

New Traffic Signals at Chain Lake Drive & Lakeland Boulevard

The traffic signals at the new intersection of Chain Lake Drive and Lakeland Boulevard in Halifax are now operational.

The new lights will flash red in all directions for the first week of operation. Motorists are reminded to treat a flashing red intersection as an all-way stop. The traffic signals will begin regular operation on Wednesday, September 23rd.

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Affordable Insurance Option Available for Small-Scale Community Events

The Halifax Regional Municipality is pleased to announce its insurance broker, Aon Risk Solutions, is now offering affordable group liability insurance for organizers of small-scale community events.

Over the years, organizers of community events have had to scale back or even cancel events

because they couldn't afford the appropriate insurance. Based on requests from residents to address this issue, the municipality reached out to its insurance broker to inquire about a creative solution.

In response to this need, Aon Risk Solutions has created the new Citizen Event Insurance Program (CEIP) which provides event organizers with affordable access to liability coverage when planning an annual strawberry social, a weekly card club at the fire hall, or a monthly community dance. Community groups or associations can also purchase insurance through this program for liability coverage of annual activities, operations and programming.

Program highlights include:

-Access to a \$2-million commercial general liability policy with additional coverage as may be required -Coverage may be obtained for community events, family events, as well as a wide range of sporting activities (including organized leagues and sports camps) held on either municipal or private property



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-Premium costs are dependent on the nature, scope, complexity and risk of the event or the community group's annual activities and operations.

It is important to note that inclusion in the program is voluntary. Residents can contact any insurance provider to inquire about coverage that best suits their needs. The municipality is providing an option for residents to access group liability insurance through its insurance broker, Aon Risk Solutions. CEIP is not administered or subsidized by the municipality.

For more information about the CEIP and how to purchase this insurance option, visit www.halifax.ca/CEIP or contact Aon Risk Solutions directly by calling 902-429-7310.

Waste Management APP



The Halifax Regional Municipality has released a free mobile and web-based service to help residents separate their waste.

The new <u>Halifax Recycles App</u> includes a collection schedule and a search feature that allows residents to enter a type of material and learn whether it goes into garbage, recycling or organics.

Check out our <u>website</u> for more details on recycling in HRM.

Planning Applications Map

HRM Planning and Development have recently added an <u>interactive mapping feature</u> to their website. The map will allow you to see the location of planning applications in your community and links to the application information, opportunities for engagement and staff contact details to provide feedback.

Community Facility Master Plan

We want your input on developing sustainable, well-planned and accessible community recreation facilities. The Community Facility Master Plan provides strategic direction and recommendations for recreation facility development. The plan was originally presented to Council in 2008 and we are now in the public consultation phase of reviewing and updating this strategy to be presented again in 2016.

Join us for a public engagement meeting at one of the locations listed below or have your say by emailing us, calling 902-490-5713 or completing an online survey. Your voice is important!

Sept 28th – George Dixon Centre

Sept 29th – Findlay Centre

Oct 8th – St. Margaret's Centre

Oct 9th – Captain William Spry Centre

Oct 14th – Bedford Hammonds Plains Community Centre

Oct 15th – Acadia Hall Lower Sackville

The work is well underway! Let us hear your voice!



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Hopscotch Halifax

Sept 25th – 27th, 2015

Hopscotch is a National Urban Art Event that showcases breakdancing, hip hop and music. Get more information on <u>Facebook</u> or on our <u>website</u>.

Go Seniors Go

From September 26th to October 2nd 2015
The Canadian Association of Retired Persons (CARP) is working with HRM to celebrate a Senior's Week from Sept 26th – Oct 2nd.

Halifax Transit will provide free service to all seniors on Tuesday September 29th and there will be a proclamation and flag raising at 10:00 a.m. at City Hall.

Municipal Campaign School for Women

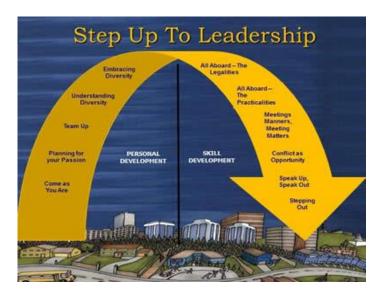
October 17th 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Mount Saint Vincent University

The Nova Scotia Advisory Council on the Status of Women will be offering a free campaign workshop for women seeking municipal leadership opportunities with HRM. Register by October 2nd to reserve your spot. Visit their website for details.



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

Step Up To Leadership



HRM Volunteer Services offers a FREE 10 session course which was developed by volunteers for volunteers.

The first half of the course explores:

- personality types
- team work
- group dynamics
- diversity
- planning for your passion

The second half of the course provides information on:

- creating a non-profit organization
- · board legalities and practicalities
- effective meetings
- conflict resolution
- public speaking

The program has a full, well rounded agenda to provide the necessary tools and techniques to create effective leadership and community involvement.



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Registration: to register please call 902-490-4865 or email us at hrmvolunteerservices@halifax.ca.

*Please note: dates, locations & times are subject to change!

To find out information about the course including dates and locations please visit http://www.halifax.ca/volunteerservices/stepuptole adership.php

Downtown Halifax Plan Five-Year **Review Public Consultation**

The Halifax Regional Municipality is inviting residents to participate in public consultation being undertaken as part of the first five-year review of the Downtown Halifax Plan.

The Downtown Halifax Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and By-law were adopted in 2009 following an extensive public consultation process, known as HRMbyDesign. The plan establishes a vision for downtown Halifax's distinct character and growth aspirations, and over the past five years it has successfully brought change, growth, improved building design and heritage protection to the area.

The current five-year review is an opportunity to further improve the plan by responding to changing trends and conditions, address any gaps in the policies and regulations, and ensure that the plan continues to reflect the goals and objectives of the community.

As part of the Public input we want to hear from everyone who lives, works and plays in our downtown core. A presentation and discussion focused on the plan will be held as follows:

Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2015 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. **Maritime Museum of the Atlantic Small Craft Gallery** 1675 Lower Water Street, Halifax

For anyone unable to attend the meeting in person, you may also engage with us online at http://shapeyourcityhalifax.ca/downtownplanrevie w. The online forum contains information about the Downtown Halifax Plan, the review process, surveys and Q&A's related to the successes, issues and opportunities of this five-year review. Following the public meeting on Sept. 23, more information will be available on the website for public comment.

Let's work together to build better communities in Halifax.

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