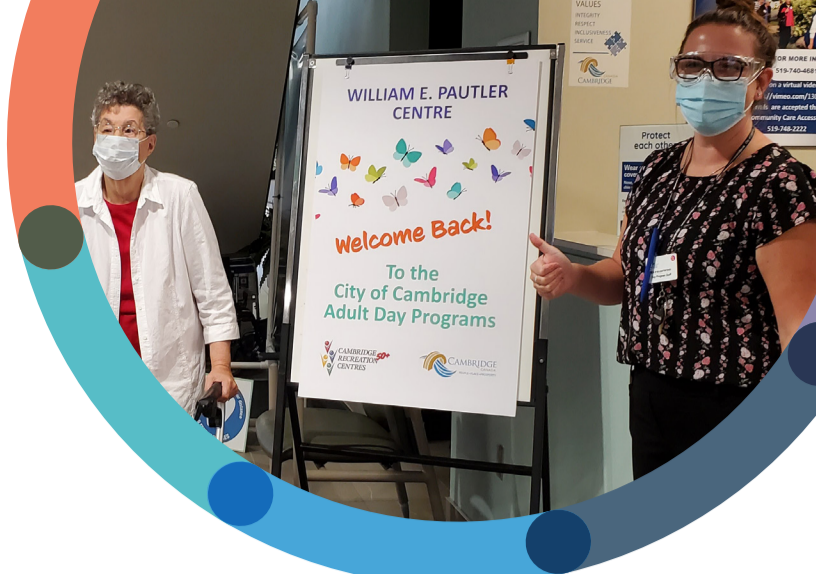


City of Cambridge
PANDEMIC TIMELINE

2021



- JANUARY 7**
 - Winter City Cambridge launches, highlighting free and safe outdoor winter activities around the city
- JANUARY 14**
 - Province declares second State of Emergency and issues Stay At Home Order
- FEBRUARY 9**
 - City launches Family Day at home contests
- FEBRUARY 12**
 - Region of Waterloo transitions to Red-Control zone; City updates service changes
- FEBRUARY 22**
 - City Hall opens to the public
- FEBRUARY 23**
 - City announced summer camps for 2021 with capacity limits
- MARCH 1**
 - Flags lowered at City facilities to remember COVID-19 victims
- MARCH 12**
 - First vaccination clinic opens in Cambridge
- MARCH 17**
 - One Year Later: Cambridge reflects” news release. This date marks one year since City Hall and facilities first closed due to the pandemic; and many virtual and online services launch
- MARCH 30**
 - City reminds residents to keep safety top of mind over the Easter period
- APRIL 3**
 - Provincial Government activates an “emergency brake” which places Ontario in a province-wide shutdown as of 12:01am on April 3rd
 - All municipal buildings closed to the public
 - Indoor recreational programs suspended
- APRIL 30**
 - StaySafe Screen Pop-Up bus at City Hall every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
- MAY 14**
 - Stay-at-home order extended until June 2
- MAY 22**
 - Outdoor amenities such as basketball courts, soccer fields and other outdoor amenities are able to reopen under Step 1 of the Province’s 3-step reopening plan
- JUNE 11**
 - Region of Waterloo moves into Step 1 of the Province’s Roadmap to Reopen
 - Outdoor pools reopen for the summer under Step 1
- JUNE 14**
 - Outdoor dining returns, City establishes extended patio program
- JUNE 30**
 - Province announces that Ontario will move to Step 2 of the Roadmap to Reopen/The Region of Waterloo remain in Step 1 until mid-July due to high case counts
- JULY 12**
 - City moves to Step 2; City updates city services
- JULY 16**
 - Cambridge moves to Step 3
- AUGUST 20**
 - Ontario confirms that the exit from the Roadmap to Reopen is paused indefinitely
- SEPTEMBER 3**
 - Ontario announces vaccine certificate program, which will come into effect on September 22
- SEPTEMBER 15**
 - City introduces mandatory vaccination policy for employees
- SEPTEMBER 17**
 - Check before you rec. Proof of vaccination required to enter City recreation facilities under Provincial vaccine certificate program
- OCTOBER 1**
 - Cambridge hosts virtual Newcomer Connections conference
- OCTOBER 6**
 - City staff are asked to provide proof of vaccination status before October 13
- OCTOBER 7**
 - City reminds residents to celebrate Thanksgiving responsibly
- OCTOBER 15**
 - Ontario launches its COVID verification app
- OCTOBER 18**
 - First cohort of City staff who have been working remotely return to the office today for 2-week rotation
- OCTOBER 29**
 - Ontario releases “A Plan to Safely Reopen Ontario” outlining easing of restrictions until March 2022
- NOVEMBER 1**
 - Second cohort of City staff who have been working remotely return to the office
- NOVEMBER 4**
 - Hybrid of online and in-person events announced for Winterfest
- NOVEMBER 10**
 - Province pauses lifting of capacity limits in remaining settings where proof of vaccination is required
- NOVEMBER 15**
 - All remote staff return to the office today
- NOVEMBER 18**
 - Winter holiday show starts outside the Old Post Office
- NOVEMBER 26**
 - Waterloo Region begins administering children’s doses of the COVID-19 vaccine to 5-11 year olds
- DECEMBER 1**
 - Winter Illumination starts; more than 20 light installations throughout the City.
 - Old Post Office special show
- DECEMBER 2**
 - 2022 Budget process starts in virtual format
- DECEMBER 11**
 - Christmas Market holds one-day outdoor event
- DECEMBER 13**
 - Public Health confirms cases of the Omicron variant in the Region
- DECEMBER 14**
 - City adjusts recreation services in response to Omicron variant
- DECEMBER 17**
 - Staff who are able to work remotely return to working from home
- DECEMBER 20**
 - New capacity limits under provincial measures introduced
- DECEMBER 24**
 - City continues to encourage residents to have a safe holiday & follow public health measures

