

# Happy New Year

### Programs at Home

Our Recreation Team is hard at work putting together take-home kits and working with our program facilitators to create virtual programming options. Stay tuned for more information coming your way!

Current Take Home Kits available:

#### DIY Blanket Ladder - \$60

Kit includes precut wood pieces, nails, sand paper, and instructions. All you need is your own hammer!

#### DIY Serving Tray Kit - \$40

Each kit includes one preassembled wooden tray, one stencil (your choice), two handles, four screws, and one container of white paint so that you can create your own serving tray! Register by February 11th to participate.

To learn more about current or upcoming programs, or to make a suggestion for a take home or virtual program, call our Recreation team at 204-324-9005.

### Lace Up Your Skates!

Our outdoor skating surfaces are ready!

While visiting our outdoor rinks, please keep a minimum of 2 metres (6 ft) away from those who are not members of your household. With current restrictions, no more than five people should be using an ice surface at a time. If you notice someone waiting to skate, consider wrapping up, or letting them know what time you plan to be done.



**Buffalo Creek Nature Park**

**Redwood Bay Park**

**North of the MEC**

**Ash Park**

Thanks for working with us to keep our rinks safe and accessible to our community!

The Toboggan Hill at the Nature Park is ready for you to visit! Please ensure that you are staying at least 2 metres from others who are not members of your household. Happy sledding!

### Curbside Waste Collection Limits

#### Compostable Materials

As always, there is no limit to the amount of compost that can be put out for collection. All materials should be placed in: green compost cart (up to 130 lbs), containers with molded handles without lids (up to 50 lbs/container), or compostable bags (up to 35 lbs/bag).

**\*Please Note:** Winter Compost Collection now takes place on the **FIRST** week of the month.

#### Recycling

As always, there is no limit to the amount of recyclables that can be put out for collection per week. All materials should be placed in: blue recycling cart, and any container that is clearly marked as recycling.

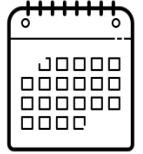
#### Garbage

Residential dwellings are allowed ONE (1) garbage bag or container (30 gallons/ 114 Litres) per week. Any bags above this limit must have a garbage bag tag, which are available for purchase at the Altona Civic Centre for \$2/tag. All bags/containers must weigh less than 50 lbs.

While this reduced limit comes into effect at the beginning of January 2021, we will provide a short grace period for residents to transition from the previous limit of 2 bags/containers per week to 1 bag/container per week. Until March 1, 2021, two bags per household will still be collected as needed. We encourage you to take this time to learn more about waste reduction, and diverting waste through recycling or composting. There is no limit to recyclable or compostable material collection.

## Dates to Remember for January 2021:

- ⇒ **January 1:** New Year's Day, Offices Closed
- ⇒ **January 5-8:** Compost Collection Week
- ⇒ **January 11:** Christmas Tree Collection
- ⇒ **January 12:** Committee of the Whole/Council Meeting @ 3:30/5:30 pm
- ⇒ **January 12:** Public Hearing for Public Reserve Closure @ 6:00 pm
- ⇒ **January 26:** Committee of the Whole/Council Meeting @ 3:30/5:30 pm
- ⇒ **January 26:** Public Hearing for Conditional Use (cannabis retail) @ 6:15 pm
- ⇒ **January 27:** Public Information Session: RPGA Planning



## Interested in Attending a Meeting?

Now that Council Meetings are being held virtually due to COVID-19, it is easier than ever for you to attend! You can learn more about the issues and topics facing your community, and have a say in public hearings...all without leaving your house.

Upcoming agendas and public hearing notices are always available on our website prior to the meeting. If you see a topic or a hearing that is coming up that is of interest to you, sign up to attend the meeting!

Email [Communications@altona.ca](mailto:Communications@altona.ca) or call 204-324-6468 no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting to request access to the meeting, and we will send you all of the information that you need to join the meeting!

## Community Grant Applications Now Open

Supporting volunteer, community-based organizations is often fundamental to maintaining the high quality of life that we experience here in Altona. For that reason, the Town of Altona has a Community Grant program that organizations can access.

### In order to qualify for a grant, an organization:

1. must be non-profit or registered society;
2. must be community based; or regionally-based and provide a service which is unavailable within the community, but that residents use in another community;
3. must provide an evaluation of the use of the grant at the end of the calendar year or the end of the Project or completion of the Capital Expenditure whichever occurs later.
4. must be in good financial standing with the Town.

### The programs or services provided by the organization:

1. address a community need;
2. contribute to a positive image of the municipality;
3. are broad-based, and all residents will derive a benefit; and/or
4. support services delivered by the municipality.

You can read more about our Community Grant policy on our website, and see the application for the 2021 Community Grant Program.

**Applications are due by March 15, 2021.**

## Join Our Team: Now Hiring

The Town of Altona is looking for an organized individual with strong communication skills and administrative experience for a full-time, term position in our Administration office.

The **Administrative Assistant II** is tasked with providing administrative support to the Chief Administrative Officer, Finance Officer and the Public Works Department, entering data and processing all utility bills for the Town of Altona, as well as providing excellent customer service in-person, via email, and over the phone.

The successful applicant will have good verbal and written communication skills, strong customer service skills, strong organizational skills, and be detail-oriented. They will be able to follow direction, prioritize tasks, and work independently or as a member of a team. An in-depth understanding of Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook are essential for this position, and a general understanding of accounting processes and experience with data entry would also be an asset.

The salary for this position will be commensurate with experience and qualifications. We thank all that apply; however, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Candidates being considered will be required to undergo a Criminal Record Check.

Please submit your resume and cover letter by **January 29, 2021** to:

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