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Hello Mayor and Council,

Further to my earlier note, I am writing to inform you that the City will be issuing the below Information Bulletin on September 3, 2025 regarding the Air Quality Warning in effect. The message will be amplified across City channels per our usual air quality planning, and we would appreciate if you share these messages.

Thank you,
Sandra

Air Quality Warning in effect: Vancouverites are reminded to seek cleaner air

As Metro Vancouver has issued an air quality warning for Vancouver, the City of Vancouver is reminding residents to stay safe by taking actions to protect themselves and others and reduce exposure as much as possible.

Find cleaner air

The best way to reduce your exposure to wildfire smoke is to spend time in places that have cleaner air. Visit spaces with air filtration or air conditioning, like a friend's home or public spaces like a shopping mall, cleaner air space or cooling centre.

There are City facilities with cleaner air available throughout the year and additional spaces have been added in response to the current air quality warning. Go to a cleaner air space when relief from wildfire smoke is needed.

Take steps to reduce smoke and air pollution at home.

- If it is not too hot, close doors and windows.
- Avoid frying foods, vacuuming, and smoking.
- Use portable or homemade air cleaners to filter indoor air.

Health tips during a wildfire smoke event

When wildfire smoke is present, practice self-care:

- Drink plenty of water to help reduce some common symptoms.
- Postpone or limit outdoor activities that cause harder breathing.
- If it is too smoky or too hot, go to an indoor space with cooler or cleaner air.
- When outdoors, consider wearing a three-layer mask for moderate protection, or an N95 respirator for higher protection.
- If rescue medications are used regularly, always carry them and keep a supply at home.

- If feeling stressed or overwhelmed, reach out for support through a health care provider or call HealthLink BC at 8-1-1 to find resources.
- We all have a role to play by supporting family, neighbours and friends during a wildfire smoke event. Plan to regularly check on vulnerable people multiple times a day.

Stay informed

Download the [WeatherCAN app](#) and check the [Air Quality Health Index \(AQHI\)](#) to see current air quality conditions and make decisions about your outdoor activities. Air quality can change throughout the day so check the AQHI and the accompanying health messaging often.\u8239

For more information, or to stay informed with the most up-to-date information including places to stay cool, visit www.vancouver.ca/wildfiresmoke or the City's social media channels ([X](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#)).

Download the Alertable app to receive public safety advisories and emergency alerts with information on City of Vancouver services and resources. To download Alertable, visit vancouver.ca/get-alerts.

For more information on health and safety tips during the summer season, please visit vch.ca/wildfire-smoke.

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