



WELCOME NOVEMBER!



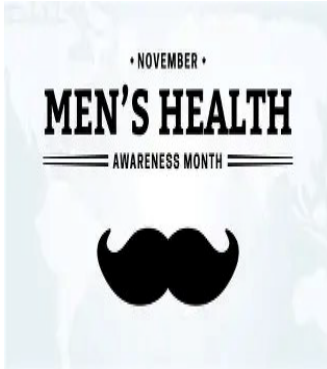
November is a month of remembrance. It is a time to reflect on the freedom and privileges we enjoy thanks to the service, bravery, and ultimate sacrifice given by so many service men and women.

A sincere thank you to all members of the Canadian Armed Forces. I encourage you to attend a Remembrance Day service at a local cenotaph on Nov. 11. Find your local Remembrance Day Ceremony by clicking [here](#).



November brings the end of Daylight Savings time! Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour. On **Sunday, Nov. 2 at 2 a.m.**, clocks are **turned back** to 1 a.m. to usher in local standard time. Sunrise

and sunset will be about one hour earlier than the day before; therefore, there will be more morning light and less evening light.



November, or [MOVEMBER](#), is a time to raise awareness of men's mental health, suicide prevention, prostate and testicular cancer. Growing a "Mo" is a symbol that men's health matters to you.

Keep reading for more information on the 2025 Volunteer Conference, the Affordable Housing Grant Funding Program, tax relief for nonprofit and charitable organizations, and many more interesting articles!

Please contact me if you have questions regarding municipal programs/services by phoning 902-717-2718 or email: deaglec@halifax.ca.

NOVEMBER MEETINGS

Regional Council:
Tuesday, Nov. 18 at 10 a.m.

North West Community Council:
Monday, Nov. 10 at 6 p.m.



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Standing Committees:

Audit & Finance Standing Committee

- Tuesday, Nov. 25 at 1 p.m.

Community Planning & Economic Development Standing Committee

- Thursday, Nov. 20 at 10 a.m.

Executive Standing Committee

- Monday, Nov. 17 at 10 a.m.

Please confirm dates and times on our [municipal website](#) as they are subject to change.

DID YOU KNOW....

The name “November” comes from the Latin word “novem,” meaning “nine,” as it was originally the ninth month in the Roman calendar. In the ancient Roman calendar, November was known as “Novembris mensis” or “the ninth month.” November became the eleventh month when January and February were added to the beginning of the year in the Julian calendar reform of 45 BCE.

November is also Indigenous Disability Awareness Month.

November 2 – Daylight Saving Time Ends
November 5 – 11 Veterans’ Week
November 8 – Indigenous Veterans Day
November 11 – Remembrance Day
November 13 – World Kindness Day
November 14 – World Diabetes Day
November 19 – National Mens Day
November 20 – Trans Day of Remembrance

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November 20 – Universal Childrens Day
November 25 – International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women

VETERANS WEEK

November 5 – 11 is [Veterans' Week](#), where we have the opportunity to commemorate and show our gratitude towards the courageous people who serve at home, around the world and across generations.

On November 8, we celebrate [Indigenous Veterans Day](#). First Nations, Inuit and Métis people in Canada have a long and proud tradition of military service to our country. These determined volunteers were often forced to overcome many challenges to serve in uniform, from learning a new language and adapting to cultural differences, to having to travel great distances from their remote communities just to enlist. The challenges they faced often extended to their post-service life. Many Indigenous war Veterans would not receive equal treatment compared to other Canadian Veterans.

INDIGENOUS DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH



November is Indigenous Disability Awareness Month, which raises awareness about and celebrates the significant social, economic and cultural contributions that Indigenous people experiencing disability bring to our communities.



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It's also an opportunity to mobilize to address the complex, ongoing intersectional challenges Indigenous people face in their everyday lives.

Indigenous persons who experience disability often face additional barriers and discrimination when seeking support for their disability-related needs.

2025 marks the fourth inaugural year that Halifax Regional Municipality recognizes November as Indigenous Disability Awareness Month.

By fostering cultural sensitivity, promoting inclusivity, and amplifying Indigenous voices, we can work together to create a more equitable and just society that respects the rights and dignity of all its citizens. In the spirit of reconciliation and solidarity, let's join hands to make a positive change for Indigenous people with disabilities in Canada.

Generations of Canadians have served our country and the world during times of war, military conflict and peace. Through their courage and sacrifice, these men and women have helped to ensure that we live in freedom and peace, while also fostering freedom and peace around the world.

