



Meetings of Council

The next regular meeting of Municipal Council is Monday, March 11th at the Municipal Office in Sherbrooke at 4:00pm. Committee of the Whole meeting will take place Wednesday, March 6th and Wednesday March 20th at 4:00pm in Council Chambers. Agendas, minutes and audio files are available at www.saint-marys.ca. The Municipal Office and Transfer Station will be closed on March 29th for Good Friday and April 1st for Easter Monday.

St. Mary's RecPlex

Ice hockey/skating sledges are now available to use, free of charge, at the St. Mary's RecPlex. 2 sledges are available, one child medium/adult small and one adult medium. Sledges include push handle for guardians to assist with use, or adaptive hockey sticks for self-propelled use. Sledges have telescopic noses to adjust for leg length. Ask RecPlex staff about usage. The purchase of this adaptive equipment was made possible by Recreation Nova Scotia through their equipment loan grant.

St. Mary's Monthly Moment:

March is National Nutrition Month, an annual campaign promoted by the Dieticians of Canada. Nutrition month helps to emphasize the importance of sustainable eating to fuel and nourish our bodies while also protecting the environment through sustainable farming and food practices for future generations. The campaign encourages a number of actions, such as focusing on a variety of foods to meet nutrient demands, buying locally, reducing food packaging, and incorporating more fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and dairy into the diet. It also promotes the idea that small changes to diet can have a cumulative effect on health over time, and every healthy nutritional choice is a step in the right direction. To learn more about what a dietician is, how to find a dietician, and to access dozens of topics related to overall health and diet, visit www.unlockfood.ca/en/default.aspx.

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The deadline for the April Municipal Newsletter is Wed., March 20th at 4:00pm. Submissions can be faxed to 902-522-2309, dropped off in person at the Municipal Office or emailed to newsletter@saint-marys.ca.

Municipal Transfer Station

The St. Mary's Transfer Station is open Monday, Tuesday, Friday & Saturday from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm. For more information on the Transfer Station and what items are accepted, visit saint-marys.ca/facilities.

MacMillan's Recyclable Pickup

Recyclable collection will take place on the second and fourth Saturday in March starting at 10am at the St. Mary's Recplex.

March 2024 Solid Waste Collection

Eastern Shore Cartage: 1-800-261-0372

Tuesday (Zone 1)	March 5 Recyclables Only	March 12 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item	March 19 Recyclables Only	March 26 Garbage Only & 1 Bulky Item
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ZONE 1: New Chester, Ecum Secum, Liscomb to Sherbrooke including Sonora and Old Road Hill.

ZONE 2: East Loon Lake, Smithfield, Denver, Newtown, Glenelg Church Rd, Aspen to Goshen to Borneo Rd inclusive.

ZONE 3: Hwy 211, IHL to Port Bickerton, Stillwater, West Melrose, Lead Minds Rd, to Waternish inclusive.

Municipal News

Volunteer Appreciation Event

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's would like to thank all of those who attended the Volunteer Appreciation event on February 21st. We would like to thank the St. Mary's District Lions Club for catering the event, the Sherbrooke Village for donating the Exhibit Centre, the talented musicians for performing, our local volunteer presenters, Jennifer Lukeman and Tiffany Pye. Special shout out to By The Tides Kitchen for making the volunteer favours and Knickles Studio and Gallery for the photography, Jen Yang for her artwork that was presented to Volunteer of the Year, Michael Porter and Sandy MacDonald for assistance with selecting the artwork. Volunteers are encouraged to contact Kerri to provide feedback on the event or suggestions for future volunteer appreciation events. Call 902-522-2598 or email kerri.jack@saint-marys.ca.

