



Prince Rupert Community League

NRC Update - June 2020

Edmonton

Hello Prince Rupert Community League,

I am currently offering support for all communities in Ward 2. We are still working from home, you can reach out to me via phone or email if you need assistance. Please note that due to temporary reductions in staffing levels and a high volume of inquiries, my response time may be delayed. Please allow up to 5 business days for my reply. I will continue to pass along updates periodically to Tony, and reports to Tony and Angela for distribution, if you would prefer a different method please contact me.

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City of Edmonton - Messages to our Communities

COVID-19 Service & Program Impacts

Many City programs and services have been adjusted or impacted due to COVID-19 and/or staffing and budget constraints. This [search tool](#) is updated regularly to help you and your community stay in the know as the City reopens some programs and services.

Reopening Sport, Playgrounds & Open Spaces

As of May 22, playgrounds, skateparks, tennis, pickleball, volleyball and basketball courts, disc golf, outdoor fitness parks and athletic tracks reopened for safe use. Neighbourhood Services wants everyone to stay safe & healthy during this time of transition. The City website provides [guidelines for using City amenities](#) (scroll to “Sports, Play and Open Space Amenities”).

If you have any questions, please contact your Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator (NRC).

Community League Reopenings

Organizations, including Community Leagues and Homeowner Associations, are currently permitted to use their **outdoor** spaces for gatherings and programs, **however, whatever is made available must adhere to Alberta Health Services guidelines and protocols.**

Some useful links:

- [General information on gatherings, both indoor and outdoor](#)

- [Information specific to day camps](#)
- [General outdoor recreation](#)
- [More specific information on relaunching outdoor activities](#)
- [Guidance for workers, including volunteer workers](#)

As you know, these guidelines are updated regularly, please refer to and refresh these pages regularly in order to have the most up to date information.

Additional resources to guide you at this time are:

- A [one-page poster](#) specific to Parks reopening
- The [link to all other Covid Information](#) from the City of Edmonton

Green Shack Program

[Green Shack programming](#) will not be activated for the duration of the summer season. This decision was made as part of the City's strategy to reduce expenditures in response to the COVID-19 crisis and will not be affected by Provincial economic relaunch plans.

Edmonton Valley Zoo- Opens June 15

Tickets are expected to go on sale in early June. Details will be posted on the Zoo's [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages, and [valleyzoo.ca](#).

New guidelines to promote safety:

- Advance tickets only, sold online, with a **daily attendance limit of 1,500 visitors**
- More hand sanitizer locations, including at the entry and exit and throughout the zoo
- One-way traffic around the zoo to facilitate physical distancing and minimize interactions
- Pathway markings, signage or barriers to enforce physical distancing guidelines and hygiene protocols
- Limited food service
- Rides remain closed

Play responsibly. Stay safe. That's the message for the reopening of outdoor recreational facilities. Read more about that [here](#).

Outdoor Patio and Retail Spaces

On May 19th, rules for temporary patios, sidewalk cafes and outdoor retail operations were revised. This will help businesses increase their space for customers in safe ways, in alignment with Alberta Health guidelines. It will add to the vibrancy of our city this summer and until the end of 2020. For more information visit [edmonton.ca/COVID-19](#).

June is Recreation and Parks Month

Connecting communities in traditional ways that bring people together has shifted significantly in recent months. Whether we, as a society are isolating, or practicing physical-distancing, we

have never been more in need of connection. In the spirit of raising hope, Neighbourhood Services' Building Community Through Recreation initiative encourages you to promote 'June is Recreation and Parks Month' (JRPM) in your neighbourhoods and communities. JRPM is one way to build connections and a sense of community, while practicing physical distancing to keep everyone safe.

Please visit the [Alberta Recreation & Parks Association website](#) to find out more and use #BCTR #liveactive and #JRPMConnect in social media posts so we can see what you are doing this June!

Shared Streets & Lane Closures

The City is continuing to adjust roadways to provide more outdoor space for people to move around safely. This helps our citizens get outside and maintain safe physical distancing requirements.

Toolkit For Daily Life

While we are still facing a pandemic, we are also learning, adapting and finding solutions to make life better for one another. This [toolkit](#) provides information and activities Edmontonians can continue to enjoy while staying safe.

Events and Initiatives

Celebrate Seniors' Week June 1 - 7

City of Edmonton Golf Courses

Some City golf courses and driving ranges are now open. Check out [Golf Events, Specials & Course Information](#) for more information.

Grants and Funding

Community and Non-Profit Supports

Edmonton's resiliency is only possible through the extensive and collaborative efforts of community groups and non-profits to deliver a wide range of public social services. Visit these [Community and Non-Profit Links](#) for information on new and continuing services for Edmontonians. If you would like to learn more, please call 211 or view a [provincial directory](#) of the community, health, social and governmental organizations and services.

Neighbourhood Engagement

To comply with the Alberta public health emergency restrictions on mass gatherings and risk mitigation strategies, [Neighbourhood Engagement funding applications](#) will continue to be reviewed and considered under the regular process and criteria; however applications that include aspects or elements of neighbourhood and communal gatherings are on hold at this time, and will not be processed due to the COVID-19 pandemic precautions. Learn more about the COVID-19 situation at edmonton.ca/COVID-19.