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FireSmart Your Property

Kamloops Fire Rescue (KFR) and the City are encouraging homeowners to take steps to become FireSmart as BC is faced with unprecedented fire conditions. FireSmart actions can reduce the fire risk within your neighbourhood.

FireSmart identifies activities in four zones around the home to reduce wildfire risk. The first and most important zone of FireSmart protection involves the area within 1.5 metres of the home and attached structures, including fences.

Some of these activities include removing anything flammable within 1.5 metres of the house and attached structures, cleaning roofs, adding spark arrestors on chimneys, removing debris from gutters, screening off gaps under decks, and removing any combustibles stored under decks.

KFR and the City want to help homeowners FireSmart their properties by offering free FireSmart assessments. Homeowners can call 250-828-3461 to book a free assessment.

To learn more, visit Kamloops.ca/FireSmart.

Curbside Organic Waste Collection Pilot Program

The Curbside Organic Waste Collection Program is shifting into Phase 2—a one-year pilot program—in September. The following five pilot routes have been selected:

- Zone 1: Westsyde (west of Westsyde Road from Sicamore Drive to Riverview Road)
- Zone 2: Brock/North Kamloops (between 8th Street to Valhalla Drive and Tranquille Road to Pembroke Avenue)
- Zone 3: North Kamloops/McDonald Park (between Cottonwood Avenue, Tranquille Road, and sections of Royal Avenue)
- Zone 4: Upper Sahali (south/east of Summit Drive from Pineridge Estates to Highway 5A)
- Zone 5: Juniper West (Qu'Appelle Boulevard and Galore Crescent area) and sections of Valleyview west of Highland Road (sections of Valleyview Drive, Glenwood Drive, and Orchard Drive)

An organics curbside cart, a kitchen bin, and an information package will be delivered to pilot addresses in late summer. There is no additional cost to residents on a pilot route. Residents on pilot routes are encouraged to subscribe for information updates.

To view a detailed map of the pilot routes and to subscribe for updates, visit LetsTalk.Kamloops.ca/Organics



Share Your Voice. Shape Our City.

Let's Talk Kamloops is the City's online engagement site where you can contribute your ideas and feedback on city matters.

Sign up and speak up at LetsTalk.Kamloops.ca

Call for Photos

Residents of all skill levels and ages are invited to submit their digital photos for a chance to be features in the 2022 City Calendar.

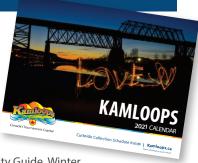
New this year—if your photo is chosen for the 2022 City Calendar,

or as a COVER for the Fall 2021 Activity Guide, Winter 2022 Activity Guide, Spring/Summer 2022 Activity Guide, or 2021 Annual Report, you will be awarded a one-month Family Pass to the Tournament Capital Centre!

Submission Deadline: September 30, 2021, at 4:30 pm

For more details and to submit your photos, visit

Kamloops.ca/Calendar





Wood Stove Scrap-It Program

Remove and recycle your old, working wood stove and receive \$200 from the City of Kamloops.

To find out if you qualify, visit Kamloops.ca/WoodStove.

Community

Community Climate Action Plan Adopted

City Council has adopted the Community Climate Action Plan (CCAP), which sets a course for reducing community emissions by 80% by 2050 while increasing our resilience to the impacts of climate change. Learn more and read the CCAP at

LetsTalk.Kamloops.ca/ClimateAction.

Report an Issue

Have a non-emergency issue you want to report to the City such as a pothole or a broken street light? There are three ways to report an issue or a problem to us:

- calling **250-828-3461**
- emailing civicoperations@kamloops.ca
- using the free myKamloops[™] app

For more information, visit Kamloops.ca/ReportAnIssue.

opportunities. **One-On-One Consultation**

Discuss your renovation plans with the City's Community Energy Specialist and explore opportunities to improve your home's energy performance and learn about available incentives.

household's carbon footprint and discuss reduction

Heat Pump Group Purchase Rebate

The GPR is an incentive offered through CleanBC that rewards groups of homeowners switching from an oil or natural gas heating system to an air source heat pump. Rebates range from \$200 to \$500; the larger a group becomes, the larger the rebate.

Accounting Workshop will guide participants on calculating their

Sign up for workshops/consultation and learn more about the GPR at Kamloops.ca/RenovateSmart.

Download these City Apps for Free!







myKamloops™ App

Report non-emergency issues such as potholes, fallen trees, or broken street lamps. Simply take a picture, confirm the location, add any comments, and submit!

What? Where? When? Waste Wise!

Sign up for weekly collection reminders and search how to recycle or dispose of hundreds of products and items. Kamloops.ca/WasteWise

Flowbird—Pay for Parking by Phone

Flowbird is an intuitive and easy-to-use app that allows you to pay for your parking sessions remotely through your mobile phone. Simply select the parking location nearest to your vehicle, select the duration, and confirm payment.