

Halifax Green Network Plan



The Halifax Regional Municipality wants your input on the Halifax Green Network Plan.

The Green Network Plan will be a blueprint for the municipality to protect our communities' land and water resources. Being deliberate in how we protect and use open space over the long-term is important for sustainable growth and the development of more livable, complete communities.

There will be many opportunities for residents to get involved in the open space planning process. Open houses and Pop-Up Events will begin starting Saturday May 30th - a complete list of public events is <u>online</u>. You can also use our online interactive mapping tool and survey to provide feedback. Mark locations that the municipality should consider in developing this open space plan <u>here</u> or share your feedback on the <u>Shape Your City page</u>.

ArtsHalifax Advisory Committee

The Halifax Regional Municipality is looking for eight citizens to participate on the new ArtsHalifax Advisory Committee. The <u>ArtsHalifax Advisory Committee</u> will provide advice to staff on the development of policies that support Halifax's professional arts and culture sector.

We need members of the arts and culture sector, members with knowledge and experience working with arts and culture, and members of the public at large to make this committee a success.

If you are interested and up to the challenge, apply to the <u>Municipal Clerk's office</u> with a cover letter, resume and any additional information that would assist the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee in making their recommendations to Council.

The deadline for applications is Friday May 29th at 4:30 p.m. All nominations for the ArtsHalifax Advisory Committee will be made in accordance with the municipalities Public Appointment Policy.



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Household Special Waste Drop-Off

Dispose of your batteries, paint, cleaners, pesticides, fuel, pharmaceuticals and aerosol cans safely by visiting a Household Special Waste Depot.

The Household Special Waste Depot is located at 20 Horseshoe Lake Drive in Bayer's Lake. Drop off times are Saturdays from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

The Halifax Regional Municipality will also be operating a mobile drop off event in the Mic Mac Mall parking lot on Saturday June 13th from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

For more information on disposing of hazardous waste not acceptable for curbside collection, visit our website.

Summer Recreation Programs



Registration is open for our preschool, child and adult summer recreation programs and swimming and beach program registration will begin on June 10th.

You can register online, over the phone at 902-490-6666 or in person at

your local recreation centre. Visit our <u>website</u> for more details.

Upcoming Events You Don't Want to Miss

Turf your under-used items to the curb, tune up your bike and get exploring – There's lots of exciting things happening in Halifax. Check out some of the things happening in our city next week:

- Bike Week 2015 June 5th 14th
 - Celebrate a healthier Halifax by joining in on one of 50 Bike Week events.
- <u>100In1Day Halifax</u> June 6th, 2015
 - Make our community a better place by participating in an "Urban Intervention." Join us in Titus Park for the Good Vibrations event.
- <u>Curbside Giveaway Weekend</u> June 6th
 - Free up some space and get some free stuff by participating in the curbside giveaway.
- <u>Doors Open Halifax</u> June 6th and 7th
 - Explore some of Halifax's most interesting buildings during the Doors Open weekend. Over 30 venues will be opening their doors this year – including Halifax City Hall.

Hope to see you there!



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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Residential Property Tax Exemptions

Applications are now available for 2015/16 residential property tax exemptions. Halifax Regional Municipality can help homeowners pay their property tax through a payment plan, a property tax rebate, or deferral of property taxes. There are different programs to choose from depending on a person's needs.

If you would like more information about eligibility, or if you applied last year and haven't received a new application in the mail, see our <u>website</u> for details.

Emera Oval Reopens Saturday

Grab your wheels and head to the Emera Oval for some free family fun this weekend. The skating track officially reopens Saturday, May 30th, for rollerblading, roller-skating and cycling.



During scheduled, monitored events participants can borrow roller skates, inline skates and all the required safety gear for free with a valid government-issued photo ID.

Equipment is distributed on a first come, first serve basis. For those who have their own equipment, the Emera Oval is open to use any time. As per provincial law, all users are required to wear a helmet.

To check out a full schedule of events, see their website.

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