

<b>Council</b>	
<i>Mayor</i>	Gordon MacLeod
<i>Councillors</i>	Jenna Armstrong Paul Buck Stan Golob Jeffrey Johnston Bryarly Parker Tim Schindel
<b>Administration</b>	
<i>CAO</i>	Daryl Greenhill
<i>Director of Finance</i>	Pavel Lyzhin
<i>Reception</i>	Myah Adams Liz Luck
<i>Taxation &amp; Accounts Payable</i>	Sue Koyman
<i>Utilities &amp; Payroll</i>	Mary French
<i>Director of Legislative Services &amp; Bylaw Control Officer</i>	Jason Martin
<i>Admin &amp; Bylaw Clerk</i>	Charity Croker-Hudak
<i>Animal Control Officer</i>	Kristi King
<b>Public Works</b>	
<i>Director of Public Works</i>	Garry Leatham
<i>P.W. Operators</i>	Jim Dettling Sandra Luka Anne McIntyre Grant Oberg Robbie Ramsey Ed Walmsley
<b>Community Services</b>	
<i>Director of Community Services</i>	Caroline Cleave
<i>Parks &amp; Facilities Foreman</i>	Cole Wiebe
<i>Parks &amp; Facilities Operators</i>	Ged Clegg Rod Rolling
<i>Aquatic Centre Manager</i>	Currently vacant
<i>Aquatic Centre Assistant Manager</i>	Candis Rudy
<i>FCSS Coordinator</i>	Faro Taug
<b>Fire Chief</b>	Kerry Cleave
<b>North Peace Regional Landfill Manager</b>	Dennis Lang
<b>Librarian</b>	Chris Burkholder



# Fairview

Heart of the Peace

## TALK OF THE TOWN



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### COVID-19 UPDATES

As a result of the ongoing pandemic the Town of Fairview has cancelled all summer events planned (i.e., Canada Day, Summers' End Festival) for this year.

The parks and skateboard park have been reopened, but the Splash Park must remain closed.

Please watch Facebook and our webpage for upcoming relaunch information.

### 2020 PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION

Property Tax Notices were mailed on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The Town of Fairview Property Tax consists of municipal taxes, education taxes, North Peace Housing Foundation levy and local improvement taxes where applicable.

**Taxes are due on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**, with penalties applied on the current amount after September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020, at the rate of 15% with exception of the property owners who are currently enrolled in the Tax Installment Payment Plan.

**Failure to receive a tax notice is not considered sufficient reason for non-payment of property taxes. If you have NOT received your notice by June, please contact the Town of Fairview office at 780-835-5461 or email [reception@fairview.ca](mailto:reception@fairview.ca) or [taxes@fairview.ca](mailto:taxes@fairview.ca) to request your tax notice.**

Notice to the owners of the mobile homes in the mobile home park, Fairview Estates, your mobile home is taxable by the Town of Fairview, you do pay property tax to the Town of Fairview on the mobile home, if you do not receive a property tax notice please contact the tax department.

The Town of Fairview acts as a school tax collector on behalf of the province and the separate school board. School taxes are not subject to control or review by the Town of Fairview.

Municipal taxes are levied by an adopted tax rate to provide municipal services. The tax is calculated by multiplying the tax rate by the assessed value of property.

Daryl Greenhill  
CAO  
Town of Fairview



### Go Paperless!

Enrolling in paperless billing is an easy, one-time process that will save you time, money, and our planet's valuable natural resources such as water, gasoline, and trees. You will receive a \$1 rebate each month just for enrolling! It's easy, just register at:

[www.fairview.ca/gopaperless](http://www.fairview.ca/gopaperless)

Please notify the Town Office immediately if you wish to discontinue your water/sewer service.

Town Office: 780-835-5461  
 Fax: 780-835-3576  
[reception@fairview.ca](mailto:reception@fairview.ca)  
<http://www.fairview.ca>  
 Newsletter: [clerk@fairview.ca](mailto:clerk@fairview.ca)

Aquatic Centre: 780-835-2812  
 Public Works: 780-835-2529  
 Fairplex: 780-835-2723  
 FCSS: 780-835-5471  
 Public Library: 780-835-2613  
 NPR Landfill: 780-835-2576

**After Hours Concerns**  
 Public Works: 780-835-1310  
 Animal Control: 780-834-8184  
 Bylaw Control: 780-835-1063  
 Community Services: 780-835-1178  
 Emergencies: 911

# COMMUNITY THAT CARES

With much appreciation for the grant from the Government of Alberta, FCSS is able to provide residents with Care Services:

Care Hamper of food and essential items

Medications delivery

Meal delivery from many of our local restaurants

All Services are Available to Anyone in Need & Free of Charge



## ECONOMIC COMMITTEE NEWS

The Heart of the Peace Economic Development committee provides a website with exclusive business resources and supports sources. The COVID-19 outbreak has increased stressors on our already stressed local businesses. Visit the site for a wealth of information on the supports that the Federal, Provincial and Local governments are providing during this time. Please check out [www.heartofthepeace.com](http://www.heartofthepeace.com).

