



INFORMATION BULLETIN

Abbotsford Neighbours' Day September 19

Abbotsford, September 14, 2015 – International Neighbours' Day on September 19th is a call for everyone to strengthen their neighbourhood connections!

Neighbours' Day is celebrated worldwide as an annual celebration of community, bringing together the people next door, across the street or even on the next farm for some social interaction and fun.

This year, the City of Abbotsford is encouraging residents to get together and plan something special, and also register their idea at www.abbotsford.ca/neighbourhoods to share their story and be eligible for a draw of great prizes!

Residents can access information online about the Neighbourhood Spirit Toolkit and other tips and resources for anyone planning or hosting inclusive neighbourhood events. Community members can read about what other neighbourhoods have done to get inspired, and residents who want to do something special can borrow items available in the loaner toolkit such as tables, chairs, a barbeque, tents, a tug-of-war rope, and games for all ages.

All Neighbourhood Spirit Toolkit items are loaned free of charge, and are available on a first come, first serve basis (some restrictions apply). If additional support is needed, residents can also contact the City of Abbotsford's Community Developer at commdevelopment@abbotsford.ca for assistance.

View the 2015 Abbotsford Neighbours' Day video, at <https://vimeo.com/136351060>

Quote from Mayor Henry Braun

"Abbotsford's Neighbours' Day is a way to inspire residents to get to know each other, and help make Abbotsford neighbourhoods safer and more vibrant places to live. Developing strong neighbourhoods is an excellent way of enhancing community safety and reducing crime. Neighbourhood Capacity Building is a key part of the City of Abbotsford's Crime Reduction and Community Safety Strategy and vital to ensuring Abbotsford remains a Complete Community for generations to come."

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