

Family-Friendly Communities Are Good For All



Communities that are good for families are healthy places for all.

- Streets that are safe for children to walk or ride bicycles are streets that are safe for everyone
- Parks and playgrounds where children can play are green spaces everyone can enjoy
- Neighbours who watch out for each other's children are the kind who are willing to help each other in other ways too
- Businesses who provide places for children to play make it easier for parents and children to shop – as well as other customers, who are less likely to be bothered by bad behavior or tantrums
- Governments that consider the needs and thoughts of children are likely to reach out to other community members who might be overlooked

Together, we can make our community more family-friendly:

- Get to know your neighbours: learn their names, invite them over, or organize a BBQ or block party
- Bring kids to City workshops or open houses about things they care about
- Talk with your kids about how they can make their community a better place
- Remind politicians to consider how their choices affect children
- Speak up when you have ideas for ways businesses could be more family-friendly