



## COUNCILLOR KATHRYN MORSE

DISTRICT 10 ONLINE NEWS

HALIFAX - BEDFORD BASIN WEST

### KEARNEY LAKE WATER QUALITY TO BE MONITORED

Kearney Lake is one of 76 lakes in HRM involved in a new water quality monitoring program called LakeWatchers. HRM staff and community volunteers will collect water samples twice a year to inform decision makers and help improve the health of the lakes.

To volunteer or learn more:  
[www.halifax.ca/lakewatchers](http://www.halifax.ca/lakewatchers)

The LakeWatchers Program is separate from regular summer water quality testing for swimming and recreational use.

### TRAFFIC CALMING

One of the top concerns I hear from residents is traffic safety, especially in school zones. Many families are so worried about children walking to school they drive them to school instead, adding to congestion and safety concerns. It's a challenge that needs to be tackled in a number of ways depending on the school and surrounding streets.

One solution is physical traffic calming measures which encourage drivers to find alternate routes and also encourage slower, safer speeds. After many discussions with HRM traffic safety staff last year, I'm so pleased to see two more

school zones in District 10 will be getting traffic calming measures this year. In **Clayton Park**, Plateau Crescent and Clayton Park Drive (surrounding Duc D'Anville Elementary and Clayton Park Junior High) will be getting a combination of speed humps and speed tables (speed tables are the wider, flatter ones).

In **Rockingham**, speed humps will be installed on Castle Hill Dr near Grosvenor-Wentworth elementary school. Due to the expense, traffic calming measures are rationed and only a few are installed in each district each year, usually in school zones.

### SENIORS CARE GRANTS

Seniors Care Grant is an annual grant program offered by the Province of Nova Scotia to reimburse household services costs of up to \$500.00. The grant can be used to reimburse costs for snow removal, home repairs, lawn care, grocery delivery, and more. It is available to both homeowners and renters.

#### To be eligible for this grant:

- You are 65 years of age or over
- You have an annual household net income of \$37,500.00 or less

- You are living independently in your home
- The property title or lease agreement must be in your name or include your name

[Apply online](#) or [Print the application form here](#). You can also reach out to your MLA for assistance with your application (May 31, 2022 deadline).

### AFFORDABLE ACCESS

HRM has a new Affordable Access Program. You only need one application to apply for the Affordable Transit Passes (applications open mid-May), recreation programs, and property tax repayment assistance. To learn more, to apply, or to see if you qualify call 311 or visit: [Affordable Access Program](#)

### LET'S CONNECT!

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