

NRC Report for February 2019

Grandview heights Community League
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REMINDERS

Permits for Events on City Parkland:

- For those of you who are planning Family Day events, please be aware that **permits are required all year round** for:
 - hosting events that have more than 50 attendees or
 - if you are using some type of vendor (e.g. sleigh rides, fireworks, etc.)
- **Please note:** This includes events that are held on licenced areas.
- If you are planning an outdoor event, please complete the [permit application](#) at least 4 weeks prior to the event date.

Skating Prohibited on Stormwater Lakes

- The City [Drainage Bylaw 18093](#) prohibits skating on [stormwater lakes](#).
- Signage is posted at all stormwater facilities advising residents to keep off the ice because conditions are unknown.
- Ice conditions are unpredictable and dangerous.

Community League Infrastructure Grant (CLIP)

- The Community League Infrastructure Program (CLIP) provides funding assistance to community leagues for:
 - capital costs to preserve and enhance existing facilities or
 - construction of new facilities that provide an overall benefit to the community and value to the citizens of Edmonton.
- **Application deadline for all programs is 11:59pm on Wednesday March 27, 2019**
- More info available at:
https://www.edmonton.ca/programs_services/funding_grants/community-league-infrastructure-grant.aspx

WHAT'S NEW

Snow Removal

- Want to know when your neighbourhood is scheduled for snow removal on your streets. You can even sign up for email notices for parking bans, snow removal, and spring street cleaning
- [Click here](#) for more info.

Let the City know what you think about:

- [the rehabilitation of river valley stairs and trails.](#)
- [River Valley Ice Strategy: Public Engagement Sessions](#)
- [Phase 2: Let's Keep Talking - Future of Waste](#)

PROGRAMS, EVENTS AND LICENSES

[Winter City Excitement Guide](#) Save some time and go right to Page 20

Be sure to keep checking in on all the great winter activities that are offered around the city. Ask your NRC for a booklet, or save paper and click on the links included for the most up to date cool winter things to do.

[Learn to Skate Drop-in Programs](#)

- Children and families of all ages can try out various basic skating skills at their own pace through on-ice games and activities. Trained leaders will be on hand to adapt the program to the age and skill level of the participants.
- For general information about the program and its location across the city, visit: edmonton.ca/activities_parks_recreation/drop-in-learn-to-skate-program.aspx

[Winter Green Shack Programs](#)

- Free program for ages: 6-12 years. Note: children under 6 must be supervised by a parent or guardian.
- Join in games, sports, crafts, music, drama and special events. You'll find a list of upcoming activities and special events posted on the side of the Green Shack each week. If there's a game or activity that you'd like to play, just ask the Program Leader.
- for information about locations across the city, visit: edmonton.ca/greenshacks

Family Day Events

- There are usually a number of free events happening throughout the city on Family Day, but not many were listed at the time of this report's creation.
- Try Googling "Family Day 2019 Edmonton" closer to Feb 18 to see what events are available.

Ice Skating

- If you're looking for places to skate this winter, consider [City of Edmonton outdoor rinks](#) and [IceWays](#).
- It's free to skate at the outdoor rinks and skate rentals are available at William Hawrelak Park Pavilion if you don't have your own skates.
- To find a Community League rink near you, go to the [Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues' Find a Facility/League web page](#). Under Facility Amenities, select Rink. You will need a community league membership to use most rinks.

[Family Nature Nights - Winter Edition](#)

- Family Nature Nights are free 2 hour events that occur in locations across Edmonton.
Arctic Animals & Owls Date: February 24
Location: Rundle Park near the Rundle Family Centre
Registration: 12:45-1pm Event Time: 1-3pm

PARKLAND, PROJECTS

STRENGTHENING YOUR ORGANIZATION & FUNDING RESOURCES**Edmonton Spacefinder**

- Have a space at your hall, church or other venue in the community that could be used by a non-profit group? Need a space for your group in the community?
- [Click here](#) for more info.

Guides To Free Essential Software For Nonprofits

- A recent series of articles by Charity Village outlines free software that nonprofits can use to enhance their operations:
 - [Productivity tools](#) (email, document creation and storage)
 - [Marketing tools](#) (websites, email marketing, and social media)
 - [Back office tools](#) (contact management, finance, payment, and communication)

Nominations are now open for Alberta's highest honour: the Alberta Order of Excellence

- Albertans are invited to nominate outstanding citizens, community leaders and innovators for membership in the Alberta Order of Excellence.
- Up to 10 individuals will be inducted into the Order this year in recognition of a lifetime of remarkable contributions to their community, the province and the nation.
- [Click here](#) for more info

Grants**Community Bin Grant**

- The City offers funds on a first-come, first-served basis that can be used for bin rentals (including the truck, driver and disposal costs) and truck rentals to drive through the area and collect waste large items.
- applications should be accepted, beginning in early March
- Check website for updated info about when applications are open:
edmonton.ca/programs_services/funding_grants/community-bin-grant-program.aspx

Winter Cities SNOW FUNDS Grant

Click Here for all the details <https://www.wintercityedmonton.ca/be-social/snow-fund/>
[Click Here to Apply for your Winter Event](#) or contact your NRC for more details.

[TD Park People Grants](#)

- The second round of TD Park People Grants program just launched!
- Your park group may be eligible to receive a \$2,000 grant to host awesome park events in your local parks and green spaces.
- Applications are open now and close on March 4th.

[Young Edmonton Grants \(YEG\)](#)

- YEG program supports activities that are initiated, led, and organized by young Edmonton and area residents. Ideas and projects of all kinds are supported.
- The most important consideration is that the applicant is an Edmonton and area resident between the ages of 13 and 24 and is involved in the project's planning and execution.
- Requests can be made for up to \$3,000.

[2019 Community Garden Grants Now Open!](#)

- Did you know that Sustainable Food Edmonton offers up to \$5000 in grant funding for communities to establish Community Gardens in Edmonton and out-of-town?
- Deadline is February 28, 2019

LEARNING & NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

[Master Composter Recycler Program](#)

- City of Edmonton's Waste Services is looking for new volunteers! Applications are due February 5. Training runs March to early May.

[This Old Edmonton House Workshops - 2019](#)

- Learn how to renovate a historic property or sign up for a workshop.

[6 ways you can make a difference in your community this year](#)

- You've got the itch to give back to your community, make a difference, and help people. That's awesome! So how exactly do you do that?

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RESOURCES

1. **The Park Bench e-NEWSLETTER:**

- Each month you will find information that celebrates and highlights City activities, events, programs and services for neighbourhoods in Edmonton. [Click here](#) to subscribe.

2. **Abundant Communities Edmonton**

- ACE is a neighbourhood engagement and community organizing approach that provides tools for neighbours to get to know each other on a block level.
- [Read about](#) how you can help your neighbourhood **Strangers into Neighbours** by becoming a part of Abundant Community Edmonton.

3. **Building Community Through Recreation**

- We support neighbourhoods and local organizations to utilize recreation to build community connections.
- [Click here](#) for information about upcoming Recreation Network events

