

## PNE Welcomes World Football Fans

For 28 days in June and July, Hastings Sunrise will be part of the world's largest sports spectacle – FIFA World Cup 2026!

The family-friendly FIFA Fan Zone at Hastings Park will draw up to 25,000 fans of football (or soccer, as it is known in North America) daily to watch match broadcasts and participate in fan activities throughout the venue.

Just like at PNE Fair times, neighbours can expect extra traffic, noise and temporary closures or limited access at some public spaces on site, such as the Hastings Skateboard Park, the Sanctuary, Momiji Gardens and the Italian Gardens, starting in late May.

But they can also enjoy free viewing at large screens throughout the site. There's shelter from the weather – sun or rain! – at the new world-class Freedom Mobile Arch, a covered open-air amphitheatre with soaring mass-timber roof designed to provide vista views and cover for up to 10,000 at a time.

Match viewing, music and other entertainment are scheduled on most

days between 8 a.m. and midnight. The City of Vancouver, the PNE and event partners have a plan to manage noise and disruption. Entertainment and live matches will be broadcast at sound levels similar to those at other major events there. The amphitheatre has acoustic features, including a mass-timber roof, an acoustic sound wall, landscape buffering, and optimized speaker placement.

No major road closures are planned, but there could be localized traffic control, curb lane restrictions and changes to on-street parking regulations. Free valet bike parking will be available nearby at Hastings Park (Pender and Lillooet) and Callister Park (Renfrew and Cambridge).

Bus service will be increased, and alternative travel modes like scooters will be accommodated.

On site, there'll be food trucks, restaurants, bars and concession stands. But Patricia Barnes, executive director of the East Village Business Improvement Association,



The new amphitheatre

invites visitors to browse outside the Fan Zone as well.

“We're excited!” says Patricia. “We're really hopeful that we'll see an uptick of business in the area.”

Her message to local residents: “Don't be afraid to come – there'll be access and parking. The parking lot behind London Drugs will remain open for shoppers.”

The Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre expects to be busier, as large crowds come into the area. “But we love it that people will come to the neighbourhood and experience what we have to offer,” says Clair MacGougan, its executive director. “Also.... Go Canada Go!”

From June 11 to July 19, matches will be held at 16 sites across Canada, Mexico and the United States. Vancouver will host seven matches between June 13 and July 7, two of them featuring Canada's national team. All will be shown on big screens at the Fan Zone.

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### Working together for a safe community

The Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre works in partnership with the Vancouver Police Department



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# A Volunteer's Journey: From Cleanups to AI

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Since the first FIFA World Cup was held in 1930, it has become a global sporting phenomenon. The FIFA Women's World Cup was launched in 1991, showcasing stars like B.C.'s own Christine Sinclair, Canada's all-time leading goal scorer and one of the most celebrated players in the world. ■



Volunteer Bin

Many immigrants who are looking for better opportunities choose Canada for its high quality of life, economic stability and a welcoming, diverse society.

Bin, who has been volunteering with the Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre (HSCPC) since October, is no exception. Hailing from Shanghai, China, the 45-year-old IT consultant moved to Canada last September with his wife and daughter to enjoy a calmer and quieter lifestyle.

“Shanghai is a very busy city where people feel a lot of pressure to be successful and earn money, and we had very little time to spend on activities that we enjoy,” says Bin.

When Bin and his family moved to Hastings Sunrise, he noticed the HSCPC's sandwich board sign on the street and applied to volunteer right away.

“It is really important to me to learn about the local culture and to give back to the community that has welcomed us,” explains Bin. “Being part of Canadian society allows us to enjoy all the freedoms that come with



Bird's eye view of Fan Zone



Fan's eye view of amphitheatre crowds

it, and in my opinion volunteering is the best way to contribute.”

When Bin started volunteering with the HSCPC, he joined the litter cleanup events happening bi-weekly on Saturdays as a community participant. Now that he is a regular volunteer, he covers shifts in the front office once a week to assist residents with questions or concerns about safety related issues.

Having a volunteer like Bin has been extremely valuable for the HSCPC. During quiet shifts, he leverages his extensive IT background to streamline data management, and utilizes innovative AI tools to design high-quality presentations and assist staff with office jobs.

“We are very lucky to have Bin because he is so eager to learn and help with whatever is needed at the centre,” says Nina Kreis, HSCPC coordinator.

When asked about what he likes to do in his free time, now that he has more of it, Bin says: “I love going to the local library to browse through the huge selection of books. I’m a very curious person and trying to improve my English skills whenever I can.”

