

CALENDAR

Thursday, Jan. 19**Snow-themed Night at Lights at Lafarge****5:30 – 8:30 p.m.****Town Centre Park****coquitlam.ca/parkspark****Friday, Jan. 20****Carnival Night at Lights at Lafarge****5:30 – 8:30 p.m.****Town Centre Park****coquitlam.ca/parkspark****Saturday, Jan. 21****Light It Up Sports Night at Lights at Lafarge****5:30 – 8:30 p.m.****Town Centre Park****coquitlam.ca/parkspark****coquitlam.ca/calendar****What's New?****Be a Voice for Your Community**

Are you passionate about Coquitlam? Do you have a keen interest in sharing your knowledge and point of view to help shape your community? Applications are currently being accepted for Coquitlam Advisory Committees and the Board of Variance. The City's mission is to serve the public interest through open, fair and accountable local government with a focus on leadership, innovation, community priorities and strengths. We have a wide variety of committees that speak to many areas of civic life and that can meet the interests of Coquitlam residents.

If your values align with the City's priorities, we strongly encourage you to apply. Interested residents can read about each committee's description, their mandates and application criteria at coquitlam.ca/acv2023. Deadline for submissions is Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 9 a.m.

Fitness and Fun**Drop-in Skating at PSLC**

Start your 2023 fitness goals off with a fun drop-in skate at Poirier Sport and Leisure Complex. From Stick, Ring and Puck sessions for adults and families, to adult hockey and public skates, there's something for everyone. For details, visit coquitlam.ca/dropin.

Looking for more info on events and activities in Coquitlam?

Check out

visitcoquitlam.ca

**Looking Out for the Environment
Coquitlam Launches E-Scooter Pilot Project**

People age 16 and up can now use e-scooters (electric kick scooters) in designated areas through a provincial pilot project. Guidelines include:

- Riders must be at least age 16, but do not need a driver's licence, they must wear a helmet, have a bell and lights on their device and cannot carry or tow passengers.
- E-scooters can generally go wherever bicycles are allowed, including multi-use paths (MUPs), bike or micromobility lanes (i.e. bike lanes).
- No riding on roads with 50-plus km/hour speeds, unless in micromobility lanes or MUPs.
- Riders are not allowed on sidewalks or on park trails or pathways unless indicated by signs or pavement markings.
- E-scooter riders must ride as close to the right as possible on streets with no MUP and travel at a maximum speed of 24 km/hour.

Expanding the use of micromobility devices aligns with the Coquitlam's climate mitigation efforts, which includes encouraging transportation forms that are healthier and produce fewer emissions. It also supports several City goals and strategies including the approved Environmental Sustainability Plan as well as the Strategic Transportation Plan, currently in development.

Coquitlam will also help reduce barriers to accessing e-scooters by launching a process to seek an e-scooter sharing provider by this summer. You can find more information at coquitlam.ca/escooter.

Opt-out of a Paper Collection Calendar

Coquitlam prints and mails a paper copy of the curbside collection calendar every June. This year, we're exploring more environmentally friendly options to deliver this important information to residents. All of the essential collection information included in the printed calendar is also available on demand on the free Coquitlam Curbside Collection app, available for download at coquitlam.ca/recollect.

Residents who receive collection services and who do not wish to receive a printed curbside collection calendar for 2023/24 have the option to complete an opt-out form at coquitlam.ca/CollectionCalendarForm from now until April 15, 2023. If you still want to receive a printed version, no action is necessary.

**Looking for a Furever Home
Coquitlam Dogs, Train Your Human!**

Coquitlam Bylaw Enforcement & Animal Services Officers will be in Coquitlam Parks helping to ensure that our outdoor spaces are user-friendly for all people and animals. Here are three key things you can do to help ensure that you and your owner are being responsible park users:

- Ensure you are connected to your human on leash, except in designated off-leash areas and/or during posted times.
- Ensure your human cleans up your waste.
- Ensure your human has renewed your dog licence.

Learn more at

coquitlam.ca/TrainYourHuman.

Kickstart Your 2023 Goals with an Adult Recreation Program

Sign Me Up
Coquitlam Recreation

Our Winter Program Guide offers adults 19+ the chance to try something new for the new year. Learn to cook a new soup or pasta sauce, or try a new dance, like the salsa or waltz. From playing a ukulele to painting with acrylic and watercolour paints, start 2023 off with a new hobby.

For details on these and more programs visit coquitlam.ca/registration.