



Pictured, from left: Ramsay Ward Councillor Bev Holmes; Almonte Ward Councillor Jane Torrance; Knowledge Keeper Commanda; Elder McDermott; Deputy Mayor Rickey Minnille; Elder Brant; Mayor Christa Lowry; Pakenham Ward Councillor Denzil Ferguson.

### New Year Begins with Re-Established Relationships

Council held the 2026 Land Acknowledgement and Smudging Ceremony during the January 27 meeting. The ceremony was led by Algonquin Elder Larry McDermott from Shabot Obaadjiwan First Nation, Algonquin Knowledge Keeper Chuck Commanda from Kitigan Zibi First Nation, and Elder Barb Brant, Mohawk, Turtle Clan. These traditions are an important part of the Municipality's work toward Truth and Reconciliation.



### Mississippi Mills 2026 recycling collection schedule

#### Recycling tips:

- ✓ Flatten cardboard to save space.
- ✓ Place containers clean, dry and loose.
- ✓ Lids and labels can remain on containers and cans.
- ✓ Safely recycle batteries, sharps and propane canisters at a designated drop off location.

**Recycling questions?**  
**Contact Miller Waste**  
1-888-852-2374  
[area2@millerwaste.ca](mailto:area2@millerwaste.ca)  
[circularmaterials.ca/mississippimills](http://circularmaterials.ca/mississippimills)

- Missed collections
- Recycling bin inquiries
- Other recycling questions

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### Collection zone legend \*

Containers

Fibres



To determine your collection day,  
download the Circular Materials  
app at [circularmaterials.ca/app](http://circularmaterials.ca/app)



**Holiday schedule:**  
If your collection day falls on a statutory holiday, your recycling collection day will shift.

# Updates from the Municipality



November & December  
**Water Bills Due  
February 12**



## Go Paperless!

To encourage sustainability and municipal efficiency, a **\$2 fee** will be added to water bills sent out by letter mail, starting March 2026.

Get a **step-by-step guide** on how to sign up for paperless billing:



[www.mississippimills.ca/Paperless](http://www.mississippimills.ca/Paperless)



## Looking to Improve Your Home's Energy Efficiency and Save on Energy Bills?

Find out if **Better Homes Lanark** is the right program for you and your home! This County program offers a low-interest loan of up to \$40,000, empowering homeowners to improve the home's energy efficiency and comfort. Qualifying upgrades include upgrades to insulation, windows, doors, heating systems, solar panels, and more.

Not sure where to start with your home energy retrofit? Better Homes Lanark offers a free **Retrofit Coach** service to all applicants to help guide homeowners through the retrofit process. The Retrofit Coach can help you make informed decisions with confidence, and even identify other funding programs you may be eligible for.

### READY TO LEARN MORE?

Visit the County website to find:

- Applicant eligibility
- Available funding (loans and grants)
- Application process
- Contractors trained in the program



[www.lanarkcounty.ca/BetterHomesLanark](http://www.lanarkcounty.ca/BetterHomesLanark)

Below are some of the accepted materials for curbside recycling:



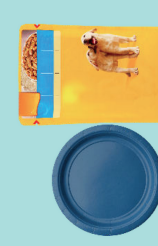
#### Paper and fibre



Paper

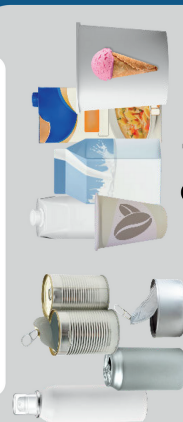


Cardboard and  
boxboard



Paper laminate  
packaging

#### Containers



Metal

Cartons  
and cups



Flexible plastics



Glass  
containers

Plastic  
containers



Foam packaging

Not  
accepted



Organics



Toys



Diapers



Ceramics



Books



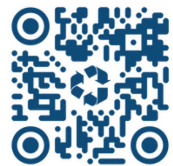
Pots and pans

READY • RECYCLE • REPEAT  
2026  
recycling guide

Mississippi Mills



[circularmaterials.ca/mississippimills](http://circularmaterials.ca/mississippimills)



Download the Circular Materials app to learn more.  
[circularmaterials.ca/app](http://circularmaterials.ca/app)

This resource can be requested in French by  
contacting [communications@circularmaterials.ca](mailto:communications@circularmaterials.ca).



