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REACHING HOME FUNDING AVAILABLE

Near the end of 2023, the City of Yellowknife secured a four-year extension on their federal Reaching Home funding agreement. From April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2028, the City will continue to receive funds annually to address homelessness and housing needs in Yellowknife.

As we head into our second year of the four-year extension, the City is seeking project proposals from NGOs and charitable organizations geared towards supporting our local unhoused community. For the upcoming fiscal year from April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026, \$535,000 of Reaching Home funding will be available to support these projects.

To apply for this funding, NGOs and charitable organizations are invited to send their project proposals to the City's Homelessness Division at homelessness@yellowknife.ca by January 31, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). Submissions must focus on impactful, start ready initiatives, and align with the Government of Canada's Reaching Home directives.

Proposals will be reviewed, and funding decisions made by the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness in March 2025. Once the funding allocations have been determined, successful applicants will be contacted directly.

For specific questions related to funding eligibility and how to prepare your proposal, please email homelessness@yellowknife.ca.

CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

Christmas Trees can be dropped off at the Solid Waste Facility free of charge from now until the end of **January 2025**.

FROM THE LIBRARY...

Clubs

Join one of our community clubs for a fun time learning new skills and meeting new people! Regular clubs include: Chess, Knitting, Board Games, Meditation, and Book Club!

Classic Movie Monday

The Yellowknife Public Library invites you to join for a screening of "Strangers on a Train" on **Monday, January 20, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.** Based on the noval by Patricia Highsmith, Hitchcock's 1951 psychological thriller follows psychopath who tries to persude a tennis star to exchange murders so that neither is caught.

To register for a Library Program or for more information, email <u>library@yellowknife.ca</u>, call (867) 920-5642 or visit <u>www.yellowknife.ca/library</u>.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The City of Yellowknife is currently offering exciting opportunities for the right people to join and work alongside our dedicated and community focused team of City employees in the following positions:

Municipal Enforcement Officer I
Closing Date January 17, 2025

Senior Finance Officer
Closing Date January 17, 2025

Please visit the City of Yellowknife website at <u>www.yellowknife.ca</u> for more information and to submit your application.

SNOW REMOVAL SCHEDULE

Monday, January 6, 2025

- Otto Drive from Ndilo Hill to Morrison Drive; and
- 52 Avenue from Ravens Court to 48 Street.

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

- Franklin Avenue from 47 Street to 43 Street;
- 52 Avenue from 48 Street to Franklin Avenue.

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

- 51 Avenue from 52 Street to 46 Street; and
- Range Lake Road from Finlayson Drive to Bourque Drive.

Thursday, January 9, 2025

- Ingraham Drive from Weaver Road to McDonald Drive; and
- Matonabee Street from Franklin Avenue to McMahon Trail.

Friday, January 10, 2025

• Gitzel Street from Franklin Avenue to Matonabee Street.

Residents must ensure parked vehicles are removed from these streets by midnight, or they will be towed. Residents are advised that there will be traffic delays in snow removal areas and if possible, to use an alternate route to avoid delays. The City asks residents to ensure Curbside Carts are returned to their property before the scheduled snow removal on their street.

WINTER CONDITIONS HAVE ARRIVED

Sidewalks

The City would like to remind businesses and residences in the Central Business District, Franklin Avenue from Matonabee Street to Old Airport Road, and Franklin Avenue from 44 Street to School Draw Avenue to keep the sidewalk(s) around their properties clear of ice and snow, and otherwise safe for pedestrian traffic. Failure to do so may result in a fine or other enforcement action pursuant to Highway Traffic By-law No. 5055. Let's work together to keep our sidewalks safe!

Snow Shoveling

Snow from public sidewalks abutting your property may be placed on the road, however, snow from your driveway or any other portion of your property cannot. Placing unauthorized snow on the road greatly increases snow volumes, and therefore creates unsafe driving conditions. This snow must be placed on your own property.

Trucked Service Access

The City would like to remind properties on trucked water and sewer to keep access to their service connection points clear of snow and ice. If the connection points are not accessible water delivery and/or sewage pumpout may not occur until access problems have been fixed.

OUTDOOR SKATING RINKS

Several outdoor skating rinks are now open for everyone to enjoy. City crews continue to flood the rinks to enhance the skating surfaces. Come on out and enjoy our winter wonderland!

For up-to-date skating information please visit <u>www.yellowknife.ca</u>.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NOTICES

The following development permit applications have been approved by the Development Officer. Any persons claiming to be adversely affected by the development may, in accordance with the Community Planning and Development Act, appeal to the Development Appeal Board, c/o City Clerk's Office, tel. (867) 920-5646, City of Yellowknife, P.O. Box 580, Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N4. Please note that your notice of appeal must be in writing, comply with the Community Planning and Development Act, include your contact information and include the payment of the \$400 appeal fee. (The appeal fee will be reimbursed if the decision of the Development Officer is reversed).

