Hello, Grandview! Here are a couple of summer updates from around the neighbourhood and city.

West 240 Update

Grandview Heights Community League Board has sent an official response to the University of Alberta Property Trust (UAPT) to capture and summarize the important points that impact the community that were brought forward by Grandview Heights residents at the Open House for West240 held June 12, 2024. In a brief meeting with UAPT, the President and CEO, Greg Dewling confirmed that the residents' messaging from the Open House would be addressed through August and September and a revised Neighborhood Area Structure Plan would be released to the public after that.

Grandview Heights Community League (GHCL) Board Update

The 2024-25 GHCL Board had two very productive meetings before the summer break and will convene again in September to establish the game plan for the next year. Here's some of the things the board has already identified as priorities going forward.

- Increasing league membership is a priority given an understandable decline in numbers post-COVID, and we are confident that Grandview residents will help us make that happen.
- Establishing a talent/volunteer pool made of up residents who may have something to offer the league but who may not be up for the level of volunteer commitment required of a board member. For example, there has been some interest in reintroducing an annual/bi-annual paper newsletter. Delivering the newsletter throughout the neighbourhood presents the ideal volunteer opportunity for residents to help out the league. Stay tuned!
- A top board priority is to develop a plan for use of the \$90+K now sitting in the GHCL Casino Account, with another casino set for the spring of 2025. Towards that end, the GHCL has applied for a Community Services Learning (CSL) intern via the U of A Career Center. If successful, the board will enlist the intern's energies in a needs assessment/community consultation initiative. If we do not get an intern, the board will be reaching out to the local talent pool to help us out - another great opportunity for those interested in a project- specific volunteer commitment!

Soccer Program

It's game over on another soccer season in Grandview. Huge thanks go out to GHCL's Soccer Director, Anning Chen and to everyone who helped keep the kids running and the ball rolling this year.

Summer Party a Huge Success

Grandview's annual Summer Party was a huge success thanks to the efforts of our Social Director Carmen Ma and the volunteers who stepped up to help out. Thanks to Lisa Workman for getting the party started with a yoga session, ensuring folks were all warmed up by the time DJ Marty pumped up the music and dancing began. Lisa also donated an awesome bag of yoga equipment which was awarded to one of Grandview's 'bendiest' residents. Congratulations to all the prize winners!

The Grandview Heights Community League covers all the costs of the Summer Part - a great example of how your membership fees contribute to the quality of life in our neighbourhood.

Greenshack

Free drop-in 10:30 to 1:30 Mon to Fri until Aug 22



Volunteer with the Red Cross

Canadian Red Cross is Looking for Client Services Volunteers at its Health Equipment Loan Program in Edmonton, where medical equipment such as bath stools and walkers are loaned out to those that need them. Our short-term loan program alleviates the pressures that come along with injury or illness; assists seniors with mobility issues, allows people to return home from hospital earlier, and supports those in palliative care.

Volunteer hours may vary but are generally three to four hours per week, either mornings or afternoons from Monday to Friday. For more information visit <u>redcross.ca/HELPvolunteer</u> or contact <u>marianne.fox@redcross.ca</u>

Changes to the City's Community Sandbox Program

The community sandbox locations for the 2024-25 season have been updated and can be found

on <u>edmonton.ca/communitysandboxes</u>. Following a 2021 audit of the Snow and Ice Control Program, changes were needed to the Community Sandbox Program. Public engagement with residents and stakeholders in 2023 helped inform these changes. Engagement results are summarized in the <u>What We Heard Report</u> and the <u>Public Opinion Research Summary</u>. Going forward, sand will be available at centralized sand bin locations, and at some community leagues. The closest sandbox sites to Grandview will be located at the Lendrum Community League parking lot at 11335-57 Ave. and at the City Works Yard at 6609 Gateway Blvd against the fence near the yard entrance. For questions, please contact the Project Team by

email: communitysandboxes@edmonton.ca

Animal Licensing and Control Bylaw Renewal Project

Dear valued community partner,

Phase 2 of the Animal Licensing and Control Bylaw Renewal Project is underway!

The City of Edmonton is renewing the Animal Licensing and Control Bylaw to promote responsible pet ownership and ensure safe,

healthy neighborhoods. We are looking for additional feedback to refine insights from Phase 1 engagement which was completed in November 2023. Insights from both phases of engagement, along with other City bylaws, policies, services, research and jurisdictional scan data, will inform the drafting of the new bylaw.

You are receiving this community toolkit package because you are a valued community partner with a membership who may have a keen interest in providing their feedback. We value everyone's input - whether they own pets or not.

Public engagement will be open from July 2 - August 11, 2024 and the City needs your help inviting more Edmontonians to participate and share their feedback. The attached community toolkit includes digital materials that can be printed, emailed, posted on social media and added to e-newsletters. We appreciate your support and efforts!

We encourage you to reach out to the Public Engagement planning team at <u>erin.pote@edmonton.ca</u> if you have any questions or concerns about the community toolkit and how to use it.

Thank you,

Animal Licensing & Control Bylaw Renewal Team

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

GeriActors Theatre Fall 2024 Workshops and Classes

Please see attached pdf poster for info on this opportunity.

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Hey Grandviewites!

Visit the <u>Grandview website</u> or join the <u>Grandview Heights Edmonton group on Facebook</u>