

CITY CONNECTS

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Fredericton

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***From City Hall
to Your Home:***

This spring, find out what's happening at the City of Fredericton, with updates on the municipal election process, programs, services and more.

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the City of Fredericton is situated on traditional Wolastoqey territory. The territory of the Wolastoqiyik People are recognized in the Peace and Friendship Treaties to establish an ongoing relationship of peace, friendship and mutual respect between equal nations. The river that runs through our City is known as the Wolastoq, along which live the Wolastoqiyik, “the People of the beautiful and bountiful river.”



Celebrate City Hall's 150th Birthday!

Built in 1875–1876, it's the oldest municipal hall in Atlantic Canada still used for civic administration and a National Historic Site of Canada.

Over the years, City Hall has been more than just offices; it once housed a public market in the basement and an Opera House auditorium seating 810 people upstairs. Aside from a 1975 addition, its exterior has remained largely unchanged.

How does the city maintain streets and sidewalks?

Fredericton maintains an extensive transportation network to keep residents moving safely year-round. This network includes approximately 1,174 lane-kilometres of roads and 257 kilometres of sidewalks, along with 80 signalized intersections and 75 pedestrian-activated flashing crosswalks across the city.

The Roadway Operations Division within the City's Engineering & Operations Department is responsible for maintaining this road and sidewalk network throughout the year.

During the winter months, crews focus on snow and ice control, including plowing, clearing, salting, and sanding city streets and sidewalks to keep them safe and accessible.

As spring arrives, operations shift to repairing winter damage. Crews address potholes and begin the annual street and sidewalk cleaning program.

In the summer, the primary focus moves to construction and maintenance projects on roads, sidewalks, and drainage systems to improve safety, durability, and long-term infrastructure performance.

During the fall, construction and maintenance programs are wrapped up, and staff prepare vehicles and equipment for the upcoming winter season, ensuring the City is ready when the first snowfall arrives.





Spring Into SUSTAINABILITY

As spring approaches, it's a great time to explore the environmental initiatives you can take part in with the City of Fredericton.

Community trail clean-up

City crews work year-round to keep Fredericton clean, but spring clean-up season runs from April to June, and we could use your help. Residents, schools, community groups, and businesses are invited to participate.

How to participate:

1. Choose a clean-up date and estimate your group size
2. Email parksandtrees@fredericton.ca to arrange pick-up of bags and gloves. Be sure to include your clean-up date and where filled bags will be left
3. Review safety instructions with your group
4. The City will collect debris the next business day

Urban Forest Strategy

As our city grows, we're planning carefully to ensure our 67% tree canopy thrives, so by the end of 2026, we'll have 1,000+ trees planted.

Through the City of Fredericton's Urban Forest Strategy, we're committed to:

- Protecting our beautiful tree canopy
- Enhancing green spaces that connect neighbourhoods
- Building climate resilience and protecting against pests & disease
- Supporting a healthier environment for both people and wildlife

By investing in our urban forest with support from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Growing Canada's Community Canopy Initiative, we're improving air quality, reducing energy costs, and creating greener spaces where everyone can thrive.

Did you know you can compost year-round?

Even in winter, food and yard waste can continue to break down naturally. As part of our environmental initiatives, the City is making composting at home more accessible by offering bins at a reduced price and providing resources to help you compost at home.

Embracing composting is a simple yet important step toward a circular economy and a more sustainable community.

Both backyard and vermicomposting (worm composting) bins are available at the Service Centre in City Hall for the reduced price of \$50 + HST for city residents.



