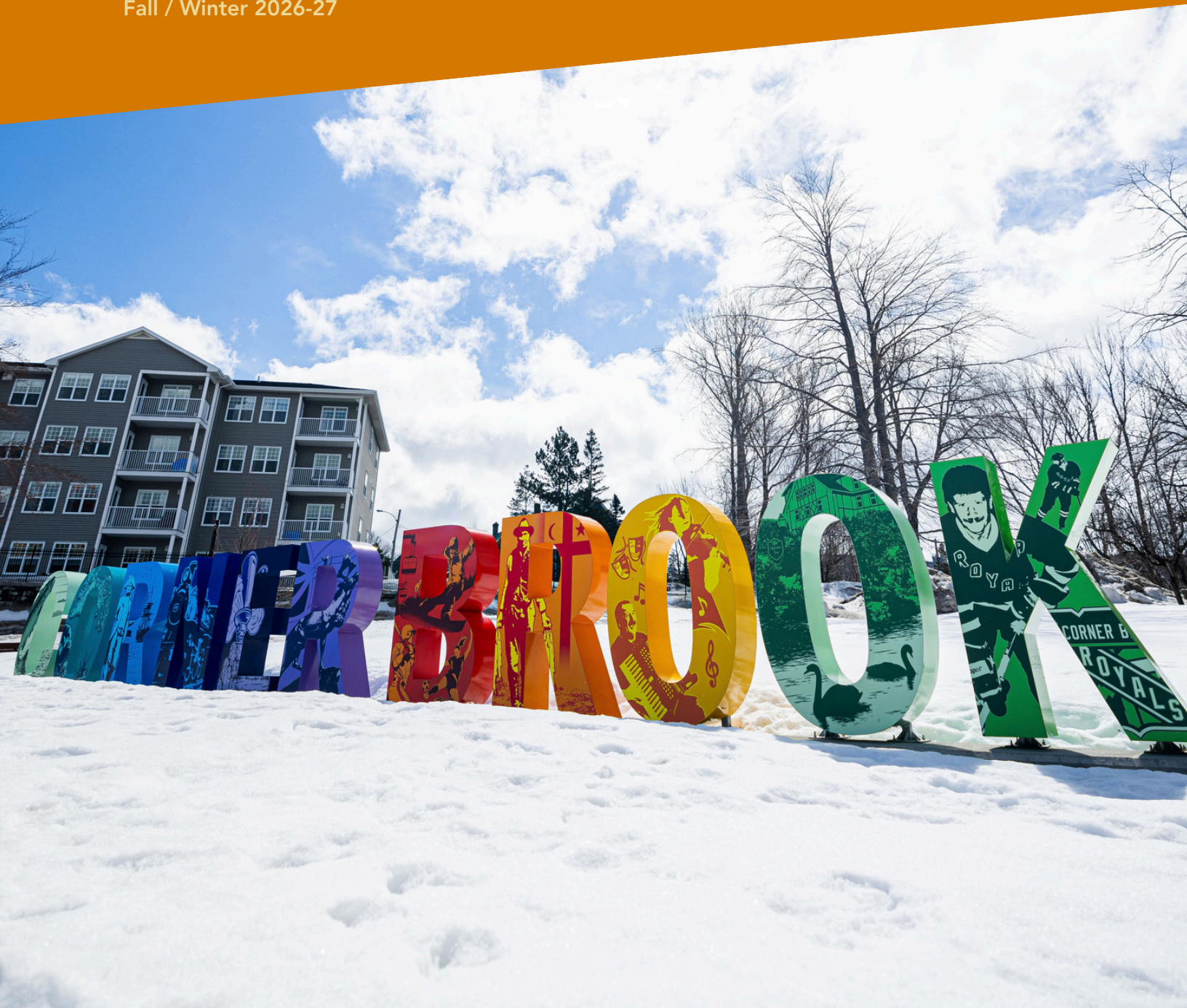




NEWSLETTER

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS FALL & WINTER
IN NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR'S
WEST COAST HUB

Fall / Winter 2026-27





MESSAGE FROM COUNCIL



Left to right: Cllrs Keeping, Kennedy, Dean, Luther, Wheeler and Perchard with Mayor Chaisson in the centre. NL Games Torch Run, 2026.