There are no Development Approvals for January 3, 2025. Dated the 3rd day of January 2025. For more information please contact the City at (867) 920-5600.

2025 CITY GRANT APPLICATIONS OPEN

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2025 grants available through the City of Yellowknife. The application deadline for all grants is Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

The purpose of the Community Grant Program is to fund and partner with community non-profit organizations to deliver programs, projects or events that align with the funding priorities outlined in the Community Grant Funding Policy, have a clear community impact and respond to community needs. Applications for these three grants are reviewed annually by the Grant Review Committee.

Heritage Committee grants are awarded to Yellowknife-based individuals, groups, partnerships or business entities to promote, celebrate and enhance Yellowknife's rich heritage; or leave a legacy of Yellowknife heritage for future generations through various forms of presentation. Additional information can be found on the Heritage Committee webpage. More details on each grant category and the associated online application forms can be found at www.yellowknife.ca/citygrants.

TAX PAYMENTS

The City of Yellowknife would like to remind residents that property taxes can be paid by pre-authorized monthly payments. Signing up for automatic payments helps to ensure that no interest incurs on late payments. The deadline to enroll for pre-authorized monthly payments is January 15 and July 15 of each year.

To sign up for pre-authorized payments, submit the completed preauthorization form, along with a void cheque, to the City of Yellowknife one of the following ways:

- By email to taxation@yellowknife.ca;
- By fax to 867-920-5649 (no cover sheet required);
- By mail with a cheque to PO Box 580, Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N4;
- In-person drop off at City Hall; or
- In lieu of submitting the form, residents can also sign up for preauthorized payments by calling the City at (867) 920-5625.

Please note that in order to sign up for pre-authorized payments, there can be no outstanding payments on your property tax account, including overdue utility balances which have been transferred to your tax account.

On December 31 of each year, overdue utility charges will be transferred to the property owner's tax account. Overdue property tax payments and utility charges that are not settled by the due date will be charged 1.8% interest per month until the amount owing is paid in full.

For more information on pre-authorized payments, please www. yellowknife.ca/taxpayments or call the City at (867) 920-5625.

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

There are no regular meetings of Council or its Standing Committees scheduled for the week of January 6, 2025. Regular meetings will resume January 13, 2025.

To view Council and Committee Agendas visit Council Calendar.

FIRE SAFETY & EDUCATION

Carbon Monoxide (CO) Safety

There is a reason that Carbon Monoxide is called the silent killer. It can build up in your home without your knowledge. Some causes are chimney liner collapse (due to ice buildup), blocked air intakes (due to ice and snow buildup), malfunctions of heating system or propane-fired equipment, or vehicle running in your garage or close to air intake.

Keep your home safe by installing CO alarms close to your bedrooms. Test them monthly and replace after 7 years.

CO Poisoning Prevention:

- Maintain your chimney, furnace, fireplace, woodstove, and propane appliances. REMOVE ICE BUILDUP.
- Run your vehicle outside, and away from air intakes.

Response:

If your CO alarm activates, or symptoms appear (nausea, headache, burning eyes, confusion & drowsiness), get everyone outside and call 9-1-1.

Learn more at www.yellowknife.ca/fireprevention.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS COMPETITION

The Annual Holiday Lights Competition is back for another season! The City of Yellowknife and Naka Power Utilities invite residents to help brighten up our community by lighting up the exterior of their homes.

Participating residents are asked to leave their lights on from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. from December 14, 2024 to January 6, 2025. Voting is from December 24, 2024, to January 6, 2025, vote by visiting City's Facebook page. For more information on how to enter the competition, to view the virtual map and to vote via the online form, visit www.yellowknife.ca/holidaylightscompetition.

DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES

The City of Yellowknife is pleased to introduce new development incentives (tax abatements and grants) to support housing, land and revitalization initiatives. These incentives are available to the successful individuals, businesses and organizations who complete an application.

Tax abatement and grant applications are now open, and will be accepted on an ongoing basis. Applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible, as funding for this multi-year program is limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Visit our website for information on the application process.

Applicants can apply for only one abatement per development and multiple grants per development. Note that several grants in combination with one abatement can be used for the same development.

In addition to offering grants and tax abatements to eligible applicants, City in-kind initiatives will be introduced as part of these new incentives. For full details, including the types of incentives available and their eligibility criteria, please refer to the Development Incentives Guide. Further information can also be found on our website. For specific questions related to the grants and tax abatements available, residents can contact PlanningAndEnvironment@yellowknife.ca.







