

torbay Talks

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The Best of Torbay celebrates the achievements of local businesses, entrepreneurs, volunteers and individuals that go above and beyond in our Town each day.

Nominations Open February 13 - March 6

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| Young Entrepreneur Award | Volunteer of the Year Award |
| Volunteer Group of the Year Award | Customer Commitment Award |
| Senior of the Year Award | New / Emerging Business Award |
| Ward Gosse Coach of the Year Award | Business of the Year Award |
| Economic Impact Award | Lifetime Achievement Award |
| | Chief McGrath Award |



Nomination will be available online at torbay.ca or picked up in person at the Torbay Common or Town Hall starting February 13, 2026. Nominations will be accepted via email at recreation@torbay.ca or info@torbay.ca, or in person at the Town Hall or Torbay Common. Nominations will be accepted between February 13 and March 6.



ON - STREET PARKING IS PROHIBITED FROM DECEMBER 1ST, 2025 - MARCH 31ST, 2026 BETWEEN 1:00A.M. - 7:00A.M. AND DURING OR 24 HOURS AFTER A SNOWFALL EVENT.

FIND MY SNOW PLOW IS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE FOR TRACKING!

FOR ALL INFORMATION FOR SNOW CLEARING AND WINTER REMINDERS PLEASE VISIT THE [WINTER SNOW CLEARING PAGE](#) ON THE TOWN OF TORBAY WEBSITE.

TORBAY HOUSING GRANTS

DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR TORBAY BUILDERS, DEVELOPERS, & RESIDENTS

Looking at building a secondary suite in your home or a multi-unit residential development? The Town of Torbay is offering \$10,000 per dwelling unit to go towards the construction costs! Applicants can also receive \$15,000 per unit for affordable housing developments! In addition, Torbay is waiving all application, processing and permit fees for Housing Accelerator applications.

These grants are issued subject to conditions, which can be found on the Housing Accelerator Fund webpage at www.torbay.ca or by contacting Jason Slade, Housing Accelerator Fund Project Manager by email at jslade@torbay.ca or by phone at (709) 437-6532 ext. 254.



TORBAY ONLINE PERMITTING SYSTEM

KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED FOR THE LAUNCH OF THE TOWN OF TORBAY ONLINE PERMITTING SYSTEM!

The Department of Planning and Development is currently running preliminary trials, and residents and/or applicants may be receiving notifications as updates are made to their files. For any questions or concerns the Town encourages you to contact the Department directly.

Jason Slade - Housing Accelerator Project Manager
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TORBAY
HISTORY
HOUSE

TORBAY KNITWITS

Duration: January 12 - April 30
When: Mondays from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Where: Torbay History House Community Room
Ages: Open to Ages 16+
Fees: Free
Contact: Donna Norvey at dnorvey@torbay.ca

CREATIVE MINDS TUESDAY GROUP

Duration: January 13 to March 31
When: Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Where: Torbay History House
Ages: Open to Anyone in Kindergarten - Grade 3
Fees: By Donation (Pre-registration Required)
Contact: Katelyn Banks at kbanks@torbay.ca or Hannah Cooper at hcooper@torbay.ca

CREATIVE MINDS WEDNESDAY GROUP

Duration: January 14 to April 1
When: Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Where: Torbay History House
Ages: Open to Anyone in Grades 4 - 8
Fees: By Donation (Pre-registration Required)
Contact: Katelyn Banks at kbanks@torbay.ca or Hannah Cooper at hcooper@torbay.ca

ART APPRECIATION

Duration: January 21 - April 30
When: Wednesdays, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Where: Torbay History House
Ages: Open to Ages 50+
Fees: Free
Contact: Katelyn Banks at kbanks@torbay.ca or Hannah Cooper at hcooper@torbay.ca

OPEN STUDIO WITH HEATHER COUGHLAN

Duration: January 15 - April 30
When: Thursdays from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Where: Torbay History House Community Room
Ages: Open to Ages 16+
Fees: \$15.00 +HST (Pre-registration Required)
Contact: Donna Norvey at dnorvey@torbay.ca

DISCOVER YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

Duration: February 5 to April 30
When: Thursdays, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Where: Torbay History House
Ages: All Ages
Fees: \$5.00 +HST (Pre-registration Required)

REGISTRATION FOR HISTORY HOUSE PROGRAMS AND EVENTS CAN BE DONE

- THROUGH E-SERVICES,
- BY PHONE AT (709) 437-6532 EXT.270,
- OR IN PERSON AT TORBAY HISTORY HOUSE DURING BUSINESS HOURS (MONDAY - SATURDAY FROM 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.)

Upcoming Events in the Town

Some of our events encourage pre-registration through e-Services. Anyone who is unable to use e-Services can visit the front desk at the Torbay Common or contact our staff by phone at (709)-437-6555 or email at recreation@torbay.ca.

SEAHAWKS VOLLEYBALL GAME – NATIONAL GIRLS & WOMEN IN SPORTS DAY

Friday, February 6 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
MUN Fieldhouse
Open to All Ages (Children under 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult)
\$5.00 (Pre-registration Recommended)
Event Contact can be reached at ktapper@torbay.ca

VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

Thursday, February 12 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Torbay Common Gymnasium
Open to Ages 18+
Free
Event Contact can be reached at ktapper@torbay.ca

VALENTINE'S DAY BINGO

Friday, February 13 from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Torbay Common Multipurpose Rooms
All Ages
\$2.00
Event Contact can be reached at ahollahan@torbay.ca

ST. PATRICK'S DAY FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday, March 7 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Torbay Common Gymnasium
Open to All Ages
Free
Event Contact can be reached at ahollahan@torbay.ca

PAINT & WINE NIGHT

Sunday, March 8 from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Torbay Common Multipurpose Rooms 1, 2 & 3
Open to Ages 19+
\$20.00 +HST (Pre-Registration Required)
Event Contact can be reached at ktapper@torbay.ca



#BuyLocalSupportLocal

This year the Town of Torbay is starting a new weekly initiative by highlighting a registered local businesses each week! The Town of Torbay encourages all of its residents and the public to buy local and support local businesses within your community, our business directory can be found at <https://www.torbay.ca/local-business-tourism/business-directory/>