



# Lake Bonavista Homeowners Association

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## Re: Coyote Awareness and Safety in Lake Bonavista Park

Dear Lake Bonavista Homeowners,

We are writing to inform you about the known presence of several coyotes in and around the park and particularly on the lake ice. While coyotes have been in and around the park for several years, we have noticed a higher percentage of the membership with concerns over their presence.

Coyotes are an integral part of Alberta's urban wildlife ecosystem, and their presence can be managed effectively when we work together to ensure safety for both residents and wildlife.

### Reducing Attractants

The most effective way to manage coyote activity is by removing potential attractants. Homeowners play a critical role in this process. Please consider the following actions:

- **Secure Garbage:** Ensure that all garbage bins are securely closed and stored indoors if possible until collection day.
- **Pet Care:** Supervise pets, especially during dawn and dusk when coyotes are most active. Keep cats indoors and dogs on a leash. Remove pet feces from yards, especially along the shoreline and access ways. Always keep pets out of the park and off the lake ice.
- **Remove Food Sources:** Avoid leaving pet food, birdseed, or fallen fruit from trees in your yard.
- **Proper Composting:** Use enclosed compost bins and refrain from adding meat, fish, or other coyote-attracting food waste.
- **Dispose of Fish Properly:** Do not leave unwanted caught fish on the ice or in accessible areas, and ensure they are placed in appropriate garbage receptacles.
- **Maintain Yards:** Trim vegetation and clear overgrown areas that could provide shelter for coyotes or their prey.



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### **Reporting Sightings and Aggressive Behavior**

If you encounter a coyote, remain calm and avoid turning your back or running. Instead, make yourself appear larger, wave your arms, and make loud noises to deter the animal. Aggressive or unusual coyote behavior should be reported to Lake Bonavista Homeowners Association and the City of Calgary's 311 service.

### **Community Efforts**

The Lake Bonavista Homeowners Association is committed to promoting a safe and harmonious environment. We will continue to monitor coyote activity and collaborate with the City of Calgary's Animal Services to address any concerns.

### **Staying Informed**

For more detailed information on coyote management, please refer to the following resources:

- [Alberta Wildlife Standards](#)
- [City of Calgary's Coyote Program](#)

Your cooperation is essential in maintaining the safety and enjoyment of our community spaces. Thank you for your attention to this matter and for playing an active role in supporting wildlife stewardship.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Lake Bonavista Homeowners Association at 403-271-3333 or [lbha@lkbonavista.ca](mailto:lbha@lkbonavista.ca)

Sincerely,

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