

## **Riverside South Community Association News**

## A Message from the new RSCA President & VP

Hello, Riverside South community; we hope you are doing well and staying healthy!

We are excited to be taking on the president and vice president roles of the RSCA and look forward to building relationships with our neighbours. Our former president, Graham Irvine, left some pretty big shoes to fill (literally huge, size 14 to be exact), but we'll do our best!

Current COVID measures continue to limit our usual community gatherings, but we are pleased that the RSCA has the opportunity to provide alternatives to its regular December events (details below). We look forward to meeting you at our Toy Mountain Drive or hopefully at a 2021 event. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us!

Sincerely, Kyle Creelman (President) and Tamara Lewis (VP)

# **Toy Mountain Drive**

The RSCA is setting up in the parking lot of Moncion's Your Independent Grocer (garden centre area) Saturday, December 5 from 9 am-11 am to collect



new unwrapped toys to help build Toy Mountain!

Volunteers in PPE (masks & gloves) will collect the toys from the trunk of your vehicle or the driver. Donors should be wearing masks as well.

The first 200 donors will receive Le Donut Stop treats compliments of the rachelhammer.com real estate team.

Thanks go to Parkview Moving for helping out with collection and delivery.

A collection bin is also available for drop off inside Moncion's (near the elevator) from now until Dec 13th.

### Holiday Lights Tour & Draw

Unfortunately, the RSCA is unable to hold our traditional sleigh rides this year, but we've come up with an alternative . . .



Have you decorated the exterior of your home for the holiday season? Whether you channeled your inner Clark Griswold, kept it understated like Martha Stewart, or went with something in between, add your address to this interactive map so that area residents can plan a tour of the neighbourhood!

All addresses will be entered in a draw for the chance to win one of ten \$100 gift certificates generously donated by Moncion's Your Independent Grocer! The draw will take place Saturday, December 19th, and the certificates will be delivered on the 20th.

### **Outdoor Rinks**

Colder weather is coming, and the RSCA is looking for volunteers for the ice crews for the upcoming season! We are also looking for a new rink lead at Boothfield — please contact icerinks@riversidesouth.org if you are interested.

High school students: this is a great way to accumulate volunteer hours!

Sign up here: https://bit.ly/RSCArinks

### The RSCA Board has an opening!

Are you interested in getting more involved with the association? We are currently looking to fill the secretary position on the board of directors. Duties include taking meeting minutes and providing input on steps moving forward with the goals of the association. A full description of the secretary role (as well as that of the board) can be found in our **bylaws**. If you'd like to join our team, please send an email to **info@riversidesouth.org** with your name, contact information and a brief bio.

### **Support Our Local Businesses!**

We ask that you continue to support our local businesses! If you own or know of an open local business, please add them to this list on the RSCA Facebook page. You can also see a directory of our local businesses or add a listing here: riversidesouth.org/sign-up

## **City of Ottawa**

#### Ward Boundary Review

The Final Report has been released on the City's **website** and its recommendations are based on the following:

- \* The feedback on the six options for realigning Ottawa's wards;
- \* Identification of a 'preferred option';
- \* Balancing the various components of "effective representation"; and Previous Court and Tribunal decisions

The Final Report will be considered by the Finance and Economic Development Committee (FEDC) and City Council during their December 1, 2020, and December 9, 2020 meetings, respectively. The report recommends a new ward boundary structure of 24 wards, with 12 urban wards, nine suburban wards, and three rural wards.

A new interactive geoOttawa mapping feature has been created so you can view how the recommended structure would affect you. PDF maps for each of the 24 wards are also available.

#### Winter Maintenance Review

The City is reviewing its Winter Maintenance Quality Standards; check out the process timelines and have your say: https://engage.ottawa.ca/wmqs

#### **New Official Plan**

The draft of the New Official Plan is now available for viewing and feedback: engage.ottawa.ca/the-new-official-plan

## Civil Works - Earl Armstrong Rd & Limebank Rd

As part of the Stage 2 O-Train Trillium Line South Extension Project, to facilitate the construction of Limebank station, civil work must be completed within the Limebank Road and Earl Armstrong Road corridors for sanitary and storm sewer connections.

Work started Monday, November 16 and will carry on for approximately three weeks, pending inclement weather and schedule changes.

\* On Earl Armstrong Road work will happen between 9 am and 3 pm

\* On Limebank Road the work will happen between 7 am and 3 pm

Traffic impacts:

\* Cyclists and pedestrians will be required to adhere to signage and detours (as per the yellow dotted line on the map) during Stage 2 of work at Earl Armstrong. A single lane of traffic will always be maintained in both directions.

\* During the civil work at Limebank Road the construction crew will maintain a single lane of traffic in both directions.

## Feedback

The RSCA wants your input! Have ideas for our events and programs? A community issue you think the RSCA should look into? Let us know: info@riversidesouth.org



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