Many Canadians have died for these beliefs, and many others have dedicated their lives to these pursuits. This willingness to stand up to protect human rights, freedom and justice remains one of Canada's defining characteristics in the eyes of the world.

Veterans Affairs Canada encourages all Canadians to learn more about the sacrifices and achievements made by those who served our country, and to help preserve their legacy by passing the torch of Remembrance to future generations of Canadians.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY



On November 11, we will observe Remembrance Day. Whether it's contemplating during a moment of silence, wearing a poppy or attending a Remembrance

Day Service – please take a moment on November 11 to commemorate the service and sacrifice of those who have fought, lost, and died serving in the Canadian military in times of war, conflict and peace.

Check out the Canadian Government [website](#) to learn more about Remembrance Day.

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ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE TOWN HALL



Join us on **Wednesday, Nov. 5** from 6–8:30 p.m. for the Accessibility Advisory Committee's Annual Town Hall.

The event will take place in Paul O'Regan Hall at the Halifax Central Library, with options to participate virtually, or watch the livestream on YouTube.

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This is an opportunity to hear updates on municipal accessibility initiatives, ask questions, and share feedback with staff from across HRM.

Visit halifax.ca/accessibilitytownhall for more information or contact the Office of the Municipal Clerk by phone at 902.490.4210.

2025 VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE



The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents that registration has opened for the municipality's [2025 Volunteer Conference](#).

This year's conference will take place on Friday, Nov. 21 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Delta Hotels by Marriott Dartmouth (240 Brownlow Avenue, Dartmouth). This will be the municipality's 25th year hosting the Volunteer Conference. The conference is an opportunity for volunteers to connect, celebrate and learn relevant skills.

Delegates representing a variety of organizations and causes will participate in networking activities as well as two training workshops, with sessions such as Basic Financials, Volunteering with the Vulnerable Sector, and Digital Tools & Technology.

This year's keynote speaker is Hope Swinimer, founder of the non-profit Hope for Wildlife.

Register now at halifax.ca/VolunteerConference

Regular registration will remain open until Monday, Nov. 17. For more information, visit [our website](#).

FALL 2025 LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY TRAINING WORKSHOPS

Neighbourhood & Volunteer Services (NVS): Community Development Training Catalogue

Residents can now register online for a variety of community development workshops. Upcoming fall training workshops:

October 1 | Neighbourhood Placemaking 101
6:30-8:30 p.m. | Halifax Central Common, multi-purpose room | Course code: 23762 | 18+

October 8 | Boards 101
6-8 p.m. | Cole Harbour Place, meeting room one
Course code: 27561 | 18+

October 30 | Navigating Community Resources: Asset Mapping 101
6-8 p.m. | Cole Harbour Place, meeting room one
Course code: 27564 | 18+

November 5 | Boards 101
6-8 p.m. | Sackville Sports Stadium, multi-purpose room
Course code: 19934 | 18+

December 3 | Communication & Conflict Resolution
6-8 p.m. | Chocolate Lake Recreation Centre, multi-purpose room | Course code: 25118 | 18+

Learn more and register now at halifax.ca/volunteer-training.

HALIFAX PARKS & RECREATION

HRM's Neighbourhood & Volunteer Services team is offering free workshops this fall to support volunteers, boards, grassroots organizations, and non-profits in building stronger communities.

Workshops run from October to December and cover topics like neighbourhood placemaking, board governance, conflict resolution, and mapping community resources.

Several sessions will be taking place at the following locations:

Nov. 5 – Boards 101 (Sackville Sports Stadium)
Dec. 3 – Communication & Conflict Resolution (Chocolate Lake Recreation Centre)

If these dates or locations don't work, community groups can also request customized training through the Leadership & Community Training Opportunities page at Halifax.ca/Volunteer-Training.



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TAX RELIEF FOR NONPROFIT AND CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

The 2026/27 Tax Relief Program is now OPEN for applications.

Because the Jan. 31, 2026, deadline falls on a weekend the application deadline has been extended to Monday, Feb. 2, 2026.

Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted. HRM's website has an overview of the program and the Application Form for those organizations seeking to add a property to the program next fiscal year. For those organizations already accepted into the program ("Renewals") the web page also has the annual Confirmation Form. This form must be completed and submitted by the stated deadline to avoid a 50% reduction in level of tax relief up to a maximum of \$5,000 per property.

