

Laurie VandeSchoot

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Deputy Fire Chief Laurie VandeSchoot (Retired) is known for building inclusive and high-performing cultures that strengthen communities. She is an executive level change agent who worked for The City of Calgary for more than 30 years, while also consulting internationally for 20 of those. Along with an MSc in Sustainable Development, Laurie holds several other interdisciplinary degrees and is halfway through her PhD. She loves to learn! In recognition of her passion for diversity and inclusion, Laurie has received a number of accolades including an Immigrants of Distinction, Organizational Diversity Award for outstanding achievements in implementing cultural diversity initiatives, and a Federation of Canadian Municipalities Award for outstanding contributions to international cooperation. Laurie is married, has two children and is an active participant and volunteer in sports, arts and social justice activism. Every day, Laurie aims to live her credo "I educate, I create, I inspire".



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