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How MODL’s Proposed Budget Invests in What Matters Most to You

A look at the key operating and capital investments shaping services, infrastructure, affordability, and community growth for the year ahead.

Every year, Council works to build a budget that reflects the real needs of the people who live and work here. This year, residents have been especially engaged—asking questions, sharing concerns, and helping shape where the District of Lunenburg should focus its dollars and attention.

As we head into the final stages of the 2026-2027 budget process, here’s a look at the major investments being proposed:

Creating a Stronger, More Resilient Local Economy

People want thriving communities where businesses can grow, services are accessible, and young people see a future here. This budget reflects that.

One of the largest investments is the new Community & Business Hub in Osprey Village. With a one-time \$3-million fit-up funded entirely from operating reserves, the Hub will provide shared spaces for entrepreneurs, nonprofits, community training, and events. Residents have asked for more places to gather and more local services, and this Hub delivers both.

Public transit continues to expand. Whether it’s students getting to school, seniors making appointments, or workers

travelling to jobs – mobility matters. The draft plan includes \$600,000 for fixed-route bus capital and increased operating support for Lunenburg County Wheels.

As population growth increases pressure on housing, the budget makes targeted investments in the Housing Strategy, including public engagement and planning work to help residents stay informed about how and where growth happens.

Investing in Infrastructure People Depend On

Reliable services—roads, wastewater systems, parks, and waste collection—are the foundation of everyday life. This budget works to keep those services strong, even as costs rise.

Waste collection costs have increased by 9.3%, but the department’s overall budget is projected to decrease by nearly 13%, thanks to efficiencies and major benefits from Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). EPR provides more than \$1 million in combined revenue and savings, helping MODL fund transit, waste services, and infrastructure reserves without broad tax increases.

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Mayor's Message

How Are You Feeling About Your Quality of Life?

By now, households across the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg will have received a postcard in the mail inviting you to take part in the Nova Scotia Quality of Life Survey. It's an opportunity to pause for a moment and reflect on a simple but important question: how are you really doing?

This province-wide survey, led by Engage Nova Scotia in collaboration with the Canadian Index of Wellbeing, happens only every few years. The last one was completed in 2019, and the information gathered has helped shape conversations and decisions across Nova Scotia. Now it's time to check in again.

When we talk about "quality of life," we're talking about more than income or employment statistics. The survey explores eight key areas that Canadians have identified as central to wellbeing: community vitality, democratic engagement, education, environment, healthy populations, leisure and culture, living standards, and time use. In other words, it asks about the things that make up daily life — your sense of belonging, your access to recreation, how affordable things feel, your trust in institutions, your connection to nature, and even how pressed for time you are.



MAYOR
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The survey includes about 200 questions and takes between 30 and 60 minutes to complete. I know that sounds like a commitment — and it is. But it's also an investment in our community. The more residents who participate, the clearer the picture we will have of life here in the District of Lunenburg.

Your responses are completely anonymous and voluntary. They cannot be traced back to you. One person per household is asked to complete the survey — specifically, the household member aged 16 or older whose birthday is closest to June.

From a Council perspective, this kind of information is incredibly valuable. We often hear from residents through emails, meetings, and community events, and those conversations are important. But this survey gives us broader, data-driven insight into lived experiences across the entire Municipality. It helps us see trends, identify gaps, and understand where we're doing well and where we need to focus more attention in the years ahead.

Issues like health, affordability, public safety, access to recreation, loneliness, discrimination, and community belonging are not abstract concepts — they're real experiences shaping people's everyday lives. Having reliable data allows us to plan programs, services, and long-term priorities with solid data, not "gut feelings".

If enough residents participate, we will receive meaningful local results that truly reflect our community. That's why your voice matters.

I encourage you to take the time to complete the survey. You can also learn more by visiting Engage Nova Scotia online (engagenovascotia.ca/our-survey) or following them on social media for updates and community events supporting survey participation.

Thank you in advance for helping us build a stronger, healthier District of Lunenburg — together.

Your mayor,
Elspeth

KITE FLYING FAMILY FUN DAY

Join us for a fun filled day!

Saturday, May 16
 Rain date: Sunday, May 17
1:00pm - 4:00pm
 The MARC Ballfields
 97 Leary Fraser Road, Dayspring

Featuring

- Tide Kite**
100+ free amazing kites to fly!
- Children's Entertainment**
- Food Trucks**

Quality of Life Survey Have Your Say

One adult (16+) per household is invited to take part in Engage Nova Scotia's Quality of Life Survey. It's voluntary, anonymous, and helps shape local decisions.