# RIDE THE MISSISSIPPI MILLS LT

ONLY  
**\$2**  
ROUND TRIP

Get picked up & dropped off  
**ANYWHERE**  
in Mississippi Mills, to alternating  
weekly **Thursday routes** in  
**Almonte** and **Carleton Place**



## Almonte

Every **first** and **third Thursday**

<b>Mississippi Mills Public Library (Almonte Branch)</b>	10:00	10:45	11:30
<b>Almonte General Hospital</b>	10:10	10:55	11:40
<b>Shoppers Drug Mart</b>	10:20	11:05	11:50
<b>The Independent</b>	10:25	11:10	11:55
<b>Tim Hortons</b>	10:35	11:20	12:05

## Carleton Place

Every **second** and **fourth Thursday**

<b>Mississippi Mills Public Library (Almonte Branch)</b>	10:00	12:25
<b>FreshCo</b>	10:20	11:05 11:50
<b>Tim Hortons</b>	10:25	11:10 11:55
<b>Walmart</b>	10:30	11:15 12:00
<b>Giant Tiger</b>	10:35	11:20 12:05

[lanarktransportation.com](http://lanarktransportation.com)

[www.mississippimills.ca/RideTheLT](http://www.mississippimills.ca/RideTheLT)

“Ride the LT” by Lanark Transportation is now in Mississippi Mills!

Residents—including youths and older adults alike—can now register to Ride the LT for their weekly shopping needs.

TO BOOK, CALL:  
**1-877-445-5777**  
Or **613-264-8256**  
*\*Please book by Wednesday at 10 a.m.*

 **LANARK TRANSPORTATION**  
Accessible, caring, personal transport.

## Introduction of \$2 Paper Billing Fee for Water Bills

In 2024, staff recommended introducing a \$2 fee for anyone who chooses to receive their water bill by mail. This fee helps cover the real costs of printing and mailing paper bills, such as paper, envelopes, and postage. The Municipality sends water bills six times a year, and as of July 2024, more than 2,100 bills were still being mailed each cycle. This costs the Municipality almost \$26,000 every year, in addition to considerable staff resources.

Council asked staff to spend all of 2025 informing residents about the upcoming fee before putting it in place. Over the past year, residents may have seen notices about the fee on the Municipality’s website, in the MM Messenger municipal newsletter, on social media, and directly on their water bills. Because of this outreach, 830 more residents have switched to e-billing, saving about \$9,900 a year in mailing costs. These

savings reduce pressure on property taxes.

Switching to e-billing also supports Council’s strategic goal of creating Modern, Efficient, and Effective Municipal Operations. It cuts down on paper use, improves service, and is more reliable during mail disruptions.

On November 4, 2025, Council approved By-law 25-084 (2026 Fees and Charges), which includes the new \$2 paper billing fee. Staff are required to follow this by-law, so the fee will begin with the first water bills of 2026, which will be mailed out in March.

Residents who sign up for e-billing will not be charged the paper billing fee.

Make the switch today! To learn how you can switch to paperless billing, take a look at our step-by-step guide on our website:  
[www.mississippimills.ca/Paperless](http://www.mississippimills.ca/Paperless)



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[www.mississippimills.ca/Newsletter](http://www.mississippimills.ca/Newsletter)

COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT  
WEBPAGE:

[www.mississippimills.ca/CommunityEngagement](http://www.mississippimills.ca/CommunityEngagement)



### Did You Know?

Water and wastewater costs are **100% covered by user fees.**  
Only those who are on Municipal water pay for the water system.

## Come work with us!

Subscribe to job alerts on our website

[www.mississippimills.ca/Jobs](http://www.mississippimills.ca/Jobs)



# Get involved! Grants and Community Engagement

## Approximately \$25,000 in Grants Still Available; Apply Today!

At the January 13, 2026, Council meeting, Council awarded grant funding and in-kind support to 18 different applicants as part of the first intake of the Community Impact Grant program. Applicants included beloved community events such as Five Wednesdays in July, Black History Month, Pakenham Frost Fest, Celtfest, North Lanark Highland Games, Puppets Up!, Folkus, and Reconciliation Through Art. All applications were evaluated by municipal staff using Council-approved criteria, including alignment with program priorities, community impact, financial need, organizational capacity, and priority considerations.

For the second intake,

\$25,078 remains to be distributed. Applications for the second intake must be submitted by March 15, 2026. Those who did not apply to a stream in the first intake may apply to any of the seven grant streams, whereas those who did apply can only re-apply to the In-Kind Support, Neighbourhood Micro Grant, Spark Grant, and Live Local Activation streams.

