

What is the Leisure Access Program?

The Leisure Access Program provides City of Vancouver residents with low-income access to programs and services, at a reduced cost. These services are available at pools, rinks, and participating fitness centres and community centres. The Leisure Access pass is loaded onto your OneCard.

Family is defined as:

- One or two adult(s), legally married or common-law partners, and their legal dependants aged 17 and under.
- Grandparents, relatives, and/or dependants aged 18 or older complete a separate Leisure Access application.

Who is not eligible?

- Non-residents of the City of Vancouver
- Post Office and UPS boxes do not qualify as residential addresses.
- Residents whose income surpass income eligibility thresholds including net income, interest and investment income, rental income, and capital gains
- Residents of the University Endowment Lands
- Investors or entrepreneur class immigrants

Random Verification Check

Each month a random sample of self-refer applications are selected to verify income information, marital status and the first 3 digits of Social Insurance Number(s).

- Applicant(s) required to submit “**Proof of Income Statement**”, not a Notice of Assessment, T1, or T4
- **Canada Child Benefit Notice** if applicable
- **Confirmation of Permanent Residence**

Full terms and conditions are available at vancouver.ca/leisureaccess and are subject to change.

APPLICATION OPTIONS

Get your Leisure Access Pass at a Park Board community centre if:

1. You receive income assistance or qualify for provincial and/or federal benefits.
2. You are a client of a non-profit or government agency that can refer you. Includes asylum seekers and temporary foreign workers.

Submit application and required documents to LAP office if:

3. **Self-refer**
You are a resident with low-income but do not receive income assistance or support from a non-profit or government agency.
4. **Child Disability Benefit (CDB)**
You have a child 17 and under with a disability and qualify for the CDB.
5. **Disability Tax Credit (DTC)**
You, your spouse, or dependant, age 18 and older, qualify for the DTC and your family income is at or below the eligibility threshold.
6. You currently receive **Employment Insurance (EI)**

Full details are available at vancouver.ca/leisureaccess

Applications are available online at vancouver.ca/leisureaccess or at a Park Board community centre.

You can submit your application by:

- a. going to a Park Board community centre with an application and required documents in a sealed envelope addressed to “Leisure Access Program”; or
- b. send by Canada Post to “Leisure Access Program” c/o Vancouver Park Board, 453 W 12th Ave, Vancouver BC, V5Y 1V4

Benefits

FREE

- Public swim admission
- Public skate admission
- Skate rentals (during public skate and group lessons)
- 1 Visit Pass - Vancouver Aquarium

AQUATICS ACADEMY

- courses 100% discount
- course materials - full price
- vancouver.ca/lifeguard

50% DISCOUNT*

- Aquafit
- Bloedel Conservatory and VanDusen Botanical Garden admission (not valid during events)
- Community Centre Assn. programs (1 program per person per season at participating centres**)
- Fitness Centre Admission*
- Flexipass** (access to 21 fitness centres, 13 pools & 8 rinks); pass duration cannot exceed the Leisure Access pass expiry date
- Group skating lessons
- Group swimming lessons, including leadership classes and some specialty programs
- Kerrisdale Play Palace regular Admission
- Pitch & Putt golf course daily admission and club rentals
- Racquet/squash courts admission
- Stanley Park Horse-Drawn Tours
- Stanley Park Train admission (not valid during events)
- Vancouver Aquarium admission

\$2.00 DISCOUNT Admission

- Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Garden
- HR MacMillan Space Centre
- Museum of Vancouver
- Vancouver Maritime Museum

PARTNERS

- Mobi by Rogers Community Pass
- Playland / PNE 50% admission
- West End Parking Pass non-market rate

*Kerrisdale Fitness Centre is 50% off Park Board drop-in admission

**Some centres offer discounts on multiple programs

**Not valid at Sunset CC



Leisure Access Program

Free and reduced cost recreation programs and services for City of Vancouver residents.



Vancouver.ca/leisureaccess

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Leisure Access Program

c/o 453 W 12th Ave, Vancouver BC, V5Y 1V4

Get your Leisure Access Pass at a Park Board community centre if you qualify for options 1 or 2.

