

Municipal dog park strategies, plans and policies

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Government of South Australia

Extremely helpful and user-friendly.

Guide: <http://www.gooddogsa.com/media/W1siZiIsIjIwMTUvMDMvMDMvOVM2bGhqZG8yZ19VbmxlYXNoZWREb2dQYXJrcy5wZGYiXV0/UnleashedDogParks.pdf>

Consultant's site (additional resources): <http://balancingactdeladeide.com.au/>

Calgary, AB

With over 150 off-leash areas, Calgary is a world leader in off-leash planning and operations.

Site: <http://www.calgary.ca/CSPS/Parks/Pages/Locations/Dog-off-leash-areas-in-parks.aspx>

Plan: <https://www.calgary.ca/CSPS/Parks/Documents/Locations/Off-Leash-Areas/off-leashmanagement-plan.pdf?noredirect=1>

Off-leash Ambassador Program: <http://www.calgary.ca/CSPS/ABS/Pages/Volunteering/Off-leash.aspx?redirect=/offleashvolunteer>

Denver,

https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=0ahUKEwixrn_y47cAhUK_4MKHf6yDRwQFggqMAA&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.denvergov.org%2Fcontent%2Fdam%2Fdenvergov%2FPortals%2F747%2Fdocuments%2Fplanning%2Fmaster_plans%2FOff_Leash_Dog_Park_MasterPlan.pdf&usq=AOvVaw3SKFqb7nhfkMkxYpFQUeJ-

Edmonton, AB

Recently released after three years of development.

Project page: https://www.edmonton.ca/projects_plans/parks_recreation/dogs-in-open-spaces.aspx

Implementation plan: <https://www.edmonton.ca/documents/PDF/DogsInOpenSpacesImplementationPlan.pdf>

Morinville, AB

Morinville has a population of less than 10,000 people.

Background: www.mayerthorpe.ca/attachments/view/161/off_leash_paper3_2_.pdf

Report: <https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=0ahUKEwj5jpXxo7cAhXm5IMKHTScD1wQFggqMAA&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.morinville.ca%2Fdoc-library%2Freports%2F412-morinville-off-leash-dog-park-report%2Ffile&usq=AOvVaw1urqaHI8tBUH4iEgZn3L1u>

Prince George, BC

Great consultation process and comprehensive review of best practices across Canada.

https://princegeorge.ca/cityhall/mayorcouncil/councilagendasminutes/agendas/2011/2011_11_07/documents/Cmte_Off_Leash_report_ME_RGED.pdf

Seattle, WA

The result of constructive collaboration between the city and park users.

<https://www.seattle.gov/Documents/Departments/ParksAndRecreation/PoliciesPlanning/PeopleDogsandParksPlan-August2017.pdf>

Strathcona County, AB

Strathcona County has 6 percent as many dogs as Toronto. They get a lot of love.

Background: <https://www.strathcona.ca/files/files/at-pds-dol-phase1-background.pdf>

Consultation: <https://www.strathcona.ca/files/files/at-pds-dol-phase2-cons-summ.pdf>

Strategy: <https://www.strathcona.ca/files/files/at-pds-dol-strategy-final.pdf>

Surrey, BC

Award-winning, thorough and incredibly detailed.

https://www.surrey.ca/files/Dog_Off-Leash_Master_Plan_2012.pdf

Toronto, ON

Policy: <https://www.toronto.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/8dd0-dogs-off-leash-policy-2010.pdf>

Facilities Master Plan: <http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2017/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-107775.pdf>

Vancouver, BC

Developed in response to increased density. Based on two years of research and the best practices of eleven cities.

Project page: <https://vancouver.ca/parks-recreation-culture/people-parks-dogs-strategy.aspx>

Report: <https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/people-parks-dogs-strategy-report.pdf>

Implementation guide: <https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/people-parks-dogs-strategy-appendix.pdf>

Community consultation boards, round one: <https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/people-parks-dogs-boards-september-2016.pdf>

Community consultation boards, round two: <https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/people-parks-dogs-round-2-open-house-boards.pdf>
(great summary)

Vaughan, ON

An in depth approach to selecting the sites of three dog parks.

https://www.vaughan.ca/council/minutes_agendas/AgendaItems/CW1206_16_2.pdf

Winnipeg, MB

Canada's latest Off-Leash Master Plan, created in response to community interest and demand.

Project page: <http://www.winnipeg.ca/PPD/PublicEngagement/OffLeashAreas/default.stm#tab-engage>

Documents: <http://www.winnipeg.ca/PPD/PublicEngagement/OffLeashAreas/default.stm#tab-documents>