



SAINT JOHN

# What's Happening Saint John

January 12, 2022

The City of Saint John is pleased to provide the following summary of some of the great news, updates and important information about what's happening in the City.



## News & Updates

### City reminds residents of the Winter Management Plan and its associated service delivery activities

Winter is in full swing and the City reminds residents of the Winter Management Plan that has established service objectives and outlines snow removal priorities throughout the City based on storm severity.

Residents can also access the [Winter Management Plan interactive map](#) on the City's website to view snow clearing priorities in their neighbourhoods.

The City of Saint John Public Works and Transportation team will be working within the plan to keep the City streets and sidewalks accessible for motorists and pedestrians throughout the winter months.

For updates, visit [www.saintjohn.ca](http://www.saintjohn.ca), follow us on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#) and local media.

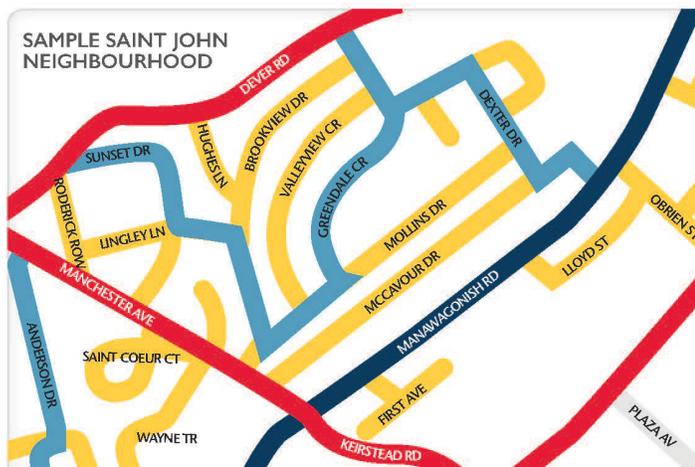
### SERVICE STANDARDS FOR ROAD CONDITIONS AFTER A STORM

<p>Within <b>8 hours</b></p> <p><b>PRIORITY 1</b> <b>PRIORITY 2</b></p> <p>✓ Roads are passable.</p>	<p>Within <b>12 hours</b></p> <p><b>PRIORITY 3</b> <b>PRIORITY 4</b></p> <p>✓ Roads are passable.</p>	<p>Within <b>2 days</b></p> <p><b>PRIORITY 1</b> <b>PRIORITY 2</b></p> <p>✓ Snow has been pushed back. ✓ Anti-icing material has been applied.</p>	<p>Within <b>3 days</b></p> <p><b>PRIORITY 3</b></p>	<p>Within <b>4 days</b></p> <p><b>PRIORITY 4</b></p>
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Roads are serviced and monitored daily. To report any areas of concern, contact our Customer Service Team at 658-4455 or [service@saintjohn.ca](mailto:service@saintjohn.ca)



### SAMPLE SAINT JOHN NEIGHBOURHOOD



- PRIORITY 1**  
Emergency routes, main streets and highway connections.
- PRIORITY 2**  
Major bus routes, school zones, community centres and business districts.
- PRIORITY 3**  
Residential collector streets, minor bus routes and industrial parks.
- PRIORITY 4**  
Local or subdivision streets.

For your neighbourhood visit: [saintjohn.ca/winter](http://saintjohn.ca/winter)

## **Christmas tree drop-off program continues for residents until January 12, 2022**

When it is time to get rid of your Christmas tree, remove the decorations and drop it off at one of the City of Saint John Christmas Tree Drop-off Sites. The sites will be open from January 1 to January 12.

Site locations:

Charles Gorman Arena – 80 University Avenue, North

Crescent Valley – Between 30 and 38 Taylor Avenue, North

Peter Murray Arena – 711 Dever Road, West

Forest Hills Ball Field – 651 Westmorland Road, East

**\*\*Old Sugar Refinery – 330 Charlotte Street, South/Central Peninsula.**

**\*\*South/Central Peninsula residents are advised that the specific drop-off site commonly referred to as the “Old Sugar Refinery” is located at the very end of Charlotte Street and Vulcan Street. Trees are not to be deposited at the Bulk Terminal Truck Entrance or any other location on Port Saint John property.**

Look for the designated area for each location. Sites will be plowed and maintained for the safety of the public and workers.

If you are unable to drop off your Christmas tree to a designated site, you can:

- Remove all decorations and trim
- Delimb the tree and cut up the trunk and branches into manageable blocks (must be no longer than 4 feet and must be smaller than the diameter of 2 inches)
- Place blocks and branches in your compost cart for removal on your regular garbage and compost collection day.



## **Lily Lake ice skating surface – the City will announce when the lake is safe for skating**

The City of Saint John reminds the public that the Lily Lake ice surface is closed and will be officially opened by the City when a measured ice thickness of 10 inches is reached.

For your safety, please heed any warning signs posted on and around the ice.

The City will continue to monitor ice conditions and thickness, which are impacted by the fluctuating weather conditions, and will notify the public when the ice surface is safe to use.

All changes will be communicated through the City’s social media channels. Follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).



## City of Saint John community grant applications now available

Deadline to submit applications is Monday, January 31 at 4:30 p.m.

Applications for the 2022 Community Grants Program are now available. Through this annual program, the City of Saint John provides funding opportunities to support local non-profit organizations whose services promote healthy, active, and inclusive communities through the delivery of social, cultural, and recreational activities.