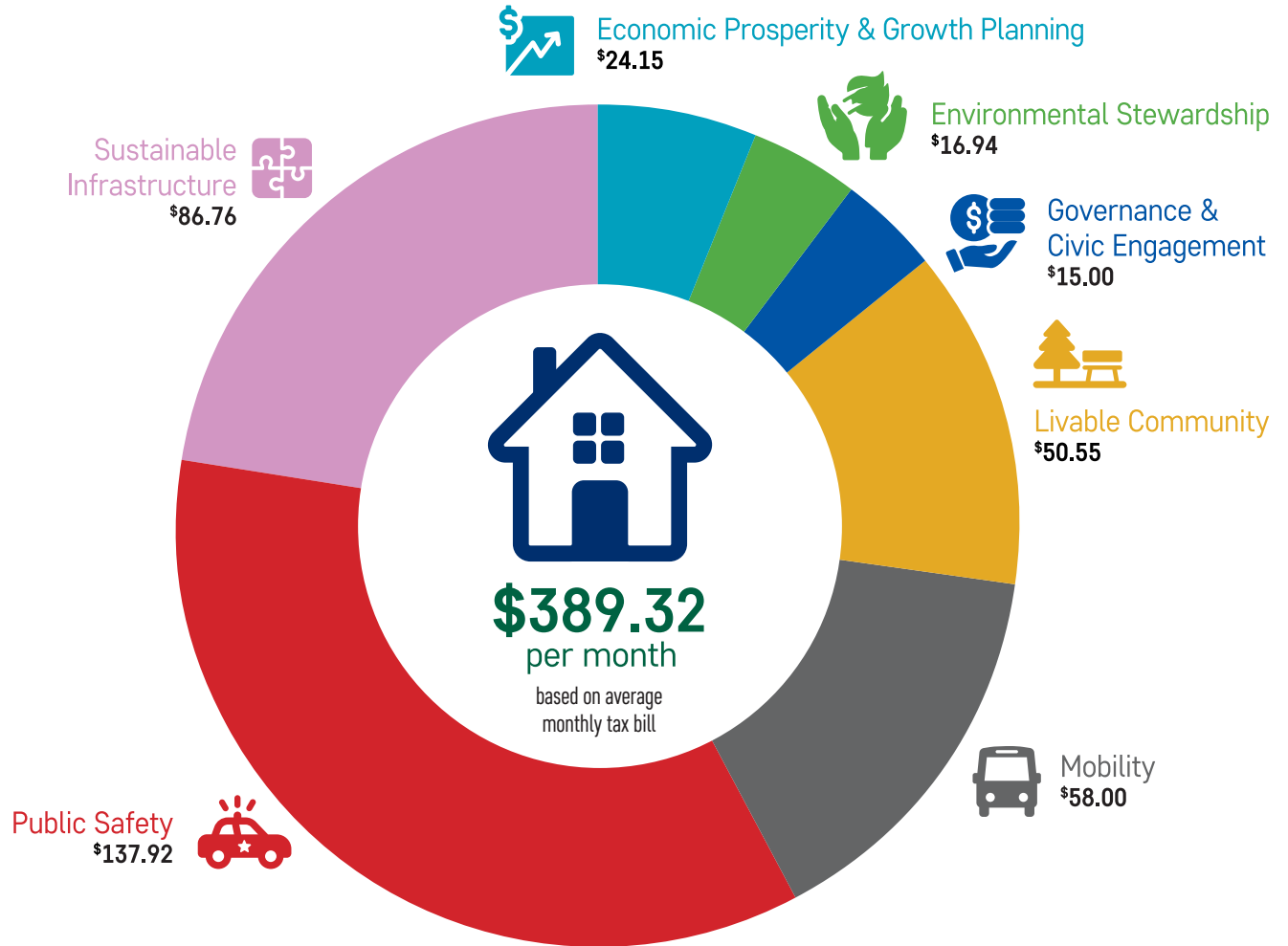
REDUCING WASTE IN 2026 JUST GOT EASIER, AND IT STARTS WITH KNOWING WHERE THINGS GO.

Fredericton WasteSmart helps residents find recycling, repair, donation, and second-hand options across the city using an easy-to-use interactive map. Scan the QR code to explore the app:



2026 Value for service

Your Property Tax Dollars: A Monthly Breakdown



Economic Vitality & Growth Planning \$24.15

Tourism	\$11.23
Economic Development	\$1.90
Community Leadership	\$0.90
Community Development	\$10.12

Environmental Stewardship \$16.94

Climate Change & Environmental Strategy	\$1.59
Solid Waste Management	\$10.05
Storm Water Management	\$2.35
Parks & Trees	\$2.95

Governance & Civic Engagement \$15.00

Community Leadership	\$6.89
Intergovernmental Affairs & External Relations	\$8.11

Livable Community \$50.55

Recreation, Culture & Community Development	\$31.67
Parks & Trees	\$10.45
Cultural Development	\$6.63
Community Inclusion	\$1.80

Mobility \$58.00

Roadway Operations	\$26.30
Transit	\$21.21
Parking Management:	-\$0.91
Active Transportation	\$11.40

Public Safety \$137.92

Police	\$64.08
Fire	\$48.46
By-law Enforcement & Building Inspection	\$3.14
Emergency Preparedness	\$7.44
Public Safety Service Request Management (911)	\$4.57
Mitigation Impacts of Living Rough	\$10.23

Sustainable Infrastructure \$86.76

Infrastructure Management and Investment	\$61.64
Debt Management	\$25.12




Behind the Scenes of INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

How we invest in Fredericton's future


As Fredericton grows and our infrastructure ages, the City invests in essential maintenance and renewal projects including water and sewer upgrades, street reconstruction, and asphalt resurfacing.