A grant we would recommend applying for is the Neighbourhood Microgrant stream. Let us help you host a block party, a snow fort building contest, or even a scavenger hunt!

To apply, or for more information, visit [www.mississippimills.ca/Grants](http://www.mississippimills.ca/Grants)



## Are YOU on the Voters' List?

An event that takes place roughly every four years is arriving, and it is just as exciting as the Winter Olympic Games (the other every-four-years event). The 2026 Municipal Election will be held on Monday, October 26, 2026. Get ready by confirming that you are on the voters' list! Do not assume that you are already on the list, as there has been some changes.

As of 2024, the Chief Electoral Officer of Ontario (**Elections Ontario**) is responsible for maintaining the voters' list used in municipal elections and school board elections—a role previously held by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (**MPAC**). To check whether or not you are on the voters' list, you can visit [www.RegisterToVoteON.ca](http://www.RegisterToVoteON.ca).

The Elections Ontario portal can be used to:

- Confirm your voter info
- Update your name or address
- Add yourself if you are missing
- Remove outdated info
- Register property-based eligibility (important in cottage country municipalities)

# Resources for you



## Can't keep up with rent?

We can help if you are at immediate risk of losing housing or are homeless.



613-267-4200 ext. 2140  
Housing Assistance Program (HAP)

**LANARK COUNTY**

## Help starts here

Get resources for:

- Employment training
- Mental health
- Homelessness
- Newcomers
- And more

Call



**1-800-267-5960**

If you or someone you know is experiencing abuse, **call our 24/7 crisis line**



You deserve to be heard.  
**We're here to listen.**

Call or Text

**9-8-8**

Suicide Crisis Helpline

Canada



**The Hunger Stop**  
(Carleton Place)  
613-257-8546



**A Meal For All**  
(Almonte)  
hello@amealforall.ca



**Community Pantry**  
(Almonte)  
155 High St.

**NEED A RIDE TO GET FOOD?**  
**We'll take you there!**

To get a ride: **613-264-8256**



Mississippi Mills

## By-Law Enforcement

responds on a complaint-driven basis.

Residents with concerns are encouraged to file a formal complaint with the Municipality.

*Parking ▪ Property Standards ▪ Noise  
Yard Maintenance ▪ Signs  
Animal Control ▪ Zoning ▪ And more*

Call **613-256-2064**



or

**Report Online**

[mississippimills.ca](http://mississippimills.ca)



# Getting information during An Emergency

## Social Media and Websites

Social media is one of the **fastest sources of information** during an emergency. Be sure to follow these official pages on Facebook:

- Municipality of Mississippi Mills
- Mississippi Mills Fire Department
- OPP East Region
- Lanark County
- South East Public Health

Be wary of misinformation and disinformation; only trust information that comes from the official source, rather than what strangers or even friends may be saying online.

The pages above are not monitored 24/7. Call 911 in a life threatening emergency or crime in process.

## Radio



**LANARK LEEDSTODAY.CA**  
LOCAL NEWS FIRST

**88.1 FM "MyFM"** is the designated radio station in Lanark County for emergency information — listen for official updates and emergency announcements. It is highly recommended to have a hand-cranked radio as part of your emergency kit.

**98.7 FM "Valley Heritage Radio"** is a community radio station based in Renfrew County, also providing crucial information to the Ottawa Valley.



**Subscribe to our news to get emergency alerts right in your email inbox**  
[www.mississippimills.ca/subscribe](http://www.mississippimills.ca/subscribe)



Have you familiarized yourself with the

**LANARK COUNTY**

**Emergency Preparedness Guide?**



[www.mississippimills.ca/EP](http://www.mississippimills.ca/EP)

KNOW THE RISKS - MAKE A PLAN - GET A KIT

## Information on Power Outages

The Municipality is served by two power operators:

- The **Ottawa River Power Corporation** (within Almonte)
- **Hydro One** (outside of Almonte)

Follow each on their social media and websites for updates on power situations, including planned outages and outage maps.



[orpowercorp.com](http://orpowercorp.com)



[hydroone.com](http://hydroone.com)

OPP Non-Emergency Line: 1-888-310-1122 TTY: 1-888-310-1133

# Keeping you and your home safe: Mississippi Mills Fire Department

**ATTN: HOMEOWNERS AND LANDLORDS**

**EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026**

**New Carbon Monoxide Alarm Rules for Homeowners and Landlords.**

for existing homes such as detached and semi-detached homes, townhomes and cottages.

