



MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD
Jewel of the Rideau

**NEW BUSINESS
WELCOME
PACKAGE**



Community Development

ABOUT:

Merrickville-Wolford is a beautiful, historic area that combines the charm of the country with the elegance of a quaint, quiet village. Located along the Rideau Canal - a UNESCO World Heritage site, the area is rich in history, and is a popular tourist destination. Visitors come by land and river to experience the Jewel of the Rideau.

MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD'S VISION

Perserving a quality of life on the Rideau River that is vibrant, natural, rural and historic.



WELCOME FROM MAYOR STRUTHERS

I am tremendously excited to see the return of shoppers, day tourists and restaurant patrons again throughout Merrickville-Wolford. As we recover from the challenges of COVID-19, it has been extremely heartening to see how the Merrickville-Wolford community has pulled together to protect public health and safety, supporting one another - our neighbors, friends, local businesses, essential workers, and more. We are one community. Our residents support our businesses and our businesses serve our residents.

It is my pleasure to welcome your new business to our local community, and to recognize the many local businesses that have been adapting, remodeling and expanding throughout Merrickville-Wolford over the past year+. You are in good company and we hope you will get to know and benefit from our awesome business community & organizations like the Merrickville & District Chamber of Commerce, available small business resources & supports, and partnership opportunities. We are here to help connect you with the community and the available business programs and supports.

We enjoy a diverse local economy in Merrickville-Wolford. Here you will find businesses across the entire Agri-Food chain (from producers and processors to specialty shops and restaurants featuring local foods), Artists who produce one-of-a-kind creations, Service Providers that cater to business, professional, personal, educational and healthcare needs, Retail Shops with unique and eclectic offerings, as well as Accommodations, Food and Drink for all. We hope you will support the full range of businesses throughout Merrickville-Wolford, including the hidden gems throughout the rural Wolford ward. Together we are strong and have a vibrant local economy. Let's continue to stay safe and shop local!

Welcome, Stay safe and well,

JD Struthers
Mayor Struthers





ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**BRINGING BUSINESSES TO
MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD**

RESOURCES

Business Support Organizations for local businesses – as always, the following government organizations are available to assist local businesses with funding programs, hiring, wage subsidies for employees, and more!



Small Business Advisory Centre (SBAC)

Funded by the provincial government, the SBAC supports start-ups and growth businesses in Merrickville-Wolford with funding programs, advisory services, and expert business advice. Contact SBAC by email at cjames@smallbizcentre.ca

<https://smallbizcentre.ca/>

CSE Consulting

Funded by the provincial government, CSE delivers the Canada-Ontario Job Grant for businesses and has a range of programs and services for employers and employees, including hiring and training programs. Contact CSE by email at tracy@cseconsulting.com

<https://www.cseconsulting.com/>

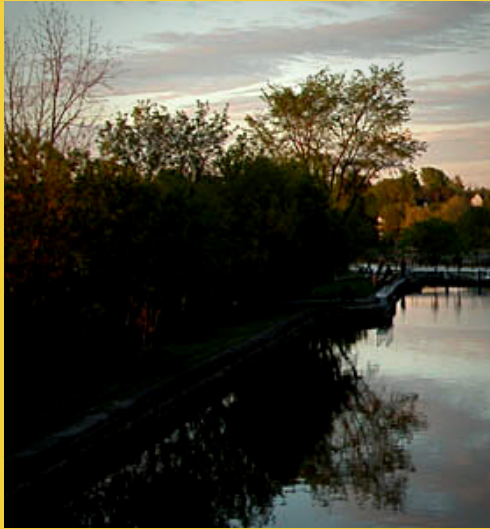
Valley Heartland Community Futures Development Corp.

Funded by the federal government, Valley Heartland is a third party provider of programs and services for growth & innovation businesses, including business loans, grants and business mentorship programs. Contact Valley Heartland by email at info@valleycfcd.com

<https://www.valleycfcd.com/>

RESOURCES

Digital Service Squad/Main Street & Municipal Contact Information



Digital Service Squad/Main Street Program

Extended into February 2022
- Digital Service Squads (DSS)
across the United Counties of
Leeds Grenville assist local
Merrickville-Wolford
businesses to establish and/or
improve their online presence,
meet digital transformation
goals, can assist eligible
businesses to apply for a
\$2,500 Digital Transformation
Grant, and more.

Merrickville-Wolford & District Chamber of Commerce

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Village of Merrickville-Wolford

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[Contact Us](#)

<https://digitalmainstreet.ca>

www.merrickvillechamber.ca

www.merrickville-wolford.ca



SIGNAGE BY-LAW 24-2010

CONSIDERING A SIGN FOR YOUR BUSINESS? **BY-LAW 24-2010 OUTLINES WHAT IS PERMITTED**

A Sign Permit is required for signs within Merrickville-Wolford. The Signage By-Law 24-2010 can be found [here](#).

In keeping with the historic nature of the municipality:

- *The following types of signs are not permitted in the urban area of Merrickville-Wolford: a) Flashing Signs; b) Neon Signs; c) Pylon; d) Luminous*
- *Every sign shall be kept in good repair and in a safe and secure condition.*
- *Off-Premises Signs are prohibited in the urban area.*
- *Sandwich Boards located on any highway, sidewalk or road allowance may, if they hinder or in any way impede the free and easy movement of pedestrians or vehicular traffic or the parking of vehicles or the opening of doors of vehicles, or where installed in contravention of this by-law, be removed by municipal staff without notice.*

Additional regulations exist for signs based on the zoning of the lot where the sign shall be placed, such as residential or commercial properties, along with the requirements for the various types of signs that are permitted. Please view the Signage By-Law 24-2010 for additional regulations, definitions, and to view the application along with the fee structure for permits.