What a Summer season we had! Jigs & Wheels, Newfoundland and Labrador Games, Canada Day, wonderful cruise ship visits and open air markets – and the Newfoundland Regiment hockey team came to town! Not to mention the incredible art on display for CBNuit's 10th Anniversary. There are already so many good memories from this year, and we're not done with 2026 yet. In the following pages you'll see what's coming for autumn 2026 and winter of 2027. Remembrance Day, the Kinsmen Santa Claus Parade and Winter Carnival are all just around the corner.

The next few seasons are also the perfect time to wind down a little, reflect and cozy up with friends and family. I hope you have safe and prosperous holidays when they arrive, and may we all transition into 2027 surrounded by dear friends and family.

Sincerely,
Her Worship, Mayor Linda Chaisson



CONTACT CITY HALL

Hours of Operation:

9:00am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday

5 Park St

709-637-1666

www.cornerbrook.com

Additionally:

Corner Brook Civic Centre, 1 Canada Games Place:

709-637-1230 www.cbcciviccetre.com

Marina Redmond Centre, 22 University Drive:

709-289-3116 www.marinaredmondcentre.com

IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER 2026 - APRIL 2027

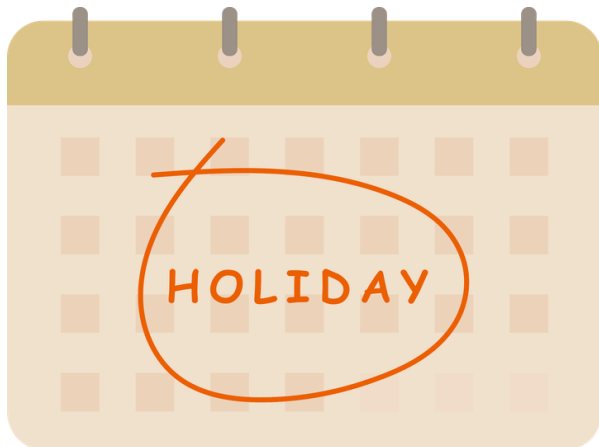
Colours of Corner Brook

Friday, October 23
10am-6pm, West Street

Kinsmen Santa Claus Parade

Saturday, December 5
Time TBA

Corner Brook Winter Carnival
February 19-28



City Hall will be closed for these statutory holidays:

Remembrance Day

(Wednesday, November 11)

Christmas Eve ½ Day

(Thursday, December 24)

Christmas Day

(Friday, December 25)

Boxing Day Holiday

(Monday, December 28)

New Year's Eve ½ Day

(Thursday, December 31)

New Year's Day

(Friday, January 1)

Winter Carnival Day

(Monday, February 22)

Good Friday

(Friday, March 26)



TAX DEADLINES

City of Corner Brook Property and Business taxes will be distributed in the first weeks of January.

The deadline to pay your tax bills is Friday, February 26, 2027. Payments can be made at City Hall, online via the QR code below or through your banking institution.

New as of 2026 Taxation year: the City of Corner Brook allows businesses to pay their taxes in interest-free quarterly payments.

Businesses are automatically eligible. If any payment is missed by the quarterly date then the business will be removed from the quarterly payment program and interest will begin accruing on the balance owing.

For more information go to www.cornerbrook.com/business-taxes

Virtual City Hall



SCAN ME

WASTE COLLECTION



HOLIDAY GARBAGE PICK-UP

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20	21 DAY 5 Pick Up	22 DAY 1 Pick Up	23 DAY 2 Pick Up	24 DAY 3 Pick Up Christmas Eve	25 NO Pick Up Christmas Day	26 NO Pick Up Boxing Day
27	28 NO Pick Up Statutory Holiday	29 DAY 4 Pick Up	30 DAY 5 Pick Up	31 DAY 1 Pick Up New Year's Eve	1 NO Pick Up New Year's Day	2
3	4 DAY 2 Pick Up	5 DAY 3 Pick Up	6 DAY 4 Pick Up	7 DAY 5 Pick Up	8 DAY 1 Pick Up	9

Christmas Tree Pick Up: January 4 - 8 on your regular pickup days

Under our new waste collection program, residents can place as many bags as they want in their bins so long as the lid closes firmly.