## Power Outages: Safety During Winter Storms

The recent winter storms and high wind events are a great reminder to be prepared for power outages! Power outages can happen at any time, and one can never know whether the outage will last minutes, hours, or days. Make sure your **emergency preparedness kit** is stocked with portable sources of light (flashlights, candles, glow sticks), extra batteries, and non-perishable foods and lots of potable water. **Never use generators indoors to generate power.**

To keep your food safe, keep the fridge door closed. **Do not use charcoal or gas barbecues and camping stoves indoors** to cook food or as sources of heat.

If your home gets too cold and you are able to leave, head to an alternative location until it is safe to return. Take all household members (including pets) with you.

For more information, visit [www.ontario.ca/BePrepared](http://www.ontario.ca/BePrepared)

## Carbon Monoxide Alarms are Now Required on Every Floor

Attention homeowners and landlords! Effective since January 1, 2026, there are now new carbon monoxide (CO) alarm rules for existing homes — including detached and semi-detached houses, townhomes, and cottages.

You **must** have carbon monoxide alarms if:

- You have a fireplace.
- You have a fuel-burning appliance (like a furnace, water heater, or stove).
- You have heated air that comes from a fuel-burning appliance not located inside your home.

CO alarms should be installed adjacent to each sleeping area, and on every floor of the home, even floors without bedrooms. Homeowners and landlords are responsible for installing CO alarms to meet these new requirements.

When choosing a CO alarm to buy, look for alarms with a recognized certification mark (CSA, ULC, or ETL).

For more information, contact the **Mississippi Mills Fire Department** (613-256-2064 option 7) or visit [www.ontario.ca/CarbonMonoxide](http://www.ontario.ca/CarbonMonoxide)

**No Permit = No Fire**

[www.MMBurnPermits.com](http://www.MMBurnPermits.com)  
or 613-256-2064 option 7

# New year, new changes: Messages from Public Works

## Recycle more than ever before.

Starting in 2026, you'll be able to recycle the same materials no matter where you live in Ontario.



## Province of Ontario Introduces Enhanced Recycling Program, Administered by Circular Materials Ontario

As of January 1, 2026, all communities in Ontario have switched to an enhanced recycling system, allowing all residents of Ontario to recycle the same materials no matter where in the province. In Mississippi Mills, this means that you can now recycle more than ever before! Newly accepted materials include black plastic containers, hot and cold beverage cups, deodorant tubes, toothpaste tubes, frozen juice containers, ice cream tubs and so much more.

Residents will experience the same recycling schedule as before, ensuring the transition happens smoothly. However, one change residents should note down is who to contact

for recycling inquiries such as missed collections. Circular Materials has contracted Miller Waste to administer the recycling program in Mississippi Mills and surrounding areas. Miller Waste has sub-contracted Topps Environmental Solutions (TES)—a local company—to collect recycling curbside, but administration remains under Miller Waste.

Since 2023, recycling is no longer run by the Municipality. For all inquiries please contact:

**Miller Waste**  
area2@millerwaste.ca  
1-888-852-2374

Missed Collections •  
Replacement Bins • Questions

Continue to use



for recycling and  
garbage schedules,  
alerts, and reports.



Download today!

What goes where?  
See the new list of  
accepted materials:



[www.circularmaterials.ca/MississippiMills](http://www.circularmaterials.ca/MississippiMills)

Circular Materials  
has mailed out  
corrected calendars

To know if you have the  
updated calendar, look for  
the calendar with the  
**YELLOW** and **BLUE** weeks



# A community hub: Mississippi Mills Public Library



**Pakenham Branch** 128 MacFarlane St (613) 624-5306 | **Almonte Branch** 155 High St (613) 256-1037



From left to right, top to bottom:  
Rob, Jill, Margo, Megan, Christine, Brenda, Joelle, Berta,  
Brenda, Judi, Dawn, Vanessa, Emily, and Melanie.

## Meet the MMPL Team

This is your 2026 library staff! The library is excited to welcome three new programming staff members and new front desk staff—get ready for some fun programs coming up and stop by to say hello!

The library is also thrilled to share its leadership succession plan: **CEO / Chief Librarian Christine** will move into a mentorship position to support and train **incoming CEO / Chief Librarian Berta**.