This work helps keep drinking water safe, reduce flood risk, and ensure safe and reliable travel throughout the city. We know construction can be disruptive, but completing work through larger, coordinated projects means upgrades can last 20 years or more, reducing the need to return to the same areas. Some of Fredericton's underground pipes are more than 100 years old, and proactive upgrades help prevent issues like water main breaks, sewer backups, potholes, flooded streets, and damaged sidewalks.

The City manages this work by:




Prioritizing projects based on infrastructure age, condition, and opportunities to make additional improvements




Phasing major construction over multiple years to manage project size and limit impacts on residents and businesses



Spreading projects across the city to avoid prolonged disruption in one area




Incorporating climate adaptation and flood-resilience measures to better protect infrastructure and neighbourhoods from extreme weather



Stay Informed!

Sign up for the weekly Friday construction digital newsletter to receive the latest updates on project progress, timelines, and detours around the city!



May 2026 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

The municipal election is coming up on May 11, 2026. Here is a quick look at how you can get involved and how local government works in Fredericton.



Why be involved?

Getting involved in local government gives you the chance to:

- Make a difference in your community
- Bring a new perspective to the table
- Learn more about your city

Who makes decisions?

- The City of Fredericton is governed by a Mayor and 12 ward councillors.
- Local elections happen every 4 years on a fixed cycle; there are no snap elections.
 - However, due to Local Government Reform and the COVID-19 pandemic, the current Council term was extended to five years.
- Councillors and the Mayor do not represent political parties; they serve neighbourhoods or the city at large.

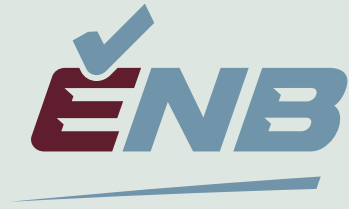
How council makes decisions:

- Council meetings: second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 pm; formal decisions are made here.
- Standing committees: Permanent meetings on Thursdays at 12:00 pm for informal discussions and updates.
- Public access: All council and committee meetings are open to the public, livestreamed online, and agendas are available in advance.



Elections New Brunswick

Elections New Brunswick conducts free and fair elections, ensures compliance with electoral laws, and works to build public awareness and confidence in the electoral process. For more information, visit electionsnb.ca.



Who can run for council?

To run in a municipal election, candidates must:

- Be 18 years of age or older on election day
- Be a Canadian citizen
- Be a resident of the local government or rural district for at least 6 months before election day



- If running for a ward, live in that ward at the time of nomination

How can you be involved with the City of Fredericton as a resident?

There are many ways to participate in civic life in Fredericton as a resident:

- **Public Engagement:** participate in consultations on topics such as traffic calming, recreation planning, and new municipal plans. Learn more at engagefredericton.ca.
- **Advisory Committees:** Residents can apply to join advisory committees that report to council standing committees. Committees provide input on local issues and policies.
- **Reach out to Council:** Share ideas or feedback directly with your City Councillor or the Mayor.



**FIND WHAT
WARD YOU
LIVE IN**



- Beyond formal participation, there are many ways to get involved in your community through the City, from volunteering for community clean-ups, flag-raising, tree plantings, or other informal volunteer activities that make a difference in our city every day.



What we're **WORKING ON**

Planning for growth: Fredericton Growth Strategy

As Fredericton continues to grow, the City uses long-term planning to guide where and how that growth happens. Fredericton's Growth Strategy is the primary document that aims to create a more compact, efficient, and sustainable city by directing growth to our four residential growth areas, along with promoting intensification within the Urban Core.

Each growth area contains a Mixed-Use Node to accommodate higher residential densities and commercial uses. These areas are typically close to existing services, transit routes,

jobs, and amenities. By focusing growth on these locations and following a strategic approach, the City can make better use of existing infrastructure while creating complete, connected neighbourhoods.

