

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION**

Meyonohk is one of the 27 neighbourhoods of Mill Woods and part of the three neighbourhood community of Lakewood. 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. By 1971, a development plan had been prepared by the City of Edmonton. The City began to purchase the land, subdivide it and sell residential and commercial building lots.

Residential development in Meyonohk began in 1975 and most development was completed by the early 1980s. The neighbourhood is bounded by arterial and collector roadways. Another collector road and bus route bisects it. Interior streets follow curvilinear and keyhole patterns. A number of pathways promote pedestrian and bicycle travel within the neighbourhood.

Approximately half the dwelling units in Meyonohk are single-detached homes, about one third are row housing and semi-detached homes, and the remainder are low-rise apartments. High density housing and commercial sites are located near the recreational area and along collector roadways. A multi-purpose school and recreational sit is located at the centre of the neighbourhood. Residents of Meyonohk are served by businesses in the Lakewood and West Lakewood Shopping Centre as well as the health services, commercial, recreational and educational facilities of the Mill Woods Town Centre located to the east of Meyonohk.

Meyonohk, a word meaning "an ideal spot" in the Cree language, is reflective of the neighbourhood's good access to the recreational facilities of nearby Mill Woods Park and to the major areas of employment in the industrial areas to the west and north.