For more information, contact our Municipal Office (613) 269-4791.

MUNICIPAL TAX AND WATER

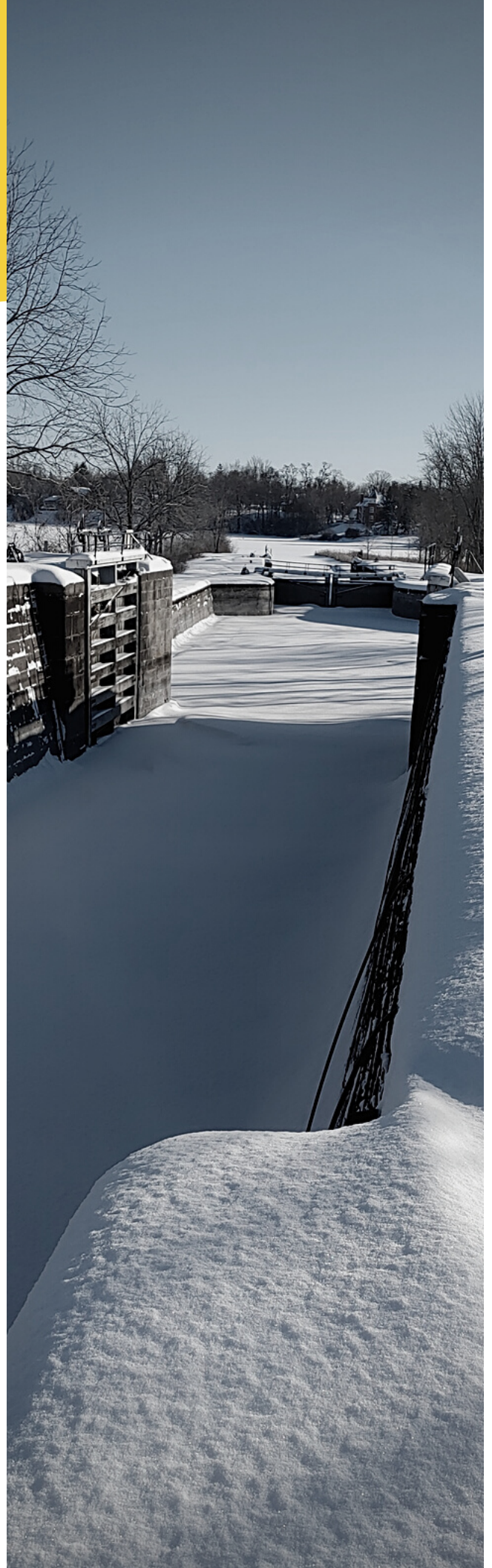
ACCOUNTS

Property owners are responsible for municipal taxes and municipal water fees associated with their property.

Tax Notices are issued twice annually, with payment due in three installments at the end of **February, July and September.**

Water bills are issued **every other month** and are due the same month. For example, the bill for usage in January and February is issued by March 10th and payment is due at the end of March. **Water bills are sent directly to property owners**, however tenants can make payments to the accounts using the account number.

Contact the office for the current commercial rate for water.
(613)269-4791 ext. 260



The image is a vertical composition. The left side features a photograph of a rustic stone building with a dark wooden door and a small window. The ground in front is covered with fallen leaves and a stone path. The right side contains a white text box with the title 'ENVIRONMENT' and a subtitle 'KEEPING MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD CLEAN, GREEN AND HEALTHY'. Below the subtitle is a paragraph of text about the importance of the environment in Merrickville-Wolford, mentioning its status as a UNESCO World Heritage Site and providing guidelines for keeping the area environmentally friendly.

ENVIRONMENT

KEEPING MERRICKVILLE- WOLFORD CLEAN, GREEN AND HEALTHY

In Merrickville-Wolford the environment is important to us. With a UNESCO World Heritage Site running through our communities, we aim to keep our natural habitat healthy and vibrant for all creatures. Please take care of your garbage and recycling needs by following the guidelines and help us keep our area environmentally friendly.



GARBAGE & RECYCLING

MERRICKVILLE WARD

Merrickville proper has garbage and recycling pick-up every Wednesday. Property owners and/or tenants are asked to:

- **have their garbage and recycling at the curbside by 7am on Wednesday morning.**
- Each bag must be properly tagged with an orange garbage tag. Tags can be purchased at the **Village Office, Quickie, Merrickville Food Market or the Merrickville Drug Mart** for **\$25/sheet** of ten tags.
- Garbage bags must not weigh more than 40 kg.
- Landfill open Wednesday & Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Recycling is collected each week, alternating between containers and fibres. See our **Recycling Calendar** to learn more.

Contact the office for further information.
(613) 269-4791 ext. 221

**CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR LANDFILL HOLIDAY HOURS
WWW.MERRICKVILLE-WOLFORD.CA**



GARBAGE & RECYCLING

WOLFORD WARD

Wolford ward residents and businesses can bring their garbage and recycling to our Landfill site located at 3512 County Rd 16. Property owners and/or tenants will require a landfill permit to enter. Permits are issued at the municipal office at 317 Brock St W., in Merrickville.

Please note that:

- permits will be issued for the vehicle entering the landfill thus a license plate number will be required.
- Each bag must be properly tagged with a yellow garbage tag. Tags can be purchased at the **Village Office, Quickie, Merrickville Food Market or the Merrickville Drug Mart** for \$10/sheet of ten tags.
- Landfill open Wednesday & Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Other items are accepted, fees are by weight or item. Check out our website for more information.

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