



Housing



Responding to the housing crisis

2023 Housing Starts record **16,679 units** ↑ 31% since 2021.

Approval of *Home is Here - The City of Calgary Housing Strategy 2023-2030*.

Agreement for \$228 million to create over **6,800 units** in the next three years through the Housing Accelerator Fund Contribution.

57 affordable housing units were opened from the *Non-Market Land Sale*.

227 new non-market housing units approved.



33,100 people are estimated to have moved to Calgary in 2023 – population growth of approx. 3 per cent.

2023 annual unemployment rate in Calgary is 6%.

In 2023 Calgary was named

- Friendliest city in the world¹
- 7th most liveable city in the world²
- 3rd most diverse in Canada³
- most dynamic growing tech community⁴

Footnotes for award:
1. Condé Nast 2023 Readers Choice Awards,
2. Economist Intelligence Unit's 2023 Global Liveability Index
3. Statistics Canada, Census 2016
4. 2023 Global Startup Ecosystem Report by Startup Genome.

Public safety



Addressing public safety concerns

In 2023, **69 per cent** of Calgarians agreed that Calgary is safe.

Implemented *The Public Transit Safety Strategy*, perception of safety among transit users on CTrain

Platforms increased from 65 to 71 per cent.

Continued recruiting additional police and peace officers to improve public safety.

Through the *Community Safety Investment Framework*, **\$17.8 million was invested in 37 community** initiatives with the long-term outcome to improve the wellbeing of Calgarians.

Addressed over 125 vacant and problem properties, with demolition of 31 and the remediation of nine derelict or abandoned properties across the city.

Enhanced 5A (Always Available for All Ages and Abilities) pathway and bikeway network by:

- Replacing **5,650 metres** of deteriorating pathways
- Removing **134 posts** to improve accessibility
- Adding **1,200 metres** of new pathways for better connectivity

Transit



Keeping Calgary moving

71 per cent of Calgarians agree that Calgary Transit fares are affordable (2023 Fall Survey of Calgarians).

Total ridership reached **90 million**, ↑ 21% from 2022.

Hired 800 new operators and **added 27** new specialized transit vehicles to meet service demand and growing ridership.

Maintained **free fares for youth** 12 and under and a weekend group day pass.

\$38 million annual subsidy for sliding-scale low-income transit pass program.

Social equity



Building a more inclusive and connected community

67 per cent of Calgarians agree they feel accepted regardless of their background, identity or lifestyle.

77 per cent of Calgarians agree they feel a sense of belonging in their neighbourhood.

Increased support and removed barriers to access social services.

Served **113,000** low-income Calgarians through Fair Entry program, seeing an increase in demand.

Libraries attracted **6.74 million visitors** ↑ 37% since 2022. Adding a record **148,000 new members** covering 56 per cent of Calgary's population.

17,800 visits to FREE summer parks and recreation programs by over 7,000 people.

The *Indigenous Calgary After School Pilot Project* involved **120 children** across six locations.

Climate



Investing in our future through climate action

Community-wide greenhouse gas emissions 16.35 MtCO₂e ↑ 3.5% since 2005.

Community-wide greenhouse gas emissions per capita 12.12 tCO₂e/person ↓ 26.7 since 2005.

Approved 113 energy efficient and renewable energy projects under the Clean Energy Improvement Program, reducing greenhouse gas emissions by an average of 30 per cent for those homes.

Opened the 126-hectare *Haskayne Legacy Park* with Calgary's **first net-zero 2,400 square-foot pavilion building**.

Restored approximately 65 hectares of park habitat.

Planted **91,000 seedlings** and **6,385** large trees to restore Calgary's natural infrastructure.

Saved over 1.5 billion litres of water during stage 1 water restrictions (August to October).

Downtown revitalization



Reimagining a vibrant core

In 2023, the total downtown **taxable assessment base** ↑ 3.5 %.

11 conversion projects approved anticipating a removal of approx. 1.46 million square feet of vacant office space.

The Calgary TELUS Convention Centre brought \$17 million in economic impact in 2023, catching up pre-pandemic levels.

BMO Centre Expansion Project reached significant milestones in 2023 achieving weather tightness and full energization, is on budget and schedule for an anticipated grand opening during Stampede 2024.

207 festivals and events in 2023, ↑ 12% from last year.

The Festival & Event Subsidy Funding and Arts & Culture Microgrant Funding supported.

- **2,073** local artists
- **634** community groups
- **530** local businesses

Land use and local area



Modernizing community and industrial lands

\$5.9 billion total building permit values in 2023, the highest value since 2015.

A total of **82 communities and industrial areas** were involved in creating modernized local area plans in 2023.

29 additional communities with approved modernized Local Area Plans.

Issued 19,500 building permits, granted occupancy on 15,600 new dwelling units. ↑ 9% from 2022.

Registered a record **2,915 suites** through the *Secondary Suite Program*.

