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Make Transit Better



Halifax Transit's draft Moving Forward Together Plan aims to make it easier for transit users to get where they're going.

The system is intended to be simpler, smarter, more efficient by offering better connections, shorter trips and longer service days on many routes. You can check out the plan, look at the new proposed route map and share your feedback on their [website](#). Be sure to take the survey for a chance to win an iPad mini or annual transit passes. The online survey closes on April 24th. You can also provide input on twitter by tweeting [@hfxtransit](#) with the hash-tag #HfxTransit and #MakeTransitBetter.

Emergency Preparedness Week

Emergency Preparedness Week is May 3rd - 9th. Residents should be prepared and able to take care of themselves for a 72-hour period after a significant weather event or incident. Review our Emergency Management Organization [website](#) for details about preparing your household, checklists for food and documentation and much more. By being prepared for emergencies, you can significantly decrease the risk of damage to your life and property.

HRM Backyard Composter Sale

HRM is hosting its bi-annual Backyard Composter Sale on Saturday, May 2nd at the Sackville Transit Terminal from 9am to 3pm. Purchase an [Earth Machine Backyard Composter](#) for just \$25 including HST. Full details are on the Halifax [website](#).



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What if everyone chose one small action to improve our city? Together we can make 100 actions happen on **June 6th**. This is the goal of 100In1Day, where you can take leadership and get involved.



Workshop
April 28th
6:30-8:30pm
Keshen Goodman
Public Library
330 Lacewood Dr
Clayton Park

Let's create a day that transforms our city!

Bring your idea for an action or brainstorm with us at our workshop to create 100+ citizen-driven actions.

100In1Day is the perfect platform to showcase your awesome ideas for positive change in Halifax.

For more information visit www.100in1day.ca

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100in1Day in Halifax

Halifax will have its second annual 100In1Day Saturday, June 6th. 100In1Day challenges citizens to make their communities a better place through small scale actions or “urban interventions.”

A free workshop will be held on April 28th 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the Keshen Goodman Public Library to discuss ideas and help bring them to life. You can register for the event or submit ideas on their [website](#) or get some more information by checking out their [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages.

Proposed changes to Taxi and Limousine Regulations



HRM staff are seeking input on the future of taxi licensing. There is currently a recommendation before the Transportation

Standing Committee that would begin the process of retiring conventional taxi licences in favour of more accessible taxis. An independent consultation process has been engaged to provide input.

Residents are encouraged to join us at a town hall meeting Tuesday April 21st, 2015 at 6 p.m. at the Halifax Forum or you can submit your feedback [online](#).

Earth Day

April 22nd is the 45th Annual Earth Day and the NS Clean Foundation is kicking off the 2015 season with the Great Nova Scotia Pick-Me-Up litter reduction initiative. You can register [online](#) to run a litter clean-up event, supplies are provided by the Clean Foundation. You can find more green ideas for Earth Day 2015 on their [website](#).



Open 7 days a week from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. (except Christmas Day & New Year's Day)



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Plan Dutch Village Road

The Community Planning Workshop to provide feedback about Dutch Village Road was a huge success. If you missed out and have some input about the future of Dutch Village Rd, you have until Friday, April 17th to provide feedback to planner [Jennifer Chapman](#). Learn more about our plans on the [Shape Your City](#) page.

Changes at the Curb

RESIDENTIAL SINGLE UNIT

UP TO 6 CLEAR BAGS
OR
UP TO 5 CLEAR BAGS + 1 DARK BAG

THESE BAGS MAY BE PLACED IN CANS

Starting August 1, 2015 new requirements for curbside collection will be in effect. This date allows time for residents to become aware of the changes, and for retail stores to adjust their inventory of bags.

- Clear bags will be required for garbage, with each residence allowed one dark bag within the collection limit. Bags may also be placed in cans to address privacy concerns. More than one dark or 'nested' bag will be rejected.
- Exclusive use of kraft paper bag for excess leaf & yard waste. Leaf & yard waste can still be placed in the cart, but grass clippings will no longer be collected curbside in favour of grasscycling and backyard composting.
- Boxboard (cereal and cracker boxes) will be accepted with paper for recycling, though it can still be used to contain wet kitchen scraps in the green cart.



Seed Grants available for your big ideas!

Do YOU have an idea just bursting to grow?

United Way's ACTION for Neighbourhood Change offers **non-repayable Seed Grants** for resident-directed projects that affect positive change in Fairview. The ideas are limitless: community gardens, music, films, and seniors groups are just a few.

- Meet neighbours who share your ideas.
- Create residential leadership to build a better Fairview.
- Grow our sense of community!

Visit www.unitedwayhalifax.ca/fight-poverty/neighbourhood-change.html for an application form and requirements.

Or contact Kendall O'Connor, Community Coordinator Fairview
902-476-0262, koconnor@unitedwayhalifax.ca

Application Deadline is Monday, April 20, 2015



For more details please visit our [website](#).



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HRM Implements Annual Spring Weight Restrictions

To minimize potential damage to streets and roads, the Halifax Regional Municipality has introduced its annual spring weight restrictions for heavy vehicles travelling on municipally maintained roads in the former County of Halifax areas.

Those restrictions are expected to remain in place through to May 18, 2015; however, if the roads are stabilized prior to that date, the restrictions may be lifted earlier and the municipality will issue a Public Service Announcement.

The municipality's spring weight restrictions are consistent with those of the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (TIR).

Details of vehicle restrictions can be found [online](#).

Fairview Community Association – Calling for Volunteers



The Fairview Community Association's Events Committee is looking for volunteers to help with several planned events throughout the 2015 year.

If you would like to become more involved in your community, make new friends and become part of a team, please contact Kendall O'Connor at 902-237-2491 or by [email](#).

Solar City Program Extended

Council has decided to extend the Solar City program for three more years. The program started as a pilot project in 2013 and encourages the installation of solar hot-water systems.

Solar City will now include solar photovoltaic technology for electricity and solar air technology and financing will now be available through municipal property taxes. Applications for the program will be available in about three months. For more information, see their [website](#).

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