Any deduction for non-compliance with the program's reporting requirements will be apportioned between the interim and final tax bills.

The web page address is:
<https://www.halifax.ca/business/doing-business-halifax/tax-relief-non-profit-organizations> or simply use the search bar on HRM's home page.

Inquiries should be directed to 311 or Contactus@311.halifax.ca

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & FIRE CHIEF KEN STUEBING RETIRES



After over eight years of service, Ken Stuebing, Executive Director and Fire Chief of Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency, has announced his retirement from a

career in public safety. Chief Stuebing's last day will be Dec. 1, 2025. Deputy Chief Dave Meldrum will assume the role of Acting Executive Director and Fire Chief of HRFE until the hiring process for the permanent position has been completed.

The hiring of a new Chief will follow the municipality's standard process for senior management appointments.

Bill Moore, the Commissioner of Public Safety, will lead a national search to hire a new Executive Director and Fire Chief of HRFE.

COUNCIL MOVES TO RESTRICT INFILLING IN DARTMOUTH COVE



At the Tuesday, Oct. 7 meeting, Halifax Regional Council voted 12-3 to adopt planning amendments that would restrict infilling in Dartmouth Cove, following a public hearing.



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The decision follows a series of motions dating back to 2023 that directed staff to explore options to manage and regulate water lot development in Dartmouth Cove.

While staff had recommended deferring changes until completion of the [Downtown Dartmouth Waterfront Revitalization \(DDWR\) Project](#), Council instead chose one of three alternative approaches presented in the report; a full restriction on infilling within Dartmouth Cove.

Council's decision aims to balance environmental, recreational, and development considerations while ensuring future planning for the Dartmouth waterfront proceeds in a coordinated manner.

The province has since confirmed that the amendments are under review. The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing will determine whether to approve or reject the planning changes.

COUNCIL EXPLORES TIERED DEED TRANSFER TAX

At the Tuesday, Oct. 7 meeting, Halifax Regional Council voted to send a letter to the Province of Nova Scotia requesting legislative changes that would allow the municipality to adopt a tiered deed transfer tax structure.

The move follows a staff recommendation to replace the current flat 1.5 per cent tax with a progressive, tiered structure, aimed at improving fairness and increasing revenue for major capital projects.

Under the proposed model, lower-value property sales would see reduced taxes, while higher-

value transactions and luxury homes would contribute more. Staff estimate the changes could generate at least \$25 million in additional annual revenue.

Council's decision means the municipality will now request amendments to the Municipal Government Act to permit tiered and luxury rates, raise the maximum allowable tax to 2.5 per cent, and close existing legislative exemptions.

Because deed transfer taxes are governed by provincial law, any changes must first be reviewed and approved by the Province.

If supported, the Minister of Municipal Affairs would have final authority to approve or amend the requested legislative updates before they take effect.

HALIFAX TO BECOME A LOCAL PARTNER IN THE CANADA MORTGAGE AND HOUSING (CMHC) DESIGN CATALOGUE



The Halifax Regional Municipality will participate as a Local Partner in the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) Housing Design Catalogue.

The Housing Design Catalogue is a new national initiative to help build more housing. The catalogue offers a collection of pre-designed building plans developed by local architecture and engineering professionals.

These plans are tailored to regional building codes, climate zones and construction practices,

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and are available to property owners free of charge.

Through participation as a Local Partner, the municipality will:

- promote the use of construction ready plans for townhouses, fourplexes and accessory dwelling units, such as backyard suites;
- streamline development approvals for catalogue designs;
- track and report on the number of building permits that use Housing Design Catalogue designs; and
- be featured in CMHC promotional materials and communications related to the catalogue launch.

Using the Housing Design Catalogue can help homeowners and builders save time and money by reducing the need for custom designs.

The plans are energy-efficient, adaptable and climate-resilient, helping to increase the supply of “missing middle” housing options in communities across the region.

For more information, visit our [website](#).

To learn more about the announcement, visit [Canada’s Housing Design Catalogue: Ready for Use | CMHC](#)

Don’t forget to set clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 2nd at 2:00 a.m. and change batteries in smoke detectors!



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COGSWELL DISTRICT PROJECT UPDATE



Street by street, the Cogswell District is coming to life.

New parks, art, multi-use paths and roadways are taking shape — and we’re on track for substantial completion by the end of the year.

