |  |  |  |
| 2014                              | 24 | \$273,408 | 23 |  |  |  |
| 2015                              | 12 | \$293,167 | 43 |  |  |  |
| 2016                              | 14 | \$273,233 | 72 |  |  |  |

| Southwood Apartment Homes           |    |           |    |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|----|-----------|----|--|--|--|
| Year Total Sales Avg Price Avg Days |    |           |    |  |  |  |
| 2014                                | 23 | \$184,495 | 32 |  |  |  |
| 2015                                | 8  | \$199,113 | 55 |  |  |  |
| 2016                                | 6  | \$170,258 | 75 |  |  |  |

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