Tenders & Proposals

There are currently two tenders available, check them out here: <https://www.saint-marys.ca/business/tenders/>

Equity and Anti-Racism Grant Program

Non-profit and charity organizations in St. Mary's are eligible to apply for an Equity and Anti-Racism Grant through the Office of Equity and Anti-Racism. Projects must have primary objectives related to equity and anti-racism such as removing barriers, promoting public awareness, cultural community building & economic development for underrepresented groups, reducing gender-based violence or training & capacity building. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available. More information is available at www.oeaengagement.ca.

Fire Services Advisory Committee

The Fire Services Advisory Committee meeting will be held on March 20th, at 7:00pm in Council Chambers.

St. Mary's Active Transportation Plan

We are excited to announce that a draft of the St. Mary's Active Transportation Plan will be available soon! Keep an eye out on our Municipal Facebook and website, as well as our active transportation website for the draft of the plan.

Community Development & Recreation

Curling Bonspiel

The St. Mary's Curling Club will be having their annual Bonspiel on March 8th and 9th. Games will be played Friday evening at 5:30 and 7:30pm. Games will start at 8:30am Saturday morning and the Championship game will be played around 4pm. At lunch time, there will be a turkey shoot. SHOPS will be catering the event. Come on out to watch a great tournament or curling and enjoy great food provided by SHOPS. The Municipality will be sponsoring the opening and championship game, as well as the turkey shoot.

St. Mary's Family Easter Egg Hunt

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's will be hosting it's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the Sherbrooke Village on Saturday, March 30th beginning at 10am in the Heritage Park! Come one, come all! The easter egg hunt is for all ages. There will be a toddler hunt in the Heritage Park sponsored by the Whale Sanctuary. The rest of the Village will be full of eggs with treats and surprises. There may just be a little something for parents as well. This free event is rain or shine. Participants are asked to bring their own baskets or bags. There may be a "hoppy" guest appearance as well. See you on March 30th.

St. Mary's RecPlex Rentals

Private rentals available until March 28th, 2024. To book a private rental, contact Tim Wilson at emo@saint-marys.ca or call (902)328-4099. For more information, visit www.saintmarys.ca/facilities.html

March Break Day Camp

A March Break Day Camp will take place on Wednesday, March 13th from 8:30am-4pm at St. Mary's Education Centre/Academy. This event is open to students in grade primary to 6. Students are asked to come dressed for outdoor play. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Preregistration is required for this event. Please contact SchoolsPlus Facilitator Alison Miller to register before March 6th, 2024 by texting/calling 902-870-3908 or by emailing alison.miller@srce.ca.

Winter Walking Challenge

We are excited to announce the launch of a 30 Day Winter Walking Challenge! Track your steps or KM and submit your numbers weekly for a chance to win some amazing prizes! The more steps or KM you walk, the more chances to win! Register online at saint-marys.ca under the Residents tab.

St. Mary's Equipment Loan Program

The Community Development and Recreation Department is proud to announce the purchase of an accessible sled. The Snow Comfort Sled features a rear running platform that allows the guide to sled while still having control of the sled. This purchase was made possible by the Recreation Nova Scotia equipment loan program. The sled also Check out our Facebook page and Municipal website for the official launch!

Economic Development

Sherbrooke's Source Water

World Water Day is a global observance held annually on March 22nd to highlight the importance of freshwater and advocate for the sustainable management of water resources. Water is essential for all forms of life on Earth, yet many people around the world still lack access to clean and safe drinking water. This day serves as a reminder of the need to protect and conserve water sources for present and future generations. In recognition, the Municipality would like to thank everyone for continuing to keep the Sherbrooke Lake watershed and its abundance of freshwater that supply the Sherbrooke Water Utility safe to drink. St. Mary's has a protected Drinking Water Zone to maintain the existing aesthetic and physical qualities and to maintain clean drinking water for the surrounding landowners, local business and visitors. St. Mary's would like to thank the Municipal Public Works Staff for their daily efforts in delivering clean drinking water and wish to extend congratulations to Brennan MacKay for completing his Level 1 Water Treatment Plant Operator and Level 1 Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator certifications!

