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Millican-Ogden is one of the oldest communities in Calgary. It is named after the Millican family, homesteaders who settled in the area in the early 1900s, and I.G. Ogden, the former Vice-president of the Canadian Pacific Railway. With the construction of the Ogden Shops in 1912-1913 the area gained the distinction of being the only CPR repair shop between Winnipeg and Vancouver. Millican-Ogden is located in the SE, and, due to its long history, is home to several vintage homes including the historic Ogden Hotel. The area also contains numerous restaurants and strip malls. In addition, there is plenty of open space in the area, particularly in the Bow River Valley, as well as numerous parks. The community's outdoor pool and the Jack Setter's Arena offer recreation opportunities to residents. There are also both public and separate schools in the area.

Millican-Ogden's community association offers a variety of innovative services. The center has both a Main Hall and a Sports & Event Lounge for private rental. The community hosts Children Jelly Bean dances, public skating for all ages, swim lessons, teen & family swim and a variety of other activities. Community Days Funfest, Canada Day swim celebrations are all held annually to enable community members to connect with one another in a fun atmosphere. The community has a Family Resource Centre located at 2734 - 76 Avenue SE. The resource centre provides playgroups, parenting classes, job search support, computer skills training, a toy lending library and an emergency food bank. Transitional housing, a project spearheaded by the Calgary Police Service is also offered to meet the needs of homeless families. These programs aid Millican-Ogden in their efforts to improve the standard of living of all members of their community.