Learn more:
engagenovascotia.ca/our-survey



Councillor's Corner



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Are you connected with someone buried at Hillside Cemetery?

Hillside Cemetery is the final resting place of several members of the community, estimated to be more than 230, who died while living at the Lunenburg Municipal Hospital (County Home), which was located on the site of the current Municipal Activity Recreation Complex (MARC) at 33 Leary Fraser Road, Dayspring, NS.

The Municipality of the District of Lunenburg wants to know if any family members or relatives of those buried at Hillside Cemetery are interested in a way to honour their loved one by name. Your interest will help us decide whether to move ahead with this potential memorial project.

Please contact Sandra Challis
sandra.challis@modl.ca or 902-541-1321
by January 31st, 2027





MODL to Become Anchor Tenant at WellTide Health Facility

The Municipality of the District of Lunenburg (MODL) will be the anchor tenant in the new WellTide Health facility now under construction in Osprey Village. MODL will lease 13,500 sq. ft. of accessible, community focused space, including a 100-seat conference centre, a 16-person boardroom, a commercial kitchen, and the future Fancy Pants Café. The space will also support a new business hub designed to encourage entrepreneurship and collaboration.

“Securing space at WellTide Health allows us to advance economic development priorities while supporting vibrant community spaces,” said Mayor Elspeth McLean-Wile. “By establishing a community hub and making room for future business activity, this partnership contributes to the growth of Osprey Village and creates new opportunities for residents, entrepreneurs, and local organizations.”

WellTide Health, developed by Partners for Care and supported by Lindsay Construction and RCS Construction is a 45,000 sq. ft. modern, accessible centre bringing together health, wellness, and community services under one roof.

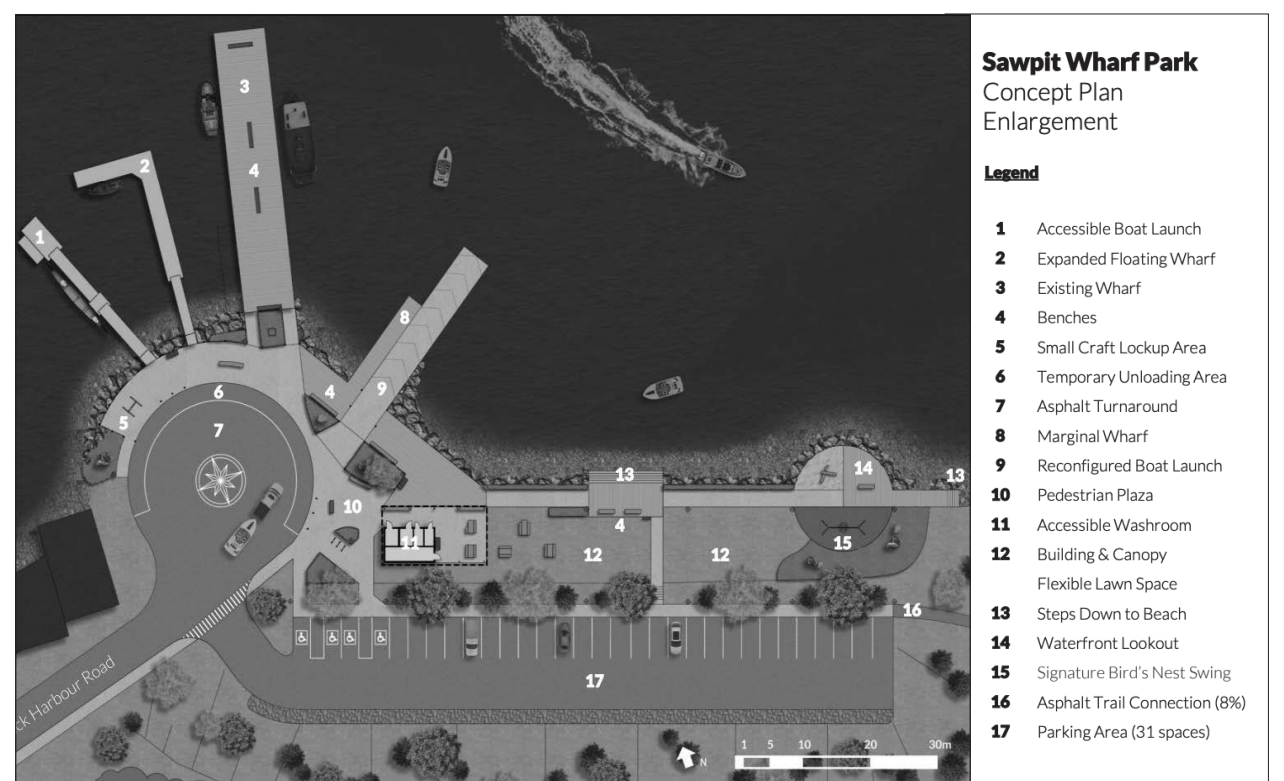
Individuals or organizations interested in renting space or learning about upcoming opportunities are encouraged to contact WellTide Health at welltidehealth.ca.