Quick Train Canada

Quick Train Canada education is fully funded, offered through select Canadian colleges, and comes in multi-week courses with options to learn virtually, in-person or both. Microcredentials are accelerated training programs offered by post-secondary education institutions that are intended to help people retrain or upgrade their skills. www.quicktraincanada.ca

Skills Online NS

The Province is supporting Nova Scotia employers and job seekers with the new home for skills development in Nova Scotia including thousands of FREE online courses, at your fingertips! Skills Online NS is an online upskilling portal that provides all Nova Scotians with an opportunity to acquire today's in-demand skills. The program is offered through a partnership between the Department of Labour, Skills, Immigration and the NS Association of CBDCs. Visit www.SkillsOnlineNS.ca

New Grants for Apprentices

Two new grants will help Nova Scotian apprentices purchase tools and technology to support their training and launch their careers. The Province will provide a one-time grant of up to \$1,000 to purchase new tools, equipment and clothing required; opens March 5. This technology support grant will offer up to \$900 for a computer and accessories to apprentices enrolled in training; available now for those registered in technical training as of January 2024. To apply visit www.nsapprenticeship.ca.

Employment Opportunities

The Sherbrooke Village Inn is growing and we are looking to hire a full-time seasonal waitress/waiter. If you or someone you know are looking for a fun, fast-paced position, please apply by emailing your resume to Brenda at sherbrookevillageinn@bellaliant.com.

St. Mary's Small Business Dinner & Awards

Congratulations to the 2023 award recipients! The St. Mary's Small Business Dinner and Awards were held on February 29th, 2024. Visit www.saint-marys.ca for photos and announcement! Small businesses in St. Mary's exemplify the grit, tenacity and entrepreneurial drive that provides the backbone to the local economy. Buying local supports your community, you enjoy high-quality products, and contribute to a more sustainable future. According to Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses (CFIB) for every dollar spent at small business, 66 cents on average, stays local.

Child Care

The Government of Canada is working with provincial, territorial and Indigenous partners to implement a Canada-wide early learning and child care (ELCC) system that will bring fees for regulated child care across the country down to \$10-a-day on average by March 2026. Announced is a three-year action plan to improve and expand early learning and child care services across the province under the Canada–Nova Scotia Canada-wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement. For more information visit www.canada.ca/news

Coastal Nova Scotia

Looking for something to do this weekend? Want your event to be on that list? Visit www.coastalnovascotia.ca or contact kara@coastalnovascotia.ca.

Nova Scotia Works Career Connections

Career Connections is a leading provider of career development services in Nova Scotia. They are committed to the delivery of innovative programs and outstanding services in an inclusive environment. Services are available for both Students (scholarships listings!), Clients and Employers. Find NS Works Career Connections on Facebook or contact one of the regional offices by calling the Antigonish County office at 902-863-8244 or by emailing antigonish@careerconnections.ca. Contact the Guysborough County office by calling 902-533-2805 or by emailing guysborough@careerconnections.ca.

Business Navigators

Want to start a business? The Province's Business Navigators can help you navigate provincial regulations and requirements for new businesses, including what regulations you need to follow, what licences and permits you need to operate your business and any inspection requirements. In addition to bringing clarity to applicable regulations, they can connect you with support for financing, taxes and staffing, as well as resources to help with start-up funding. For more information, visit novascotia.ca/businessnavigators, call toll free at 1-844-628-7347 or email busnavigation@novascotia.ca.