Education is very important to Bin and his family: “I also help my daughter with her homework, and support her as best as I can, but her English is already better than mine,” says Bin with a proud smile.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming involved at the Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre, visit <https://hastings sunrise cpc.com/volunteer/>, email [info@hscpc.com](mailto:info@hscpc.com) or call 604-717-3584 to learn more! ■

# It's Time To Shred Your Documents

Shredding Day is coming: Saturday, May 2nd.

Dispose of your sensitive work documents, old tax filings and tax slips, credit card statements, utility and municipal bills so nobody can use your information for identity theft.

Our volunteers will help unload documents into bins which are then lifted onto the shredding truck. All documents are destroyed on site before the RecordXpress truck leaves the Sunrise Square parking lot.

The Shredding Day event is hosted in partnership with the East Village BIA and RecordXpress.

We ask for a donation of \$10 per box, to help fund HSCPC programs. ■



**MAY 2ND**  
**10AM - 1PM**  
**SUGGESTED DONATION \$10 PER BOX**  
**2500 FRANKLIN STREET**

# Trash Tally Tops 10,000 Bags!

Picture a mountain of street litter, enough to fill over 10,000 garbage bags. That's how much debris has been collected from roadsides and public property in Hastings Sunrise since volunteer community cleanup crews began in the early 2000s.

Last year, 39 volunteers and 94 community participants picked up 436 bags of trash at 42 events, bringing the totals to:

- 10,117 bags of trash
- 507 cleanup events
- 699 volunteers and
- 3,497 community participants

You are invited to join your neighbours who are making a difference at the regular cleanup events, held on many Saturdays throughout the year. The Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre supplies bags, tongs, gloves and high-visibility vests.



Research has shown that systematic removal of garbage and graffiti can greatly reduce crime, vandalism and mischief.

Our partners in the program are the City of Vancouver and the Hastings North Business Improvement Association.

The litter clean-up program welcomes everyone to participate — including youth needing to fulfill a volunteer requirement for school. A community participant form needs to be signed before attending a cleanup. You can download the form from our website or sign it at the CPC office. (Youth under 18 years need a parent to sign the waiver.)

**Come join us on one of the following Saturdays in 2026 from 10 am to 12 pm for a Community Cleanup:**

- April 18
- May 30
- June 13, 27
- July 11, 25
- August 8, 22
- September 19
- October 3, 17, 31
- November 14, 28
- December 12 ■



# Peacemakers Are Ready to Roll

After months of preparation, training and dialogue with community partners, Bridging Divides, a new restorative justice program in Hastings Sunrise, has completed its soft launch and is now ready to take on cases.

Developed through a partnership between Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre, Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House and Peace of the Circle, the program is part of a broader effort to build a “restorative neighbourhood” in the Hastings Sunrise community.

Rather than focusing on punishment, restorative justice brings people together to talk about harm, listen to one another, and find ways to restore relationships. Bridging Divides uses facilitated Peace Circles, where participants share their experiences and work collaboratively toward understanding and meaningful solutions.

Over the past several months, trained facilitators—known as peacemakers—have been building experience through

community circles and dialogue sessions, laying the groundwork for the program’s next phase.

“Restorative approaches create space for people to be heard and to move forward together,” said Nina Kreis, Bridging Divides intake coordinator. “Through dialogue and accountability, communities can transform conflict into opportunities for resolution and connection.”

Now accepting referrals, Bridging Divides offers a new pathway for addressing conflict in the community—one rooted in respect, responsibility, and the belief that stronger relationships lead to safer, healthier neighbourhoods.

**Get in touch with us to learn more or to request a Peace Circle:**

Contact Nina Kreis at [ninak@hscpc.com](mailto:ninak@hscpc.com) ■  
Or see contact information at right.



A typical Peace Circle, bringing parties together

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## 志愿者人物专访



志愿者 Bin

“对我来说，了解当地文化并回馈这个欢迎我们的社区非常重要。成为加拿大社会的一部分，让我们享受这里的自由，而我认为志愿服务是最好的贡献方式。”

刚开始时，Bin作为社区参与者参加每两周一次的周六清洁活动。现在他已经成为固定志愿者，每周在前台值班，帮助居民解答安全相关问题。

像Bin这样的志愿者对警务中心非常重要。在较为空闲的班次中，他利用自己的IT背景优化数据管理，并使用AI工具制作高质量演示文稿，协助办公室工作。

HSCPC协调员Nina Kreis表示：“我们非常幸运能有Bin这样的志愿者，他非常愿意学习并帮助中心完成各种工作。”

