



Doing the honours are, (l. to r.) Loren Molever, Saundra Shapiro, Eva and Gordon Hoffman, Rick Balbi, Murray Robins, Sam Switzer, Leslie and Marvin Levant. It was a cool spring day but that didn't stop hundreds of people from attending the official ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Chabad Lubavitch of Alberta, Centre for Jewish Life, Calgary Campus at 134 Forge Road SE. The event on Sunday, May 14 drew keynote speaker Mayor Naheed Nenshi who praised Chabad and other institutions like it in Calgary for always working to improve the overall community. Former Mayor Al Duerr, who presided over the opening of Chabad's first location in Woodlands over 20 years ago, was also present. Rabbi Menachem Matusof thanked all the donors and volunteers who rallied to make the new Chabad Centre a reality. There is still work to do on the 12,500 square foot facility. But the Shul, Social Hall, Alberta Jewish Library, Youth Centre, Computer Lab, JLI and Yachad Hebrew School classrooms and the C-Teen Centre are fully operational. After brief speeches and tours of the Centre, attendees enjoyed a big BBQ lunch and there were lots of activities for children.

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