

TOWN OF GANDER



# OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER



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## PUBLIC NOTICES

INTRODUCING THE  
Town of Gander  
FoodCycler  
Program

- 1 PURCHASE A FOODCYCLER FROM THE MUNICIPALITY AT A HIGHLY SUBSIDIZED PRICE.
- 2 TRACK THE NUMBER OF CYCLES YOU RUN FOR 12-WEEKS
- 3 COMPLETE A TOTAL OF THREE SURVEYS OVER A PERIOD OF 36 WEEKS ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCE AND KEEP YOUR FOODCYCLER FOREVER!

ONLY 200 SPOTS AVAILABLE!  
REGISTER TODAY!

The graphic includes a QR code and images of a FoodCycler machine, a person using it, and a hand holding soil.

### FoodCycler Program

The Town of Gander FoodCycler program registration is now open.

By participating, you're taking a simple step toward reducing your household's environmental footprint and supporting a more sustainable future. By diverting this organic material away from the landfill, you're helping to reduce "greenhouse" methane gas emissions, and contribute to a cleaner, greener Gander!

Register for yours today! <https://bit.ly/FCGander>

### Budget Consultations

Council will present the 2025 budget for adoption at the public meeting scheduled for November 20, 2024.

There will be an opportunity to present requests and provide feedback through public consultations tentatively scheduled for October 16 and 17.

To register to attend the public consultations or provide input, please contact the Town's Communications Officer at 709-651-5909 or email [communications@gandercanada.com](mailto:communications@gandercanada.com).

### 2025 Budget Consultations

Register to speak to Council on the 2025 budget

October 16 & 17, 2024

E-mail [communications@gandercanada.com](mailto:communications@gandercanada.com)/call 709-651-5909



## Cooper Boulevard Roundabout

Construction has begun for a new roundabout at the intersection of Cooper Blvd and Memorial Dr.

This initiative comes in response to increased traffic on Cooper Boulevard, with funding allocated during the 2024 budget process. A comprehensive report by traffic engineers recommended the roundabout as the best solution to improve long-term safety at this busy intersection. The project is cost-shared through provincial Multi-Year Capital Works funding.

The Town understands that the introduction of a roundabout in the community may cause uncertainty. The Town of Gander is committed to providing ongoing information and educational resources to ensure a smooth transition.



## 2024 Waste Transfer Schedule

The Town of Gander, in partnership with PBO Industrial Disposal Inc., operates a waste transfer station located on McCurdy Drive, next to the Public Works Depot.

Upcoming dates:

- October 26th
- November 16th
- December 14th

Operating hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Visit [www.gandercanada.com/garbage](http://www.gandercanada.com/garbage) for more information.

## Council Meeting Schedule

The next Regular Meeting of Council is scheduled for October 23, 2024 at 4 p.m.

Members of the public can attend at the Town Hall or view from home on RogersTV Channel 9 or [www.rogerstv.com/gander](http://www.rogerstv.com/gander). The Town of Gander also provides live updates during the meeting at [www.x.com/townofgander](http://www.x.com/townofgander).

[Click here for meeting schedule and agendas](#)

[Click here for meeting minutes](#)



## Event Calendar

Stay up to date with everything happening in the Town of Gander! Check out our frequently updated event calendar for all the latest information.

Visit <https://events.gandercanada.com/>.

# IN CASE YOU MISSED IT



## Council Visits Forest Protection Centre and Air Services

In recognition of National Forest Week, Council toured the Forest Protection Centre and the Air Services Facilities, to learn more about their critical work.

The Forest Protection Centre plays a key role in safeguarding our forests from fires and environmental threats, while Air Services provides essential support with water bombers, helicopter operations, and other aerial resources for emergency response and forest management.

We're proud to have these vital services right here in Gander!

## Farewell Fire Chief Harold Lowe

After an incredible 40 years in firefighting, including nearly 7 years with Gander Fire/Rescue, Fire Chief Harold Lowe has retired.

His dedication to protecting our community and ensuring our safety has been truly outstanding.

Chief Lowe has led with professionalism, courage, and a deep sense of duty, making a lasting impact on both the department and the Town of Gander.

We extend our heartfelt thanks for his remarkable service and wish him the very best in his well-deserved retirement.



## Seniors' 'Rising Above the Rest' Fall Forum

Seniors' 'Rising Above the Rest' Fall Forum was held on September 27th.

The forum featured insightful sessions on well-being, family care, and creating an age-friendly community. Attendees enjoyed great company and delicious food.

This event was proudly hosted by Gander and Area Crime Prevention, Gander Women's Centre, Violence Prevention Gander and Area, and the Town of Gander.

# Council Highlights

## HOME BASED BUSINESSES

- ✓ Learn, Play, Grow Child Care - Registered childcare service at 11 Lewington Place
- ✓ SC Developments Limited - Office for a general contracting business

## DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

- ✓ Quarry Permit - Council approved a development application to operate a quarry approximately 24 km east of Gander, adjacent to Denty's Pit.

## MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENTS

- ✓ Municipal Plan Amendment # 6, 2024 and Development Regulations Amendment # 8 - Short Term Rentals
- ✓ Municipal Plan Amendment # 3, 2023 and Development Regulations Amendment # 4 - Rezone Two Parcels of Land

[Complete details here.](#)

## PROCUREMENT

**#RFQ24-22 Consulting Fees**  
Consulting fees to reconfigure the Neiderman System at Gander Fire Rescue was awarded to Allnorth Consultants Limited at a cost of \$39,370.25 HST included.

**#RFP24-06 Human Resources Information System**  
The purchase of a Human Resources Information System was awarded to UKG.

## NOTABLE ITEMS

Council will present the 2025 budget for adoption on November 20th, 2024.

Council is seeking input from residents, businesses, and community groups for requests to be considered during the 2025 budget process.

There will be an opportunity to present these requests and provide feedback through public consultations tentatively scheduled for October 16th and 17th .

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## IMPORTANT DATES

Oct 4th: First Responders Challenge  
Oct 4th – 6th: Male U16 AAA Hockey Tournament  
Oct 5th: Gander Grow Co. Farmer's Market  
Oct 16th: Community Wellness Event  
Oct 18th – 20th: Sport NL High School Soccer Tournament  
Oct 19th: Gander Grow Co./Town of Gander Farmer's Market

- Garbage Collection for Monday, October 14th is rescheduled for Wednesday, October 16th.
- The next scheduled Waste Transfer Station date is scheduled for Saturday, October 26th.