Only **REAL** Christmas trees will be picked up.

There is no limit to the amount of recyclable bags you can put out.

WINTER FIRE SAFETY

COOK WITH CAUTION

The colder months are a great time to gather with friends and family to celebrate holidays, or just enjoy a cozy meal inside. It is also, on average, the period of the year with the highest call volume, and **cooking fires are the leading cause of home fires and home injuries**. By following a few safety tips you can prevent these fires.

- Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop.
- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- If you are simmering, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.



LIGHT UP THE HOLIDAYS SAFELY

The December holiday seasons are a joyous time of year to celebrate with friends and family, and transition into 2027. Make sure you are building good habits at home so that this holiday season is as safe as it is fun!

- Be careful with holiday decorations. Choose ones that are flame resistant.
- Keep lit candles away from decorations or your tree!
- Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use. Make sure you check the packaging to know which is which.
- Use clips, not nails, to hang lights.
- Test your smoke alarms and tell guests about the home fire escape plan.
- Keep children and pets away from lit candles.
- Blow out lit candles before bed, and turn off all lights and decorations!



SNOW CLEARING FAQ



ON STREET OVER NIGHT PARKING BAN DECEMBER 1, 2026 - MAY 1, 2027

During heavy snowfall events, residents are encouraged to minimize parking on the road, even during daylight hours. Parked vehicles prevent the City's snowclearing equipment from plowing efficiently and effectively.

Why does the plow keep coming by when there has been no new snow?

Depending on the duration of the snowfall, plowing may continue with the goal of pushing snow back as far as possible to make room for more snow from upcoming snowfalls and keep the right of way open as long as possible.

How does the City decide the order of streets to plow?

The City prioritizes snow clearing across seven routes by plowing primary streets first, secondary streets next, and side streets last. A heavy snowfall may require primary and secondary roads to be cleared multiple times in order before crews can reach side streets.

It's been snowing for several hours, where are the City plows?

The City's streets and roads are divided into 7 zones, with each zone covered by 1 or 2 plows depending on their size and complexity. Under normal conditions it takes approximately 12 hours to completely plow each route. During heavy snow events the primary streets may have to be plowed more frequently, thereby extending the time to complete the route. Thus it's possible that a given street may not see a plow for 12 hours or more after the plows have been mobilized.

How does the City decide to salt, sand or plow the roads?

At -8°C or warmer, the City applies salt during light snowfall, switching to plowing if snow accumulates too quickly. Plowed roads are then treated with a salt-and-sand mixture to melt residual ice and add traction. When temperatures drop below -8°C, the City exclusively uses sand on the roads.

Can City snow equipment operate during the night?

Yes. The City of Corner Brook Noise Regulations states "nothing in these Regulations shall prohibit the following; the removal or clearing of snow by equipment."

If I have nowhere to throw my snow can I throw it into the street?

No. This rule also applies to contractors who clear snow on private property. It is the responsibility of the property owner to make sure no snow has been pushed into the right of way.

Adopt-A-Hydrant
2027

WIN UP TO \$2500 TRAVEL VOUCHER!

Go to cornerbrook.com/adoptahydrant
for more info and to register.



SNOW CLEARING FAQ

Can I put a snow marker on my property?

Plastic or Wooden snow markers are permitted. As per our Snow Marker Policy (#06-02-04) steel markers are not permitted due to the serious safety hazard they create. If steel markers are installed they will be removed and placed on the homeowner's property. The City does not accept responsibility for plastic or wooden markers that are knocked down or damaged during snow clearing.

Is the City responsible for damage or debris because of snow plowing?

As stated in the Snow and Ice Control Policy (#06-02-01) the City shall not be responsible for damage or clean up of lawns, flower beds, trees, etc caused by the accumulation of salt, sand or other debris remaining after snow banks melt or otherwise arising from snow clearing and ice removal.

