

NRC Report for March 2019

Grandview Heights Community League
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REMINDERS

Governance and Board Health

- As many non-profits prepare for the year end and AGMs, it's good to remember that the EFCL offers a number of tools that you can use for recruiting new board members, explaining the role of a board member, or running your AGM elections.

2019 Summer Green Shack Program Community Contributions

- Community league presidents should have received a letter via email in regards to the placement of green shacks or pop up play in their neighbourhoods
- All Leagues have been asked to complete the Google Form and indicate if they would like to provide financial support, or decide to partake in Option to Purchase.
- All contribution cheques should be received at the Circle Square office **by April 23, 2019**
- All Option to Purchase decisions must be communicated to their Program Coordinator **by March 22, 2019**
- If you have questions about the program, please contact the Program Coordinator for your neighbourhood:

District Aligned with the EFCL districts	Program Coordinator	e-mail	Phone
District B, C, F, G NE quadrant of the City	Jane Erdmann	jane.erdmann@edmonton.ca	780-496-2964
District A, D, E NW quadrant of the City	Mallorie Linthorne	mallorie.linthorne@edmonton.ca	780-496-7971
District J, L SE quadrant of the City	Jennifer Paterson	jennifer.paterson@edmonton.ca	780-496-3479
District H, I, K SW quadrant of the	Haley Long	haley.long@edmonton.ca	780-496-2994

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WHAT'S NEW

EcoCity Edmonton Grant Program: Application Deadline – April 1, 2019

- These grants, available to nonprofits, community leagues, schools and charities, will invest in citizen-led urban solutions to climate change.
- We highly recommend all interested parties contact our grant team before you begin the application process to ensure fit. You can reach the grants team by emailing grants@albertaecotrust.com or by calling 403-209-2245.

MoveLearnPlay.edmonton.ca is live!

- MoveLearnPlay.edmonton.ca is a new City of Edmonton recreation, attractions and community portal that makes it even easier for you to find drop-in activities, register for programs and book spaces online.
- It replaces the former e-reg system for registration.

Alberta Community Support Network

- Feel like your non-profit could really use some affordable professional advice?
- The network is a new donation-based initiative currently seeking Requests for Support from their volunteer consultants.

Resources for National Volunteer Week 2019

- Volunteer Canada has released their **campaign kit** for National Volunteer Week 2019!
- The kit is an essential resource for organizations looking to plan, build, and execute successful volunteer events throughout the week!

Let the City know what you think about:

- [Updating for Corporate Policy C602: Accessibility for People with Disabilities](#)
- [Phase 2: Let's Keep Talking - Future of Waste](#)
- [Residential Snow and Ice Control Survey](#)

PROGRAMS, EVENTS AND LICENSES

Spring is in the Air

- Check out the events and programs in the City's [Recreation Centres Program Guide - Spring 2019](#) and [2019 Spring in the City Programs Guide](#)

City of Edmonton Registered Programs and Day Camps

- The snow may be on the ground, but it's not too early to plan for your family's summer activities
- 2019 program registration dates are as follows:

Summer Camps

[Move.Learn.Play Members](#): Mar. 12, 2019 at 8:30am Non-Members: Mar. 13, 2019 at

8:30am

Summer

Move.Learn.Play Members: April 30, 2019 at 8:30am Non-Members: May 1, 2019 at 8:30am

Leisure Access Program

- allows eligible low-income Edmontonians to access participating City of Edmonton recreation facilities through an annual pass or a subsidized monthly pass.

Improving Social Inclusion For Edmonton Seniors

- Edmonton Seniors Coordinating Council is looking for potential partners in projects that improve social inclusion for Edmonton seniors
- They are inviting neighbourhoods, communities, organizations and individuals to consider ways that we could work together on projects that would engage seniors and increase their social inclusion.
- They hope to catalyze a diverse range of interests and experiences.
- Contact Tim Henderson at tim@seniorscouncil.net to learn more about how you can get involved.

PARKLAND, PROJECTS

STRENGTHENING YOUR ORGANIZATION & FUNDING RESOURCES

Board Leadership Conference

April 6, 2019 @ 8:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

- This is a full day of programming that will engage and inform board members from any organization on the fundamentals that will help make your organization successful and your volunteer time rewarding.

How To Simplify Your Year-end Process

- This free webinar will cover financial best practices for nonprofits, with a focus on how organizations can simplify their year-end process.
- Participants will learn the accounting fundamentals that nonprofits need to know, as well as details on tools and processes that can help to streamline your back-end processes.

Nonprofit Succession Planning: Leading By Sharing Power

- This webinar will help you understand the value of succession planning to nonprofits (and the risks of poor or non-existent transition plans).

Grants 2019

- The NRCs annually compile a list of funding opportunities that we think will be of most interest to the groups that we work with.
- **Please note that this is a “live” document which is constantly being updated, so you should check it whenever you are looking for information about funding.**
- Please note: this list is just a sampling of grants may be available. Try googling “funding

for (whatever you're looking to raise funds for)

Awards/Recognition

[The 2019 Duncan Craig Laurel Awards](#) - Applications now open

- The Laurel Awards annually recognizes the achievements of non profit groups in Edmonton and area including Drayton Valley.
- Each year starting in February until the end of May, they accept applications from non profit groups for these awards.
- A selection committee then evaluates the programs and projects on the basis of their successful innovation and creativity, regardless of size and overall budget and select the winners.

LEARNING & NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

[Volunteer Engagement And Management Webinars](#)

- the VolunteerMatch Learning Center offers more than 26 free webinar topics for volunteer managers and nonprofit professionals.
- These webinars include info about volunteer engagement tips, industry insight, and management best practices.

Reducing Social Isolation For Seniors

- The Forum of Federal, Provincial and Territorial Ministers Responsible for Seniors has developed three supplements to its 2017 Social Isolation of Seniors [toolkit](#).
- The new supplements focus on the social inclusion needs of three specific subpopulations believed to be at higher risk of social isolation:
 - [Indigenous seniors](#)
 - [LGBTQ2S+ seniors](#)
 - [New immigrant and refugee seniors](#)
- These supplements can help individuals and communities better understand the issue of social isolation and identify ways to address and prevent it.

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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