

Construction Underway

The GO Centre is pleased to announce that the design-build team of Clark Builders and HIP Architects of Edmonton has been awarded the contract to construct this important community building.

The working drawings for the project are at 90% completion with colour and materials currently being finalized. Work is progressing well on site despite the record-breaking wet and cold May that we had.

Twenty-seven truck loads of structural steel arrived on site at the end of May, which represents approximately 60% of the building's total structural steel. The erection of the steel will continue until the building is completely closed-in by mid-September 2010.

We are pleased that the project continues to be on schedule for substantial completion by March 31, 2011, and it is expected that it will be officially operational by the fall of 2011.

Construction and Turnover Phase

Fencing of Site	March 22, 2010
Start Concrete Foundation Work	March 29, 2010
Start Structural Steel Erection	May 31, 2010
Building Envelope Complete (weather proof)	October 22, 2010
Substantial Performance	March 31, 2011
Competition Gym Hardwood Complete	April 8, 2011
Testing and Commissioning Complete	May 6, 2011
Remaining Gymnasiums Hardwood Complete	May 20, 2011
Final Completion and Turnover of GO Centre	September, 2011
Final Completion of Sitework	September, 2011





Community Consultation

The University of Alberta and the GO Centre hosted two Community Consultation events in March and April.

The first session on March 17 invited community league leaders from the areas surrounding the University to hear about the GO Centre plans and ask questions. The participants were able to take information back to their respective groups. The session was well attended and set the stage for the next phase of development.

On April 20, an Open House was held at the Saville Sports Centre with an open invite to all who wished to learn more about the GO Centre. Information was shared and those in attendance were able to view the plans and speak to representatives of the groups involved.

All four project partners presented summaries of their involvement and people could speak to designated volunteers about specifics. **Ortona Gymnastics Club, Edmonton Grads Basketball Centre, Edmonton Volleyball Centre Society** and the **University of Alberta** each created presentation boards providing an overview of their participation and contributions. In addition, information was displayed about Project Volunteers, Capital Campaign, Site Context and Access, and Future Programming.

Clark Builders provided material samples and proposed layouts of the interior of the GO Centre and had staff on hand to answer specific questions.

Visit our website to view the information presented at the Open House and the survey results collected that day.



Capital Campaign Update

The GO Community Centre project budget has been clarified, with the Campaign goal for the private sector coming in at \$5 million.

Project Budget

Revenue	
Federal Government	\$14,800,000
Provincial Government	\$10,000,000
City of Edmonton	\$9,000,000
Grassroots Stakeholders	\$4,000,000 (\$2 million from the U of A)
Private Sector Campaign	\$5,000,000
Total Revenue	\$42,800,000

Expenses	
Construction	\$36,000,000
FF & E (furnishings, fixtures and equipment)	\$1,000,000
Administration (incl Campaign)	\$2,000,000
Project Management	\$300,000
Contingency	\$2,500,000
GST	\$1,000,000
Total Expenses	\$42,800,000

(In addition to the \$2 million contribution, the University has also designated approximately 5 acres of land and will cover the cost of site services.)

In the past few months, we've met with many prospective donors and companies interested in finding out more about sponsorship opportunities and customized ways to meet their business objectives. If you, or anyone you know, would like to hear more about marketing opportunities or philanthropic involvement, please call the office at 780-439-2224.

Connecting With Stakeholders

Over the past few months, GO Centre staff and volunteers have attended additional stakeholder meetings and continued to share information about the project status. Some of the stakeholders visited in the past six months: Edmonton Volleyball Association, Millwoods Recreational Volleyball Society, Edmonton Basketball Officials Association and Edmonton Youth Basketball Association.

The Northeast Edmonton Basketball Association year-end banquet and 'Pastiche', a U of A Volleyball fundraiser, were both attended by GO Centre staff and volunteers as a show of support.

During National Gymnastics Week in January and an extra Saturday in February, the GO Centre set up a display in the "bubble" to communicate information to members. Many parents and grandparents stopped by our table to ask questions and gather information. Materials and details were posted on the bulletin board and will remain there and be updated to keep members current.



Karen Sundquist, Ortona Gymnastics parent and GO Centre Capital Campaign volunteer, at the GO Centre information table at Ortona.

Public Relations Committee Formed

A group of individuals with a wealth of knowledge in the media and public relations fields have joined our team and are assisting with various activities. Their expertise is most appreciated, especially as the GO Centre increases its visibility within the community in the coming months.



Did you Know?

That many youth spend close to six hours a day in front of a screen?

The GO Centre will provide more gym and program space to enable program growth and development for youth within the community. This program expansion will provide more opportunities for youth to be involved in recreational activity, and escape from the screen!



Donate to the GO Centre

Pledge forms are available at the GO Office and online via our website. Feel free to call the office to speak further about ways to support the GO Centre.



Brand New Website

In March, we were excited to launch a revised website! Go to www.gocentre.com and take and browse the site. If you have any comments, please call the office.