



Thank you for your participation in Calgary's 52nd Annual Pathway and River Cleanup!

With your volunteer spirit and helping hands, you're making Calgary a better place to live.

Here are a few reminders to help you through the day:

Event Day:

- Familiarize yourself with the site. Ask your group leader to see the reach map.
- Always work with a partner.
- If you see a safety problem, inform City staff or your group leader immediately.
- Do not enter the water to retrieve items. Use caution when cleaning up along river pathways and banks as they may be unstable.
- Do not lift heavy materials. Flag these items and City staff will safely retrieve them.
- Do not touch needles, glass, sharp objects or condoms. Flag these items and City staff will safely retrieve and dispose of hazardous waste properly.
- Do not enter or disassemble illegal campsites. Inform your group leader of their location. Group leaders please contact 311 to report their location.
- Do not reach under hidden places to retrieve garbage. Sharp or hazardous materials might not be visible.
- Do not block pathways and look both ways before crossing them.
- Take breaks and wash or sanitize your hands before having a snack.
- Clear bags are for recyclable items. You can return them to the depot or leave them for Parks staff to collect.

Handling Garbage:

When handling garbage, keep the following in mind:

- Wear gloves and handle garbage as little as possible.
- Be alert. Look for sharp objects sticking out of bags.
- Place bags beside existing garbage cans if possible. Alternatively, group bags together and place one metre off paved pathways.

Do not compress garbage or reach into containers with bare hands.

Environmental Awareness:

- This is nesting season for resident and migratory birds. Avoid touching or approaching birds/nests to prevent disturbance, abandonment or predation of eggs or chicks.
- Do not enter the water or dry bed as it may disrupt or destroy fish habitats.
- Do not enter storm ponds. If you are concerned about the amount of garbage in a pond please phone 311 and City staff will be sent out.
- Do not pick up organic materials, such as animal remains, leaf litter and sticks. They recycle nutrients into the environment and provide materials for wildlife habitats.

52nd Annual Pathway and River Cleanup Quick Reference Sheet

Emergency Contacts

ROLE	PHONE
Your group leader	
Life-threatening injuries	911
Non-life-threatening injuries	403-266-1234
City of Calgary Media Relations line	403-828-2954
Event Day Volunteer Inquiries	403-651-5732
Encampments/Hazardous Materials/ Bylaw Infractions	311