



South Fish Creek Complex

a unique partnership

Located in the Shawnessy Towne Centre, the South Fish Creek Complex is a unique partnership of community organizations that have come together under one roof to deliver recreation, education and library services to residents in the southern end of Calgary. The Complex is home to a Catholic senior high school, a public library, twin ice arenas, gymnasiums, and a full-service YMCA. Currently, over 6,000 people visit the Complex each day and this number is expected to grow over the years.

The partnership alliance includes The City of Calgary, the Calgary Public Library, the South Fish Creek Recreation Association, the Calgary Roman Catholic Separate School District No. 1, and YMCA Calgary. The five equal partners jointly operate the South Fish Creek Complex.

The total project cost \$42.5 million, of which The City of Calgary contributed \$25 million. By building the various facilities together in one complex the partners saved approximately 10 percent, or about \$4 million, of the costs that would have been incurred if separate facilities were built.



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Bishop O'Byrne High School

- Opened in September, 2001
- Serves approximately 1700 Catholic students in grades 10, 11, and 12
- Provides a variety of high quality programs including International Baccalaureate Sports Performance, Hockey, Fine Arts, Student Leadership, Athletics Sports Programs
- One of 103 Catholic Schools under the auspices of the Calgary Catholic School District

Shawnessy Library (Calgary Public Library)

- Opened September 15, 2001
- Delivers programs for people of all ages from babies to seniors
- Serves approximately 2,500 people each day
- Includes fireside and café reading areas, a Kids' Corner and a Teen Zone, and a quiet study room with 16 individual carrels
- More than 1,000,000 items borrowed in 2008
- Provides 24 public access computers, including an ALEX workstation for customers with special needs and two preschool CD-ROM stations, as well as wireless access for customers with laptops

Shawnessy YMCA

- Opened April 13, 2002
- Enjoys a current membership of more than 10,500 members
- Delivers programs for people of all ages and abilities, from preschool to seniors
- Offers a leisure pool, 25 meter swimming pool, whirlpool, two full gymnasiums, a climbing wall, family centre, weight training floor, running track, stretching area, studio, two multi-purpose rooms, licensed childcare and drop-in babysitting
- Serves more than 2000 members, program participants and drop-in facility users each day

South Fish Creek Recreation Association

- Opened January 11, 2001
- Offers twin arenas, gymnasium and meeting facilities
- Delivers programs for people of all ages, from preschool to seniors
- Operates as a community-based charitable association that advocates for cost-effective services based on community need



Bishop O'Byrne
High School

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YMCA
We build strong kids,
strong families, strong communities.