Sawpit Wharf Park – Upgrades Ahead

Big changes are coming to Sawpit Wharf Park! Building on recent community input and the need to replace the aging wharf, the Municipality is moving forward with upgrades that will make the park safer, more accessible, and even more enjoyable in the years ahead.

To complete this work, the existing wooden wharf will be removed this year, and the new timber wharf will begin construction. This means there will be no wharf access for the 2026 boating season, and some areas around the wharf and launch may experience temporary closures. Access to floating docks may also be limited depending on the construction schedule, but updates will be shared as timelines become clearer.

When finished, the park will feature a new floating dock system, an accessible canoe/kayak launch, an improved boat launch, and future enhancements to parking,



green space, and amenities. These upgrades will create a more welcoming, user friendly space for residents and visitors alike.

For more information, contact Recreation, Parks & Tourism at 902-541-1343.

Lunenburg County Wheels: Getting Around Just Got Easier

Getting where you need to go matters. That's why, two years after expanding across the entire county, Lunenburg County Wheels is giving a big springtime "Thank you!" to the many funders, sponsors, and community partners, including MODL, who help make this service possible.

Since 2024, LC Wheels has offered weekday, door-to-door transportation for all ages across every MODL community, as well as Bridgewater, Lunenburg, and Mahone Bay. Whether it's getting to work, a medical appointment, shopping, recreation, or visiting friends, residents are on the move with LC Wheels, with more than 1,400 trips in the busiest summer months.

Today, the service runs with six vehicles, including four accessible vans, with 14 professional drivers. Operations Manager Daron Lantz leads the team, supported by a full-time dispatcher and part-time administrative assistant.

Running a county-wide service takes resources. LC Wheels' \$450,000 annual budget comes from government partners, local businesses, community groups, individual donors, and rider fares.

"We're incredibly grateful for all our funders and supporters," says President Jerome Tanner. "Link Nova Scotia provides major pilot funding, the federal government covered 80% of our accessible vans, and the four municipalities we serve contribute annually."

MODL is proud to support the service, including making LC Wheels a yearly budget line item. Previous support included funding a seven-passenger minivan, bicycle racks for two vans, and keeping long-distance fares affordable by capping one-way trips at \$7.50.

Local businesses and community groups also play a huge part. Michelin supplied tires for the full fleet, O'Regan's Toyota provided a vehicle discount, and organizations like Nova Insurance, Pharmasave, the SSRH Auxiliary, Health Services Foundation, Lions Clubs, and 100 Bluenosers Who Care have all contributed. United Way of Lunenburg County also helps riders who can't afford fares. Last year, individual donors contributed \$3,300.

Looking ahead, riders say they'd love to see service on Saturdays and weekday evenings. Tanner says expanding the schedule would mean continuing strong partnerships and drawing in even more local support.



Book a Ride at 902-523-4455

Follow Us on Facebook: LunenburgCountyWheels
Visit Our Website: lcwheels.ca

Join the Board!

LC Wheels relies on a dedicated volunteer Board to keep the service strong.

If you're interested in serving, contact:
communications@lcwheels.ca
or call 902-521-2202.



Explore MODL's Updated Land Use Planning Drafts

DID YOU KNOW?

Zoning and Existing Uses

All existing buildings and current uses remain legal, even if zoning changes—often referred to as “grandfathering.” Zoning helps ensure orderly, compatible, and environmentally responsible development.



The District of Lunenburg has released updated second drafts of its Municipal-Wide Land Use Planning documents—an important step in shaping how our communities grow over the next two decades. These drafts incorporate substantial public feedback gathered throughout the project, along with direction from Council.

The updated documents were presented to Council on March 10, and residents are invited to review the changes and explore how the draft plans may relate to their property or community. MODL is hosting a series of open houses across the Municipality to ensure residents from all areas have the opportunity to learn more, ask questions, and speak directly with planning staff.

Understanding MODL's Municipal-Wide Planning Process

Why MODL is Creating a Municipal Wide Plan

In 2018, the Province of Nova Scotia required all municipalities to adopt municipal-wide land use plans to guide future development, protect natural resources, and support sustainable infrastructure. MODL is creating its plan to meet these provincial requirements while reflecting the needs and priorities of local communities.