Community Services

Eastern Counties Regional Library

Winter is in full swing, and so is ECRL's winter programming! Join us for the monthly senior's social for treats from Beanie's Bistro Ltd., provided by the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's. Join us for our new fiber craft club and share your skills, check out the home-school-drop in to meet likeminded folks, or stop in and work on our community puzzle. Don't forget to stop by to restock on Covid tests, menstrual or incontinence products for you or someone you know! Tuesday: 9am-12-m and 12:30-2:30pm. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 12:30-5:30pm. Saturday: 9am-12pm and 12:30-2:30pm. Visit the library to use the computers, browse and borrow books, movies, and so much more. We also have a Community Use Room that can be booked (free of charge) by individuals or groups. Find up-to-date information about your local branch at ecrl.ca/locations/sherbrooke-public-library. For more information about library services, call us at 902-522-2180, email us at Sherbrooke@ecrl.ca or visit ecrl.ca. Stay up to date by following ECRL on social media.

Programs at St. Mary's Kids First

Gas cards are available to help with transportation costs when requested. Tuesdays: 3+ drop-off program open to all children age 3 by December 31st, 2023 from 9:30-11am. Wednesdays: Play group open to all parents/caregivers and children age birth to 6 years from 9:30-11am. For more information on these programs text/call 902-870-7437. Follow us on Facebook at St. Mary's Kids First Programming for updated information. The Guysborough County Prenatal Program is open to all women expecting a baby who live in Guysborough County. Self-referrals are welcome! Call Emilie 902-533-3881 or toll free at 1-888-533-3881 for more information. The Parenting Journey Program is a support for parents with children up to 18 years. Self-referrals are welcome. For more information text/call Paula at parentingjourney@kids1st.ca or call 902-870-7437.

St. Mary's Food Bank

Please contact 902-833-2920 if you know of a need in the community. Confidentiality is strictly upheld. The box to receive food donations is located at Clover Farm. Please check the "best before" date. Cash donations can be sent to St. Mary's District Food Bank, P.O. Box 102, Sherbrooke, NS, B0J 3C0. If a donation is made in memory or as a gift, a card is sent to the family. Thank you to organizations and community members for the food and financial support that you give throughout the year and thank you to the volunteers who ensure that food is made available throughout the District of St. Mary's including SHOPS participants for packing boxes.

Sherbrooke Opportunities Society

SHOPS will be hosting a social on March 14th from 11-2 (everyone welcome). Socials are supported by the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's. If you would like to volunteer to help us with this, please call 902-318-7467, we would love any extra help. Reminder that toonies are due on Tuesdays by noon. Boxes are located at Clover Farm, Sherbrooke Garage, Bud's Kwikway, Highland Building Supplies, Whitney's Corner Store, and Smokey Hollow General Store. Or come visit us at SHOPS. The draw takes place every Wednesday afternoon and is posted on the SHOPS Facebook page. Flyers are also posted in the community. SHOPS has laundry services available for \$7/load, including washed, dried and folded. SHOPS offers confidential shredding services at \$1/lb. SHOPS is looking for some expert bread and biscuit makers who would like to volunteer to share your expertise and teach us a few things. If you have this talent and would like to show us a few things, please call 902-318-7467. A great big SHOPS thank you to all our supporters and volunteers.

Congregational Services

Calvary Faith Baptist Church

Bible Study and Prayer Meeting Wednesdays at 7pm
March 3rd: 6pm
March 10th: 11am
March 17th: 6pm
March 24th: 11am
March 31st: 6pm
Pastor Bray: 902-522-2520

Goshen Gospel Church

Our services: Sunday: 11am - Worship Service (also available on Zoom, send us a request if you would like to be part of the service. Thursday: 1pm - Midweek Bible Study and Prayer. If we can be of any help, please contact us: phone: 902-783-2972 or 902-318-0711 or email johnluten2@gmail.com

St. Paul's Catholic Church, Sherbrooke

Mass Time: Sunday at 11:30am Parish Priest: Fr. Tom Stephan: Cell 437-366-0731; Residence: 902-783-2631 Parish Chairman: Rennie Beaver 902-833-2341

Indian Harbour Lake Pentecostal Church

March 29th: Good Friday Service (Hymn Sing) at 10:30am Speaker: Terry Rideout
March 31st: Easter Morning Service at 10:30am Speaker: Annette Rideout
All welcome! Hope to see you there! May you and your family experience the Risen Savior afresh this Easter Season.