Catch up on the latest milestones:

<https://brnw.ch/21wWEgm>

NEW COMMUNITY CRISIS SERVICE



CARE Team
Community-based Crisis
Assistance and Response

If you or someone you know is in distress related to substance use, mental health or well-being.

Call 2-1-1 to access the CARE Team

A new pilot program called CARE – Crisis Assistance and Response – is now available in Dartmouth, Woodlawn, and Cole Harbour.

CARE provides in-person support for individuals aged 16 and older experiencing non-emergency, non-violent crises related to mental health, substance use, or personal well-being.

This trauma-informed, community-led service offers an alternative to traditional emergency response, helping individuals de-escalate, create safety plans, access safe spaces, and connect with community supports.

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CARE staff are trained in harm reduction, mental health first aid, suicide prevention, and cultural humility, with a focus on respectful support for diverse communities.

The program is part of the municipality's Public Safety Strategy and is delivered in partnership with:

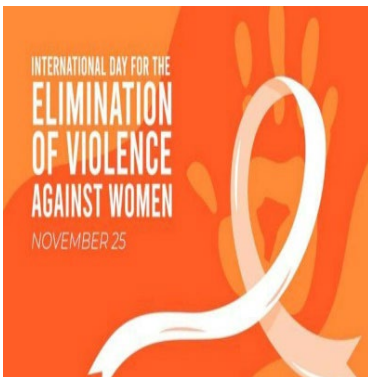
211 Nova Scotia – intake and assessment

Souls Harbour Rescue Mission – mobile response team

Municipal Community Safety Office – oversight and coordination

For more information, visit halifax.ca.

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ELIMINATION OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN



The International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women is observed on November 25. It was designated by the United Nations General Assembly in December 1999

to raise awareness about the violence women face globally and to promote advocacy for their rights.

This day marks the beginning of 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence, and goes until December 10, Human Rights Day.

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In Canada, we also observe the [National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women](#) during the 16 Days to remember the women who were murdered during the tragic mass shooting at Polytechnique Montréal on December 6, 1989.

PARADE OF LIGHTS



On Sunday, Nov. 15 at 6 p.m., Downtown Halifax will celebrate the 30th annual Nova Scotia Power Holiday Parade of

Lights, presented by Eastlink and hosted by the Holiday Parade of Lights Society. This beloved event draws tens of thousands of spectators eager to experience the sights and sounds of this highly anticipated kickoff to the holiday season. Santa will make a special appearance to bring the celebration to a joyful close, delighting everyone with his festive spirit.

EMERA OVAL CLOSES FOR SUMMER SEASON



The municipality is reminding residents that the Emera Oval closed for the summer season on Oct. 12. We look forward to welcoming residents back to the Oval this winter for ice skating.

Learn more at halifax.ca/emeraoval

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2024/25 HALIFACT CLIMATE ACTION IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

Halifax Regional Council continues to advance HalifACT: Acting on Climate Together, the municipality's long-term climate action plan to reduce emissions, build resiliency and promote equity and economic development.

In 2024/25, several key initiatives progressed under HalifACT and related environmental programs:

- Public transit electrification: Completion of the Ragged Lake Transit Centre expansion and rollout of 60 electric buses to support zero-emission transit and service reliability.
- Home retrofit pilots: Deep energy retrofits achieved over 50 per cent energy savings, improving affordability and comfort for participating households.
- Renewable energy agreements: A long-term contract was signed to offset 45 per cent of corporate electricity use through planned wind turbine development, expected to reduce corporate emissions by approximately 25 per cent when operational in 2026.
- Resilient infrastructure standards: Updated design standards were adopted to improve safety, reduce costs, and ensure climate-adaptive capital investments.
- Public electric vehicle charging: 29 EV chargers of varying speeds were installed at parks and community centres across the municipality, supporting low-carbon transportation and reducing range anxiety.

- Flood resilience and stormwater management: City-wide floodplain mapping supported a pilot retrofit program in Spryfield and Upper Hammonds Plains, enhancing public safety through targeted home upgrades.
- Scotiabank Centre retrofit: A major energy retrofit began in spring 2024, including LED lighting, building automation, heat recovery, and a natural gas generator. The project is expected to reduce energy use by 26 per cent and cut greenhouse gas emissions by approximately 800 tonnes of CO₂e annually.

HalifACT targets reflect the urgency of the climate crisis and require bold, sustained action. Continued investment will deliver meaningful environmental, social, and economic benefits for residents, businesses, and the municipality.

For more information, read the [staff report](#).

