

# Mayor Cleveland – Community Updates for Council Meeting

December 17, 2025

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## Town Updates:

**November 29** | Making its inaugural stop in Cobourg at the Columbus Community Centre, the CPKC Holiday Train was a resounding success, bringing in 2,100lbs of food and over \$4,000 in donations for the FareShare Food Bank. CPKC also presented Fare Share with a \$5,000 cheque to help combat food insecurity in our region.

The charitable spirit continued on November 29th during the Town's annual Santa Claus Parade. The parade drew impressive community attendance and collected an additional 376lbs of food along with over \$1,400 in donations. Thank you to everyone who came out to these events and helped support our local food bank. Cobourg's charitable community spirit is truly inspiring.

**December 5** | As mentioned in our last council meeting, myself and other members of Council & senior leadership participated in the Holiday Smile Cookie Campaign, and I'm very pleased to share that over \$21,000 was raised for the Northumberland Humane Society. Incredible job, Cobourg!

**December 8** | As Co-Chair of the Mayor's Commission on Economic Transformation, I had the pleasure of attending the "Great Lakes Day" on Parliament Hill in Ottawa, hosted by the Great Lakes & St. Lawrence Cities Initiative. This event brought together leaders from the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence region, including cities, Indigenous groups, businesses, and environmental organizations.

I had the honour of participating in multiple roundtable meetings with some of our MP's, including MP Sima Acan, and MP Mike Kelloway to discuss

various topics related to the sustainability of our Great Lakes. I look forward to continuing to advocate for sustainability for our waterfront here in Cobourg.

### **Miscellaneous Updates:**

- As winter weather & challenging conditions continue to hit our region, be sure to sign up for the Alertable app or visit their website to stay up-to-date for all special weather alerts and updates affecting our area to help keep you safe and informed this season.
- The amazing staff at Experience Cobourg have been hosting free photos with Santa here at Victoria Hall every Saturday this month. This upcoming weekend, from 10am-2pm on Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, is the last weekend to get your holiday photos with the “man in red” before Christmas.
- The Rotary Harbourfront Outdoor Rink – located at 35 Albert Street, is officially open for the season! Thanks to our Parks Department staff for their hard work to open the rink.
- The Cobourg Community Centre will be hosting the “Mayor & Council Community Skate” on Monday, December 29<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm at the Bowl Arena. The canteen will be open to serve hot beverages, and Fare Share Food Bank will be on-site to collect non-perishable food items. Looking forward to seeing community members there!
- The Town will be hosting our annual “Mayor & Council New Years Levee” on Saturday January 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2-4pm here at the Concert Hall at Victoria Hall. Members of the community are welcome to drop in and enjoy light refreshments, live music, family-friendly activities, and more!

- As this is our last council meeting before the new year, I'd like to wish everyone a very safe and happy holiday season – however you choose to celebrate.

**County Updates:**

NO RELEVANT COUNTY UPDATES AT THIS TIME.