



## Community Group - NRC Report

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Edmonton

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## HAPPENING IN OUR CITY

### Winterscapes is back!

The Winterscapes competition is back JANUARY 16 - FEBRUARY 27, 2023. This year every nominee will get a prize, and there will be weekly draws for a gift card to a River Valley winter patio. Want to see some past contest entries? You can check out the [Inspiration & Ideas](#) page as well as a [Photo Gallery](#) of past winners! If you would like to learn more information about Winterscapes, including contest rules and guidelines, you can visit our website at [www.edmonton.ca/winterscapes](http://www.edmonton.ca/winterscapes). *Schools can enter too* and will be eligible for a special prize!

### Drop in & Registered Programs

[Play Rangers](#) and [Outdoor Adventure Programs](#) offer fun in the snow for all ages! Join free weekly outdoor recreational activities with Play Rangers that focus on children and family participation. Outdoor Adventure Programs provides outdoor programs to community groups, Edmonton and area schools, corporations and the general public. Spend some quality time learning a new skill that will stay with you for the rest of your life.

### Embrace Wintercity Edmonton!

There is so much Edmonton has to offer as a winter city. Take a [moment to view](#) the many ideas and opportunities available to bundle up and have a fresh take on chilly fun including a wide variety of [Wintercity Events!](#)

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## CONNECTED COMMUNITIES - You and the City

### Abundant Community Edmonton "Creating a Neighbourly Vibe" Workshops

Interested in getting more connected on your block, building floor or cul-de-sac? Join Neighbourhood Services [and](#) Abundant Community for a workshop on creating a neighbourly vibe! The "Creating a Neighbourly Vibe" workshop is held twice per month. See all upcoming event dates [here](#) and register today!

**Upcoming Workshop!** Feb. 9 at 1:30 pm and Feb. 23 at 6:30 pm

## League Annual Reporting

A friendly reminder to please complete your annual reporting. Submitting the report is a requirement in order to remain in good standing with both the EFCL and the City of Edmonton, and to receive 2023 Community League Operating Grant (CLOG) funding.

The portal to submit reports is open from **December 1, 2022 - March 1, 2023**.

If your league has questions or needs assistance completing the report, please view the [links](#) to the handbook and video, or reach out to [leaguesupport@efcl.org](mailto:leaguesupport@efcl.org)

## Free Sandboxes - Community Engagement

Did you know that the City of Edmonton provides free sand in boxes at more than 150 community leagues and other locations for Edmontonians for use on residential sidewalks? Residents and property owners are responsible for keeping winter sidewalks safe and accessible.

The City wants to hear from residents, Community Leagues and other groups on possible future changes to the Community Sandbox program. Visit [edmonton.ca/communitysandboxes](https://edmonton.ca/communitysandboxes) for more details to be announced mid-January. There will be surveys, in person drop-in sessions and more through the end of February.

## Sports Central has a Bulk Equipment Program for Communities

[Sports Central](#) is a great source for free equipment to have in your neighbourhood. Equipment donations and referrals are always welcome! This year they have an excess of:

- X-Country: Skis & Boots (all adults)
- Outdoor Soccer: Shoes, Shin Pads, Goalie Gloves, Balls
- Baseball/Softball: Shoes, Gloves, Balls
- Golf: Balls & Club Sets (adult only)
- Hockey Goalie: Pads, Chest, Gloves, Skates (all Adult)
- Hockey: Everything except for Jocks/Jills
- Shinny: Skates & Helmet
- Basketballs (adult)
- Tennis/Racquetball Racquets
- Snowboards & Boots

Equipment provided is for kids (ages 4 to 17) in low income families. and is available on a first come, first serve basis. Sports Central is located at 1187 Wayne Gretzky Drive North, see [attached pamphlet](#).

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## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES & EVENT SUPPORT

### Upcoming Grant Application Deadlines:

[Canada Summer Jobs](#) - January 12

[Community Better Challenge](#) - December 14 to February 1

[Community Facility Enhancement Grant \(small funding stream\)](#) - January 15

[Community Initiatives Program Project Based Grant](#) - January 15

[Community Services Recovery Fund](#) - January 6 to February 21

[Co-op Community Spaces Program](#) - February 1 to March 1

[Jumpstart Community Development Grants](#) - February 13 to March 10

[Green and Inclusive Community Buildings \(GICB\) Program](#) - February 28

\*To proceed with GICB, projects are required to follow the City of Edmonton's Community Led Construction process

## NEW LOOK FOR 2023! Neighbourhood Funding Applications are now open

We are excited to announce that our 2023 Neighbourhood Funding opportunities are now accepting applications. The purpose of this funding is to empower and engage Edmontonians to create a connected, inclusive and livable city. The Funding Program invests in projects, initiatives and events that encourage diverse and inclusive neighbourly connections, collaborations and partnerships.

