

Dog Jog 2026

Stage Presentation

9:30am	House Music
10:40am	Jodi Hughes
<p>Good Morning and thank you for joining the Calgary Humane Society for the 25th annual Dog Jog presented by Douglas Homes. My name is Jodi Hughes and I will be your MC for this special event. There is lots going on here today and we want to make sure everyone gets the opportunity to take it all in and enjoy their time together. A huge thank you to Homes Alive Pets for sponsoring our stage today.</p> <p>Thank you to Royal Canin to sponsoring registration and fundraising. Today is all about raising funds for Calgary Humane Society, you can donate throughout the event at the registration tent located here to my left, or go online to the Dog Jog fundraising page on Calgary Humane Society's website. We are getting closer to reaching our goal of \$275,000 but we're not there yet!</p> <p>Don't forget about our shuttle bus service sponsored by Memory Express. Busses will be running all day with the last shuttle leaving at 3:30pm. In about 15 minutes we're going to kick off the Dog Jog 5km walk or jog.</p> <p>Today you are here to help end animal cruelty, and who better to speak to that than the animal protection and investigation team from Calgary Humane Society. I am now going to invite Director of Enforcement and Vice Executive Director Brad Nichols, and Sergeant Gibson to the stage.</p>	
10:45am	Brad & Jill
<p>Good Morning Calgary! Thank you so much for being here today to support the fight against animal cruelty. Between Sergeant Gibson and I, we have over 35 years on the frontlines of this battle and it means the world to have you here rooting us on. With no government funding, we quite literally could not do the important work that we do without you. It is you, our generous supporters who make this work possible. Please stop by our station today and meet our officers, we would be happy to connect, answer your questions and tell you about the work we do here in Calgary.</p> <p>Thank you everyone for coming out today and for your tremendous support of the animals at Calgary Humane Society. As of this morning, the total amount raised is over \$ ___ and you have contributed towards helping to End Animal Cruelty. Thank you so much!</p> <p>Don't be alarmed by the abused and neglected stuffies on site. For our younger attendees or just the young at heart, we have set up several mock scenarios throughout the park. Use your CHS issue notebooks to document these scenarios, noting the distress causing problems. Once you have found them all, bring your completed mission to the Protection area for a small prize. Thank you to MNP for sponsoring this scavenger hunt!</p> <p>We want to make this a fun and safe event for everyone participating. It looks like it's going to be a hot day, so please keep an eye on your pooch and make sure they aren't getting too warm or tired during the event. We ask that you stay mindful of you and your dogs health & safety throughout</p>	

the day. If you require animal first aid the **VCA Pet First Aid** tent is located on the field right behind the agility course. Thank you **VCA** for helping with animal safety today!

If you hurt yourself or your dog needs veterinary attention, please notify any CHS Staff member wearing a CHS shirt and we will respond immediately! Please do not feel the need to participate in the full walk if you feel your dog might be too senior, or impacted by the weather.

Today, as you walk the ridge here at beautiful North Glenmore Park, there will be shade and water structures throughout the route thanks to our water station sponsors and volunteers. For those of you feeling ready for the full 5km walk or job, new this year we have a door prize ticket at the turn around point. Check in with our partners at the turn around point to get your ticket! We will be giving away prizes to 2 lucky winners.

For those of you who would rather grab a cold drink and hang out in the marketplace with our amazing vendors, you are more than welcome to. Please take advantage of the doggy cooling areas throughout the field as well.

We hope that you will visit us at our protection station and get involved in the **MNP** scavenger hunt we've put together around the field. We will turn things back over to Jodi and hope to see you after your walk.

10:50am

Jodi Hughes

The 5km walk or jog will kick off in just a few minutes

When you finish your walk or jog be sure to get a photo taken with your pooch at the **Tailblazers** photo finish line; a great keepsake from the day! We have a second photo booth this year at the **Petsecure** agility area, set up so that you can easily share your photo online in minutes. Be sure to visit the dog agility area and try your hand through the agility course.

There are free pup cups at the Calgary Humane Society station, be sure to stop by and get your pup cup and check out the merch for sale!

Make sure to check out the **Fasken Kids Zone** where you can enjoy some bouncing action, face painting crafts and games. You can also learn about summer camps and field trips.

I know everyone is gearing up to get going so just a couple of housekeeping items: The pathway is a public area and there will be other people & bikes on the path. Please stay to the right while walking or jogging and stay aware of others and please stay off the bike path. We have volunteers out on the pathway to let bikers know you are there, but please be safe. In the event of an emergency our volunteers along the way can call back for assistance.

There will be water for you and your pooch all along the route thanks to water sponsors you'll see along the way. Animal health and safety come first especially in this heat, so please be mindful to their needs and don't feel obligated to do the entire walk if it is not safe.

Once everyone is back from their walk, I will see you back in front of the main stage shortly after 12:00 pm where we will announce the prize winners for top fundraisers.

we also invite you to stick around after the walk for some food, live music and more fun and festivities.

I'd like to invite Stuart Wen from this years presenting sponsor **Douglas Homes** to the stage to kick off the official Dog Jog 2026!

10:55am

Stuart Wen: Douglas Homes

“... On your marks, get set, GO!”

12:15pm

Jodi Hughes

Hello Everyone and welcome back, I hope you enjoyed the walk or jog with your pooch!

We are currently at \$_____ which is amazing, but we have more to go! If you're interested in making another donation to Dog Jog please visit us up at the Registration tent or scan one of the QR codes on the field to help us reach that \$275,000 goal!

I am not going to invite Brad Nichols and Sergent Gibson back to the stage for some special announcements.

12:15pm

Brad & Jill

With the conclusion of the walk/jog/run, it is now time to recognize a few remarkable participants who did an amazing job raising funds to help end animal cruelty.

First, we'd like to present the award to our top fundraising team: _____. This team raised a remarkable \$_____. Please help me welcome them to the stage.

And for our top individual fundraiser: _____. This individual raised a total of \$_____ for Calgary Humane Society. Please help me welcome them to the stage.

Now it's time to make the draw for our door prizes. Anyone who made it to the 2.5k turn around for the full 5km had the opportunity to collect a door prize “ticket” and we have two fantastic baskets to give away.

(select ticket for door prize #1, and then door prize #2)

Let's give another round of applause to our top fundraisers! and a round of applause to all of you who are here today to support Calgary Humane Society! It was wonderful to see you all in person in support of this great organization.

Thank you again for joining us today!

Please stay for the afternoon so we can thank you personally and enjoy the rest of the day with us. Back over to you Jodi!

12:25pm

Jodi Hughes

Once again, I would like to thank each and every person here who fundraised to help animals at Calgary Humane Society. Because of your awesome and generous support, hundreds of animals

are being helped every week. I would also like to take a moment to thank our sponsors as this event would not be possible without their generosity.

Please join me in specifically thanking our presenting sponsor, **Douglas Homes**, a round of applause please.

Let's give another round of applause to our top fundraisers! And a round of applause to all of you who are here today to support Calgary Humane Society! It was wonderful to see you all in person in support of this great organization.

Let's not forget our dogs can quickly overheat in this weather. Cooling stations are available throughout the field thanks to our sponsor, **Active Friends!**

Busses will be running every 10 minutes until 3:30pm to help get you back to your vehicle safely.

Please stay and enjoy the event, talk to our staff and spend the afternoon celebrating our achievements. Please welcome Executive Director of Calgary Humane Society Carrie Fritz to the stage for a final thank you.

(Carrie will announce our current tally is \$_____.)

CARRIE FRITZ TO INTRODUCE THE ACCOMPLICE for LIVE MUSIC