ONLINE PROPERTY TAX MANAGEMENT

Did you know that you can manage your property taxes easily online with e-billing and pre-authorized payments? Opt in for email notifications for a copy of your latest tax bill*, overdue notices, charges against your property, by-law infraction bills or other charges or text notifications for pre-authorized payments and overdue tax bills. Learn more and sign up online at <https://brnw.ch/21wWYgl>.

*Please note, if you opt in to receive a copy of your tax bill via email, you will not receive a copy in the mail.



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HOUSING STRATEGY SURVEY

Housing is a foundation for health, equity and opportunity. The municipality is committed to supporting solutions that reflect these values through the creation of the region's Housing Strategy. The Housing Strategy will help us better understand where the municipality can lead, support and collaborate. The strategy will reflect the needs of our community and the realities of our housing system. Your input and perspective are important. Learn more and complete a short survey by visiting <https://lnkd.in/ek8YndPE> by Nov. 30, 2025.

WINDSOR STREET EXCHANGE UPDATE

The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents of upcoming traffic disruptions in and around the Windsor Street Exchange area.

Lane drops on Highway 111

There will be temporary evening and overnight lane reductions on Highway 111 to allow for the realignment of traffic lanes and the creation of a workspace for the future construction of the new overpass. Minor traffic delays are expected for two to three weeks. This overnight work will take place after the evening rush hour to minimize impacts on traffic flow.

Upcoming local street impacts

Traffic delays are anticipated on Forrester, Bayne, and Mackintosh streets to accommodate early construction near the Windsor Street Exchange.

More specific timing and details will be shared as planning progresses.

Impacts to Halifax Transit

Impacted Halifax Transit routes will follow marked detours during these traffic impacts. See all active Halifax Transit service disruptions [here](#).

To learn more about the Windsor Street Exchange project, click [here](#).

RECRUITMENT FOR COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL AND EXTERNAL BOARDS

The Municipal Clerk's Office will open applications for Halifax's annual fall recruitment on Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. Information about vacancies and how to apply will be available on this [webpage](#) following the launch of applications. The municipality values community participation and service as fundamental to the success of the community. We strive to have appointments made by Council that reflect the diversity of the communities that it serves, and we seek to appoint members of the community who bring skills, expertise, and perspectives that contribute to good governance.

For information on eligibility, qualifications, and the selection process, read the frequently asked questions section below. For more detail, you can also review the [Public Appointments Policy](#). For concerns about computer or internet access, or to request other accommodations during the application process, contact the Municipal Clerks Office at 902-490-4210 or clerks@halifax.ca



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THE PEOPLE PROJECT – COMMUNITY MEDIATION PROGRAM



Halifax Regional Council approved a one-year \$100,000 pilot in July 2025 for a [Community Mediation Program](#), delivered in partnership with United Way Maritimes.

The effort offers free, voluntary, confidential, and unbiased mediation services to residents dealing with common neighborhood disputes like noise, parking, fence lines, property boundaries, and shared driveway conflicts.

To connect with a community mediator call 902.422.1501.

2025/26 MUNICIPALITY ASSET NAMING POLICY REVIEW

Halifax Regional Council has directed staff to initiate a review of Administrative Order 46, Respecting HRM Asset Naming Policies, to implement Action 3.2 of the Culture and Heritage Priorities Plan.

A review will make naming and renaming processes clearer and more consistent. It will support inclusive, culturally respectful asset naming across the municipality and will better reflect Mi'kmaq, Acadian, and African Nova Scotian history and culture.

For more information, read the [staff report](#).

NEW FERRY BOARDING PROCEDURES

New ferry boarding procedures start Monday, November 3.

1. Passengers are now asked to enter the waiting area single file. It might seem like a simple change, but this will help keep everyone safer during boarding.
2. Passengers are now asked to let staff know if you or someone in your group may need extra assistance, in the case of an emergency.

Please note that security screening hasn't changed. The only difference is that passengers are asked to enter the waiting area one at a time to allow security to conduct proper counts. They recommend arriving about five minutes early to allow time for this new process.

These changes are required to comply with recent updates to federal safety regulations and must be demonstrably implemented by November 21, 2025.

Learn more: <https://brnw.ch/21wX2bU>



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2025/26 FIRESMART VEGETATIVE DEBRIS MANAGEMENT SUPPORT



Halifax Regional Council has directed the CAO to allocate \$20,000 to support vegetative yard waste and debris disposal during municipal FireSmart events. FireSmart™ Canada is a national program focused on wildfire resilience through education and mitigation. Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency (HRFE) adopted FireSmart in 2022 and intensified efforts following the May 2023 wildfire in Upper Tantallon, which destroyed over 150 homes.