1. You receive income assistance or specific provincial or federal financial subsidies.

If you have one of the following:

Individuals only

Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction (MSDPR)

- Notice of Deposit
- Confirmation of Assistance
- Release of Personal Information

Valid red Compass Card (Bus Pass)

Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS)

Rental Assistance Program (RAP) letter

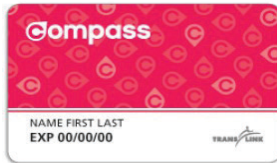
Shelter Aid for Elderly Renters (SAFER) letter

Family

- Income Assistance (MSDPR) Stamped Form

Go to a Park Board community centre and bring one of the above items with both:

- Government issued photo ID; and
- Proof of address dated within 90 days of application e.g. home utility bill (cable, gas, hydro, internet, phone) bank or credit card statement (not summary), or lease agreement.



2. You are a client of a non-profit or government agency that can refer you. Includes asylum seekers or temporary foreign workers.

Request a trusted non-profit or agency, where you are a client, to refer you to the Park Board Leisure Access Program with a Third Party Referral form.

Third Party Referral form is:

- completed by agency staff and only for you and/ or your family
- dated within 90 days of application
- only provided to referring agencies.

If the agency does not know about the Leisure Access Program, they can email LAP@vancouver.ca for information.

Go to a Park Board community centre and bring both:

- Your signed and dated Third Party Referral form completed by the referring agency; and
- Government issued photo ID or document noted on the Third Party Referral form.

Options 2, 3, 5, and 6 include these family combined eligibility thresholds along with net income:

- **Interest and Investment Income** (Line 12100) at or under \$1,000
- **Net Rental Income** (Line 12600) at or under \$2,000
- **Capital Gains** (Line 12700) at or under \$2000

Submit your Leisure Access Pass application to the Leisure Access Office if you qualify for one of the following options (3 - 6).

Applications with full details are available online at vancouver.ca/leisureaccess or at a Park Board community centre.

3. You are a resident with low-income but do not receive income assistance or support from a non-profit or government agency.

Family combined net income (Line 23600) is at or below the eligibility threshold below.

Family Size	Net Income
1	\$37,871
2	\$53,557
3	\$65,594
4	\$75,742
5	\$84,682
6	\$92,764
7	\$100,196

- Attach **proof of address dated within 90 days of application** e.g. home utility bill (cable, gas, hydro, internet, phone) bank or credit card statement (not summary), or lease agreement.

4. Child Disability Benefit

If you have a child 17 and under with a disability and qualify for the Child Disability Benefit.

- Attach copy of **current Canada Child Benefit (base year 2023)**; and
- Attach **proof of address dated within 90 days of application** e.g. home utility bill (cable, gas, hydro, internet, phone) bank or credit card statement (not summary), or lease agreement.

Child Disability Benefit serves as income verification

5. Disability Tax Credit (DTC)

If you, your spouse, or dependant aged 18 or older qualify for the DTC and your family income is at or below the eligibility threshold.

Family combined net income (Line 23600) is at or below the eligibility threshold below.

Family Size	Net Income
1	\$47,299
2	\$62,985
3	\$75,022
4	\$85,170
5	\$94,110
6	\$102,192
7	\$109,624

- Attach **2023 tax year Proof of Income Statement** (not Notice of Assessment)
- Attach **proof of address dated within 90 days of application** e.g. home utility bill (cable, gas, hydro, internet, phone) bank or credit card statement (not summary), or lease agreement.

6. Receive Employment Insurance (EI) in 2024/25

Staff will project 2024 net income based on the following documents:

- attach **2023 tax year Proof of Income Statement** (not Notice of Assessment)
- attach **Service Canada confirmation letter** outlining Employment Insurance benefits (start and finish date, benefit rate).

Projected income must be at or below the eligibility threshold used for option 3.

Protection of Privacy

The Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation will:

- uphold and enforce the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA) to ensure any and all personal information is secured and only shared for the purpose it was provided, in accordance with the law; and
- confirm that the immigration status of Permanent Residents and Refugees will only be sought through the Leisure Access Program's Self-Refer applications (options 3 - 6), solely for the purpose or determining eligibility.