When does the City decide to use the snow blowers?

Snow blowers are attachments that are installed on the loaders used to plow the snow. When weather allows, the plow blades are removed to allow installation of the blower attachments such that the City focuses on widening the streets and intersections. The snow blowers start on the main roads and school zones first and then move to the side streets. The City of Corner Brook currently has 2 snow blower attachments.

What streets does the sidewalk blower clear?

The sidewalk blower clears sidewalks focusing on both school zones and the downtown core sidewalks.

Who is responsible to keep a clear pathway to the fire hydrant in front of my house?

The City of Corner Brook does snow from all City owned hydrants in an effort to protect public safety, however residents are encouraged to remove snow from around a hydrant if it is near their house or they can adopt a hydrant anywhere in the City. See the adjacent page for Adopt-a-Hydrant information. Residents are not permitted to deposit snow near fire hydrants.

Will the City remove snow out of my driveway if there is too much to shovel or the pieces are too heavy to move?

The City of Corner Brook does not clear private driveways or their easements. Residents can expect varying amounts of snow at the end of their property depending on any number of factors such as snowfall, as well as what is caught in the snow roll from down the road. If a plow leaves behind heavy ice blocks that you cannot move, you can call the Customer Service Line at 1-709-637-1666 to have a foreperson assess the situation.

Can I plow or deposit snow on the road edge, or push it across the road to the opposite bank?

No, snow can not be deposited within the City right of way or on sidewalks. Please do your part to keep our roadways and walkways clear and find a means of depositing it on your lawn or elsewhere on your property. We cannot guarantee when a plow or sidewalk blower will be in your neighborhood and in the meantime it could become a hazard.

Can potholes be fixed during the winter months?

Paving and compaction must be performed while the asphalt is sufficiently hot. In our climate paving with hot asphalt is restricted to the warmer months because in winter the air temperature and compacted base will cool the asphalt too much before it is sufficiently compacted. As a result we use a compound called "cold patch", or sandbags until we can assign crews to use the cold patch. To report a pothole go to www.cornerbrook.com/637-1666.

COMMUNITY PROFILE



Left to right: Samantha Osmond (Visual Arts Outreach Officer), Brad Randell (Performing Arts Outreach Officer), and Robert Gross (Administration Officer)

For a city of our size and population, Corner Brook certainly punches above its weight with artistic spaces and quality artist output. There is no shortage of opportunities for young and aspiring artists to develop their voice, but also for residents and visitors to see established names perform or display their work in a variety of styles and genres. At the hub is a venue called the Rotary Arts Centre, located in the bottom level of City Hall at 5 Park Street.

First announced in 2014 with financial support from Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, Canadian Heritage, Province of Newfoundland and Labrador along with contributions from the City, the “RAC” has since been a creative incubator for up-and-comers, as well as seasoned artists. For staff, this is what it’s all about.

For our first Community Profile, we sat down with Brad Randell, Rob Gross, and Samantha Osmond who were nominated for their hard work to promote arts, music, and culture in Corner Brook—contributing to the vibrancy and economic development of this city through the celebration of artists, filmmakers, and providing the foundations for creatives to develop and exhibit their art.

“When I grew up in Corner Brook, nothing like this existed,” says Randell. “We were a bunch of high school kids that you know would play in a school cafeteria for a battle of bands once a year, and then occasionally we would rent a small little venue that used to be above the bowling alley.”

For Gross, it is also a great space for screening films that might not otherwise make it to the big screens “I’m proud of the reaction I get when people discover that the RAC is a place where they can watch unusual movies, or something that’s meaningful. Even if it’s a small crowd, the fact that people can have like just that look on their face that you know they got something out of it when they walk out of the theatre, it’s a little more profound than like your popcorn date at the regular multiplex.” He mentions a recent screening of a polish film in the space which was enjoyed by some Ukrainian immigrants, who mentioned after that they don’t see material like that anywhere else and they were delighted that it was screened at the RAC.

