

What's New?**Renovation and Expansion Begins for Spani Pool**

Work is starting on the renovation and expansion of Spani Pool. Following an extensive planning process in 2020 and 2021, which included engagement with the community and pool user groups, Council has now approved the final plans for the facility. Construction is expected to take about one year, during which time the pool will be closed. When complete, the new facility will include:

- A new leisure pool with shallow beach entry, splash area, lazy river and 1.2-metre deep end
- A new warming pool close to the forest edge
- Renovations to the existing tank including a ramp for greater accessibility
- New accessible change rooms, admission area and staff spaces
- Universal washrooms that can be accessed year-round from Mundy Park
- Improved spectator spaces
- A multipurpose room and concession area

In addition to the City's contribution, the expansion is made possible through a \$4.42 million contribution through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, with the Government of Canada investing over \$2.41 million and the Province of British Columbia providing \$2.01 million. Learn more at coquitlam.ca/facilityprojects.

**Fitness and Fun****Sign Up for a Coquitlam Express Hockey Camp**

Kids can stay active and practice their skills with the Coquitlam Express players and coaches in hockey camps during Spring Break. Register for a Coquitlam Express Hockey Camp from Monday, March 20 – Friday, March 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. In addition to on-ice practice, players will receive dryland training, and a tour of the facility and the Coquitlam Express dressing room.

To sign up online, visit coquitlam.ca/registration and click Register for Programs. In the online registration system, type Course ID# 117227 in the keyword area, or call 604-927-4386.

**Neighbourhood News****Get a Small Grant to Connect Your Neighbourhood**

If you had \$500 to spend, what small project or event could you dream up to bring people together? Applications for Neighbourhood Small Grants between \$50 and \$500 will be accepted until April 18 through a continuing partnership between the City of Coquitlam, Coquitlam Foundation, the Vancouver Foundation and the Association of Neighbourhood Houses of BC. It's easy to apply! Find more information and apply online at coquitlam.ca/neighbourhoodgrants.

Looking Out for Our Environment**Enhancements Improve Stoney Creek Watershed**

Coquitlam is improving water quality and sewer system performance in the Stoney Creek watershed through a multi-faceted approach that includes in-creek water quality monitoring, adding sewer capacity and public outreach. The 28-square kilometre watershed spans through Burquitlam's Oakdale neighbourhood, Port Moody and Burnaby, who collaboratively manage it along with Metro Vancouver. We have approved \$400,000 for Stoney Creek enhancements in 2023. Stay up-to-date on the ongoing improvements at our dedicated webpage coquitlam.ca/stoneycreek.

Opt-out of Receiving a Printed Collection Calendar

Looking for ways to make more eco-friendly changes in your life? Sign up for the Coquitlam Curbside Collection mobile app to access personalized collection day information at coquitlam.ca/recollect.

If you receive collection services and you do not wish to receive a printed curbside collection calendar for 2023/24, you can complete the opt-out form from now until April 15. Go to coquitlam.ca/CollectionCalendarForm.

Looking for more info on events and activities in Coquitlam?

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Coquitlam Income Tax Clinics Supports Low Income Residents

Low income seniors and residents in Coquitlam can attend an in-person Income Tax Clinic at Dogwood or Glen Pine Pavilion. Appointments are free and taxes are prepared with a Canada Revenue Agency-trained volunteer with the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP). In order to be eligible for this free service, individuals must be over 50 years of age with low income or receiving any disability pension. Income guidelines are \$35,000 and under for a single individual and \$45,000 and under for a couple. Only simple tax returns are accepted.

Interested residents can call 604-927-4386 or sign up in person at the front desk of Dogwood Pavilion (1655 Winslow Ave.) or Glen Pine Pavilion (1200 Glen Pine Crt.) to schedule their appointment. A questionnaire will be completed at the time of registration to confirm eligibility.

Seniors who are unable to attend an appointment in person have the option to file their 2022 Income Tax Returns over the phone. Offered in partnership with the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP), volunteers will pick up all supporting documents and file the Income Tax Return over the phone at no cost to seniors. For more information about this service, call 604-927-6093.