



Road projects planned

The City of Penticton has several road projects planned for summer 2019. Detailed schedule information will be available on pentiction.ca when it becomes available.

Check the website regularly to plan your route and follow us on social media for daily updates.

Planned road projects include:

- Walden Crescent & Barrington Avenue – Water Main Replacement and Pavement Replacement
- South Main Street – Water Main, Sewer Main, and Pavement Replacements
- Main Street – Industrial Avenue to Warren Avenue – Water Main, Sewer Main, and Pavement Replacements
- Eckhardt Avenue – Winnipeg Street to Main Street – Pavement Replacement and Lane Marking Improvements

Deer proof your property

To help mitigate the number of urban deer, Penticton residents are encourage to do the following:

- Make your yard feel unsafe for deer. Clear brush away from the perimeter to reduce 'cover' and discourage bedding down areas
- Discourage deer from hanging around your property. Make them feel vulnerable so they move on. Direct a garden hose at them, or use a loud shaker can.

For more information on reducing conflict with deer, visit www.wildsafe.bc.com or www.pentiction.ca/quickfacts for information about urban deer.

Planned Power Outage Dates and Times

The City of Penticton Electric Utility has begun planned power outages affecting a portion of the Industrial and Wiltse areas.



Dates and times for the remaining outages are as follows:

- Fri, May 3, 2019, 9:00am-4:00pm
- Tue, May 7, 2019, 9:00am-4:00pm
- Sat, May 11, 2019, 7:00pm-2:00am
- Mon, May 13, 2019, 12:00 - 4:00pm



New signs to improve public feedback

The City of Penticton has launched a new sign standard aimed at better informing residents of proposed developments being considered in their neighbourhood. Using a design that is bigger, features vibrant colours, clear imagery and large text, the new appearance seeks to improve the role that signs play in providing notice of development to passing neighbours, pedestrians and motorists.

“When trying to attract attention, nothing beats a clear sign,” said Planning Manager, Blake Levan. “In the past, notice of development signs were notorious for their awkward appearance and inconsistent assembly of information concerning what’s being proposed or how to provide feedback. The City’s new signs balance the requirement to share proposed development details while using a noticeable and readable format.”



Recreation program keeps youth engaged

The City of Penticton's Recreation Department has teamed up with Oranj Fitness, CrossFit Penticton, and DancePI3y to successfully run another Girls Expanding Boundaries (G.E.B) program.

Girls Expanding Boundaries is a free 6 week program that introduces young women, ages 11-13, to a variety of different recreation activities, each lead by a strong female role model from the community. Participants are selected by education professionals within the school district based on specific criteria.

"Our goal is to help keep our youth motivated and engaged as they move into being young adults," says Recreation Business Supervisor, Kelsey Johnson. "Our program leader, Tammy Semple, hopes to inspire young girls with experiences that could change their outlook on life."



In 2018, Girls Expanding Boundaries was kindly supported by Hoodoo Adventures, Starlit Yoga, Jenny Long and Glow SUP Adventures. Find out where our 2019 G.E.B. team is going next by following Recreation Penticton on Facebook and Instagram.

Working together to improve recycling program

A local multifamily building and the City are taking steps together to reduce common contaminants from entering the recycling stream through the installation of educational signage.

The new signage features easy to distinguish images of common materials acceptable for recycling in the residential program, alongside tips on how to prepare the packaging before placing it in the bin. Also shown are common materials that are prohibited in the residential stream, such as electronics, furniture, black garbage bags and clothing.

"Partnerships between the City and multifamily buildings are effective in lowering the contamination rate of recyclable materials," said Community Sustainability Coordinator, David Kassian. "Working together to develop educational signage and tools will help residents to better understand what is, and what is not, recyclable from their home."

"In 2018, the City of Penticton helped us extensively with our recycling program by providing educational material which we distributed to each suite, conducting audits of the contents of our bin by students during the summer, the results of which we shared with our residents to highlight the problems we were having, and provided the design for the recycling bin sign we had made locally for a very reasonable price," said Vice-President of Athens Creek Towers, Lawrence Godby. "Together, all of these efforts have substantially reduced the amount of inappropriate materials being deposited in our recycling bin."

Similar signage and other educational materials are available for other multifamily properties looking to make a positive impact on the packaging sent for recycling. For more information on the recycle education program, please email public.works@penticton.ca, or call 250-490-2500.



Helping Hand sculpture to be unveiled

The City received over 380 submissions for words that conveyed the spirit of community in Penticton, which will be etched on the exterior of David Jacob Harder's 'Helping Hand' sculpture. Residents had the opportunity to submit their words either through www.shapeyourcitypenticton.ca or events with the artist last month. The final list will be translated into nsylxcən (Syilx Okanagan) in collaboration with the Enowkin Centre, as well as some of the languages commonly spoken in Penticton in collaboration with the South Okanagan Immigrant and Community Services Society (SOICS). The sculpture is to be unveiled during the second weekend in May.



Artist David Jacob Harder visited a Spring Break camp last month to ask kids for words that describe what Penticton means to them.