



# ROTARY / MATTAMY GREENWAY CELEBRATION



Saturday, May 24, 2014  
9:00 AM

Join Parks Foundation Calgary, Mayor Nenshi and our valued partners in celebrating the Rotary/Mattamy Greenway with breakfast, activities and the film crew from Communities of Distinction.

CRANSTON CENTURY HALL - 11 Cranarch Road SE

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# GOODBYE WINTER!

We've had a long winter and we're excited that spring is here! It's a busy time of year here at Parks Foundation Calgary as we move into construction season.

Our projects and programs are expanding and will soon offer Calgarians more opportunities to get active outdoors. Check out some of our favorite ways to enjoy spring and what we're looking forward to.

## EXPERIENCE SPRING ON THE ROTARY / MATTAMY GREENWAY

The Rotary/Mattamy Greenway offers numerous ways to experience all that spring has to offer.

One of the best ways to enjoy spring is to head to one of the many wetland interpretive areas and see the emerging plants, migrating birds and animal families that call wetlands home.



Head to the Bonavista Energy Overlook located just inside the entrance to Ralph Klein Park and watch all that is happening at the Shepard Wetland. These wetlands were created as natural filters to treat storm water run-off.



In late spring, you can also visit the newly completed wetland interpretive area located in Brookfield's community of Auburn Bay.

Located south east of the intersection of Auburn Bay Ave. and Auburn Springs Blvd. S.E., the Greenway pathway connects to a kilometer of boardwalk and bird blinds allowing visitors many ways to enjoy the wetland.

Brookfield was the first developer to partner with us for the project and has created a special amenity for Calgarians to enjoy.

# BUILD A GLOBAL BUCKET



Global buckets are a simple and effective way to garden using containers and conserve water.

Global buckets ([www.globalbuckets.org](http://www.globalbuckets.org) for instructional videos and materials) are just one of the sustainable gardening practices being implemented at the Twin Views Communal Garden - an old and under-used tennis court being revitalized through our Horticultural Program.

Other plans include depaving sections of the court surface to build food forests, a large mural, an outdoor classroom, container gardens and a community gathering space.



# BRING OUT YOUR INNER CHILD

The community of Applewood is home to the largest playground in Calgary and possibly even in the province. Take your children, or volunteer to babysit, and head to 188 Applewood Drive SE.

There are three separate play areas to explore, including a large climbing dome in the centre with large play spaces for 2-5 year old and another for 5-12 year old children.



Although this playground built by volunteers last summer is large, the Applewood community is preparing to expand another nearby playground this year. The idea is to remove many smaller and under-used play spaces to create larger play areas that bring community members together.

Parks Foundation Calgary is proud to partner with Applewood and the many other communities we will be working with this summer through our Building Playgrounds and Communities program.

# HAVE AN URBAN PICNIC

James Short Park, located at 4th Avenue and Centre Street SW, was constructed by Parks Foundation Calgary in 1991. Pass by the park on a sunny day and you will see many people enjoying their lunch at this green plaza.

Pack a picnic and head to this urban oasis. There are many benches to relax on and grass to wiggle your toes in.

This summer we are partnering with Downtown Calgary to revitalize the playground at the park. Although there is a small area to work with, we are excited to create a more meaningful play space for children in the area.



## CONSIDER MAKING A DONATION TO PARKS FOUNDATION CALGARY

I would like to make a donation in support of Parks Foundation Calgary to the following project(s):

- Rotary/Mattamy Greenway
- Building Playgrounds and Communities
- Horticultural Program
- Area of greatest need
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information: \_\_\_\_\_

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- One-time donation
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