

### **Seniors' Snow Removal Program**

Our winters can be harsh. The YMCA and Halifax wants to help keep you safe! YMCA Senior Snow Removal is a YMCA program – in partnership with the Halifax Regional Municipality – for seniors, and persons with disabilities which provides a subsidized snow removal service to create safe access. The YMCA pays all service fees directly to the contractor on behalf of program participants. The YMCA will oversee the clearing of the following areas; however, it is the responsibility of the participant to ensure that all areas are free from obstructions:

- Front and back steps
- Walkways
- Ramps
- Access to fuel tanks

### **Program Eligibility**

YMCA Senior Snow Removal is available to all seniors who are sixty-five years of age or more and persons with disabilities who reside in the Greater Halifax/Dartmouth area, and meet the following criteria:

- The participant must reside in a single dwelling home which is owned or rented;
- The participant, also including all individuals who live on the premises aged eighteen or

- older, must not exceed a total gross household income of \$32,000, and;
- The participant may not be a landlord.

YMCA Senior Snow Removal operates on a first-come, first-serve basis. When we reach maximum capacity for YMCA Senior Snow Removal, registration in the program will close and individuals will be placed on a wait list. Please note that only applications which include proper documentation will be considered.

## Applying for 2018/2019 YMCA Senior Snow Removal

When the application package becomes available and when completing, be sure to include a copy of your Notice of Assessment(s) from Revenue Canada for the previous taxation year. Completed applications may be faxed to (902) 423-8530 or can be mailed or dropped off in person to:

Attention: YMCA Senior Snow Removal Community YMCA 2269 Gottingen Street Halifax, NS B3K 3B7 Call (902) 483-3678 for more information.

For more detailed information about this program, visit <a href="http://www.ymcahfx.ca/community-initiatives/ymca-senior-snow-removal/">http://www.ymcahfx.ca/community-initiatives/ymca-senior-snow-removal/</a>



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# MOBILE FOOD MARKET

The next Fairview Food Market will be held on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. at Macdonald Laurier Place at the corner of Ford Street and Main Avenue. For more information visit <a href="http://www.mobilefoodmarket.ca/">http://www.mobilefoodmarket.ca/</a>

### Daylight-saving time ends

- Turn your clock back one hour tonight before going to bed.
- It's also time to change batteries in your smoke detectors.



On Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, don't forget to turn back the clocks.

# Call for Volunteers – Youth Advisory Committee

The Halifax Regional Municipality is seeking volunteers between the ages of 15-24 for a new Youth Advisory Committee.

Members of the committee will focus on enhancing the relationship between Regional Council and the youth of our community.

The committee's mandate is to advise Council on how municipal policies, programs, and services affect youth, and identify areas for improvement. The origin for this committee is a report prepared for Regional Council in 2017 that recommended a process be created that would link youth to municipal government decision making. Over a two-year period, the 12 committee members will regularly engage with youth throughout the municipality to find out what's working, what's preventing youth from thriving, and how the municipality can better support their success.

The committee is seeking representation from across the municipality, including six designated seats from the following communities: Indigenous Mi'kmaq, African Nova Scotian, Francophone and/or Acadian, 2SLGBTQ, newcomers, and persons with disabilities.

The deadline for applying to be a member of the committee is Sunday, November 11.

For more information about the committee and how to apply, check out <u>Halifax.ca/YAC</u>.





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### **2018 Volunteer Conference**

The Volunteer Conference will be held on November 16 & 17, 2018 at the Atlantica Hotel Halifax - 1980 Robie Street at Quinpool.

How to Register for the Volunteer Conference:

First have a <u>look at all the engaging workshops</u> being offered this year. Choose one workshop for each time slot – that will be 3 workshops in total. Follow this link to register and pay with your credit card. The course number for the Volunteer Conference is: **00003249**. Please note: Halifax Parks and Recreation has moved to a new registration system and this means you will have to create a new account. If you need more information about how to create an account you can check out this video or call 902-490-1586. For those Conference delegates that must pay by cheque, please call 902-490-1586 to complete your registration. Please note: all payments must be received prior to the Conference. Delegates who are paid staff of a volunteer organization will be asked a second question during the registration process. Please click the box to indicate you are paying the staff fee.

Please note: there is a maximum of 2 participants per organization.

Contact <u>Shawna Shirley</u>, 902-869-4202, if you have any questions.

### **Conference Fee for Volunteers:**

- Before October 26, 2018 \$35
- After October 26, 2018 \$50

For more information visit <a href="https://www.halifax.ca/about-halifax/volunteering/volunteer-conference">https://www.halifax.ca/about-halifax/volunteering/volunteer-conference</a>



In February 2018, Regional Council provided direction for Halifax Transit to work with Corporate Communications to create an online advisory hub as an ongoing method of public engagement. This online engagement will feature regular surveys and feedback mechanisms, and will be complemented with in-person consultation to be more inclusive.

On October 22, 2018 Halifax Transit launched *Talk Transit* – a platform for current and potential transit users to let us know their thoughts on important transit topics. Every month, registered users will receive an email notifying them of the topic we're looking to get feedback on and directing them to the new survey. Surveys will be open for a month, and when one closes another will open. After each





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survey closes, staff will be creating a report on results and publishing that for residents to see.

There's also an ongoing survey on Talk Transit asking residents what they want to talk about next. At any time, residents can go on and either select from the topics Transit is thinking of surveying or make suggestions of their own.

We recognize that an important piece of this is giving all residents the opportunity to fill out surveys, so we will be supplementing this digital survey with in-person surveys once we identify (via basic information in registration form) where gaps are in respondents.

If residents are interested in providing feedback to Halifax Transit, we encourage them to register at <a href="https://www.shapeyourcityhalifax.ca/talktransit">www.shapeyourcityhalifax.ca/talktransit</a>.

**On Street Parking Permits** 

On November 5, there will be more ways to park on street and designated spaces for carshare vehicles. For more information about parking permits, questions about parking, or paying parking tickets, visit <a href="https://www.halifax.ca/transportation/parking">https://www.halifax.ca/transportation/parking</a>.

### **Youth Live Is Hiring**

Between 16 to 24 years old? Looking for work? Learn more about Youth Live and if you are eligible to apply. If you're between 16 and 24 years old and having trouble finding meaningful work, you may be eligible to participate in the Youth Live Program. In Youth Live, you'll have up to 21 weeks of life and job skill development along with access to learning sessions. For more information about this opportunity visit <a href="https://www.halifax.ca/about-halifax/employment/youth-opportunities/youth-live-program">https://www.halifax.ca/about-halifax/employment/youth-opportunities/youth-live-program</a>



Thank you to all our military personnel for the sacrifices you have made for our freedom.

Remembrance Day Services will be held at 11:00 am on November 11<sup>th</sup> at The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 142, 50 Hillcrest Street, Fairview.



Open 7 days a week from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm Monday to Friday and 9:00 am to 5:30 pm Saturday and Sunday (closed Christmas Day & New Year's Day)

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