

## DECEMBER CALENDAR

- 3 Parks and Trails Strategy Open House**  
Beban Social Centre, Room 1  
2300 Bowen Road, Nanaimo  
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- 4 Parks and Trails Strategy Open House**  
Gabriola Arts and Heritage Centre  
476 South Road, Gabriola  
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
- 10 RDN Board Meeting**  
Board Chambers  
6300 Hammond Bay Rd, Nanaimo  
7:00 p.m.

## AUTOMATED CURBSIDE COLLECTION

Automated curbside collection is coming to the RDN in fall 2020. December 31, 2019, marks the deadline for cart size selection for RDN residential curbside collection customers not serviced by the City of Nanaimo. Visit [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/curbsidecollection](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/curbsidecollection) to find a cart display location near you and to select your cart sizes.



Select your cart sizes by the December 31, 2019 deadline for a chance to have your 2020 curbside collection fee waived.

If you do not select your preferred cart sizes by the deadline, you will receive a default set which includes a 240-litre recycling cart, 100-litre food waste cart and 100-litre garbage cart.

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## PARKS AND TRAILS STRATEGY OPEN HOUSE

The RDN is creating a plan that will shape the future of our parks and trails. We need your help to create a strategy that reflects the community's needs and aspirations for parks, trails, and outdoor recreation.

Open House Date	Time	Location
December 3	6:00 to 8:00 p.m.	Beban Social Centre, Room 1 2300 Bowen Road, Nanaimo
December 4	5:30 to 7:30 p.m.	Gabriola Arts and Heritage Centre 476 South Road, Gabriola Island

Visit [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rdnparkstrails](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rdnparkstrails) for project information and to participate in the on-line survey.

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## VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER SERVICE RECOGNITION

Congratulations to the following firefighters, recognized for reaching years-of-service milestones:

- 5 years:** Lynne Farrell (Nanose FD), Jeff Pelat and Gord Roberts (Dashwood FD), Kevin Fuson (Coombs FD)
- 10 years:** Robert Hale (Nanose FD)
- 20 years:** Chris Hillsden (Coombs FD)
- 35 years:** Kevin Brittain (Coombs FD)
- 40 years:** Terry Whibley (Coombs FD)

Thank you for your invaluable contribution to your community!

[www.rdn.bc.ca/fire-departments](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/fire-departments)

## WINTER WONDERLAND BUS



The Winter Wonderland bus is on the move. We hope it will spread cheer as it rolls through the region over the holiday season. For the month of December, the Winter Wonderland bus will be collecting non-perishable food items and cash donations in lieu of payment on its routes. All donations will be given to the Nanaimo Loaves and Fishes and the Parksville Food Bank.

For more information, follow us on Twitter @RDN\_Transit and Facebook @RegionalDistrictofNanaimo.

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## RDN #DYK

Did you know that your neighbourhood could qualify to receive funding for yard debris disposal? Complete a FireSmart home assessment with a local FireSmart representative to qualify.

Regular yard maintenance helps to protect your home from wildfire. Steps you can take include removing debris from your gutters, pruning trees, and clearing vegetation away from your home and fence. These small steps can make a big difference.

Email [emergencyservices@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:emergencyservices@rdn.bc.ca), or call 250-390-6759 to learn more.

[www.rdn.bc.ca/emergency-services](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/emergency-services)



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