What the Plan Must Address

All planning documents must align with the Province's Statements of Provincial Interest, including:

- Drinking water protection
- Flood risk areas
- Agricultural land preservation
- Efficient use of infrastructure
- Housing needs

How the Plan Works

Two documents guide municipal wide planning:

- Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS): Establishes goals, policies, and direction.
- Land Use By law (LUB): Implements the MPS by defining zones and permitted land uses.

When We Started

Since the project launched in 2020, MODL has moved through early engagement, development of the first drafts, and extensive public feedback. The updated second drafts provide another key opportunity for residents to review and help shape the future of the Municipality.

Open House Dates

- March 12 – LaHave Fire Hall, 6–8 p.m. (presentation 6:30)
- March 18 – Municipal Services Building, 3–7 p.m. (drop in)
- March 19 – New Germany Legion, 6–8 p.m. (presentation 6:30)
- March 23 – Municipal Services Building, 3–7 p.m. (drop in)
- March 25 – Virtual Open House, 1–2 p.m.
- March 30 – Municipal Services Building, 3–7 p.m. (drop in)
- April 1 – Northfield Fire Hall, 6–8 p.m. (presentation 6:30)
- April 8 – Big Tancook Island Recreation Centre, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. (drop in)

Residents can watch the Council presentation on MODL's YouTube channel at youtube.com/@modlnovascotia, and view all draft documents, maps, and background information at engage.modl.ca/MODL2040.

Summer Employment Opportunities



Visitor Services Manager

Deadline to apply:
March 18, 2026

Tourism Ambassador

Deadline to apply:
April 1, 2026

*Pending Funding Approval

Email Resume:
ruth.wawin@modl.ca

Summer Manager

Special Events Manager

Sports/Camps Manager

Deadline to apply:
March 13, 2026

Email Resume:
tissy.bolivar@modl.ca

Program Leaders (12–15 weeks)

Deadline to apply:
April 10, 2026

Program Leaders (8–9 weeks)

Deadline to apply:
May 1, 2026

Email Resume:
tissy.bolivar@modl.ca

Mail or Drop-Off Resumes:

10 Allee Champlain Drive, Cookville B4V 9E4
Full job descriptions found at: www.modl.ca/jobs

Budget

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On the capital side, significant multi-year wastewater infrastructure upgrades continue in Cookville, Hebbville, and New Germany—projects essential to supporting growth in Osprey Village and protecting local waterways. MODL is also continuing its J-Class road paving partnership with the Province, sharing costs to improve local roads without shifting the entire burden onto taxpayers.

Residents consistently express how important trails, green spaces, and parks are for recreation, health, and tourism. This draft budget includes increased support for volunteer trail groups, targeted trail funding, and water-quality monitoring at Sherbrooke Lake, along with capital improvements and accessibility upgrades in parks across MODL.

Council is also continuing to set aside money for long-term road, sewer, and public infrastructure needs—reducing the risk of sudden tax spikes in future years.

Helping Households Manage Rising Costs

Affordability remains one of the biggest concerns residents raise with Council.

The Property Tax Rebate Program supports households with lower incomes by providing rebates of \$280, \$490, or \$700, depending on income. With a program cost of about \$650,000 (equivalent to roughly 1.5 cents on the tax rate), this support is meaningful for those most affected by rising living costs.

Water access is another growing challenge. With more residents experiencing dry wells, the draft budget allocates up to \$500,000 from reserves to help homeowners finance private water solutions, plus \$30,000 for emergency water relief.

Support also continues for LC Wheels, the Seniors' Safety Program, and local food banks—services that directly improve quality of life and help people stay connected.

Acting on Climate Change, Right Here at Home

Residents want practical, local climate action.

The draft budget includes \$500,000 for Clean Energy Financing, helping homeowners install heat pumps, insulation, and other energy-saving improvements. Since participants repay these loans into the program reserve, the initiative becomes self-sustaining while helping residents reduce energy bills.

Other climate-related initiatives include managing the spread of Hemlock Woolly Adelgid, maintaining EV chargers, operating solar arrays, improving energy efficiency in municipal buildings, and expanding the e-bike loan program.

Better Communication, Easier Access to Information

The new Tax Bill Customer Portal, expected to launch in April 2026, will allow property owners to securely view balances, payment history, and due dates online.

Planning projects will include more engagement and awareness, helping residents understand and participate in decisions that shape their communities. Improved tax bill messaging, expanded social media updates, and increased community outreach will help keep information accessible and timely.

