

13. Community Facilities and Wellbeing

Community-serving institutions, inclusive public spaces, and safe affordable housing all play important roles in supporting belonging and inclusion.



Other Relevant Policies & Bylaws

- Great Neighbourhoods Program
- City grant programs

Goals:

1. **Support a more diverse population in Fairfield**
2. **Increase the sense of belonging and inclusion for Fairfield residents**
3. **Encourage and enhance community and seniors centres as hearts of the community**
4. **Support child care and elder care options**

Fairfield Neighbourhood contains several community-serving institutions including Fairfield Community Place, Sir James Douglas Elementary School, Downtown Y and the Cook Street Village Activity Centre. These facilities, along with other non-profit and private spaces, provide services to the neighbourhood and broader community. This plan encourages programming and partnerships to help meet identified community needs such as inclusive programming for community activities, and spaces for childcare. This plan also encourages the City to support the provision of affordable housing and work with the community to create public spaces which encourage social interaction.

Community Resiliency and Wellbeing, cont'd.

13.1. Community Facilities

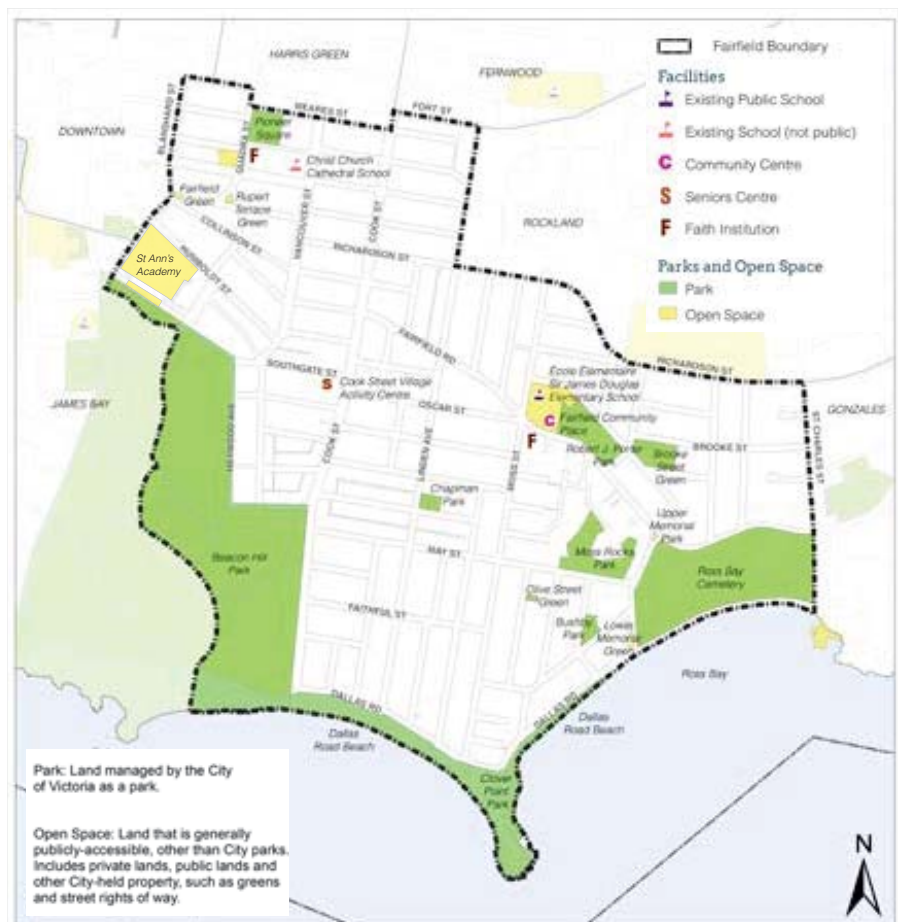
Intent:

Support a more diverse population in Fairfield. Encourage and enhance community and seniors centres as hearts of the community.

13.1.1. Continue to work with the Fairfield Gonzales Community Association to sustain and enhance community programming, services and facilities that meet the evolving needs of Fairfield's community.

13.1.2. Work with School District to make school facilities more broadly available for community programming, sports, indoor and outdoor gathering.

13.1.3. Explore opportunities to co-locate the seniors centre and community centre in the future.



Map 13: Facilities, Parks and Open Space

13.2. Child Care and Elder Care

Intent:

Support a more diverse population in Fairfield. Support child care and elder care options.

13.2.1. Support the addition of child and youth care spaces in Fairfield, in public and private facilities, suitable to the scale of their immediate surroundings.

13.3. Neighbourhood Inclusion

Intent:

Support a more diverse population in Fairfield. Foster a safe and inclusive community for all residents.

13.3.1. Through city grants, partnerships or other programs, support community organizations to implement initiatives that promote inclusivity and belonging.

13.3.2. Support a range of non-market and market housing options and support services to support a diverse and inclusive community.

13.3.3. Seek opportunities to promote social interaction between different generations through the design of public spaces, parks and public facilities. (See Chapter 4, Parks, Open Space and Urban Forest)

