

Career Firefighter Recruitment



Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency (HRFE) is now accepting applications for permanent full time career firefighters.

Our career firefighters are responsible for firefighting, rescue, emergency medical, and other related services. The firefighter also participates in fire prevention and public safety education programs.

Submit an application by January 30th through their web-based application system. Applicants who meet the required criteria will have to submit to an aptitude test, physical abilities testing and panel interview before being added to the hiring pool. If you think you have what it takes to serve your community as a member of this highly skilled professional team, find more details on our website.

Bell Let's Talk Day

It's Bell Let's Talk day! Tweet using the hashtag #BellLetsTalk or share this <u>facebook post</u> and Bell will donate \$0.05 to mental health initiatives that provide access to care, anti-stigma, workplace health and research.

Find more details on the initiatives they support and how to donate on their <u>website</u>.

Winter Parking Ban

Don't forget - it's Winter Parking Ban season.

Make sure you have the latest information about the parking ban by signing up to <u>receive</u> <u>notifications</u> or by checking our <u>Winter Operations</u> Website.

Parking can be a huge obstacle for snow clearing, so we are stepping up our efforts with enforcement by ticketing and towing vehicles that don't comply.





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2016-17 Budget Deliberations

Regional Council will be reviewing the 2016-17 departmental budgets in a series of Committee of the Whole meetings where each department will be presenting their budgets and plans to Council for their review.

You can have your say on the 2016-17 budgets too. Residents are encouraged to attend the meetings and have the opportunity to provide comments for up to five minutes to Council and staff. You can also tune into the <u>live stream</u> to watch the preceding from home or share your ideas with the <u>Clerks office</u> prior to the sessions. Proceedings begin at 9:30 a.m.

Date	Presenting Department
03	Fiscal and Consolidated Accounts
February	
2016	
08	Full Budget Review
March	
2016	

HRM Events Grants

The Halifax Regional Municipality is offering event grants, available for functions that build community, support culture or develop the local economy and tourism industry.

The deadline to submit an application is Friday, January 29th, at 12:00 p.m.

More detailed information on the new grant programs can be found <u>online</u>. If you have any questions, you can contact Paul Forrest through email or at 902-490-6979.

African Heritage Month

February is African Heritage Month, where we celebrate the extraordinary culture and heritage of African Nova Scotians.

The Halifax Public Libraries are celebrating with special guests, art, music and discussion of social issues. Opening night ceremonies will be held at the <u>Halifax North Memorial Library</u> featuring musical entertainment and special community guests.

Check out their website for more details.





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Property Assessment Appeals

The Property Valuation Services Corporation annually assesses every property in Nova Scotia and will mail you your assessment this month.

If you have questions or concerns about your assessment, you can contact the PVSC at 902-720-7872 or submit an inquiry through their website.

You have 31 days after your assessment has been mailed to make a formal appeal by mailing or faxing a written notice to Park Place Two, 238-A Brownlow Avenue, Suite 200, Dartmouth, NS, B3B 2B4 or Fax: 902-720-7873.

Free Assessment and Energy Efficiency Upgrades for Low Income Homes

The HomeWarming program offers a no-charge energy assessment and free home upgrades such as draft-proofing and insulation to income-qualified homeowners to help reduce heating and power bills.

This Efficiency Nova Scotia and Clean Foundation program is sponsored by Nova Scotia Power and the Province of Nova Scotia. Nova Scotia Power has volunteered to fund \$37 million for a 10-year lowincome energy efficiency program for electrically heated homes.

Check out their <u>website</u> for more information.







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

Electronics Recycling now available at Youth Live depot



The Youth Live Enviro Depot is now accepting electronics recycling.

Youth Live is a powerful program for youth age 16 – 24 who have barriers to employment. The program

provides opportunities to develop life and job skills through learning sessions and by assisting with business operations at the enviro depot.

They have expanded their operations to include electronics such as desktops, computers, printers, TV's, VCRs, CDs, DVDs, MP3 Players and more. Drop by 947 Mitchell Street Monday – Saturday 9:00a.m. - 4:00 p.m. or check out their website for more details.

The Order of Nova Scotia

The Order of Nova Scotia is the highest honour of the Province of Nova Scotia. The Order encourages excellence by recognizing Nova Scotians for outstanding contributions or achievements.

Members of the Order of Nova Scotia have distinguished themselves in areas such as academics, culture, leadership, human rights, industry, justice, entrepreneurship and Sports.

The province is now asking for submissions for the 2016 Order of Nova Scotia program. Please go to the Protocol Office website to download a nomination form. The closing date for submissions is Friday, March 18th, 2016.



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Brain War teams



Registration is now open for the Discovery Centre's 2016 Brain War.

Teams are composed of four members with expertise in things like music, engineering, art,

technology, science and mathematics.

The Brain War will take place on Friday, February 19, 2016 at the Saint Mary's University McNally Theatre and Conference Hall from 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Check out their website for more details.

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