HalifACT will provide up to \$20,000 from the Small Projects Bundle to support HRFE in coordinating vegetative debris management, including:

- Curbside collection for eligible properties
- Mobile chipping services via private contracts
- Temporary drop-off sites on HRM property
- On-site processing using air curtain burners or grinders
- Hauling and recycling through local facilities

For more information, read the [staff report](#).

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REMEMBRANCE DAY GARBAGE COLLECTION

GARBAGE/ORGANICS/RECYCLABLES

Waste Collection Notice

Remembrance Day - Tuesday November 11, 2025



Please be advised there will be no garbage, organics or recyclables collection services on Remembrance Day - Tuesday, November 11, 2025.

Collection services for that day will be provided Saturday, November 8.

Collection services can begin as early as 7 a.m. To ensure collection, materials may be placed curbside the evening before collection day.

DATES TO NOTE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

OTTER LAKE FACILITY:

❌ Closed Tuesday, November 11

✅ Open Saturday, November 8, from 6 a.m. – 7 p.m.

MUNICIPAL RECYCLING FACILITY:

❌ Closed Tuesday, November 11

✅ Open Saturday, November 8, from 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

HOUSEHOLD SPECIAL WASTE (HSW) DEPOT:

❌ Closed Saturday, November 8

✅ Open Saturday, November 15, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

For more information on municipal composting and recycling programs, visit halifax.ca/recycle

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Collection Services for that day will be provided on **Saturday, November 8**.

*Household Special Waste (HSW) Depot

CLOSED Saturday, Nov. 8

OPEN Saturday, Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

*Otter Lake Waste Facility

CLOSED Tuesday, Nov. 11

OPEN Saturday, Nov. 8 from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

*Municipal Recycling Facility

CLOSED Tuesday, Nov. 11

OPEN Saturday, Nov. 8 from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information, visit halifax.ca/recycle



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BUILDING FUTURES ANNUAL AUCTION 2025



Come join us at **61 Glendale Ave** in Lower Sackville for a fun-filled event where you can bid on a variety of items.

Whether you're a seasoned bidder or new to auctions, there's something for everyone at our auction. Don't miss out on the chance to score some great deals and enjoy the excitement of live bidding! There will be a Cash Bar, Live Music by the Tuesday Night Band and you can sample culinary delights from The Futures Cafe.

Mark your calendars and invite your friends to **The Building Futures Annual Auction** - it's an event you won't want to miss!

Thursday, Nov 13, 2025 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM 61 Glendale Avenue, Lower Sackville

INDEPENDENT LIVING NOVA SCOTIA HOLIDAY GALA



Join Independent Living Nova Scotia for the ultimate East Coast kitchen party! Celebrate the holiday season at our fully inclusive Holiday Gala & Dance featuring Signal Hill.

Venue: Halifax Marriott Harbourfront in their Nova Scotia Ballroom (2nd floor)

Date: Friday, December 12, 2025

Time: 7-11:30 PM (Doors open at 5:30 PM)

Tickets: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/ilns-holiday-gala-and-dance-ft-signal-hill>

Each ticket includes a 3-course meal, unlimited polaroids from the BoothAlmighty photobooth, and musical performances by Signal Hill



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FIELD MAINTENANCE STANDARDS



Playing field maintenance

The municipality is committed to maintaining playing fields for residents to use and enjoy, including sports fields, ball diamonds and all-weather surfaces.

Parks & Recreation has services standards for maintaining playing fields, outlining what residents can expect, including maintenance frequency and the types of activities performed, for the over 300 playing fields across the region.

Municipal employees maintain fields based on their classification. This may involve daily, weekly or biweekly maintenance. Playing fields maintenance includes:

- grooming/dragging infields (ball diamonds);
- repairing infields, batter's boxes, pitching mounds (ball diamonds);
- line painting (ball diamonds/sports fields);
- aerating, overseeding, top dressing and fertilizing (ball diamonds/sports fields); and
- vegetation control (ball diamonds/sports fields).

Fields may occasionally be closed due to rain outs. To check field status, visit halifax.ca/FieldConditions. For more information on playing field maintenance, scan the QR code or visit halifax.ca/Sport-Field-Maintenance.