The Town of Fairview has launched its new local events website: [www.fairviewevents.ca](http://www.fairviewevents.ca). This site will be up to date with all the local and downtown Fairview events including those hosted by local businesses. We are excited to bring fun packed information to the community with the Canada Day virtual events and the new Virtual Summer's End Festival section, that includes the Kidz Connection summer fun ideas, video's and contests and the Summer Days Entertainment page which will host video entertainment. Fairview Events will be continually updated with fun new activities, videos and event information for all to enjoy. If you have an upcoming event you would like posted contact [fairviewevents@fairview.ca](mailto:fairviewevents@fairview.ca) or 780-835-5461.

## The grass clipping bin is back!

The grass bin is emptied on Fridays. If it is full by Monday please call the Town office so we can arrange a second pick-up for Tuesday. Please **do not** put branches in or around the bin. These can be taken up to the landfill and burned, they are not compostable in solid form.



Alberta Health Services has put together information on how we can take steps to stay healthy at home during this trying time. You can access this information on their website: [www.ahs.ca/covid](http://www.ahs.ca/covid). To learn about the public health measures that are in place, please check out the Alberta Government page: [www.alberta.ca/covid](http://www.alberta.ca/covid). Fairview and District Family and Community Support Services have posted a useful resource to help families at: [www.fairviewfcss.com/events-notices/](http://www.fairviewfcss.com/events-notices/). Please remember if you are struggling you are not alone. There are supports in place to help you. Visit: [www.ahs.ca/helpintoughtimes](http://www.ahs.ca/helpintoughtimes).

Please remember that your blue bin is for recyclables **only!** Put only newspaper, magazines, phone books, junk mail, boxboard, cardboard, rinsed out tin cans, beverage containers, and hard plastics 1-7. Yard waste goes into the black bin or can be taken up to the grass collection bin. Detailed lists can be found at: [www.fairview.ca/residents/community-services/recycling-garbage-pick-up](http://www.fairview.ca/residents/community-services/recycling-garbage-pick-up).

**SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES AS MUCH AS YOU CAN—[fairview.ca/covid-19-information/](http://fairview.ca/covid-19-information/). Go to the local business listings to see who is open for business.**

## DON'T GET SCAMMED!



THE CANADA REVENUE AGENCY WILL NEVER:

 USE AGGRESSIVE LANGUAGE OR TONE

 ASK FOR PREPAID CREDIT CARDS

 THREATEN ARREST OR SEND POLICE

For more information, go to [canada.ca/taxes-fraud-prevention](http://canada.ca/taxes-fraud-prevention)





## OUTSTANDING RESIDENT AWARD

The Outstanding Resident Award aims to celebrate the contribution to life in Fairview made by the work of everyday people in our community that makes Fairview a great place to live.

If you go past a property or business and take note of how beautiful it looks, how well maintained it is or notice a person's contribution to improving our community, nominate them for an Outstanding Resident Award today by emailing their address and/or name to [clerk@fairview.ca](mailto:clerk@fairview.ca). They will be recognized for their actions and entered in a quarterly draw for a chance to win \$50 in Chamber Change!




**Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, the Aquatic Centre is closed until further notice. Please stay safe.**

## COMMUNITY GUIDE

Fairview offers a large range of activities for all age groups. There are service clubs, sports groups, volunteer opportunities and fitness facilities. Pick up the new Spring and Summer Community Guide for more information or check it out on our web page.



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

Stay up to date with our community events! Our updated local events calendar is available online at [www.fairview.ca](http://www.fairview.ca). Do you have an event to add or see something missing? Email [clerk@fairview.ca](mailto:clerk@fairview.ca) to have it added! Follow us! 

# COVID-19 MEASURES TO HELP CANADIANS

You may be eligible to receive some of these credits and benefits that the Government of Canada has introduced to help Canadians during the COVID-19 pandemic.



## Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB)

The CERB provides temporary income support to workers who have stopped working and are without employment or self-employment income for reasons related to COVID-19. The benefit amount of \$2,000 will be paid in blocks of four weeks (up to a maximum of 16 weeks).

**Canadians can now apply for CERB through My Account or the automated phone line.**



## Canada Emergency Student Benefit (CESB)

The CESB provides financial support to post-secondary students and recent post-secondary and high school graduates who are unable to find work due to COVID-19. This benefit is for students who do not qualify for the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) or Employment Insurance (EI). From May to August 2020, CESB provides a payment to eligible students of \$1,250 for each 4-week period or \$2,000 for each 4-week period to students with dependents or a disability.

**Students and recent graduates will be able to apply for CESB through My Account or the automated phone line starting May 15, 2020.**



## Goods and Services Tax/Harmonized Sales Tax (GST/HST) Credit

The Government provided a one-time special payment on April 9, 2020. This payment doubles the maximum annual GST/HST credit amounts for the 2019-2020 benefit year. The average increase for those eligible will be close to \$400 for single individuals and \$600 for couples.

