



## Together We Can Build Safe, Healthy, Active Communities

### BIENVENUE AU MOIS DE MARS

C'est encore difficile à voir, mais le printemps est à nos portes! J'espère que le pire est derrière nous du point de vue de l'enneigement, et je tenais d'ailleurs remercier notre merveilleuse équipe des opérations hivernales, qui a travaillé si dure au cours des derniers mois pour veiller à ce que nos rues et nos trottoirs demeurent sécuritaires. Souvenez-vous que l'interdiction de stationner la nuit en hiver peut continuer d'être invoquée jusqu'en fin mars. Restez à l'affût des conditions météorologiques et abonnez-vous à hfxALERT pour obtenir des notifications lorsque l'interdiction entre en vigueur, afin de permettre à nos équipes d'effectuer leur travail de façon efficace à l'occasion d'un événement météorologique.

Nous célébrons ce mois-ci le Mois de la Francophonie; c'est le moment de commémorer la langue française et la diversité des cultures francophones de notre région et du reste du monde. Nous avons la chance au sein du district 6 d'intégrer une grande partie de la communauté francophone de la Municipalité régionale d'Halifax, ainsi que trois de nos et trois des écoles de langue française du Conseil scolaire acadien provincial (CSAP). Notre diversité est l'une de nos plus grandes forces et mérite d'être célébrée. Je souhaite à tous nos résidents francophones et bilingues un joyeux Mois de la Francophonie!

### WELCOME MARCH

It doesn't quite look like it yet, but spring is coming! I'm hoping the worst of the snowy weather is behind us, and want to thank our amazing Winter Operations team who have worked so hard over the past few months to keep our streets and sidewalks safe. Remember the Winter Parking Ban can still be activated until the end of March – keep an eye on weather conditions and sign up for HFXalert to get notifications when the ban is in effect so crews can do their work effectively during a weather event.

This month we celebrate Mois de la Francophonie, a time to commemorate the French language and diverse Francophone cultures in our region and across the world! We are so fortunate in District 6 to include a large portion of HRM's francophonie community and three of our CSAP French language schools. Our diversity is one of our greatest strengths, and is worth celebrating. Wishing all our French-speaking and bilingual residents a happy Mois de la Francophonie!





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### TRY TENNIS!



Join us SATURDAY March 11 3pm-4pm  
Sobeys Atlantic Tennis Centre  
FREE TENNIS FOR GIRLS  
9-10 years old

EMAIL to REGISTER:

[info@glgtennis.com](mailto:info@glgtennis.com)

limited space available- sign up early!

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### YOUTH WORX INFORMATION SESSIONS

Get 24 weeks of paid work experience, training, and skill building with Youth Worx!

The Youth Worx Program provides training and mentorship in a supportive environment for 16 – 24 year olds having difficulty finding and keeping employment. Participants gain hands-on work experience and improve their skills through job readiness workshops while earning an income.

Learn more by joining us for an upcoming information session:

- Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. | Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council Meeting Space, 60 Alderney Landing
- Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. | Sackville Sports Stadium multi-purpose room
- Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. | Captain William Spry Community Centre multi-purpose room

Apply by April 3<sup>rd</sup> for our May program. Learn more on our [website](#).

### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY

March 8<sup>th</sup> was International Women’s Day! Thank you to all the amazing women in my life who have inspired, encouraged and challenged me to be the person I am today.

### SUMMER CAMP INCLUSION SUPPORT

Looking for inclusion support for summer camps? Submit your request by using the barcode 00068313 between March 1<sup>st</sup> and April 12<sup>th</sup> on our [website](#).

Please note that requests for inclusion support are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. We encourage you to submit your request early for the best chance of securing your preferred location and dates for inclusion support. If you submit a request through the barcode after April 12<sup>th</sup> you will be placed on a waitlist. If resources become available you will be contacted by the Inclusion team.

For more information about inclusion support for recreation programs, visit our [website](#).

### ELMER ISELER SINGERS CONCERT

Dartmouth Community Concert Association (DCCA) presents the final concert in its 2022-23 season, as the renowned 20-voice **Elmer Iseler Singers** under the direction of **Lydia Adams** perform on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Woodlawn United Church. The choir is accompanied on piano and organ by **Shawn Grenke**. The choir will perform a program of “glorious choral music across the spectrums of time, space and culture,”

DCCA is a non-profit, civic organization dedicated to presenting quality entertainment for the entire family at affordable prices. Masks are encouraged. Tickets are \$25 (Adults), \$20 (Seniors 60+) and \$10 for students. Individual tickets are available at the door (cash or cheque only).