LEAF AND YARD WASTE REMOVAL

Leaf and yard waste that doesn't fit into the green cart belongs in paper yard waste bags.

Reminder that leaf and yard waste - Can only go out on green cart day – up to twenty bags

Belongs in paper yard waste bags (no plastic is accepted)

Cannot contain grass clippings

For more information about leaf and yard waste visit: www.halifax.ca/yardwaste

WINTER GREEN CART TIPS

When temperatures drop, materials in green carts can freeze and cause issues for both residents and waste haulers. To avoid some of the problems associated with green cart in the winter, our Solid Waste Resources team has some helpful tips:

*Put your green cart out for each collection, even if it's not full. This will give material less time to freeze

*Line the bottom of your green cart with a yard waste bag, boxboard or newspaper

*Place your green cart in a place where the sun can reach it

*Wrap food in paper scraps

More information on green carts can be found on our [webpage](#).



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WATER CONSERVATION CONCERNS

Help Us Conserve Water!

Mandatory water restrictions are still in effect. If you have **concerns over water usage** in your community, let us know.



REPORT IT USING OUR ONLINE FORM

All reports are confidential.

Every report helps protect our water supply.

Visit [halifaxwater.ca](https://halifaxwater.ca/.../concerns-water-usage-in-your-com) to submit your water usage concerns.



Friendly reminder that mandatory water conservation restrictions are still in place.

If you have concerns related to water usage in your community, we invite you to share them using the online form.

Please note this form is only for water conservation concerns. It is not intended to be used for general water concerns, such as water quality, discolored water, or taste and odour.

<https://halifaxwater.ca/.../concerns-water-usage-in-your-com>

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IN THE COMMUNITY



It was an emotional day for many. The annual Fallen Peace Officers Memorial at Grand Parade.



[Daffodil Garden for Cancer Survivors](#)



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Advocacy Days and I was so pleased to meet with our MPs [Shannon Miedema](#), [Braedon Clark](#), [Darren Fisher](#), and [Sean Fraser](#)

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African Nova Scotian Road to Economic Prosperity Summit



Wonderful treasures were found at the George P. Vanier Craft show



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The RCMP Halifax Regional Detachment held a Community Consultation in [#FallRiver](#). It was well attended with lots of great discussions about community policing and the future of policing in this area.

Some topics discussed during the consultation include:

The benefits of having a local office, closer to home, where the community can report crimes, get Criminal Record checks, and potential flexible office hours that could include some evenings, or weekends based on further discussions with the community,

Location of the new office,

Having a complement of community officers dedicated to patrol their communities and be present in an area that is growing and seeing increasing traffic,

Focusing on the issues relevant to their communities such as road safety, youth

engagement at the schools, and participating in community events.

[#RCMPNS](#) look forward to continuing to collaborate with the community to ensure safety for everyone!



For Fire Prevention Week, Station 40 - Dutch Settlement and [Volunteer Fire Station 47 - Goffs](#)



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New turf field being put to good use!

CANADIAN PROGRESS CLUB NOVA
FISH & CHIPS NIGHT
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7 6-9 PM



FREEMANS LOWER SACKVILLE
TICKETS \$25

Join us for good food, live music & a great cause!



[LWF Community Hall](#) community clean up



St. Rose of Lima CWL
Christmas Bazaar
Saturday, November 15, 2025
Waverley Legion
11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Craft Table, Bake Table, New to You
and a Silent Auction
Bring along any "littles" to enjoy our
CHILDREN'S CORNER!
We are happy to provide the following:
Chowder Dinner \$12.00
Soup Dinner \$10.00
Hot Dog Meal \$ 3.00



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A wonderful time at Harvest Fest with the [Musquodoboit Valley Lion's Club](#)

They represent the communities we serve in Sackville, Beaver Bank, Hammonds Plains, Lucasville, Bedford, Waverley, and Fall River, and their support enables us to continue providing healthy, affordable meals that allow seniors to maintain their independence at home. We are deeply grateful for local leaders who recognize the importance of nourishing community.

(Pictured from right to left) Counsellor Jean St-Amon, Counsellor Cathy Deagle Gammon, Dawn Clancey SBMOW Chair, Alice Sandall-Holt SBMOW Coordinator, Mary McDaid SBMOW Board Member, Counsellor Billy Gillis
Absent: Counsellor John Young

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GORDON R. SNOW COMMUNITY CENTRE

Fall programs are underway and registration is ongoing.

