

FIFA World Cup 2026™ is the largest tournament in soccer history, taking place from June 11th to July 19th in 16 cities across Canada, Mexico, and the United States, including seven matches hosted in Vancouver. British Columbia will step onto the world stage, and the excitement is building in every corner of our province.

Whether you plan to travel to Vancouver for a match, or if you will participate in local festivities in your home community, you are invited to join in the celebration.

Key Dates

- **June 11 – *Opening Match*** in Mexico City, Mexico
- **July 19 – *Final Match*** in New York, U.S.

Vancouver Matches

- **June 13** – Australia vs. Türkiye
- **June 18** – Canada vs. Qatar
- **June 21** – New Zealand vs. Egypt
- **June 24** – Switzerland vs. Canada
- **June 26** – New Zealand vs. Belgium
- **July 2** – Round of 32 Match
- **July 7** – Round of 16 Match

Local Community Events

The Province is providing over \$1.7 million to support 33 communities throughout B.C. to host local events that celebrate the unifying power of sport. This funding supports soccer-themed events and watch parties that foster community pride and cultural expression, benefit local businesses, and help attract visitors to regions during the tournament.

Canada Celebrates will bring the benefits of hosting to communities throughout Canada with family-friendly, all-ages events. Tumbler Ridge will host festivities on June 15, as a chance for the community to connect with watch parties, entertainment, and soccer-themed interactive experiences. Other communities in B.C. on the Canada Celebrates tour include Cranbrook, Nelson, Fort St. John, Kamloops, Salmon Arm, and Revelstoke.

Explore how to celebrate as a community, activate public spaces, and create memorable experiences for residents and visitors using the **Community Activation Playbook**: <https://vancouverfwc26.ca/community-hub/community-activation>.

Learn about community-led celebrations happening around the province: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2026TACS0020-000332>.

Explore World Cup inspired events happening across Vancouver and the region here: <https://www.destinationvancouver.com/world-cup-events>.

FIFA Fan Festival™

FIFA Fan Festival™ Vancouver is the city's official destination to watch the tournament and over the course of 28 days more than 70 matches will be broadcast live on screens and the grounds will feature entertainment from Canadian and global artists. A free event accessible to all and set within the historic PNE Grounds at Hastings Park, the festival will feature football activations, elevated food and beverage offerings, and experiences from partners. Premium seating can be purchased in the Amphitheatre.

Learn about the festival at <https://www.vancouverfwc26.ca/fifa-fan-festival>.

Science World and the FIFA Museum

Science World will host Soccer and Technology from the FIFA Museum, presented in partnership with the Province, which takes fans behind the scenes of the game, showing how innovation has shaped its continuing evolution. Making its North American debut, the new exhibition runs from May 15 until September 7 and is part of a summer of celebration of science and sport. Science World has been unveiled as The Beautiful Dome, a massive, 360-degree, 40-metre-diameter recreation of the Adidas Trionda, the official match ball.

BC Business House

BC Business House at the Vancouver Convention Centre will host business-related events, meetings, and functions during the World Cup. You are warmly invited to attend investment and trade events, including sector showcases. BC Business House is presented by the Province, Invest in Canada, and Invest Vancouver.

Register today at www.britishcolumbia.ca/bcbusinesshouse.

Know Before You Go and Emergency Management

To ensure your travel is safe and as worry-free as possible, learn more about official emergency channels, emergency services, medical advice, and helpful local supports available. Find a variety of helpful resources for fans planning to visit Vancouver and where to find essential emergency information here:

<https://www.vancouverfwc26.ca/know-before-you-go/need-to-know>.

- The City of Vancouver issues public safety alerts for urgent and severe emergencies. Get emergency alerts delivered straight to your phone, download the [Alertable App](#).
- Stay informed on important safety instructions and active emergencies in Vancouver at [Vancouver.ca/Alerts](https://vancouver.ca/alerts).
- Follow @EmergencyInfoBC or visit [EmergencyInfoBC.ca](https://emergencyinfobc.ca).
- If you need an immediate response from police, fire, or ambulance, call 9-1-1. [Learn more about when to call 9-1-1](#).
- Follow @VancouverPD to stay updated on police emergencies in Vancouver.
- Follow @rcmpgrcpolice for information on police emergencies in jurisdictions outside Vancouver like the YVR airport.
- For non-emergency services, information about Vancouver, or to report issues in Vancouver, call 3-1-1 or download the [Van311 app](#). Get details on parks and recreation, cycling and e-scooters, or report noise, graffiti, and more.
- Check for up-to-date road closures, conditions, weather data, and webcams with 24/7 transportation updates on [DriveBC.ca](https://drivebc.ca).
- Monitor [wildfire information](#) and the status of [prohibitions and restrictions](#) on [BCWildfire.ca](https://bcwildfire.ca) or follow @bcgowildfireinfo.