St. Mary's Pastoral Charge/The United Church of Canada

Sunday Services in March: 9:30am Bethany/Zion, East River-St. Mary's, 11am St. John's, Sherbrooke, 6:30pm Kirk, Glenelg

Weekly Activities Women's Bible Study: 10am Thursdays at St. John's in Sherbrooke. Men's Group: 7pm Wednesdays at St. John's in Sherbrooke. UCW: First Thursday of every month, 2pm at Claire McKeen's in Glenelg. JAM Club: Jesus and Me (our charge's program for children and all ages Sunday school): 2pm, every second Sunday at Kirk. This year's theme, "The Journey!". Youth Group (our charge's program for youth, grades 9-12): 7:30-9 every second Friday at Kirk. The Living Room: join us for a relaxed, living room/café atmosphere, for contemporary worship, prayer, praise, and time for just being together as a community! Held in the lower hall of St. John's United Church in Sherbrooke.

Community News and Events

Thank you

I would like to thank the people that have shared in my sorrow of losing my Mother, my best friend, Eileen MacKinley of Liscomb. I will be forever grateful. Mark M.

St. Mary's Shooters Association

Members are reminded to renew your membership for 2024. A new supply of SMSA hats and t-shirts just in. T-shirts are medium, large, XL and 2XL. Hats have club logo as well as a moose embroidered on the side. For more information, call 902-783-2820.

Culture Club Sherbrooke

The Culture Club will have for the first time, a classical music duo Saturday, March 2 from 7:30-8:30pm. Christina Boyer, cello, and Emery van de Wiel, flute, will play pieces from Mozart, Bach and more! Public are welcome-admission free! Sunday, March 3rd from 3-5pm is the last day with Joy Wier Art Show: "Reflection of the Eastern Shore". Come and visit her beautiful paintings. Some paintings still for sale-use the last day to buy one or if you have already bought one, come pick it up. Public are welcome!

Would Your Organization like to Host the Sherbrooke Show & Shine?

Historic Sherbrooke Village Development Society (HSVDS) is looking for a new host organization for the Sherbrooke Show & Shine antique and custom car show. The event began in 1994 under the direction of the St. Mary's Tourism Association. It was eventually turned over to St. Mary's Minor Hockey Association who remained hosts until 2007 when it was transferred to the HSVDS. The event has continued to grow over the years as both a local event and successful fundraiser. The event partners with Sherbrooke Village Museum. Local partner organizations are invited to be a part of an event by supplying food to registered participants and visitors. The event has taken place the weekend after Labour Day in September since it began. Dates for 2024 will be September 7th and 8th. Alas, it is time for a new host organization. If your non-profit organization is interested in hosting this event, beginning in September 2024, please contact Lynn Hayne by phone 902-318-5453 or by email guyborough_heritage@hotmail.com.

St. Mary's District Lions Club

Bingo Update: Please note there is a change to the start up date and time for Lions Bingo. The new date is Wednesday, April 3rd, 2024. Doors will open at 7:00pm, games will start at 7:30pm. St. Mary's District Lions Annual Heart and Stroke Luncheon was held on Sunday, February 11th. We are pleased to announce that this fundraiser brought in \$1,220 for the cause. Thank you to all who donated to this event.

Goshen Community Recreation & Centre

Bargain Shop Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 1-3pm. Game Day: Wednesday from 1-4pm. Cribbage No Partner required: Tuesdays starting at 7:30pm. St. Patrick's Day Supper: Sunday, March 17th from 4:30-6:30pm Boiled Ham Dinner including dessert for \$15. Blood Pressure Clinic will be held March 20th from 1-3pm. Recyclable bottles are still welcomed and can be dropped off at Centre. The Committee would like to thank everyone who helped with the February 3rd and 4th snowstorm clean up. Community Centre Meeting is March 6th at 7pm. Volunteers and Committee Members are always welcomed. Please contact Laurie Chisholm 902-783-2291 or Lisa Myers 902-318-4401 if you would like more information.