Osmond, a graduate of the Grenfell Campus Fine Arts Program, is particularly fond of the collaboration they have with the institution which is coming up on its tenth year. “[The students] really get a chance to see what it’s like to put together an exhibition from start to finish. And it’s something that I wish that I had the opportunity to do while I was going through my schooling, and to see the wonderful artworks and the great curation, and to give all those wonderful up-and-coming artists the opportunity to really get knowledge from the ground up is really special.”

It's this kind of community work that really matters for them all with collaborations that range across organizations such as Qalipu First Nation, the Status of Women's Council and even The Independent news site, helping to raise their platform in the community. They especially enjoy putting together younger artists with older mentors. This past summer they were able to hire a student as "musician in residence", which ended up being Connor Cash Elliott. Brad connected him with Keith Harding, Kevin Hamilton and Ford Burton along with younger players Peter Erwin and Landon Moyles. Says Randell, "For [Connor and his younger peers] to be able to learn in that environment and improve, and just to be able to be in a room with guys that age that have done so much throughout their musical careers, it's pretty special to be able to supply people with those opportunities."

At the end of October – October 24th to be exact – something else very cool is on the way mixing movies and music in a unique way. About two and a half years ago the RAC staged a live performance of an original score to the silent film "Metropolis". Composed and performed by Scott Sheppard, it turned out to be a hit and they're bringing the concept back with Sheppard returning alongside musician Robert Humber. This time, it will be an original score for the 1922 vampire film, Nosferatu. "I'm just proud that people still say "yes" to ideas. Yeah, really excited for that one." Says Brad.

Following Nosferatu is The Legend of Boggy Creek, A documentary-style drama about the "Fouke Monster", a Bigfoot-type creature that has been sighted in and around Fouke, Arkansas since the 1950s screening ahead of a radio play about Bigfoot by Open Door Theatre! There are tributes to Black Sabbath, Tom Petty and Fleetwood Mac lined up along with Earth Laughs in Flowers by Anita Singh in the gallery until November 11th.

To learn more about the Rotary Arts Centre and see what is happening throughout this fall, winter as well as 2027 summer programming head to rotaryartscentre.ca, or better yet drop by and have a chat with one of these fine folks, an excellent trio with which to debut our Community Highlights series!



In future editions of this newsletter we will profile residents who make an impact in Corner Brook, and we need your help!

Think someone deserves a shoutout?
Email newsletter@cornerbrook.com providing a short summary of why they should be featured. The individual must be aware they are nominated, and be comfortable having a brief discussion as well as their photo taken.



RECREATION FACILITIES

MARINA REDMOND CENTRE



ACTIVE TOTS
Tuesdays and Thursdays
9:30am-11:30am
at the MRC

OCTOBER

Free Community Swims every Monday from 6:30pm-8:30pm (registration is required)
Sensory Friendly Swim is the first Sunday of every month from 10-11am.
Senior's Swim (Times will vary, see website for more info)

NOVEMBER

November 11 - Free Open Swim: 12:15-1:30pm & 1:45-3:00pm (registration required)
Free Community Swims every Monday from 6:30pm-8:30pm (registration is required)
Sensory Friendly Swim is the first Sunday of every month from 10-11am.
Senior's Swim (Times will vary, see website for more info)

DECEMBER

December 26 - Free Boxing Day Swim: 12:15-1:30pm & 1:45-3:00pm (registration required)
Free Community Swims every Monday from 6:30pm-8:30pm (registration is required)
Sensory Friendly Swim is the first Sunday of every month from 10-11am.
Senior's Swim (Times will vary, see website for more info)

For the pool schedule, program information and to purchase a membership,
visit www.marinaredmondcentre.com



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CORNER BROOK CIVIC CENTRE



NL Regiment Pre-season game at the Civic Centre

There is so much happening at the Corner Brook Civic Centre, all year 'round! Head to www.cbcciviccetre.com for a full schedule of Senior Hockey games, concerts, markets, conventions, figure skating and much more! Or, maybe you'd like to host something in one of our many event spaces such as Canada House or the Civic Centre Studio? Heck, did you know that the Civic Centre is the home of the Newfoundland and Labrador Hockey Hall of Fame, as well as an excellent all-season walking track? Drop by 1 Canada Games Pl or give us a call at 709-637-1230 for more info.



