

# Bylaw Bulletin

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## Promote Community Pride – Be a “Good Neighbour”

The Community Standards Bylaw, sometimes referred to informally as the “good neighbour bylaw”, governs how we live together in our communities. It was written with input from citizens and reflects concerns, values and lifestyles of Calgarians. The roles of the bylaw are to set a minimum standard within communities which reflect a balance of respect and tolerance and to achieve compliance to that standard.

As a good neighbour, it is important to be aware of your rights and responsibilities in your community. To access and read the Community Standards bylaw, go to [calgary.ca/animalservices](http://calgary.ca/animalservices) and find out how it addresses issues such as noise, unsightly properties, waste and graffiti. This bylaw was written in clear, everyday language as a reference for citizens. When people know and understand the rules, they are more likely to comply and less enforcement is needed. Citizens work together to become partners in compliance when they understand that the health and safety of their communities are at stake.

**What can you do to promote community pride?** Remove graffiti from your property right away, keep your yard and street tidy and litter free, gather volunteers for a community clean-up, join Blockwatch to become more aware of what is happening in your community and report bylaw concerns to **3-1-1**. Animal & Bylaw Services will work with your neighbours to increase awareness about responsibilities and prohibited activities in Calgary, increase compliance and take ownership of their communities. The City of Calgary Animal & Bylaw Services continues to partner with communities by providing resources for community clean-ups, education programs and publications.

Being a good neighbour starts with being aware and then being proactive so that we can all live in safe, vibrant communities that we are proud of.



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