Saint John's Liscomb Cemetery Society

The annual meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday, March 25th, at the home of Judy Hartling, 5055 Highway 7, Liscomb. Please mark this on your calendar and plan to attend so we can continue to arrange for the ongoing care and maintenance of our community cemetery. We are always happy to welcome new members! 2024 dues of \$10/person are now due and can be paid at that time or given/sent to Rachel Baker, treasurer. For further information, please call Ruth Legge: 902-779-2931 or Rachel Baker: 902-870-4214.

Indian Harbour Lake/Jordanville Community Centre

Next hall meeting will be held March 11th at 7pm. Everyone welcome.

St. Mary's Memorial Hospital Society

Will be hosting it's Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, March 6th at 7pm. This meeting is open to the public and is being held at the Exhibit Centre in Sherbrooke Village.

Community News and Events

Port Dufferin Balcom Centre

The Seniors Luncheon Club is back, now at the Port Dufferin Balcom Centre. Ham dinner, Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at noon. Donation box at the door.

Thank You

The family of the late Ruby Weir extend their heartfelt appreciation to our family and friends for all their love, support and acts of kindness during this difficult time. Sincere thank you for the beautiful flowers, sympathy cards, memorial donations, online condolences, phone calls, texts, food, to all who visited, and travelled to be with us. Words cannot express our gratitude to the staff of High Crest Sherbrooke for their love and devoted care. Sincere thank you to Dr. J. McLean and Dr. M. Ackermann for all their care. We are very grateful to Rev Derek Elsworth for his comforting support, prayers, visits, his wonderful words of remembrance and music at the service. Special thank you to H.W. Angus Funeral Home for their guidance and compassion. Thank you to St. Mary's District Lions Club for the lovely reception. Special thank you to pallbearers Grandson Derek Weir, Great Grandsons Owen and Connor Weir, Nephews John and George Weir and Great Nephew Micheal MacGinn. Mom's memory will live in our hearts forever, she will be deeply missed by all those lives she touched. Ed, Cheryl, Helene and Family.

Greenfield Oldsters

The Greenfield Oldsters Club has a space available for lease at their building located at 7575 Hwy. 348 in Melrose. This space is approximately 200 square feet and includes heat and lights. The tenant would have access to a washroom. Interested parties are asked to contact Glen Matthews by email glenmatthews62@gmail.com or by phone at 902-833-2469.

45's: The Greenfield Oldsters Club is hosting Auction 45's on Tuesday afternoons at 1:30pm. There will be 6 rounds of 8 hands per round. Admission is \$5 per person with a 50/50 draw and cash prizes. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Gloria MacKeen at 902-870-1512.

Cribbage: There will also be cribbage on Thursday evenings. Registration starts at 7pm, with cards starting at 7:30pm. No partner necessary. Admission is \$5 per person, with a 50/50 draw and cash prizes. There will be 8 games. If you are interested or have questions, please contact John Watson by email at john.jd.watson@gmail.com or by phone at 902-823-2247.

Maple Manor

Bake Sale every Friday from 11am-3pm

Royal Canadian Legion, Liscomb Branch 86

Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday: 6-11pm
Pool table, shuffleboards, canteen and bar. Cribbage Thursday and Saturday at 7:30pm. Shuffleboard Fridays at 7pm. Wi-Fi now available at the Legion Hall, inquire at the bar. Debit is available, no credit card or tap available. Membership renewal and donation can be made by cash, debit, cheques, or e-transfer to brac-nh86rcl@gmail.com. The membership fee is \$50. We thank you for your continued support. Together we can make a difference! Cribbage tournament on March 16th at 2pm. Registration is \$15, which includes potluck. 8 games before supper, 8 games after supper. Sign-up sheet at the bar for tournament and potluck. Notable dates in March, check our Facebook page.