Our funding pages have received a significant makeover! A few of our updates include:

- Tips for a successful application
  - More detailed eligibility requirements for each grant stream
    - [Neighbourhood\(s\) Micro-Grant](#) (up to \$500)
    - [Neighbourhood Connections Grant](#) (\$501-\$2,500)
- Available in Revitalization Neighbourhoods Only:*
- [Revitalization Micro-Grant](#) (up to \$500)
  - [Revitalization Project Macro-Grant](#) (\$501-\$20,000)
  - [Revitalization Extensive Project Funding](#) (REPF) (\$20,001-\$250,000)
- Steps for submitting an application
  - Assessment criteria
  - Funding conditions & reporting requirements

Alternative funding opportunities can be explored on the [City of Edmonton Grant Webpage](#) and our [Grant Opportunities for External Groups](#) spreadsheet.

**IMPORTANT:** Groups are encouraged to apply 8 weeks in advance of their planned project, initiative or event.

Please reach out to your NRC or Revite Coordinator with any questions.

### Planning a Family Day or Winter Event on City Land?

Celebrate winter! As part of your event planning, please remember to submit your [license application](#) 4 weeks ahead. This will ensure enough time to obtain activity specific permissions. We look forward to supporting you to host a successful event! **Reminder: Temporary Fire Pits are now permissible for leagues, renters and sublicensees within league licensed land until October 15, 2023.**

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## COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### January EFCL board development events!

- [League Event Planning Logistics](#) - January 11
- [Your League's Role in Housing](#) - January 17
- [Membership Director's Virtual Summit](#) - January 25

## Government of Alberta board development webinars

- Grant Writing 101
- Board Development Program
  - Understanding Your Legal Landscape
  - Board Roles and Responsibilities
  - Legal Responsibilities
  - Risk Management
  - Financial Responsibilities
  - Organizational Purpose and Planning
  - Committees and Meetings
  - Building Strong Teams and Effective Relationships
- The Role of the Board Chair
- The Role of the Board Treasurer
- The Role of the Board Secretary
- Cybersecurity: What's the Board's Role?
- To see general information about our webinars, please visit

<https://www.alberta.ca/non-profit-learning-webinars.aspx>

## Alberta Social Economy Design Cafe

The Alberta Social Economy Design Cafe is a one-day immersive experience for individuals and teams who are focused on building and growing Alberta's **social economy**. Part workshop, part collaboration, and part strategization, the Design Cafe is an opportunity for projects and ideas that are making Alberta the best place to build and grow.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tr1GZZyi3mqo66XUPE9TtXYGeS7Hc5B\\_uBcJQ9eVM0/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tr1GZZyi3mqo66XUPE9TtXYGeS7Hc5B_uBcJQ9eVM0/edit)

## Access Non-profit Learning Resources Anytime.

Alberta's non-profit and voluntary sector will now be able to access enhanced online training and resources to support the success of their non-profit work. The Government of Alberta's Non-Profit Learning Centre is an online hub where Alberta's non-profit and voluntary sector can access timely services, materials, information, resources and self-directed learning about board governance and other specific and unique sector questions and challenges.

Visit and sign up today to access high quality learning anytime and at your own convenience at <https://alberta.ca/NonProfitLearning>.

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## CITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES

### Join a civic board and help shape Edmonton's future

The City of Edmonton is recruiting approximately 45 members to join 15 civic boards.

To apply, submit an application by January 15, 2023. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted by the end of March and invited to attend an interview. City Council will make member appointments in April 2023, which will be in effect May 1, 2023. For more information: [edmonton.ca/Boards](https://edmonton.ca/Boards)

### Public Engagement Opportunities

Details about City public digital engagement activities are listed online at [engaged.edmonton.ca](https://engaged.edmonton.ca) with all opportunities at [edmonton.ca/publicinvolvementcalendar](https://edmonton.ca/publicinvolvementcalendar).

### City Council Approved 2023-2026 Budget

To view [Budget FAQs](#) and other details pertaining to how tax dollars and other funding will be invested over the next 4 years, please visit: [Budget and Finances](#)