



RM of Stanley

Block Party Kit 2021

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Block Party

A stylized illustration of a bright yellow sun with rays peeking from behind a large, fluffy white cloud. The background is a light blue sky.

It is time to get the community together! The RM of Stanley Council wants to encourage community building by assisting with neighborhood block parties!

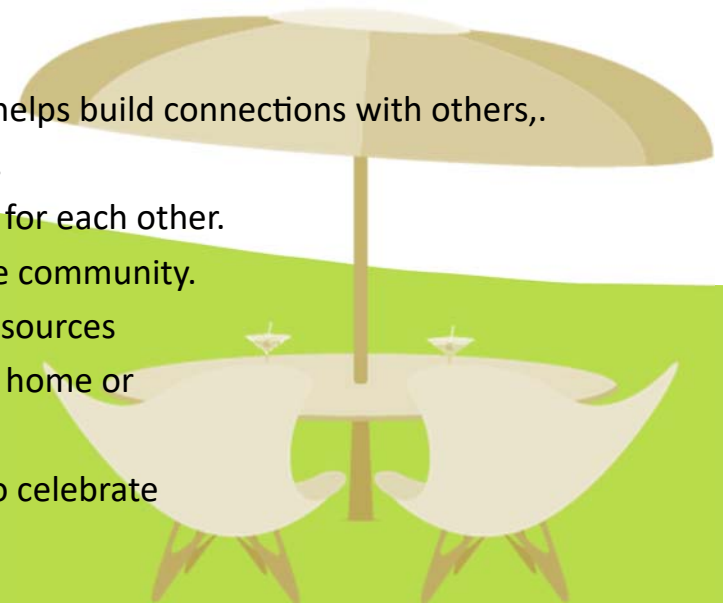
HOW IT WORKS: The host will contact the RM Office and provide some basic information as to location, date, etc and they will also be provided a host package with a variety of gifts and ideas to assist them with the event.

The host package will include a variety of helpful items like:

- Printed invitations to invite the neighborhood.
- Authorization for hot dogs, buns, drinks and ice cream (Winkler/Morden Co-op)
- A few ice breaker block party game ideas.
- An outdoor game kit (Bocce ball, Kubb set, Spike ball set)
- A few other gifts.

Why should I host a block party?

- Meet your neighbours!
- Knowing who lives in your neighbourhood helps build connections with others,.
- Increases our physical and mental wellness.
- Neighbours who know each other, look out for each other.
- To help establish a sense of belonging in the community.
- Provide opportunity to exchange skills or resources (babysitting, book club, walking kids to school, home or vehicle repair, personal networking, etc.)
- To have fun! No excuses or reasons need to celebrate community!!





Things to consider:

- Try to keep group sizes manageable, maybe around 60 people or less, smaller groups encourages more interaction and opportunity to build connections—it's also easier for you to organize the event with fewer people.
- Avoid on street parking to ensure emergency access. Contact our Public Works Dept if you want to use a public right-of-way or public space.
- Alcohol consumption is not permitted on rights-of-ways or public property.
- Consider if pets will or won't be allowed and inform your neighbours.
- Plan a few icebreaker games—the RM quiz and bingo will be included!
- Keep fires to a reasonable size, fires and fireworks are subject to burn bans.
- Clean up afterwards and don't forget to arrange next year's host!

Who do I invite?

- No set of rules or requirements.
- Try to be inclusive to all your neighbourhood or street.
- Some villages are small enough the whole village could be invited while larger ones will need to be broken down by areas.
- For rural folks, their "block" may extend a few miles in each direction.

What do I need to do as host?

- Talk to a few neighbours and pick a date.
- Determine location and details including who to invite.
- Contact the RM Office and submit your block party host form.
- Hosts will receive the block party kit.
- Spread the word to your neighbours and be inclusive—it's about meeting new people!





Rural Municipality of Stanley

Name of Host: _____ Date of Application: _____

Street Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Address of Party Location (if not the same): _____

Email Address: _____

Date of Block Party: _____ Alternate Rain Date: _____

Will the street need to be blocked off? Y N

Will a public space be used? Y N

Anticipated Number of Attendees _____ Map of Invitees Attached Y N

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ PRIOR TO SIGNING

I, understand and agree as follows:

- Alcohol is not permitted on public property.
- I will make/have made reasonable attempts to invite all residents within the area shown on the map.
- If a portion of the road needs to be blocked off, I will ensure that there is emergency access to all properties.
- Fireworks and fires will follow applicable Fire by-laws and burn restrictions.
- Any public area used will be cleaned up afterwards.
- To save harmless the RM of Stanley from all actions, causes of actions, claims and demands whatsoever, which may be made against the RM in consequence of the granting of this block party or anything done thereunder by the Applicant, the Applicant's employees, or agents.

Signature of Host

Date

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