

# KATEPWA NEWSLETTER

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## OFFICE HOURS

The District Office is open Monday to Friday from **9:30 am to Noon and 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm. Closed all statutory holidays.**

After-hours emergency? You can call the office and leave us a message! The message will be converted to text and sent to staff for review.

## GOLF CART RENEWAL

Golf cart license plates are to be renewed annually or upon expiry. New in 2026 we offer a variety of renewal options.

New renewal options now available:

- **1 year - \$15**
- **3 years - \$40**
- **5 years - \$60**

If you don't have your plate yet, no problem—visit the office to get one for \$30, which includes this year's sticker. Please remember to bring proof of your liability insurance with you, such as your cabin insurance policy.

## SIGN UP FOR OUR E-NEWSLETTERS

Stay in the know! Stay up to date with the latest news, events, and updates from the District.

Make our quarterly newsletter your go-to source for important information happening in the community.



To subscribe, simply scan the QR code.

## GO PAPERLESS - SIGN UP FOR E-NOTICES

Never miss a deadline & stay informed - sign up for e-notices today!! You'll receive assessment notices, discretionary use letters, tax notices, and other important municipal updates directly to your email. It's fast, convenient, and environmentally friendly.

**Sign up now for your chance to win 1 of 3 District T-shirts!** Already signed up? You'll automatically be entered.



To register, scan the QR code or contact the office today!

## MOVIE NIGHT IN KATEPWA

Join us on Saturday, August 1, 2026 for not one, but TWO Movies in the Park!

A DOUBLE FEATURE 🍿🍿

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and favorite snacks for a cozy evening under the stars. Be on the lookout for more details — follow us on Facebook or sign up for our e-newsletter to stay up to date!

**Movie #1 - The Emperor's New Grove**  
**Movie #2 - Tag**

## GARBAGE PICKUP

Garbage collection takes place every Monday. Please ensure your garbage is at the curb by 6:00 AM to guarantee pickup.

If you place your garbage inside a bin, remember to tie a bright red ribbon around the handle so our crew knows it is ready for collection. Constantly missed? Contact the office for a service tag!

If a statutory holiday falls on a Monday, garbage pickup will move to Tuesday.

Thank you for helping keep our community clean and tidy!



## Understanding Your Tax Notice

Your tax notice is made up of two components:

**Municipal Taxes** – This portion funds local services like roads, fire protection, parks, and administration. This is the only portion that stays in the community.

**Education Property Tax (EPT)** – Set by the Province of Saskatchewan. Municipalities do not control these rates and are simply required to collect and remit them to the province.

## 2026 Education Property Tax Mill Rates

- Agriculture: 1.07 mills
- Residential: 4.27 mills
- Commercial/Industrial: 6.37 mills
- Resource: 7.49 mills

## PROPERTY TAX NOTICES

Your tax notice is enclosed in this package. The District offers a **15% discount** on the municipal portion of your taxes if payment is received by **June 30, 2026**.

The discounted amount is shown at the bottom of your tax notice.



Taxes are due in full by **October 31, 2026**. A **1.5%** penalty will be applied to any outstanding balances on both **November 1 and December 1, 2026**. These penalty amounts are also indicated at the bottom of your tax notice. An additional **15%** penalty will be applied to any unpaid taxes as of **January 1, 2027**.

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## NEW BUSINESS BYLAW

### Home-Based Business / Short-Term Accommodations

Home-based businesses shall require a development permit and business license prior to commencing operations in the District.

Permission to rent or lease a primary or secondary residence for the purposes of short-term accommodation shall require a development permit, a business license that is renewed annually, and any required licensing from the Ministry of Health or any other Provincial Ministry.

These requirements have been in place since 2014 and are not new. However, the District has now formalized the process, and all existing and new operators must submit the required applications and documentation to ensure compliance.

### Directory Sign Up!

Due to confidentiality requirements, residents cannot be automatically included in the directory. You must complete the sign-up form and provide explicit permission to be listed.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

If you **do not** complete the sign-up form and grant permission, your name and information **will not appear in the directory.**

## TransCanada Trail (TCT)

The District of Katepwa has been approved for up to \$50,000 through the Trans Canada Trail Catalyst Grant Program.

This funding will support paving the remaining 2 km of trail, along with crack sealing and surface repairs on the existing 10 km where required. These upgrades will improve safety, accessibility, and long-term durability, creating a fully connected route across Sandy Beach, Katepwa Beach, and South Katepwa.

Thank you to Trans Canada Trail for investing in our community and supporting this valued recreational asset.



## Tree Planting Volunteers

The District of Katepwa is seeking volunteers for upcoming community tree planting days this June and/or July. Help enhance our parks, expand our tree canopy, and support a healthier community—no experience needed.

Whether you can lend a hand for an hour or a full day, your help makes a difference.

Watch our website and Facebook page for dates and details or contact the District Office to get involved. 🌱 (scan the QR code to sign up)



## Something new is here...



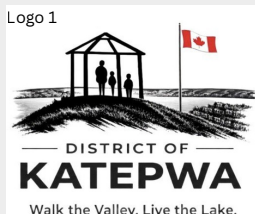
Whether you're at the lake, on the trail, or at community events, you'll be able to wear your Katepwa pride.

### District of Katepwa apparel NOW AVAILABLE!!

A small selection is available in office, or check out our website (scan the QR code) for ordering!



### LOGO's Available



## The Importance of Census

### Why Completing the 2026 Census Matters to Our Community



The upcoming 2026 Census is more than just a headcount — it's a key tool that directly impacts funding, services, and long-term planning in our community.



#### FUNDING FOR LOCAL SERVICES

Census data helps determine how much funding our community receives for roads, emergency services, recreation, and more. If residents don't participate, our population appears smaller — and so does our funding.



#### PLANNING FOR GROWTH

Accurate population and housing data supports future planning, including infrastructure upgrades, housing needs, and community development. Strong data leads to better decisions.



#### REPRESENTATION AND ADVOCACY

The census ensures our community is properly represented at the provincial and federal levels. It gives us a voice and helps ensure we're not overlooked when decisions are made.



#### SIMPLE AND CONFIDENTIAL

Completing the census is quick, secure, and confidential — but the impact lasts for years.



Let's make sure our community gets the support it deserves.  
Complete your census in 2026.

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