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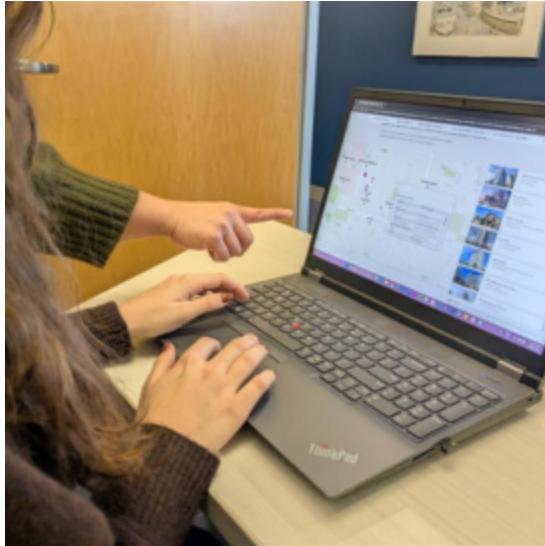
e-News



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Welcome to the 1st issue of the City of Richmond's Housing e-News!

Thank you for joining us. Each quarter, we will share highlights and information about housing initiatives across Richmond - including affordable housing projects, partnerships and key milestones, upcoming events and supports for residents seeking affordable housing.



Finding affordable rental homes just got easier

The Affordable Housing Hub is a new digital resource to help individuals, families, seniors and community housing providers explore where and how to apply for affordable housing in Richmond. Individuals can customize their search based on rental category, bedroom type, accessibility and neighbourhood.

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Planning ahead for housing in Richmond

The City is updating its Official Community Plan to guide growth, increase housing near transit, services and amenities, and better meet residents' needs.

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The Lulu Awards

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Celebrating excellence in urban design including residential development

The 2026 Lulu Awards for Urban Design recognizes, celebrates, and inspires excellence in urban design, including residential development across Richmond.

Submissions are now open until Tuesday, March 31, 2026, with award recipients to be announced in the fall.

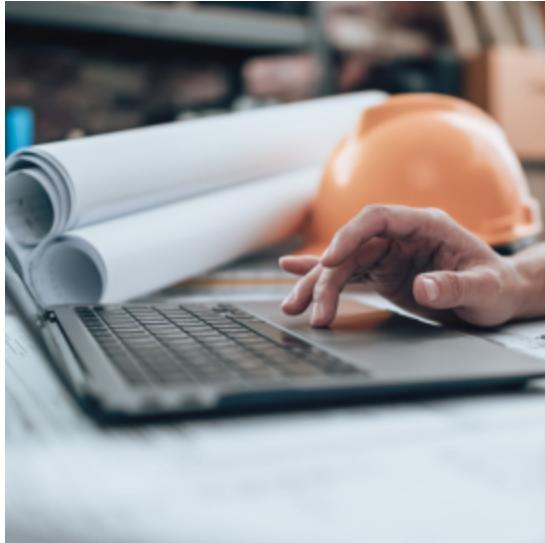
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Aberdeen Rental Residences update

The City has recently partnered with a Non-Profit Operator (NPO) known as The New Vista Society to deliver approximately 220 units of affordable rental housing on several City-owned properties on Sexsmith Road. The City and New Vista are currently exploring funding opportunities from senior levels of government.

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Streamlining permit approvals to speed housing development

The City is transforming permitting with MyPermit - a digital tool that supports construction and development. It reduces delays by ensuring a complete application is submitted to the City. Support for additional application types are being added later this year.

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Rio Vista opening this spring

The City of Richmond, Pathways Clubhouse and BC Housing are partnering to build Rio Vista, a new, affordable rental building on City-owned land at 5491 No. 2 Road. Rio Vista will open this spring with 80 new homes for single people, families and seniors.

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Supporting local non-profit housing organizations to achieve their goals

Launched in 2025, the Affordable Housing Non-Profit Partnership Program brings together non-profit housing providers and community partners who support the delivery of affordable housing and related services in Richmond.

For more information,
email AffordableHousing@richmond.ca.

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