## Mississippi Mills Public Library

### Upcoming Programming

**3D Printing Club**  
First Sun. of every month  
(Almonte)

**Makerspace Session**  
Every Tues. (Pakenham)

**Makerspace Session**  
Every Wed. (Pakenham)

**Knitting and Crocheting  
Group (Drop-in)**  
Every Thurs. (Almonte)

**Coffee Time**  
Every Fri. (Pakenham)

**Travelogue**  
Wed., February 11  
Wed., March 25



## Winter Fun is Here!

Winter is all around us... so why not get out and enjoy it? Snowshoes are now available for the season at both branches! Reserve online or drop in to pick yours up for the weekend. Snowshoes have a one-week loan period. Plus, Gatineau

Park passes are now available with a one-week loan period, perfect for exploring the great outdoors this winter. Children 12 years old and younger do not require a park pass, so a family with young children only need to borrow a pass or two.

There's something for everyone!

# Events

## The Community Awards are Back!

Give someone an event to remember; start thinking about who you'd like to nominate for the 2026 Community Awards. Nominations open soon for the categories of Business Champion, Community Builder, Exceptional Volunteer, Inspiring Youth, Key to the Municipality, Outstanding Senior Citizen, and Welcoming Community Champion.

For more information as it becomes available, visit [www.mississippimills.ca/CommunityAwards](http://www.mississippimills.ca/CommunityAwards)

WITH MUSICAL GUESTS - THE RYAN'S

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE!

TUESDAY,  
MARCH 17  
8:00 PM  
STEWART  
COMMUNITY CENTRE

TICKETS \$25

TICKETS ON SALE AT NICHOLSON'S & ALMONTE OLD TOWN HALL

MISSISSIPPI MILLS

## Community OPEN HOUSE

Discover programs, hobbies, sports & more!

THURSDAY, APRIL 9 3-7PM  
John Levi Community Centre

MR. SMITH'S FAMILY  
MAGIC SHOW

FRIDAY, MARCH 20  
10 AM & 1:30 PM

Get tickets on  
Tickets Please

\$5

Subscribe online to our event calendar!

Submit your own events, get weekly emails on what's up, and more.  
[calendar.mississippimills.ca](http://calendar.mississippimills.ca)



## What's Up Mississippi Mills?

- FEB. 10** AFTER FIVE MIXER - CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
- FEB. 14** MVTM EXHIBIT OPENING
- FEB. 14** COMEDY STAGE HYPNOSIS SHOW - ALMONTE CIVITAN
- FEB. 15-21** WINTER FEST - DESTINATION ALMONTE
- FEB. 16** FAMILY DAY MOVIE & SKATE
- FEB. 17** ANNUAL PANCAKE SUPPER - ALMONTE CIVITAN
- FEB. 21** MID-WINTER MILLING
- FEB. 22** MILITARY FAMILY APPRECIATION SKATE
- FEB. 25** MMPL FILM
- FEB. 25** BUSINESS AT BREAKFAST - CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
- MAR. 4** INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY PANEL - CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
- MAR. 7** ALMONTE IN CONCERT
- MAR. 17** ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE
- MAR. 18** MARCH BREAK MOVIE & SKATE
- MAR. 25** MMPL FILM
- MAR. 25-27** STRINGS OF THE VIOLIN PLAY
- APR. 9** MM COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

Planning for the future of Mississippi Mills

## Updates from Development Services and Engineering



## Take a Look at the Plans Newly Completed for Almonte's Future

### Public Realm Plan

Public realms are spaces that are publicly owned and accessible to everyone, including sidewalks, trails, parks, and waterfronts. Well-planned public spaces play a vital role in a community, supporting physical and mental well-being, enhancing public safety, and strengthening local character.

The Municipality has recently developed a Public Realm Plan to help shape the public spaces in Almonte's main commercial areas. The plan guides how streets, parking areas, pathways, and green spaces can evolve to better serve residents, businesses, and visitors.

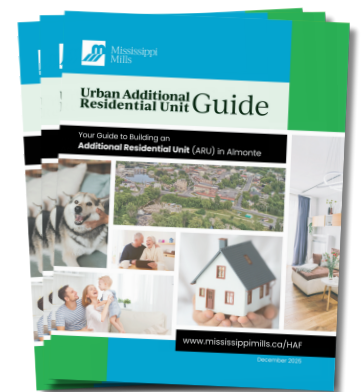
To learn more about how this plan will also support economic development, heritage conservation, and environmental sustainability, visit [www.mississippimills.ca/PRP](http://www.mississippimills.ca/PRP)

### Downtown Secondary Plan

The Municipality recently adopted a Downtown Secondary Plan. The plan provides a more detailed planning framework to guide growth and change in Downtown Almonte, as well as a vision for its future with detailed guidance for land uses, built form, housing, heritage, capital projects, and the public realm.