Learn more at: engage.modl.ca/budget26-27



Help Shape Our New Flood Maps

New flood maps are being developed for the South Shore. Your local knowledge improves accuracy and usefulness.

Ways You Can Get Involved

Add Your Insights to the Interactive Map

There's an online map where you can easily drop pins, add comments, and highlight places where you've seen flooding or high water. You can also flag areas or community assets that you think should be considered.



Visit: dillonconsulting.mysocialpinpoint.com/south-shore-nova-scotia-mflm

Have a Conversation with the Team

If you'd rather talk through what you know, the project team is offering short, friendly 30 minute interviews. These are a great way to share more detailed experiences or ask questions.

Share Photos, Notes, or Historical Details

Old photos from storms, notes you've taken about water levels, or even a quick email describing what you've witnessed can all be incredibly helpful.

To book or send info directly contact: southshore.ns.floodmapping@dillon.ca

Waste Collection Route Changes in March 2026

The District of Lunenburg is updating its waste collection routes this year to improve efficiency. Currently, waste is collected across ten routes from Monday to Friday, with holiday pickup on Saturdays.

Beginning March 30, 2026 Here's What's Changing

- Collection will take place **Tuesday through Friday** over a **two-week cycle**.
- **Holiday collection** will move to **Mondays**.

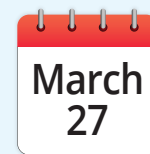
Waste collection starts at 7 a.m. Please have all materials at the roadside by that time.

Regular bi-weekly collection continues to include: green cart (organics), paper and cardboard, recyclable containers, garbage, and up to two bulky landfill items. Annual special collections—fall wood and metal pickup, electronics collection and Christmas tree pickup—will continue as usual.

View updated route maps and download your personal calendar and the app for notifications at southshorewaste.ca. Questions? Call 902-543-2991.



Key Dates



Current routes remain in place until **March 27, 2026**.



New routes take effect **March 30, 2026**.

Download the Waste App
southshorewaste.ca



Coming this Fall to Osprey Village WellTide Health



Aligned with the provincial **Action for Health** plan to improve care access, WellTide Health is a new, two-storey, 45,000 sq. ft. modern space developed by Partners for Care and supported by Lindsay Construction and RCS Construction. WellTide Health brings together community-centred health and wellness programs, businesses, and supports aligned with the needs of the surrounding community. By listening to local leaders and community members, we understand the value and impact WellTide Health could have for the region.

What makes WellTide Health different?

- Building partnerships at the intersections of public, business, and community sectors in one building.
- Empowering people through information, support, and meaningful connections so they feel cared for and confident in their health and wellness journey.
- Providing on-site, person-centred navigation to help people understand what services exist, how to access them, and how different providers connect.



We are currently leasing space in WellTide Health for health and wellness practitioners and businesses. We are also excited to include the Partners for Care Collaboration Hub in the facility, a modern co-working space for health and wellness providers to deliver care. Reflecting the realities, strengths, and needs of the region it serves, person-centred navigation will be a guide for the community.

Want to learn more? Visit us at: welltidehealth.ca

Comfort Centres and Emergency Shelters

We all know that emergencies don't follow a calendar. So even as we pack away the snow shovels, it's a good moment to get familiar with the places you can go for support if something unexpected happens. Let's take a quick tour of our local Comfort Centres and Emergency Shelters—what they are, how they help, and why it's useful to know where they are.

Comfort Centres

- Comfort Centres are places you can go to warm up or cool down when you are sheltering-in-place (staying safely close to home during an emergency).
- Comfort Centres may offer washrooms, tea and coffee, water refills, information, and a place to recharge devices - but they are not overnight accommodations.
- Comfort Centres open when there is a need – either in an emergency, or when residents don't have full services like electricity, heat or water. They are run by volunteer organizations, and open when they have enough volunteers to do so safely. Some sites, like the YMCA of Southwest NS and the Lunenburg County Lifestyle Centre, are available as Comfort Centres whenever their businesses are open.
- Comfort Centres are in well-known places like fire halls, community centres, and churches. There are currently 26 registered Comfort Centres in Lunenburg County!