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## LE MOIS DE LA FRANCOPHONIE

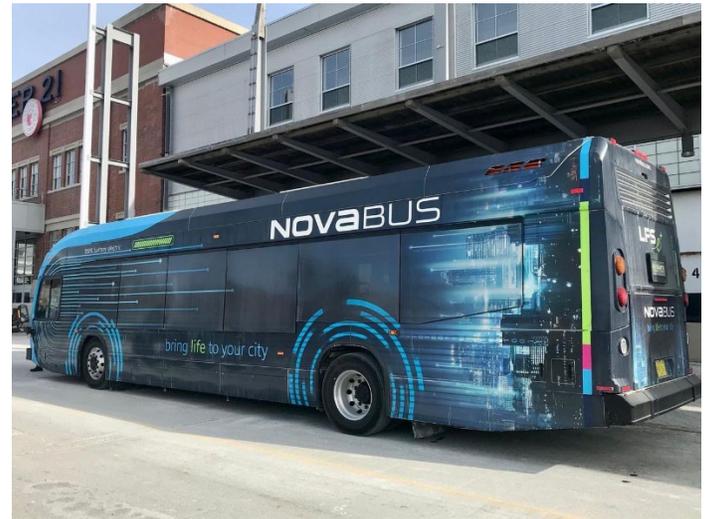
Mars est le Mois de la Francophonie, un moment où nous célébrons la langue française et les diverses cultures francophones de notre région et du monde entier. Dans le cadre du Mois de la Francophonie, la Journée internationale de la Francophonie est célébrée chaque année le 20 mars.

March is Francophonie Month, a time to commemorate the French language and diverse Francophone cultures here at home and across the globe. As part of Francophonie Month celebrations, International Francophonie Day is observed annually on March 20<sup>th</sup>.

Abitrant la plus grande population francophone et bilingue de la province, la municipalité s'engage à renforcer ses services en français et à faire progresser des initiatives en matière de langue française, par le biais de notre [Stratégie des services en français](#).

Home to the largest Francophone and bilingual population in the province, the municipality is committed to strengthening its French language services and advancing French language initiatives more broadly through our [French Language Services Strategy](#).

## ELECTRIC BUS DEMO



We had the opportunity to have a test drive in an electric bus. The first 30 are set to be delivered in September. They are very quiet, no smelly fumes, and powerful. Range depends on different factors, but the majority will be able to make their "runs" in a single charge (between ~350km-450km). Charging takes about 6 hours.

These buses will be game changers in our city, making our streets nicer for people, and buses cleaner for the environment. The garage is going through a retrofit right now for charging and maintenance thanks to federal and provincial funding.

## EAST DARTMOUTH COALITION

If you or your organization work with or want to get involved in the East Dartmouth community, check out the new East Dartmouth Coalition, meeting Wednesday March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11:00 – 1:00 p.m. at the East Dartmouth Community Centre. You can find out more information by contacting [Charlene](#).

## THE NORTH GROVE

Spring programming is coming back at the North Grove including a family art cafe and a seed starting workshop! Community meals have also changed this month: Family Supper is now on Mondays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and Community Lunch is now on Tuesdays from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Check out their full calendar [here](#).

Ministry  
Outreach THE JOURNEY Worship

**HOLY TRINITY EMMANUEL  
ANGLICAN CHURCH**  
30 Alfred Street, Dartmouth N.S.  
902-463-3713  
holy.trinity.emmanueldartmouth@gmail.com

**FLEA MARKET**

Holy Trinity Emmanuel Church Hall  
**Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**  
9:00 am - Noon Admission: \$1.00

To drop off Donations for the Flea Market, please feel free to contact the Coordinator Sarah to arrange a Drop off Time [782.234.0901]

**CANTEEN**  
Hot Dogs, Pop, Tea & Coffee...

Come out for a morning of great shopping  
Be sure to check our wonderful Jewelry selection

**HUGE Jewelry SALE** & **Wonderful Bake Goods** **BAKE SALE**

We look forward to you dropping by and partaking in this wonderful Dartmouth North community event.

Proud to be part of our Dartmouth North Community...



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## 2023/24 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Regional Council is continuing to review each business unit’s proposed budget, hearing from residents about their priorities and making decisions about how we can continue to offer vital services while keeping tax rates low. On March 29<sup>th</sup>, we will review all the proposed cuts and added expenses – the Budget Adjustment List.

Full approval of the 2023/24 Budget will occur on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Residents will be given an opportunity to speak directly to Regional Council during the Budget process. There will be time set aside for the public to provide insight and comments. There are two participation options:

1. **Registered speakers (recommended):** Residents can register until 4:30 p.m. the business day prior to the meeting. For any questions about registration, please contact the Clerk’s Office at 902.490.4210 or by email at [clerks@halifax.ca](mailto:clerks@halifax.ca).
2. **Non-registered speakers:** During each meeting, after all registered speakers have been called, the Chair will call three times to ask if there is anyone else present who would like to speak.

You can also contact me directly to discuss your thoughts on the municipal budget. For further information, visit our [website](#).



It is wonderful to see our stop signs now bilingual in Francophone communities and schools!