HOW THE CITY PLANS FOR GROWTH

City planning focuses on:

- ✓ **Directing growth** to the residential growth areas in the four quadrants of the city to support compact, efficient development
- ✓ **Making the best use of existing infrastructure**, such as roads, water, sewer, and transit

- ✓ **Encouraging mixed-use development**, with homes, services, and employment close together
- ✓ **Supporting active transportation and transit, making it easier to walk**, bike, or take public transportation
- ✓ **Protecting neighbourhood character** and green spaces while accommodating new infill development



Dog-friendly spaces for a growing city

Off-leash dog trails help support a growing city by providing safe, natural spaces for dogs to play and socialize. The new trails at Killarney Lake Park, open from May to November, are guided by the City's Recreation & Leisure Master Plan, which identifies the need for additional off-leash dog parks or trails in strategic locations. This long-term planning approach helps ensure recreational spaces keep pace with Fredericton's growth.

Learn more about off-leash dog trails and dog parks here:
www.fredericton.ca/dog-trails

Recreation & Culture Summer BUCKET LIST

Discover, explore, and enjoy everything Fredericton Recreation and Culture has to offer this summer.



PARKS & NATURE

- Odell Park – trails, foraging, BBQ grills, playground, and 9-hole disc golf
- Killarney Lake Park – trails, BBQ grills, beach, swimming, mountain bike trails, and an accessible kayak launch and new beach mat
- Biking Trails – explore Fredericton's network or start your ride from 15+ Park & Ride locations
- Fredericton Botanic Garden – 2 km of walking trails and the Little Free Poetry Library

OLDER ADULT DROP-IN PROGRAMMING

- Stepping Stone Senior Centre
- Johnston Avenue Senior Centre



AQUATICS

- 4 outdoor pools
- 9 wading pools
- 8 types of public swims
- Wilmot Park Splash Pad
- Killarney Lake Beach

RIDE & ROLL

Bike, skate or scooter at one of four skate parks:

- Dirt Jump Skills Park – advanced riders only, caution recommended
- Mountain Biking at Killarney Lake Park
- Skate parks:
 - Garrison Skate Park
 - Kimble Road Wheeled Sports Park
 - Mitch Clarke Skateboard Park
 - Henry Park Skateboard Park

YOUTH PROGRAMMING

- Zig Zag
- New Afternoon Adventure Crew
- Northside Youth Centre



ICE

- Indoor public skating (year-round)



HISTORIC
GARRISON
DISTRICT

Check out what's happening in the Historic Garrison District this summer

Explore the heart of Fredericton's history and community with fun, free summer experiences in the Historic Garrison District, from the lively Garrison Night Market to the Outdoor Summer Concerts Series to Under the Stars Movie Series and more in Officers' Square.





MOVING

- Wednesday Walkers – weekly group exploring Fredericton’s trails from May to October
- Walk or jog over 150 km of connected city trails

Trailside adult fitness equipment at:

- Crosstown Trail (Beaverbrook Street & University Avenue)
- Northside Trail in Henry Park
- Highpoint Ridge Park

Indoor walking tracks at:

- Willie O’Ree Place
- Grant Harvey Centre
- Nashwaaksis Middle School Outdoor Track

RECREATION & GAMES

Disc Golf at:

- Odell Park
- Royal 9 Course (Royal Road Park)
- Nashwaaksis Middle School
 - Coming up this summer: Killarney Lake Park
- Outdoor courts across the city: basketball, tennis, pickleball, beach volleyball, cricket
- Fishing along the Wolastoq (Saint John River) or Nashwaak River
- Paddling from 5+ non-motorized city launch sites

ART & CULTURE

- Self-guided public art tour – 22 unique displays to discover downtown
- Artist in Residence Program
- Temporary Public Art Program

Want to learn more about each recreational program, service or amenity?



KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!

Check www.fredericton.ca or follow Fredericton Recreation & Culture on Facebook for the latest updates.



Community Camera Registry Program

The **Community Camera Registry Program** is a voluntary, free program that assists the Fredericton Police Force during investigations in your neighbourhood, helping strengthen safety. By registering your home or business security cameras, you give police a valuable tool to quickly identify nearby cameras while maintaining your privacy.

Sign up today:



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