

*Let's Light Up Summerlea!*

**12<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Lights Contest**

Judging takes place the day and evening on

**December 21, 22 and 23**

Remember to turn on your festive lights!

Winners will receive a \$50 gift cards to local restaurants.

*Stay Safe This Winter*

**Keep a Secure Home**

Remember, a secure home looks lived in. This includes keeping the sidewalks and mailbox clear and your property well lit.

Also, it's good to know your neighbors and stay connected. Report incidents and complaints to [311.edmonton.ca](http://311.edmonton.ca)

**Keep a Safe Sidewalk**

More people than ever are out on the sidewalks these days. It's as important as ever to keep your walks clear.

Whether you shovel by hand or use a snowblower, here are three tips that will make the job easier:

1. Set a schedule. Instead of waiting until it stops snowing, time yourself to shovel lightly every one to two hours.
2. Take your time. Don't overdo it. Take frequent breaks if you have a large area to clear.
3. Dress for the weather and protect your hands against blisters.

*Casino in January*

Did you know that our funding for programs relies almost totally on casinos? Big bin events, picnics in the park, playground equipment and more are possible only because we work casinos as a group for a two-day stint, about once every two years.

On January 13 and 14, Summerlea is running the Starlite casino at West Edmonton Mall. You can help replenish our coffers by volunteering to work as a chip runner, count room staff, cashier, banker, or general manager. If you're 18 or over, we would love to have you on board for a shift or two.

To volunteer or learn more about the upcoming casino, contact Sara at [sara.dziarmaga@gmail.com](mailto:sara.dziarmaga@gmail.com).

**Where to Find Us**

Facebook: @summerleacommunity  
Website: [summerlea.org](http://summerlea.org)

# Community Engagement Survey Update

Thank you to everyone who took the Community Engagement Survey which closed on October 30. Over the next few months, the community league board will be digesting and evaluating your responses to all the questions.

We did take a quick peak and can tell you right now some things we heard loud and clear.

Among the suggested facilities and offerings, you told us the Big Bin Event (held in late spring and early fall) is very important. And the idea of having a fenced-in dog park appears to be almost as popular. At the other end of the preferences scale, there's almost no interest in a skate park. Stay tuned as we dig into this more.

You also told us that the best ways to help you stay informed of events is via our website ([summerlea.org](http://summerlea.org)), these newsletters, and the sign board at the corner of the park.

Our **appeal for volunteers** received several responses. If you didn't respond and you would like to be added to our volunteer list, please send let us know by sending an email to [info@summerlea.org](mailto:info@summerlea.org).

As promised, five lucky respondents were selected in the random draw and received Mastercard gift cards of \$50 each. Congratulations if you were a winner.

A big thank-you to everyone who responded to the survey. You've helped the league board members understand quite a bit better what matters to this community.

## Read the *sipiwiyniwak* *Current*

Our new Ward Councillor, Thu Parmar, has a newsletter. Scan the QR code to read it.

There is information on city programs, services and projects, Council meetings, community league events, and much more.

We will also post the links on [summerlea.org](http://summerlea.org).



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