You can find a map of all the registered centres on our website at lunenburgremo.ca/comfort-centres

- It's important to check where your nearest centre is before you lose power, or an emergency happens. Know a few in different neighbourhoods too, so you have a backup plan if your local centre isn't open.
- Lunenburg REMO doesn't decide when a Comfort Centre opens. REMO provides guidance to these centres, but the decision to open is made by the community group responsible for the centre.
- Want to learn about registering your facility as a comfort centre? **Email us at info@LunenburgREMO.ca**

Emergency Shelters

- Emergency Shelters offer overnight accommodations for those forced to leave their homes in an emergency. Shelters can also offer other services like mental health support.
- Emergency Shelters open when there is a need for overnight accommodation in an emergency. The Canadian Red Cross operates these shelters, with direction from Department of Community Services.
- The exception is Roof 25 in Bridgewater. This 30-bed overnight shelter is open nightly to adults (19+) in need of overnight shelter, on a drop-in basis. You can find more information about Roof 25 at SSODA.org/get-local-help
- Residents will be notified about evacuations via the national Alert Ready system and the NS Alert App. These alerts have a distinctive sound and pop up on our phones, TVs, and radio to inform Canadians to take urgent action to stay safe. We will share more about emergency alerts in our next newsletter. In the meantime, find information at lunenburgremo.ca/alert
- To find out if a Comfort Centre or Evacuation Shelter is open, check out Lunenburg REMO's website or Facebook page. We also share this information with the media, including our official radio partner 107.9 GO ROCK FM

Stay Safe,
Lunenburg REMO



The Lunenburg County Regional Management Organization (REMO) supports the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg, the Municipality of the District of Chester, and the towns of Bridgewater, Mahone Bay, and Lunenburg for emergency management response. **For more info visit lunenburgremo.ca.**

DID YOU KNOW?

One Account, Multiple Municipalities

A new shared online permit portal by MODL, Bridgewater, Lunenburg, and Region of Queens lets residents and contractors apply, upload photos, and track status in one place—across communities. Paper and in-person service remain available.

GET STARTED:

Watch for 'Coffee & Create Your Account' pop-ups at local hardware stores this spring.

Find the portal link on your municipality's website.

Litter Clean-Up Incentive Program

Community groups and non-profits can raise funds by taking part in the District of Lunenburg's Litter Clean-Up Incentive Program.

Groups earn \$100 per kilometre for collecting litter along District roadways.

LEARN MORE OR APPLY AT

southshorewaste.ca
or call 902-543-2991.

Community Events

Date	Event	Details	Contact
Mondays	VON Adult Day Program	9:00am – 3:30pm, 250 Green Street, Lunenburg. This is a fun, social, and therapeutic program for seniors in a safe and comfortable environment with trained health professionals, that also provides a much-needed break for caregivers. \$20/visit (includes nutritious snacks, refreshments, and lunch).	(902) 634-7173
	Mahone Bay Centre Fitness Class	9:00am – 10:00am, Mahone Bay Centre. Exercise to music to improve cardio, core strength, flexibility, overall body and mental health. First class free/\$10 per class.	(902) 624-0890
	Monday Coffee	10:00am – 11:30am, Voglers Cove Community Hall. Enjoy tasty treats and good conversation while in the company of friends. Free; donations appreciated.	(902) 298-0871