Ecum Secum Fire Department

There will be an Easter Penny Auction and dessert walk taking place at the Ecum Secum Firehall on March 23rd, doors open at 6pm. Donations accepted. The Fire Department is currently selling tickets on \$200 worth of lottery tickets, \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Tickets are being drawn at the Penny Auction. If you would like to buy some, please contact Tiffany at 902-885-7070. A Seniors Social will be taking place on March 26th from 10am-2pm. Lunch and dessert will be provided, as well as board games, card games, and bingo. This is a free event.

Port Bickerton Darts League

Port Bickerton Darts League takes place on Thursdays at 7:30pm at the Port Bickerton Community Centre. Cost is \$5 per week.

Sherbrooke Village Old Fashioned Christmas Association (OFCA)

The OFCA would like to invite all community members to join as a member of the Sherbrooke Village Old Fashioned Christmas Association. Membership is free and the reward is priceless. If you would like more information or wish to join, please email OFCA President, Wendy Shelly wshelly1962@gmail.com. The OFCA will be scheduling their Annual General Meeting in April, date will be announced in next Municipal Newsletter.

Sonora Community Centre

There will be a Senior Social on March 20th at 10am at the Sonora Community Centre. Everyone welcome!

County Harbour Gun Club

February 29th: Monthly Bingo starting at 7:30pm
March 16th: Country Breakfast 8:30-10am
March 24th: Tea and Penny Auction starting at 1pm
March 28th: Monthly Bingo starting at 7:30pm



Application for Residential Low Income Property Tax Exemption 2024/25

The Municipality of the District of St. Mary's provides assistance to homeowners to help pay their residential property taxes. Qualified applicants will receive a credit which is applied directly to the tax account

To Qualify:

You must be a **Canadian citizen and permanent** resident of St. Mary's Municipality and

Own the assessed property and occupy it as your home and

Prior year's property taxes must be paid in full

Annual income from all sources for the previous calendar year for yourself, spouse, and other family members that reside in the same household was equal to or less than annual amount set (based on line 150 of the income tax *Notice of Assessment*)

Exemption Value:

The exemptions provided will be based on the following income levels:

Annual Income	Tax Exemption
Less than or equal to \$25,280	\$180

How to Apply:

After you have filed your personal income tax return for 2023 and received your Notice of Assessment from Canada Revenue Agency, complete the Municipal Application for Residential Low Income Property Tax Exemption form

Attached copies of the 2023 Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Notice of Assessment for each adult residing in the home

Canada Revenue Agency / Agence du revenu du Canada / NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT / T451 E (08)

Date	Name	Social Insurance no.	Tax year	Tax centre
May 5, 2007	Jane Doe	123 456 789	2007	Shawinigan QC G9N 7S6

Summary 0000000

Line	\$ Amount
150 Total Income.....	00,000
Deductions from total income.....	000
236 Net Income.....	00,000
260 Taxable Income.....	00,000

Sample Notice of Assessment from Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)

If you do not have your CRA Notice of Assessment for 2023 you can call 1-800-959-8281

Applications must be received by the Municipality no later than December 31, 2024

Applicants must re-apply each year

Application for Residential Low Income Property Tax Exemption 2024/2025

Tax Account #	
Name of Property Owner(s)	
Complete Mailing Address	
Telephone #	
# of Adults (age 18 or over) residing in home	

Applicant total income (line 150) \$ _____

Spouse/Common-Law Partner (line 150) \$ _____

Other individuals in same household (line 150) \$ _____

TOTAL of all Income from above \$ _____



***Proof of income must be provided (Copy of 2023 CRA Notice of Assessment for each adult living in the home)**

I _____ of _____

in the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's, in the County of Guysborough and Province of Nova Scotia, hereby apply for the **RESIDENTIAL LOW INCOME PROPERTY EXEMPTION** on taxes.

