

NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION

Daly Grove is one of the 26 neighbourhoods of Mill Woods and part of the three-neighbourhood community of Southwood. The Mill Woods land bank was assembled in 1970 by the Government of Alberta because of concern over the rising cost of serviced residential land in the Edmonton area. Mill Woods was named for Mill Creek which crossed it, and the groves of Parkland forest trees that stood there. In 1971, a development plan was prepared by the City of Edmonton, and the City began to purchase the land, subdivide it, and sell residential and commercial building lots. Residential development in Daly Grove began in 1978, but the majority of homes were constructed during the 1980s.

Daly Grove is bound by arterial and collector roadways. Daly Grove is located between 23 Avenue and 16A Avenue and 34 Street and Mill Woods Road East. The neighbourhood focus is a multiple purpose recreational and open space site. Developed and designated sites for high density housing are located along collector roadways. The design objective is to provide for an efficient flow of traffic to and from the neighbourhood while minimizing the traffic within the neighbourhood.

The neighbourhood was named in honour of Thomas Daly (1861-1908) who was responsible for the development of high quality strains of wheat and oats. Thomas won first prize at the Chicago World's fair in 1893 for his Alberta grown oats. He helped to organize the Clover Bar School and municipality, was a member of the Edmonton Exhibition Association, and served on city council in 1907. Daly Grove Park is located next to the elementary school. Southwood Community League includes the neighbourhoods of Daly Grove, Crawford Plains and Pollard Meadows. The community league was formed in 1980.