

Public Service Announcement

May 29, 2015

City of Edmonton

Truth and Reconciliation closing events

A series of events marking the [closing of Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission](#) will be held in Edmonton from May 31 to June 3. All Edmontonians are invited to share in this important milestone in our collective history.

A sacred fire, a partnership of the City of Edmonton and the Confederacy of Treaty 6 First Nations, will be tended outside of Edmonton City Hall for four days in parallel with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's closing events taking place in Ottawa.

Sunday, May 31, 2015

Event: Sacred Fire – Burning of Tears
Time: 24-hour vigil starting at sunrise (approximately 5 a.m.) on Sunday, May 31 and ending at 3 p.m., Wednesday, June 3.
Location: Outside City Hall
 1 Sir Winston Churchill Square

In addition to the Sacred Fire, a series of live-stream viewings of the Truth and Reconciliation Closing Events in Ottawa will take place across the City, hosted by various partner organizations. Members of the public are invited to watch.

Monday, June 1, 2015

Event: Youth Dialogue Panel and Celebration of Hope and Reconciliation
Time: 10:15 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. local time
Location: Stanley A. Miner Library
 7 Sir Winston Churchill Square

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Event: The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada will release of its final report on Indian and Residential Schools. Viewings of the event will be live streamed at various locations across Edmonton.
Time: Doors open at 8:30 a.m.
 Seating is first-come, first-served at both viewing locations.
 University of Alberta – 2 viewing options
Locations:

- Edmonton Clinic Health Academy (ECHA), Room L1-490
- Cameron Library

Health supports will be present at the Edmonton Health Clinic Academy (ECHA) location. Refreshments will also be served at that location.

Council Chambers, City Hall

1 Sir Winston Churchill Square

Doors open at 8:30 a.m. Edmonton City Council will witness the release of the TRC's Final Report on Indian Residential Schools together with Aboriginal leaders, elders and community members. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Health supports will be present. Seating is first-come, first-served. Overflow seating will be available in the River Valley Room, 1st Floor City Hall, if required.

Edmonton Public Library Branches

[Branch Locations Map](#)

Doors open at 9 a.m. Most branches of the Edmonton Public Library, including Stanley A. Miner Library, will live stream the release of the Final Report on Indian Residential Schools from Ottawa, followed by the Response from Parties to the Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement (from 11:15 a.m.-noon)

The City of Edmonton, the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations, the University of Alberta, the Edmonton Public Library, the Province of Alberta's Ministry of Aboriginal Relations, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada-Alberta Region, the Edmonton Police Service, the Edmonton Catholic School Board and the Edmonton Public School Board are pleased to partner together to honour the legacy of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and to support its closing events.

For more information:

Visit edmonton.ca/trc for information on local events and trc.ca for information on national events.

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