

# Calgary



## This is my neighbourhood – Taradale

Over the last year, residents of Taradale identified ways to help their neighbourhood become an even better place to live, work and play.

Residents outlined what was important to them, focusing on the themes of people, places, programs and possibilities. These discussions led to the development of Taradale's community vision: *A dynamic community with a safe, beautiful environment.*

The City then worked with residents to identify projects that would support the vision and be possible in their neighbourhood. Residents prioritized the projects and City Administration ensured they could be implemented.

The following is a summary of programs, services and/or small-scale infrastructure improvements that The City of Calgary will implement in partnership with residents of Taradale:

Improvement Project	Project Details	Impact to Neighbourhood	Target Completion Date
<a href="#"><u>Community Cleanup Enhancement</u></a>	Organized events designed to help save residents a trip to the landfill for items that do not fit in their waste and recycling carts.	Providing an opportunity for residents to improve their personal and community spaces.	Complete
Community Gathering Space	The City will work with the community to plan and build amenities to improve the existing green space located at Taralake Way N.E.	Building neighbourhood gathering places for residents to connect.	Complete
Community Play Day	A free family event featuring a variety of fun and interactive activities.	Provides an opportunity for people in the community to connect, play and develop friendships.	Complete
Neighbourhood	The City will work with the community to develop	Engaging residents through	Forthcoming 2017

Communication Plan	a plan on how to better communicate local programs and events to all residents.	communication helps the community association connect with their residents to deliver programs and services.	
<a href="#">Park n' Play and Stay n' Play</a>	A free one-week summer recreation program for children.	Provides an opportunity for children and their families to come together while encouraging recreation and play.	Complete

#### Resident Priority Survey Results

[Click here](#) for an overview of the feedback we received from residents of Taradale in November 2015 on which requested programs, services and/or small-scale improvement projects they wanted to prioritize in their neighbourhood.

#### Existing City Programs and Services in your Neighbourhood

The following is an overview of your neighbourhood's requested programs, services and/or small-scale improvement projects which are already being delivered - or in the process of being developed - by The City:

Request Project	Project Details
Children and Youth Programs	There are <a href="#">Calgary AfterSchool</a> programs taking place in Taradale at Ted Harrison and the Taradale Co-op from September 2015 to May 2016. For more information and to learn how to register, call <a href="#">311</a> .
Extended Driveways	Residents who wish to <a href="#">extend their driveway</a> are encouraged to start a Subdivision Development Appeals process. The current bylaws are under assessment due to resident feedback. To stay informed, we encourage you to contact your <a href="#">Ward Office</a> .
Pathways	The City has an <a href="#">annual plan</a> that outlines <a href="#">pathway</a> improvements scheduled for 2016.

Public Transit to SAIT	Calgary Transit's <a href="#">North Crosstown BRT Project</a> is currently in development and construction is scheduled to begin in August 2016.
Sport Fields	<a href="#">Sport fields</a> are highly valued assets in the city. An initial <a href="#">Sport Field Strategy</a> review was undertaken in 2015 with the goal of developing recommendations in 2016.
Street Signs	New street signs were installed in 2015 for pedestrian crossings and playgrounds.
Waste and Recycling Education	The City studied the recycling habits of the neighbourhood in 2015. The results from that study are currently being analyzed to determine which <a href="#">education programs</a> are best suited for the residents.
Water Parks	<a href="#">Prairie Winds Park</a> is a regional park located in Calgary's Westwinds community. The park is currently entering <a href="#">redevelopment with the help of public input.</a>

### Community Champion Opportunities

The following programs, services and/or small scale improvement projects were requested by residents as part of the This is my Neighbourhood program.

As a next step, The City requires a local Community Champion to lead each of these projects. If you are interested in becoming a Community Champion for one of the projects listed below, please contact your local neighbourhood partnership coordinator – Kiara Bichel at [kiara.bichel@calgary.ca](mailto:kiara.bichel@calgary.ca).

Requested Project	Project Details
Communications Hub	The <a href="#">Taradale Community Association</a> is currently leading this initiative. The goal of the Hub is to increase communication amongst residents through a variety of online and print mediums.
Community Association Membership Drive	Please contact the <a href="#">Taradale Community Association</a> to learn how to get involved in this project.
Community Events	The <a href="#">Taradale Community Association</a> hosts several community events throughout the year.

Community Signage and Beautification	<p>After assessing the request it was determined that the additional resources required to complete such a project were not within the allowable small-scale infrastructure project parameters outlined in the This is my neighbourhood program.</p> <p>This project is still possible but requires a Community Champion to spearhead community support and develop a plan for the sign's long-term care and maintenance.</p>
Gathering Spaces	<p>The <a href="#">Taradale Community Association</a> is working with the Parent Council and other resident groups to look at ways to improve open spaces at schools, playgrounds and local parks. To get involved, or learn more, contact the Community Association.</p>

### Requests Outside of The City's Role

The following list of requested programs, services and/or small-scale infrastructure improvements are outside of The City's roles and responsibilities within your neighbourhood.

Requested Project	Project Details
Community Association Building	<p>The <a href="#">Taradale Community Association</a>, in partnership with the Martindale and Saddle Ridge Community Associations, previously agreed to use the designated land for the development of the Genesis Centre.</p>
Community Leadership Program	<p>The <a href="#">Federation of Calgary Communities</a> provides many opportunities for residents and community association members to learn how they can take a leadership role in their neighbourhood.</p> <p>The <a href="#">Taradale Community Association's</a> board of directors is also currently assessing its own skills and determining specific training options that they will seek out.</p>
ESL programs	<p><a href="#">1000 Voices</a> and the <a href="#">Calgary Public Library</a> at the <a href="#">Genesis Centre</a> offer a variety of programs to assist new Canadians in improving the English language.</p>

Employment, Job Networking and Skills Training	<p>A variety of agencies offer support and assistance for individuals to learn about job networking and skills related training.</p> <p>We encourage you to call <a href="#">211</a> to learn about opportunities that fit your specific needs.</p>
Program Space	Program space is available at the <a href="#">Genesis Centre</a> for community use. We encourage residents to visit the facility to see what space exists and what is available.
Regional High School	<p>The development of schools within the community is managed by the school boards.</p> <p>For more information please contact your <a href="#">Public School Board Trustee</a> or <a href="#">Catholic School Board Trustee</a>.</p>
Youth Drop-In Programs	They are a variety of opportunities for youth to drop-in and recreate at the <a href="#">Genesis Centre</a> , including <a href="#">Calgary AfterSchool programming</a> . To learn about what is offered, please visit the facility.

#### **Status of Other Requested Improvement Projects**

The following is a list of requested programs, services and/or small-scale improvement projects that we heard from you as part of our This is my neighbourhood engagement process. We explored the possibility of developing each project, but unfortunately, it was not possible for The City to proceed due to a variety of logistical and resource constraints.

Requested Project	Project Details
Crosswalks	A total of nine local <a href="#">crosswalk</a> locations were tested by The City in 2015. The <a href="#">test results</a> showed that the locations did not meet The City's minimum requirements for a crosswalk to be installed.