Eligible non-profit associations within the City of Saint John may apply for one of three categories:

- Organizational support
- Community projects
- Special events

The Community Grants Funding envelope for 2022 is \$184,000, with grant amounts ranging from \$100 - \$20,000.

Organizations are discouraged from submitting multiple applications for various categories. Applicants who receive City of Saint John funding through other 2022 agreements or subsidy programs are not eligible for Community Grants funding. Successful grant recipients will be ineligible for other municipal funding programs.

Community grant applications are available on the [City's website](#) or by contacting the Community Services staff at [grants@saintjohn.ca](mailto:grants@saintjohn.ca) or 658-4455. Hardcopy applications can be picked up at Customer Service on the ground level of City Hall. The deadline to submit applications is Monday, January 31 at 4:30 p.m. Applications may be emailed, delivered in person or by mail.

## Ethnocultural Support Program now accepting applications

This pilot program seeks to support the City of Saint John's focus on being one of the most welcoming communities in the country. The Ethnocultural Support Program will provide financial support for the establishment of or the further support of ethnocultural community groups in Saint John. Community groups seeking support may apply at any time beginning November 18, 2021 on the City's website.

Applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis as long as the program remains open. For application details, visit [HERE](#).

## COVID-19 operational changes to municipal services and facilities

On December 17, 2021, changes were made to the City's municipal services and facilities operational plans due to COVID-19. Details can be found [HERE](#).

## The New Resident Guide QR code launches

Posters and handout stands promoting the New Resident Guide QR code are being installed in various locations. The first has been set up at the City Market and others will be installed at Service NB, UNB Saint John, NBCC Saint John, and the Saint John Airport.



## Arts Board's 2021 winter grant recipients selected

The 2021 winter recipients have been selected and residents will soon see information about specific projects and events. This is the first year the Arts Board has designated funds specifically for the winter months to bring residents together in a safe and engaging manner considering impacts from COVID-19.

Six projects were funded including dance workshops, all-ages performances, sound design workshops, classical music, youth programs, outdoor film screenings, a retelling of a winter fable using soundscapes and projection, and a walking tour through Rockwood Park. The projects will be presented in conjunction with Fundy Winter Fest in February and March 2022.

## Homeless survival kits distributed

The City of Saint John, Saint John Emergency Management Organization, Human Development Council and Emera New Brunswick have partnered to create homelessness survival kits. Using donated funds, approximately 50 cold weather survival bags were delivered to front line workers to provide to homeless individuals who are unable or unwilling to seek shelter in an emergency facility during the winter months.

## Port Saint John working on return of cruise ships

Port Saint John continues to work towards the return of cruise ships to Saint John in the spring of 2022. The first ship is scheduled to arrive this May with approximately 70 boats scheduled for the season. The Cruise Saint John Business and Community Cruise Liaison Committee meets monthly to review plans and protocols and the City of Saint John remains an active member of this committee.



## Growth At A Glance

The One Stop Development Shop closed out 2021 with **699** permit applications at a value of **\$116.8 million**.

- There were **422** new residential units created in the City in 2021 compared to the five-year average of 189.
- There were three high-value building permit applications in December:
  - 400 University Avenue (Saint John Regional Hospital): \$1.8 million – Level 1 Oncology Linear Accelerator Renovation
  - 400 University Avenue (Saint John Regional Hospital): \$2.7 million – Renovations to Intervention Suite 2
  - 22 Sydney Street: (Saint John Theatre company): \$14 million – renovations and major addition to create new theatre space



## Events & Activities

### Events Calendar!

Looking for things to do? The Saint John Region has you covered with events in arts, culture, heritage, community, comedy, culinary, sports, music & performing arts. Visit [Discover Saint John](#) and check back often!



**Don't Forget!**

**Alternate-Side Parking Program survey**

The City is seeking public input from residents on the Alternate-Side Parking Program in the North, East, and West areas of the City. The survey is available on Shape Your City Saint John, and closes January 14. More details and a link to the survey is available [HERE](#).



**Saint John Transit continues to offer free bus fare for residents traveling to and from vaccination clinics**

You can view the latest updates on clinics and bus schedules, [here](#).

**Winter storm parking bans**

To find out whether an overnight parking ban has been declared for your area, follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#), visit [www.saintjohn.ca](http://www.saintjohn.ca) or call the City's automated line at 658-4040.



**Stories To Share**

**Common Council passes first and second reading for Fundy Quay development rezoning**

On Monday, January 10, Common Council passed the first and second reading of a rezoning application from Fundy Harbour Group. For details, click [HERE](#).

**Canada's new immigration system priorities released**

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau unveils Canada's new immigration system priorities as outlined in a mandate letter released on December 16. The letter is the most important policy document guiding Canada's immigration system. Read more [HERE](#).

**Firefighters Carry Child To Ambulance In Storm**

A crew from the Saint John Fire Department battled the elements during Friday's winter storm to respond to the call. Read more [HERE](#).



For inquiries related to municipal services, contact the City of Saint John Customer Service Centre at (506) 658-4455, email [service@saintjohn.ca](mailto:service@saintjohn.ca) or visit us in person on the Ground Floor of City Hall, 15 Market Square, Monday to Friday (excluding holidays), 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