SKATING AT THE CIVIC CENTRE

General Skate & Open Hockey

Monday
Wednesday
Friday

12 - 1:30pm

Toddler Skate

Tuesday
Thursday

1 - 2pm

Adult Skate

Tuesday
Thursday
2 - 3pm

Sunday
8:30 - 9:30pm

Family Skate

Saturday
Sunday

1:30 - 2:30pm

OUTDOOR RINK

The outdoor rink is located next to the dog park on Wellington Street, and open depending on weather conditions. Follow us on social media for updates and scan the QR code below for location.



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EXTENDED TRANSIT HOURS



Corner Brook Transit

Due to the overwhelming success of our On-Demand Transit program, we added a second bus to cover evening and weekend shifts!



OUR SUCCESS BY THE NUMBERS

4.3

Rides per service hour,
evenings and weekends

1600

Accessible rides since
April 1, 2026

30

Rides per day for both
services

3000

On-Demand rides since
April 1, 2026

Book on-demand
with the Blaise App

Go to
[www.cornerbrook.com/
bus-transit](http://www.cornerbrook.com/bus-transit)
for more info



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TRANSIT HOURS

Fixed-Route:
Monday to Friday
7:00am - 6:00pm
(last run 6:00pm)

Accessible Transit:
Monday to Friday
7:00am - 6:00pm

On-demand & Accesible:
Monday to Friday
6:00pm-11:00pm
(last run 11:00pm)

Saturday-Sunday
9:00am to 5:00pm
(last run 5:00pm)



GET THE INFO THAT MATTERS!

From road closure notices to water main breaks, don't miss the updates that actually affect your day. Voyent Alert! is the City's official way to send you localized, real-time notifications.

- **Customized:** Get alerts specific to your home, work, or school.
- **Flexible:** Choose app notifications, SMS, email, or voice calls.
- **Free:** Stay informed at no cost to you.

Download the Voyent Alert! app or register online today to stay connected to your community.



Help Family and Friends Stay Informed

Do you have an elderly parent, relative, or neighbour who would benefit from receiving important City notifications? Let them know about Voyent Alert! and help them get registered.

Residents who need assistance signing up can call 709-637-1666, and a City Customer Service Representative will register them on their behalf.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

Improving the Cultural Fabric of Our Vibrant City

Yearly, the City of Corner Brook awards grants to local organizations for initiatives that enhance our community. This could include supporting festivals and events, or even helping to fund non-profits and neighbourhood groups.

The types of grants, and eligibility requirements are listed on our website. Applications will be accepted up until all current year budgeted grant funds are distributed.



To apply go to
[www.cornerbrook.com/
community-grant-program](http://www.cornerbrook.com/community-grant-program)