The Secondary Plan establishes the limits of Downtown Almonte, which captures Almonte's downtown core and the surrounding area.

To learn more what this plan means for downtown Almonte and how it will guide the Municipality's policies, visit [www.mississippimills.ca/SPDA](http://www.mississippimills.ca/SPDA)



## Download the Urban Additional Residential Unit Guide!

An Additional Residential Unit (ARU) on your property can be a great way to:

- Provide housing for family members
- Generate rental income
- Create affordable housing efficiently

Learn more about the benefits of ARUs and what is required to build one:



[www.mississippimills.ca/ARU](http://www.mississippimills.ca/ARU)

# Get active!

## Recreation Programs

It's not too late to sign up for winter recreation programs! There are still programs with spaces, such as (but not limited to) the programs mentioned below:

### Hockey

Drop-in and play! Youth pick-up hockey is available in Pakenham and Almonte. Each session costs a single \$5 bill to help cover costs.

#### **Pakenham:**

Grades 6-9

- Wednesdays, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Grade 10 to age 20
- Thursdays, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

#### **Almonte:**

Grades 6-9

- Thursdays, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Grade 10 to age 20
- Tuesdays, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, visit [www.mississippimills.ca/Hockey](http://www.mississippimills.ca/Hockey).

### Volleyball

Being a popular sport here in Mississippi Mills, we have multiple volleyball programs for residents. Openings are still available in our winter sessions of Tuesday youth volleyball (grades 9-12) and Tuesday ladies volleyball.



**MISSISSIPPI MILLS**  
**MILITARY FAMILY**  
*Appreciation Skate*

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22 2-4 P.M.**  
**JOHN LEVI COMMUNITY CENTRE**

*The public skate is open for everyone to attend.  
 Public skating fees apply.*

### Pickleball

Grab these spots quick! Friday night pickleball at Almonte District High School has a few spots left this winter. Session lasts until May 1, 2026.

### Line Dancing

Drop-in for line dancing with a great group of people. Always lots of fun at the John Levi Community Centre in Almonte! Everyone is welcome to join.

### Soccer

Soccer is not offered this season. However, we know there is a high demand, so we are letting our newsletter readers know that registration will take place in April. Stay tuned!

### Shuffleboard

Come out and try a new sport and meet new friends. Leagues are available in Pakenham and Almonte (our Monday at 2:30 p.m. shufflers are looking for members).

For program information and more, visit  
[www.mississippimills.ca/Recreation](http://www.mississippimills.ca/Recreation)



## Come Out and Enjoy Winter!

Winter is in full bloom, bearing gifts of snowy fun. There is no better time than the present to dig out the family toboggan and slide down the Gemmill Park hill, or explore Ontario's highlands through the Ottawa Valley Recreational Trail with snowshoes and skis. You can also rent snowshoes from the Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority for a stroll around the Mill of Kintail Conservation Area.

If skating is your cup of tea, the kettle is overflowing with options here in Mississippi Mills! Check it out:



**Always free!**  
**Outdoor Rinks (ODR)**

**Augusta Street Park (81 Mercer St, Almonte)**  
**Meadowglen Park (200 Spring St, Almonte)**

**These rinks are volunteer-maintained. If you would like to help maintain these rinks, please email us!**



**Movie and Skate** **ALSO FREE!**

**Family Day**  
**Feb. 16, 1-3 p.m.**  
**Almonte**  
**Sponsored by EXP Realty**

**March Break**  
**Mar. 18, 1-3 p.m.**  
**Almonte**

**PADDINGTON IN PERU**  
**ZOOTOPIA 2**

**FREE March Break Skates** **Almonte and Pakenham**  
**March 16-20**  
 Visit our website for the schedule



**For more information:**  
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**FREE Skating**  
**@ Almonte Arena**

**Parents & Tots**  
**Tuesdays/Wednesdays**  
**11 a.m. to 12 p.m.**



**Seniors**  
**Wednesdays**  
**1 p.m. to 3 p.m.**



**FREE Skating**  
**@ Pakenham Arena**

**Community Skate**  
**Wednesdays**  
**1 p.m. to 3 p.m.**

**Sponsor these skates!**