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December

Community Services e-News



It's time to get active and learn something new in 2023!

Winter Programs start soon

There are still spaces available in a number of popular programs in the new year including: [Hip Hop](#) for children, [Introduction to Web Development and Design](#) for youth, [Cycle and Strength](#) for adults and many more.

If you are 55+ years and looking for an exciting daytrip, we've got you covered. Choose from several exciting out trips to [Vancouver Art Gallery](#), [Lombardo's Restaurant](#) or the [Rogers Arena Tour](#).

Registration is easy:

- www.richmond.ca/register
- 604-276-4300, Mon-Fri, 8:30am-5:00pm
- In-person at any community facility

Did you know that participation plays an important role in human development, personal growth and the promotion of health and well-being? We offer programs for all ages and skill levels.

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Winter Wonderland Skate

December 9 to January 2 | Minoru Arenas

Lace up your skates and glide through the holidays at this traditional wintertime activity. Grab your friends and family and skate to festive music while surrounded by thousands of sparkling lights, real snow banks, decorated holiday trees and more. All ages and abilities welcome! Regular admission rates apply.

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The Arts Live Here

Come and enjoy the arts with us

Discover how the arts speak to us, connect us and give us unique ways to understand ourselves and our city in the Richmond Museum's 2022 exhibition, The Arts Live Here. There's lots to explore and see from playing a flower-power street piano to learning the fox trot, creating a work of art or relaxing on a section of Meander, a public art modular bench whose shape reflects the winding path of the Fraser River. The exhibition is open through August 2023.

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Youth Civic Engagement Program



Opportunity for Youth

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This free eight-week registered education-to-action program is back starting Thursday, January 19. Youth ages 15 to 20 years are invited to engage, develop skills and learn about local government including how City decisions are made, the opportunity to co-design projects that spark interest and present back to a Mock Council.

The Youth Civic Engagement Program will run for seven consecutive Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30pm with the final session on Wednesday, March 8. The deadline to [register](#) is January 12.

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Become a Snow Angel

Sign up to volunteer today

Looking to make a difference in Richmond this winter season? Volunteer to be a Snow Angel and help to remove snow from sidewalks and walkways for community members who are elderly, ill or have mobility concerns. You will also play an important role in keeping our community connected during the winter months.

Register to be a Richmond Snow Angel at icanhelp.richmond.ca or contact the Snow Angel Coordinator at 604-247-4947. Individuals, families and businesses are encouraged to volunteer!

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Festive lighting throughout Richmond

December 1 to early January

Nothing brings on the feeling of the holidays like taking in beautiful lights and decorations. Grab a coffee or hot chocolate, bundle up and tour some of the City's many festive light displays with your family this holiday season. No matter where you live or where you go, there is something to see – and plenty of photo opportunities. Get outside, explore and be active during this most festive of seasons!

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Seniors happenings at Minoru Centre for Active Living

A wide variety of festive choices

Don't miss this month's great programs and offerings as well as club and group opportunities, including:

Sing-Along with Herb

Sing some holiday favourite tunes followed by complimentary coffee, tea and cookies to follow in the cafeteria. No registration required.
December 13, 1:30-3:00pm

Christmas Baked Goodies

Minoru Seniors Society is offering holiday goodies for sale (assorted cookies and fruit cake). Please inquire at Minoru for details. The last day to order is Friday, December 16. Pick up is on Thursday, December 22 between 10:00am and 2:00pm at the Seniors Centre Cafeteria at the Minoru Centre for Active Living. Pre-ordering required.

Meals to Go

Minoru Seniors Society is offering Christmas Meals to Go. Enjoy a delicious turkey meal with all the trimmings and a dessert without the clean-up. Complete re-heating instructions included. Pick up is Friday, December 23 between 12:30 and 3:30pm. Pre-ordering required.

Shopping Bus Service

This unique, local service offers a transportation option for seniors wanting to shop at select retail locations. Servicing 10 independent senior housing locations and the Seniors Centre at Minoru Centre for Active Living, the shopping bus has two lines and travels to Lansdowne Mall, Walmart and Seafair Shopping Centre. Note: Face masks are encouraged onboard buses at all times.

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Save The Date

Walk Richmond

Dec 3, 7, 17
Various locations

Lighting of the Firehall

Uke-ing Around the Christmas Tree

Dec 7
West Richmond Community Centre

Burnaby Village Heritage Christmas Trip - 55+



Dec 5
Firehall No. 5, Hamilton

Dec 22
Thompson Community Centre

Seasonal Holiday Brunch - 55+

Dec 6
Thompson Community Centre

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