	Be Moved Fitness	5:00pm – 6:00pm, Mahone Bay Centre. A mindful movement class. Safe, interesting moves stimulate brain/body connections. Adaptable for all levels of fitness, seating is an option. \$10. kathleen@moving-through.ca	
	Cribbage	7:00pm, Voglers Cove Community Hall. Eight games of singles crib with cash prizes. Beverages served and players are to bring treats. Entrance: \$4, High Hand: \$1, 50/50 tickets available.	(902) 677-2551
	Music Jam	7:00pm – 10:00pm, Baker Settlement & District Community Hall. 50/50, canteen, pie/cake/cookies. Wheelchair accessible. Freewill offering. If school is cancelled, the jam is cancelled.	(902) 685-2343
	Badminton	7:00pm – 8:30pm, Mahone Bay Centre Gym, 45 School Street, Mahone Bay. Drop-in badminton available for ages 16+, equipment available at the Centre unless you want to bring your own. \$5 weekly donation appreciated.	(902) 624-0890
Tuesdays	VON Adult Day Program	9:00am – 3:30pm, 78 Alexandra Avenue, Bridgewater. This is a fun, social, and therapeutic program for seniors in a safe and comfortable environment with trained health professionals, that also provides a much-needed break for caregivers. \$20/visit (includes nutritious snacks, refreshments, and lunch).	(902) 634-7173
Wednesdays	VON Adult Day Program	9:00am – 3:30pm, 78 Alexandra Avenue, Bridgewater. This is a fun, social, and therapeutic program for seniors in a safe and comfortable environment with trained health professionals, that also provides a much-needed break for caregivers. \$20/visit (includes nutritious snacks, refreshments, and lunch).	(902) 634-7173
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Thursdays	Golden Youth Card Club	1:30pm, Pleasantville Fire Hall. Ages 55+. Auction 45's. Light refreshments served. \$3/person.	(902) 527-5663
	VON Adult Day Program	9:00am – 3:30pm, 250 Green Street, Lunenburg. This is a fun, social, and therapeutic program for seniors in a safe and comfortable environment with trained health professionals, that also provides a much-needed break for caregivers. \$20/visit (includes nutritious snacks, refreshments, and lunch).	(902) 634-7173
	Young at Heart Seniors Drop-In	1:00pm – 4:00pm, Mahone Bay Centre Ariel Room, 45 School Street, Mahone Bay. Join us for an afternoon of fun and connection, featuring a wide range of games, puzzles, and great lively conversations. If games are not your thing, bring your knitting or crafts and enjoy connections with new friends. Tea/coffee and snacks are provided. Accessible entrance. Free.	(902) 624-0890
	Mahjong	2:00pm – 4:00pm, Mahone Bay Centre, 45 School Street, Mahone Bay. Everyone is invited to come and play Mahjong. If you don't know how to play, we'll teach you. Exercise your brain and meet new friends playing this game of skill, strategy and luck. \$5 weekly donation appreciated. mbcmahjong@gmail.com	
	Family Game Night	4:30pm – 6:30pm, Mahone Bay Centre Gym. All are welcome to come and play a huge variety of simple but organized games, such as corn hole, tag, obstacle courses, and board games. Enjoy some time with your family while meeting other members of the community. All children must be accompanied by a supervising adult. Free.	(902) 624-0890
Fridays	Alzheimer Society Caregiver Support Group	10:00am – 11:30am, Margaret Hennigar Library, Bridgewater. 4 th Friday of every month. Caregiver Support Groups are safe places for people in caregiving roles to come together regularly for mutual care and support. Free. Registration is required.	1 (800) 611-6345
Sundays	Badminton	11:00am – 12:30pm, Mahone Bay Centre Gym, 45 School Street, Mahone Bay. Drop-in badminton available for ages 16+, equipment available at the Centre unless you want to bring your own. \$5 weekly donation appreciated.	(902) 624-0890