I/we, residents of the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's, the owners and occupants of the above property, certify that the information on the application is true and complete, and that the household income from all sources during 2023 was below the limit set out in this application. I/We understand the exemption for **2024/2025** will be **\$180**. I/We understand that no application for an exemption will be received after December 31, 2024. I/We understand that no exemption will be granted to low income applicants if prior year's taxes remain unpaid.

Signature(s) _____ Date: _____

To be signed by Councillor, Municipal Admin Staff or Commissioner of Oaths

Sworn to in the County of Guysborough and the Province of Nova Scotia this ____ day of _____ 20__

Signature: _____



2024 Solid Waste Collection Schedule

QUESTIONS? Call Eastern Shore Cartage 1-800-261-0372



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April 16 Recyclables Only	April 17 Recyclables Only	April 18 Recyclables Only
April 23 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	April 24 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	April 25 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item
April 30 Recyclables Only	May 1 Recyclables Only	May 2 Recyclables Only
May 7 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	May 8 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	May 9 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item
May 14 Recyclables Only	May 15 Recyclables Only	May 16 Recyclables Only
May 21 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	May 22 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	May 23 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item
May 28 Recyclables Only	May 29 Recyclables Only	May 30 Recyclables Only
June 4 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	June 5 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	June 6 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item
June 11 Garbage and Recyclables	June 12 Garbage and Recyclables	June 13 Garbage and Recyclables
June 18 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	June 19 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item	June 20 Garbage & 1 Bulky Item
June 25 Garbage and Recyclables	June 26 Garbage and Recyclables	June 27 Garbage and Recyclables

- ZONE 1:** New Chester, Ecum Secum, Liscomb to Sherbrooke including Sonora and Old Road Hill.
- ZONE 2:** East Loon Lake, Smithfield, Denver, Newtown, Glenelg Church Rd, Aspen, to Goshen to Borneo Rd inclusive.
- ZONE 3:** Hwy 211, IHL to Port Bickerton, Stillwater, West Melrose, Lead Minds Rd, to Waternish inclusive.

March 2024 Events Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Liscomb Shuffleboard 7 pm	Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Free Skate 12:30 – 2:00 pm Culture Club Music Duo 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm Liscomb Cribbage 8 pm
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Kid's First 3 + 9:30 am – 11:00 am Committee of the Whole Meeting 4:00 pm Goshen Cribbage 7:30 pm	Kid's First Play Group 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm COTW 4pm No Adult Hockey (curling bonspiel)	Kid's First Play Group 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm COTW 4pm No Adult Hockey (curling bonspiel)	Port Bickerton Darts 7:30 pm Liscomb Cribbage 8 pm No House League Hockey (curling bonspiel)	Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm St Mary's Curling Bonspiel 5:30 – 9:30pm Liscomb Shuffleboard 7 pm	Curling Bonspiel 8:30am – 6:30pm Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Liscomb Cribbage 8 pm No Free Skate (curling bonspiel)
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Regular Council Meeting 4:00 pm IHL/Jordanville Community Centre Meeting 7:00 pm	Kid's First 3 + 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen Cribbage 7:30 pm	SMECA March Break Day Camp 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Kid's First Play Group 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	SMECA March Break Day Camp 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Kid's First Play Group 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Port Bickerton Darts 7:30 pm Liscomb Cribbage 8 pm	Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Liscomb Shuffleboard 7 pm	Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Free Skate 12:30 – 2:00 pm Liscomb Cribbage 8 pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Kid's First 3 + 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen Cribbage 7:30 pm	Kid's First Play Group 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Kid's First Play Group 9:30 am – 11:00 am Goshen Game Day 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Port Bickerton Darts 7:30 pm Liscomb Cribbage 8 pm	Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Liscomb Shuffleboard 7 pm Municipal Office/ Transfer Station Closed Good Friday	Maple Manor Bake Sale 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Heritage Park Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 am Liscomb Cribbage 8 pm
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Easter Sunday						