谈到业余时间，Bin说：“我喜欢去当地图书馆浏览大量书籍。我很好奇，也尽量提升自己的英语。”

教育对Bin一家非常重要：“我也会帮女儿做作业并支持她，但她的英语已经比我好了。”他自豪地笑着说。

如果你或你认识的人有兴趣加入Hastings Sunrise社区警务中心：  
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许多移民为了更好的机会选择加拿大，这里生活质量高、经济稳定，并且社会多元且包容。

自去年10月起在Hastings Sunrise社区警务中心（HSCPC）担任志愿者的Bin就是其中之一。这位来自中国上海的45岁IT顾问，于去年9月与妻子和女儿移居加拿大，追求更平静的生活。

“上海是一个节奏非常快的城市，人们承受着巨大的成功与赚钱压力，我们几乎没有时间做自己喜欢的事情。” Bin说道。

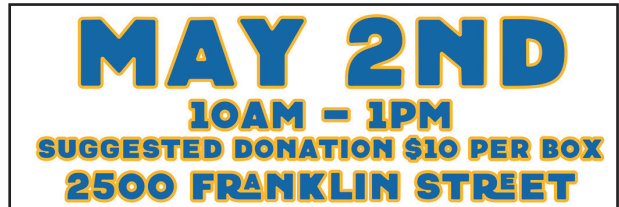
搬到Hastings Sunrise后，他在街上看到警务中心的宣传牌，立刻申请成为志愿者。

## 文件销毁日活动： 5月2日（周六）

请安全处理您的敏感文件，包括工作文件、旧税务记录与报表、信用卡账单、水电账单及市政账单，以防止身份盗用。

志愿者将协助您将文件装入容器，并通过设备直接送入粉碎卡车。所有文件将在现场销毁，然后RecordXPRESS卡车才会离开Sunrise Square停车场。

我们建议每箱文件捐款10加元，用于支持HSCPC项目。



# 2026年春季社区清洁活动报道

想象一下，一堆街道垃圾多到可以装满10,000多个垃圾袋——这正是自2000年代初志愿者清洁团队开始行动以来，在Hastings Sunrise路边和公共区域清理出的垃圾总量。

去年，共有39名志愿者和94名社区参与者，在42场活动中清理了436袋垃圾，使累计数据达到：

- 10,117袋垃圾
- 507次清洁活动
- 699名志愿者
- 3,497名社区参与者

我们诚邀您加入邻里清洁行动。这些活动全年多个周六举行。Hastings Sunrise社区警务中心将提供垃圾袋、夹子、手套和高可见性背心。

研究表明，系统性清除垃圾和涂鸦可以显著减少犯罪、破坏行为和恶作剧。

该项目合作伙伴包括温哥华市政府以及Hastings North商业促进协会。

该清洁项目欢迎所有人参与，包括需要完成学校志愿服务时数的青少年。参加前需填写社区参与表，可在网站下载或到警务中心签署。（18岁以下需家长签字）

2026年社区清洁活动时间（周六 10:00 - 12:00）：

- 4月18日
- 5月30日
- 6月13日、27日
- 7月11日、25日
- 8月8日、22日
- 9月19日
- 10月3日、17日、31日
- 11月14日、28日
- 12月12日



## 弥合分歧：一个支持社区的新型修复性项目启动

经过数月的准备、培训以及与社区合作伙伴的对话，一个名为“Bridging Divides（弥合分歧）”的全新修复性司法项目在Hastings Sunrise社区完成试运行，并正式开始接收案件。

该项目由Hastings Sunrise社区警务中心、Frog Hollow邻里之家以及Peace of the Circle合作开发，是在Hastings Sunrise社区建设“修复型社区”的更大努力的一部分。

与传统以惩罚为主的方式不同，修复性司法强调让相关人员聚在一起，讨论所造成的伤害，倾听彼此的声音，并寻找修复关系的方法。“弥合分歧”项目采用引导式“和平圆桌”（Peace Circles），参与者在其中分享各自经历，并共同努力达成理解与有意义的解决方案。

在过去几个月中，受过培训的引导者（被称为“和平促进者”）通过社区圆桌和对话活动积累经验，为项目进入下一阶段打下基础。

项目受理协调员Nina Kreis表示：“修复性方法为人们提供了被倾听的空间，并让大家能够共同向前推进。通过对话与承担责任，社区可以将冲突转化为解决问题和建立连接的机会。”

目前该项目已开始接受转介，为社区处理冲突提供了一种全新的路径——建立在尊重、责任以及“更强关系带来更安全、更健康社区”的信念之上。

如需了解更多或申请参与“和平圆桌”，请联系：  
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