'New' this fall - **Chair Yoga** (#17826)
Wednesdays 10:00-11:00 a.m. – this class is ideal for beginners or those with limited range of motion or balance issues

Preschooler Play A wonderful way for your 3-5 year old to socialize and make friends, helping with the transition to 'big' school.
M/W/F (#19527) 9:00-11:30 a.m. or register for individual days:
Monday (#38268)
Wednesday (#38270)
Friday (#38271)

Parent & Tot Gym Time – meet fellow parents and caregivers every Wednesday morning from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at our free drop-in.



Bedford, Sackville Meals on Wheels extends sincere appreciation to HRM Councillors [Billy Gillis - HRM Councillor District 15 - Lower Sackville/Beaver Bank](#), [John Young - HRM Councillor District 14](#), [Jean St-Amand, Councillor, HRM District 16](#) and [Cathy Deagle Gammon, District 1 Councillor](#) for their generous donation toward our new stove!

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Drop In classes - If you would like to try a class with no long-term commitment, why not attend a drop-in Zumba or evening Yoga class. This is also a great option for shift workers.

(\$10+tax/class)

Zumba – Tuesdays 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Yoga – Tuesdays 7:15-8:15 p.m.

Yoga Yin – Wednesdays 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Fitness Centre

Conveniently located in your own community the GRSCC Fitness Centre is open:

Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m./ Saturday & Sunday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

One month - Adult \$36.29 / Senior or Student \$27.22. Other payment options, including a day pass are also available.

Enjoy a variety of cardio and equipment options including: treadmills, ellipticals, bikes, steppers, rowing machine, Apex cable machine, Jones machine, 7 station multi-gym, leg presses, multiple benches, dumb bells, barbells, etc.

Indoor Walking - As the weather turns colder and surfaces become slippery, you are welcome to come for a walk, weekday mornings from 7:15-8:30 a.m. on the solid, flat surface of our gymnasium.

For more information or to register for a program please call the Gordon R. Snow Community Centre 902 860 4570.

Upcoming Winter Program Registration Dates:

Dec 2 – 10:00 a.m. Recreation programs

Dec 9 – 10:00 a.m. Aquatics & Skating

View a full list of programs online two weeks prior to each registration date at halifax.ca/myrec

COMMUNITY HALLS/CENTRES

District 1 is home to many community halls and non-profit organizations. Check out their website or Facebook pages to find information on local events as well as opportunities to volunteer in your community.

- [Elderbanks Recreation Club](#)
- [Lemmon Hill Sports Association](#)
- [Upper Musquodoboit Nova Scotia Nunavut Command](#)
- [Upper Musquodoboit Community Hall](#)
- Upper Musquodoboit Fellowship Centre (902)568-2536
- [Musquodoboit Valley Bicentennial Theatre](#)
- [Musquodoboit Valley Family Resource Centre](#)
- [Musquodoboit Valley Food Bank](#)
- [Carrolls Corner Community Center](#)
- [Meaghers Grant Community Hall](#)
- [Gordon Snow Community Centre](#)
- [Wellington Fletchers Lake Station House](#)
- [Grand Lake Oakfield Community Centre](#)
- [Waverley Heritage Museum](#)
- [Waverley Legion Dieppe Branch 90](#)
- [LWF Community Hall](#)
- [Windsor Junction Community Centre](#)
- [Helping Hands Families Helping Families](#)
- [Barefoot Farmers Association](#)

For those I may have missed, please reach out to let me know, and I will add to the list!



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I currently serve on Regional Council, North West Community Council and the following boards and committees:

- Audit and Finance Committee (Chair)
- Canadian Capital Cities Organization
- Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee (Chair)
- Environment and Sustainability Committee (Vice Chair)
- Executive Standing Committee
- Halifax Regional Water Commission
- Halifax Partnership

Community Committees:

- Aerotech Community Liaison Community Committee
- Halifax International Airport Authority
- Goffs Quarry Community Liaison

E-NEWSLETTER/SUBSCRIBE

The District 1 newsletters, are available on my [municipal website](#), or to request to be added to the distribution list, please contact my Council Constituency Coordinator, Nancy Viner at Nancy.Viner@halifax.ca.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



The Halifax Regional Municipality honours and recognizes the importance of the Indigenous people (First Nation, Métis, and Inuit) and their cultural contributions to the tapestry of our region. The Halifax Regional Municipality is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq people. The municipality acknowledges the Peace & Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People.

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