**You got the extra payment automatically if you normally receive the GST/HST credit and have filed a 2018 tax return.**



## Canada child benefit (CCB)

The Government increased the maximum annual CCB amounts for the 2019-2020 benefit year, by up to \$300 per child. The overall increase for families will be, on average, \$550.

**You will get the payment increase automatically as part of your May payment if you normally receive the CCB, have filed a 2018 tax return, and have a child under the age of 18.**

**The income tax deadline for individuals has been extended to June 1, 2020, and the deadline to pay amounts owed has been extended to September 1, 2020.**

My Account

[canada.ca/my-cra-account](https://canada.ca/my-cra-account)

CRA COVID-19 information

[canada.ca/cra-coronavirus](https://canada.ca/cra-coronavirus)

Child and family benefits

[canada.ca/child-family-benefits](https://canada.ca/child-family-benefits)

Benefit enquiries

**1-800-387-1193**

Territorial tax and benefit enquiries

**1-866-426-1527**

(accessible from 867 area code only)

General tax enquiries

**1-800-959-8281**

CRA automated phone

service for CERB

**1-800-959-2019** or

**1-800-959-2041**

# Canadian seniors to receive special payment in early July

June 4, 2020  
Ottawa, Ontario

Canadian seniors across the country are facing significant health, economic, and social challenges due to COVID-19. Physical distancing is weighing heavily on those who are separated from their families and rely on help to get groceries and other essential items. We need to support seniors and to be there for them, as they have been for us.

The Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, today announced that seniors eligible for the Old Age Security (OAS) pension and the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) will receive their special one-time, tax-free payment during the week of July 6. Through this measure and others, the government is providing nearly \$900 more for single seniors and more than \$1,500 for senior couples, on top of their existing benefits, to help these vulnerable Canadians with extra costs during the pandemic.

Seniors eligible for the OAS pension will receive a payment of \$300, and those also eligible for the GIS will receive an additional \$200, for a total of \$500. Allowance recipients will also receive \$500. This \$2.5 billion in financial support will help Canadian seniors cover increased costs caused by COVID-19 and give them greater financial security in this time of crisis.

Since the start of the pandemic, the Government of Canada has introduced a number of measures to support seniors, including those most vulnerable. This includes a one-time special payment through the Goods and Services Tax (GST) credit in April, which provided an average of \$375 to single seniors and \$510 to senior couples, helping over 4 million low- and modest-income seniors. We are also investing an additional \$20 million in community organizations that offer services to seniors and have reduced minimum withdrawal requirements for all types of registered retirement income funds (RRIFs) by 25 per cent for the year 2020. In addition, we have taken steps to make sure seniors would continue to receive their GIS benefits if they were unable to submit their 2019 income information on time.

As we gradually restart our economy, the Government of Canada will continue to support all Canadians, including seniors and those most vulnerable, and respond to the health, social, and economic impacts of COVID-19.

## Quick Facts

- Seniors do not need to apply for this one-time special payment. The payment will be issued automatically during the week of July 6, and seniors who reside in Canada can expect to receive the payment by direct deposit or cheque that week. For seniors who reside outside Canada, the one-time payment will also be received in July for those on direct deposit, but delays can be expected for cheques, given international postal disruptions.
- There are currently 6.7 million seniors who are eligible for the OAS pension and 2.2 million who are eligible for the GIS.
- The government has taken a number of actions to support seniors through the outbreak of COVID-19, such as:
  - Providing a special top-up payment through the GST credit in April. More than 4 million low- and modest-income seniors benefitted from this top-up, receiving a total of \$1.3 billion in financial support. Close to 85 per cent of single seniors and almost half of senior couples benefitted from this payment.
  - Temporarily extending GIS and Allowance payments if seniors' 2019 income information has not been received. This will ensure that the most vulnerable seniors continue to receive their benefits when they need them the most. To avoid an interruption in benefits, seniors are encouraged to submit their 2019 income information as soon as possible and no later than by October 1, 2020.
  - Providing seniors flexibility with their registered retirement income funds (RRIFs), by reducing minimum withdrawal requirements by 25 per cent for 2020. This will help preserve assets during a volatile market.
  - Investing an additional \$20 million to expand the [New Horizons for Seniors Program](#) to support organizations that offer community-based projects that reduce isolation, improve the quality of life of seniors, and help them maintain a social support network.
  - Contributing \$9 million through United Way Centraide Canada for local organizations to support practical services to Canadian seniors. These services could include the delivery of groceries, medications, or other needed items, or personal outreach to assess individuals' needs and connect them to community supports.
  - Investing \$100 million to improve access to food for Canadians, including seniors, facing social, economic, and health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.
  - Creating a \$350 million Emergency Community Support Fund to support charities and non-profit organizations to adapt the services they provide to vulnerable groups, including seniors, in response to COVID-19.
  - Introducing the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB), a taxable benefit of \$2,000 every 4 weeks for up to 16 weeks to eligible workers, including seniors, who have stopped working due to COVID-19. Pension income does not affect eligibility to the CERB. The government also extended the eligibility of this benefit to individuals who earn up to \$1,000 per month, as well as workers who have recently exhausted their EI regular benefits and are unable to find a job or return to work because of COVID-19.