## LANDRACE COMMUNITY GARDEN



The Landrace Community Garden, located in Landrace Crescent Park in Woodlawn, are hosting a fundraiser with Sevenfold Ink Tattoo to replace a greenhouse they lost during Hurricane Fiona. Keep an eye on their website, where they will be releasing some garden themed tattoos. On March 19<sup>th</sup> after 12:00 p.m. a portion of the proceeds from the tattoos will be donated to the garden.

The garden is also now accepting plot rental applications for the 2023 growing season. Plots are \$30 for the season but if that cost is prohibitive let us know and we can help with the cost. Plots are assigned on a first come first serve basis.

Email [landracecommunitygarden@gmail.com](mailto:landracecommunitygarden@gmail.com) for an application or visit their [website](#).

## MI’KMAW NATIVE FRIENDSHIP CENTRE

Regional Council voted unanimously this week to sell 1940 Gottingen Street to the Mi’kmaq Native Friendship Society as they are moving forward in creating a new centre to improve programming and access. The current building will be demolished and tenders for new construction should be out shortly. We are looking forward to all of the great things you will do with this new property!



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### LITTER CLEAN UP RESOURCES



Residents and groups looking to clean up litter in their communities can access programs supported by HRM Solid Waste Resources. Between the months of April to November, residents of Halifax can register with the Great Nova Scotia Pick Me Up (GNSPMU) by visiting their [website](#). GNSPMU is coordinated by Divert Nova Scotia and is supported in part by HRM. Upon registration, residents can pick up their free litter cleanup kit, which consists of litter bags and nitrile gloves, at their local Halifax Public Library or at one of the three Customer Service Centres located throughout HRM. In addition to providing litter kits, HRM also provides three different disposal options for residents participating in the GNSPMU program. These disposal options include:

1. Placing the materials curbside to be collected on your next garbage collection day if it does not exceed curbside bag limits.
2. Taking the materials directly to the Otter Lake landfill for disposal. HRM will waive tipping fees for any groups or residents who are registered with the GNSPMU.
3. Residents can also get the materials picked by HRM road operations. Residents who choose this disposal option must contact 311 two weeks prior to their litter clean up date to help ensure that the materials are collected.

Residents and groups who are looking to complete litter cleanups during the winter months can contact [wasteless@halifax.ca](mailto:wasteless@halifax.ca) directly to access litter kits and to arrange for pickup from their cleanup event. If residents have any additional questions about our litter programs they can contact [wasteless@halifax.ca](mailto:wasteless@halifax.ca) or visit our [website](#).

### SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

To minimize potential damage to municipal roads, the Halifax Regional Municipality has introduced its annual spring weight restrictions, which began on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>.

These restrictions are for heavy vehicles travelling on municipally maintained roads. Residents can view which roads are exempt from spring weight restrictions on this [map](#).

The municipality's spring weight restrictions are consistent with those of the Nova Scotia Department of Public Works. More details of vehicle restrictions can be found [online](#).

### NEIGHBOURHOOD SEED KITS



Are you and your neighbours interested in building relationships in your community through growing vegetable gardens?

Neighbourhood Seeds is a program to help foster community connection through the shared activity of vegetable gardening. You can apply with at least one other neighbour and receive free seeds for roughly 30 households in your neighbourhood.

Applications will be evaluated on their strength to make connections in the neighbourhood. Connect with your neighbours by sharing gardening advice, asking questions, showing your progress, or swapping recipes.

To apply, send [your application](#) to your area Community Developer by Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>.



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### JUSTFOOD ACTION PLAN

With 1 in 5 households struggling to put food on the table, HRM’s Government Relations and External Affairs team presented our first food strategy on Tuesday. The plan includes initiatives like advancing community garden programs, maximizing HRM assets for production, access and literacy and creating a community food initiatives fund.

Regional Council approved the first phase of the plan (Part A) on Tuesday, which puts forward 56 recommendations to remove barriers to accessing healthy food in the municipality. You can read the full staff report [here](#).

### NEW DATASET AVAILABLE ON OPEN DATA

The Halifax Regional Municipality has released a new dataset on [Open Data](#), on transit shelters and modified four existing datasets [PPL&C Building Permits](#), [PPL&C Construction Permits](#), [PPL&C Engineer Permits](#), [PPL&C Land Use Approvals Permits](#) as part of an ongoing commitment to provide public access to data created and managed by the municipality. This brings the total number of Open Data datasets to 201.

A wide range of data can be sourced for free through the catalogue. New data releases occur several times throughout the year, with the most recent release on November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. For more information on the municipality’s Open Data program, and to access all the datasets, visit our [website](#).



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Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee  
Halifax Regional Library Board  
Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council  
Solid Waste Regional Chairs Committee  
Regional Centre Community Council  
Shubenacadie Canal Commission  
Special Events Advisory Committee