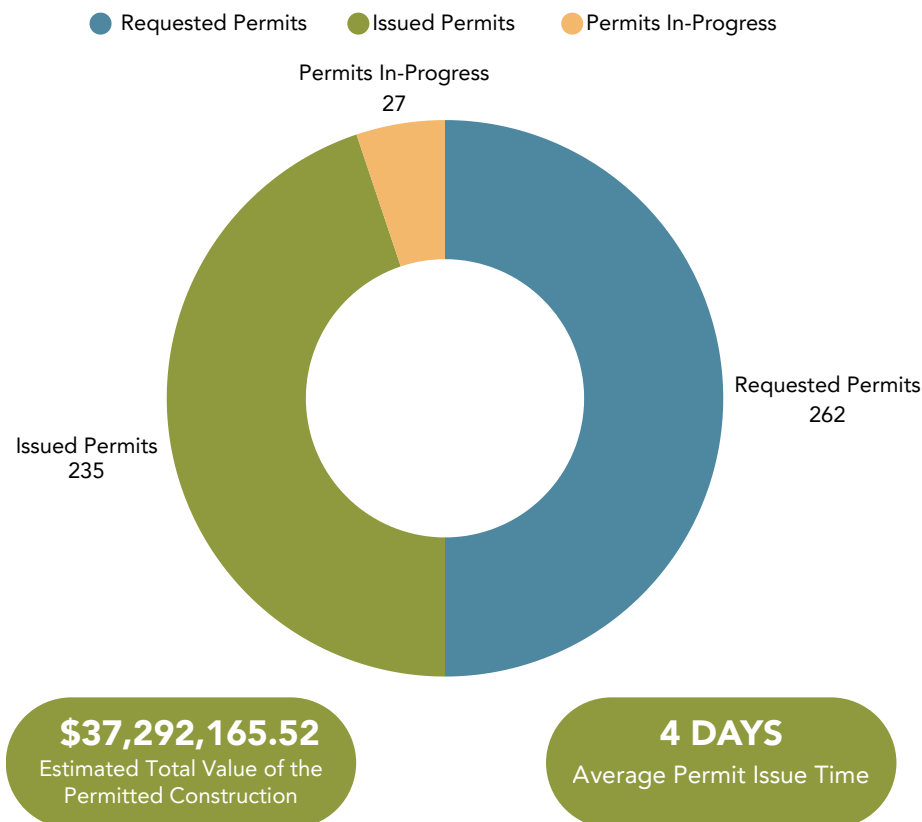
DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING

Planning & Development is about much more than paperwork, processes, and permits! At the heart of our department is planning. Planning is how the City ensures that our community grows in a way that works for everyone. We want people to be able to build, invest, and improve their properties, but also enjoy the place they both live and work. We look at development and consider not only whether something is safe, but also whether it is appropriate and compatible with the surrounding neighbourhood. From new homes and businesses, to renovations and additions, quarries, watersheds, driveways, subdivisions, and everything in between!

When you apply for a permit to develop, build, or make any changes to your property, it gives the City an opportunity to make sure things are being built safely and in the right place. It also allows us to identify any known issues with a property that could cause problems or surprises during construction. So, while a permit might sometimes feel like just another form to fill out, there's a lot happening behind the scenes! Permits and approvals help make sure the places we live, work, and play, are safe and built to last!

PERMITS BY THE NUMBERS

January 1 - September 1, 2026



Have a project in mind?

Go to www.cornerbrook.com/permits/development-permits

IMSP - PLANNING TOGETHER

Integrated Municipal Sustainability Plan

So, what is the IMSP, anyway?

IMSP stands for **Integrated Municipal Sustainability Plan**, and it's Corner Brook's master rulebook and roadmap rolled into one. It is a legal document guiding how our city grows over roughly the next ten years: where new homes and businesses can be built, how we protect green spaces, and how we plan for aging roads, water lines, and sidewalks.

Why does Corner Brook need a new one?

Our current plan dates back to 2011, and a lot has changed since then. The City has identified four big challenges to plan for over the next decade:

- **Climate change**
- **Urban sprawl and housing choices**
- **Aging infrastructure**
- **Demographic and economic uncertainty**

For example, the City manages roughly **175km** of drinking water pipes, **137km** of sewer lines, **146km** of streets, and **52km** of sidewalks, much of it aging. We also need to think about whether it makes more sense to build "up" within existing neighbourhoods, rather than sprawling further "out," which tends to cost more to service long-term.

How does this impact me?

This plan affects everyday life in Corner Brook: what housing gets built and where, how walkable our neighbourhoods are, how we protect the environment, and how our tax dollars get spent on infrastructure. It shapes the city your kids and grandkids will grow up in.

And here's the exciting part: **Your voice matters!**

In early 2027, the City will open a **Public Engagement** period specifically for the updated IMSP and Development Regulations. This is your chance to learn what's changing, see how it affects you, and tell us what works and what doesn't. Your decisions could help shape Corner Brook for the next ten years.

Visit cornerbrookplan.ca for background documents, fact sheets, and updates on the project timeline as we move toward the 2027 engagement period.



hello fall!
can you colour trees
red, orange +
yellow?

where are
two swans?

how many
ducks can you
find?