Date	Event	Details	Contact
March 14	South Shore Ship Modeller Guild Meeting	1:00pm – 3:00pm, Mahone Bay Centre, Mahone Bay. Interest in ship models? All are welcome to come and chat with fellow ship modellers and see some of their incredible creations up close. Free.	(902) 624-0890
March 18	Seniors College Association of Nova Scotia (SCANS) Information Session	10:30am, Mahone Bay Centre. Continue your life-long learning by joining the Seniors' College Association of Nova Scotia, a volunteer-based registered non-profit organization dedicated to providing affordable non-credit academic courses to seniors (age 50+). Courses are for your learning enjoyment, without tests or assignments. This free Information Session will provide you with details about our upcoming Spring Courses being held at Mahone Bay Centre as well as details about membership and course registration. dianne.lapierre60@gmail.com	
March 19	LC Wheels "Thank You"	11:30am – 12:30pm, South Shore Centre, Center Court, Bridgewater. A non-profit door-to-door ride service for residents of all ages in the District of Lunenburg and local Towns, is hosting a public reception to thank all funders, sponsors, donors, and the community on the Second Anniversary of their full expansion of service to all western Lunenburg County.	
March 22	Crazy for Carrots	2:00pm – 4:00pm, Hebbville Fire Hall, Hebbville. From soup to stew and cake to juice, the common carrot is a versatile, nutritious, and tasty food. Join home-cook Diane Robitaille for a hands-on workshop for beginner cooks. \$20. Ages 12+. Pre-registration required: www.connect2rec.com	(902) 541-1343
March 22	Community Supper	4:00pm – 6:00pm, West Side United Church, 2702 Highway 331, Pentz. Eat-In or take-out. Ham, baked beans, and scalloped potatoes with choice of dessert from selection. Limited tickets available; to purchase in advance or reserve contact Philip & Neil – (902) 688-1580. \$18/Adult, Age 12 & Under/\$10 and Under 5/Free.	(902) 688-1580
March 28	Pancake Breakfast	8:00am – 11:00am, Voglers Cove Community Hall. Homemade pancakes and baked beans, with sausage, bacon, eggs, toast, and beverages. \$12 for adults, \$6 for 6-12 years, and 5 and under is free.	(902) 298-0871
March 28	Easter Egg Hunt	2:00pm – 3:30pm, MARC, 33 Leary Fraser Road, Dayspring. Join the District of Lunenburg Recreation Department for their most popular annual events! There will be face painting, games, snacks, and a visit from the Easter Bunny. It's free, donations for PRO Kids is encouraged. All ages encouraged.	(902) 541-1343
March 29	Family Movie Matinee	1:30pm – 3:30pm, Dayspring Fire Hall, Dayspring. Hop into spring with an Easter-themed indoor movie with the District of Lunenburg Recreation. A big screen, popcorn, and sweet treats make it a perfect family afternoon. It's free, donations for PRO Kids is encouraged. All ages welcome. Pre-registration required: www.connect2rec.com	(902) 541-1343
March 30	Awaken & Restore: A Spring Self-Care Workshop	6:30pm – 7:45pm, Hebbs Cross Fire Hall, Hebbs Cross. This soothing hands-on workshop includes guided instruction from instructor Rachael Jessup, self-massage practice, and tips for creating your own seasonal self-care ritual at home. \$15. Ages 16+. Pre-registration required: www.connect2rec.com	(902) 541-1343
April 2	Wheelchair Basketball Try-It	6:30pm – 7:30pm, Centre Scolaire de la Rive-Sud, Cookville. Explore the dynamic world of parasport with the District of Lunenburg Recreation Department. For all abilities, equipment provided. Ages 12+. It's free, donations for PRO Kids is encouraged. Pre-registration required: www.connect2rec.com	(902) 541-1343
April 11	South Shore Ship Modeller Guild Meeting	1:00pm – 3:00pm, Mahone Bay Centre, Mahone Bay. Interest in ship models? All are welcome to come and chat with fellow ship modellers and see some of their incredible creations up close. Free.	(902) 624-0890
May 3	Waffle Brunch	10:00am – 12:30pm, Voglers Cove Community Hall. Homemade waffles with fresh fruit, compotes, or syrup. Bacon, sausage, and beverages included. Fee TBD.	(902) 298-0871
May 5	Ratepayers Meeting	7:30pm, Cornwall & District Fire Department, 2588 Cornwall Road, Middle Cornwall. Annual meeting for residents of Cornwall and Newburne. Free.	(902) 624-9162
May 8 & 9 May 15 & 16	Dinner Theatre: Senior Moments	6:30pm, West Side United Church, 2702 Highway 331, Pentz. A 4-act dinner theatre with salad, turkey dinner, and carrot cake dessert served between the acts. Only 100 tickets available per performance. Tickets are non-refundable. \$30. E-Transfer for payment is available.	(902) 688-1101 (902) 688-2177
May 10	Mother's Day Concert at LAMP	2:30pm, Lunenburg Academy of Music Performance (LAMP) 3 rd Floor, 97 Kaulbach Street, Lunenburg. LAMP welcomes Symphony Nova Scotia's principal cellist, Rachel Desoer, joined by pianist-in-residence Ian Tomaz, for a Mother's Day celebration of beautiful French music. Featuring works by Claude Debussy, Francis Poulenc, and the Nova Scotian premiere of the recently rediscovered Marie Jaell Cello Sonata, the afternoon promises to be a joyful celebration, including to-be-announced specialty cocktails, gift baskets, and other Mother's Day treats! \$25.	(902) 634-8667
May 16	Variety Concert	2:00pm, South Shore Music Park, 140 Samuel Mader Road, New Canada. Featuring our Park Band, also It's All Relative, Truelove Ways, and Joyce Seamone. \$5 admission, canteen, 50/50, and Silent Auction. Wheelchair accessible. All welcome.	(902) 521-4946

Submit event info to Tissy Bolivar, tissy.bolivar@modl.ca, or call (902) 541-1335. Next deadline: Thursday, April 30, 2026

Budget Meetings



March 24 & 31
Attend in person
or watch live or recorded:
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Important Contacts

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Civic Addressing Inquiries 902-541-1325

Dog Control Officer 902-543-2022

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Engineering Department 902-541-1351

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Save the Date: Agriculture Day 2026

"Rooted & Resilient"

Agriculture Day brings together farmers, food producers, entrepreneurs, and community partners from across the South Shore to explore the future of agriculture in our region. The day will focus on building strong, adaptable agricultural enterprises grounded in local knowledge, innovation, and collaboration.

Participants can expect engaging speakers, practical insights, and opportunities to connect with others. Agriculture Day is designed to spark ideas, share expertise, and support the continued resilience of our local food and farming sector.



Join us on Saturday, March 28, 2026, at the Best Western Plus Hotel & Convention Centre in Bridgewater, NS.



Learn More & Register

www.growsouthwestnovascotia.ca

