



CITY OF ABBOTSFORD

Filming Resource Guide

FILMING IN ABBOTSFORD. THE ABBOTSFORD ADVANTAGE.

The City of Abbotsford claims numerous advantages for creative industries. Strategically located only 45 minutes from Vancouver (the 3rd largest film hub in North America), Abbotsford is home to a host of unique under-filmed locations, has access to talented labour, and is both affordable and accessible to the industry.

Abbotsford also boasts an active and engaged City Council who are committed to fostering an economically diverse and resilient community. Being a key economic driver, the film sector in Abbotsford aligns with the Vibrant Economy cornerstone of Council's **2022-2026 Strategic Plan**.



Growth of the film sector in Abbotsford is supported by lower costs for productions. Film permitting costs are typically lower in Abbotsford as well as location costs and other associated fees when compared to other municipalities in British Columbia. These lower costs typically make up for the additional costs incurred by lower budget films that see the additional time and money spent on transporting cast, crew, and equipment as a barrier to their production work in Abbotsford. This is an opportunity for Abbotsford to capitalize on existing incentives from the BC Government to encourage filming outside the 'zone'.

Finally, the Abbotsford film office is often the first point of contact for a location manager or scout, and is a vital resource for productions to ensure they are connected with key departments and personnel to ensure a successful filming experience.

Application Process

The film office will work with production companies throughout the approval process. To film your production in Abbotsford, please follow these steps:

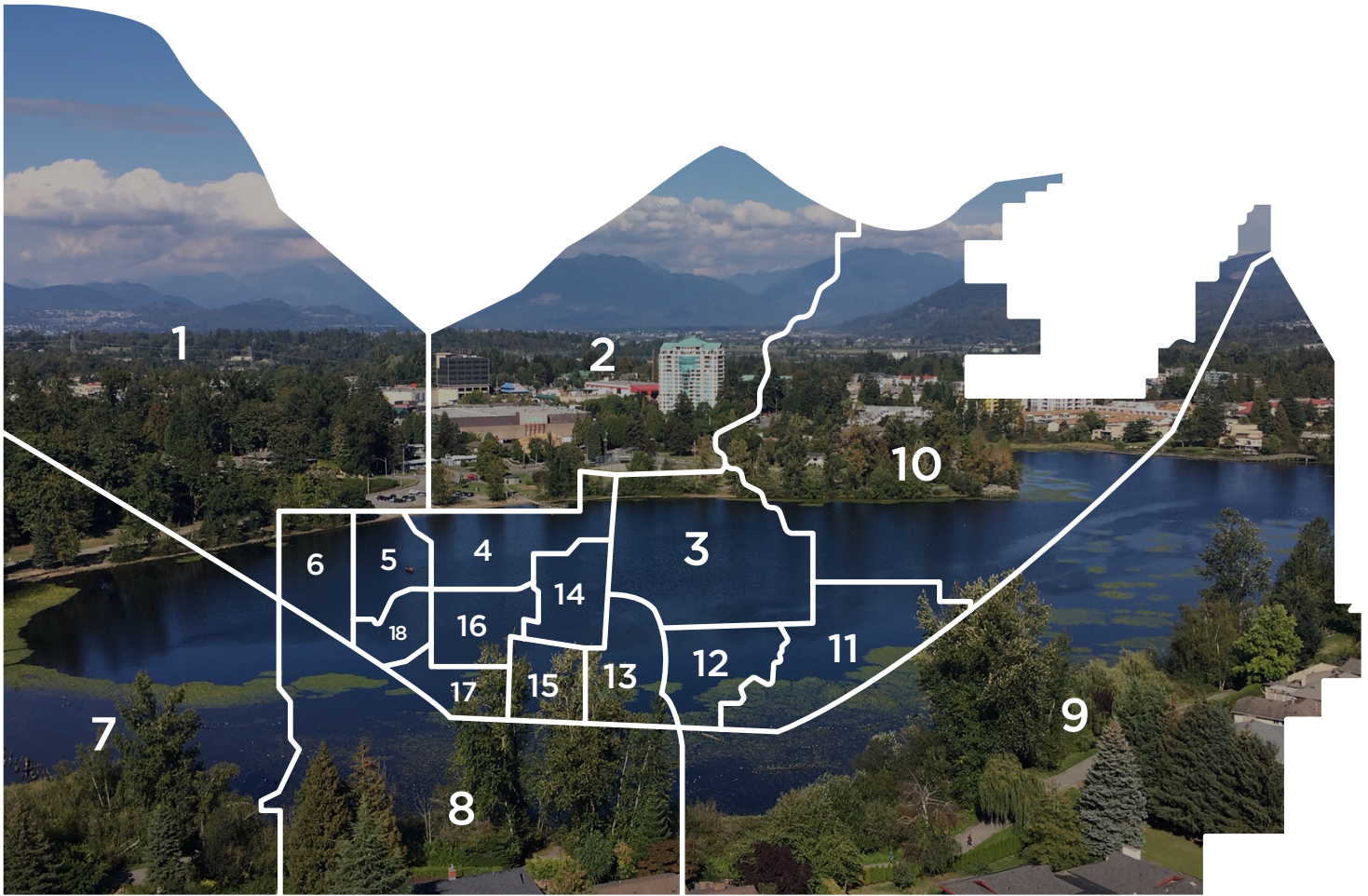
FILMING APPLICATION, BUSINESS LICENCE & INSURANCE

- 1 Read the City of Abbotsford's **Outdoor Special Event, Filming and Activities Bylaw No. 2513-2016**
- 2 Contact the Film Office  604-864-5670  filming@abbotsford.ca
- 3 Determine your filming location(s)
- 4 Complete an **Abbotsford Film Application** and submit to the Film Office.
- 5 Complete a **Film Production Business Licence Application**
- 6 Provide a copy of your \$5 million Commercial General Liability and Cross-liability insurance naming the "City of Abbotsford" as an additional insured.

FILMING FEES SCHEDULE

ITEM	RATE
Abbotsford Film Application	\$350 plus GST per application Non-Refundable
Business Licence (GST Included)	\$281 + \$25 admin fee Non-Refundable
Security Deposit	To be determined Refundable
Hydrant Use Permit	\$60.00 per day
After Hours Service Call	\$200.00 per day
Fire Dept Inspection	TBD
Fire Vehicle/Staff Assistance Costs	Cost calculated by type of equipment and staff required Deposit required
Police Officer Costs	TBD
Police Car	TBD Deposit Required
City Buildings and Facilities Charge Rate	Individually priced Deposit Required
Building Permits and Sign Permits	Individually priced based on project type

City Map



ABBOTSFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD BREAKDOWN

WEST		EAST	
1. Bradner/Mount Lehman	5. East Townline	9. Sumas Prairie	14. Babich
2. Matsqui Prairie	6. West Townline	10. Sumas Mountain	15. Mill Lake
3. Old Clayburn	7. Aberdeen	11. Whatcom	16. Clearbrook Centre
4. Fairfield	8. South Poplar	12. McMillan	17. Clearbrook South
		13. Abbotsford Centre	18. Clearbrook West

Tour Abbywood Virtually!

abbotsford.ca/filming

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Check out our collection of tours to learn more about the filming locations Abbotsford has to offer.

Notable Attractions & Filming Locations

CASTLE FUN PARK

Castle Fun Park is a family amusement park that features an arcade, mini golf, batting cages, go cart track, and more!

 36165 North Parallel Road  604-850-0411  castlefunpark.com



MILL LAKE PARK




Mill Lake Park is located in the center of Abbotsford. It features a water park, playgrounds, an outdoor pool, several docks, and a paved walking path around the park. Many residents like to walk the lake, taking in the scenery and seeing the wildlife.

 32960 Mill Lake Rd  604-859-3134  abbotsford.ca/prc  prcoffice@abbotsford.ca



 POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION

The **Abbotsford's Film Liaison** will be onsite for production.

 Angus Film  604-255-0907  info@angusfilm.ca

DOWNTOWN ABBOTSFORD




Downtown Abbotsford is full of historic buildings and is considered a crucial part of Abbotsford's history. In recent years the downtown area has been revitalized and is now full of popular shops owned by local residents. Downtown Abbotsford is a popular filming location.

 info@angusfilm.ca






 **POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION**

Connect with **Abbotsford's Downtown Film Liaison**, as they will be your point of contact on the day(s) of filming and will join you on your tech survey(s). The Film Liaison will be onsite for production.

 Angus Film  604-255-0907  info@angusfilm.ca

Connect with **Abbotsford Downtown Business Association** prior to surveying the area.

 33660 South Fraser Way  604-850-6547  downtownabbotsford.ca

EXTRA STEPS WHEN FILMING DOWNTOWN

- Productions are required to complete the **ADBA Polling Sheets**.
- We require signatures from all businesses impacted by filming in the area.

CLAYBURN VILLAGE

Clayburn Village is a small area that was constructed in the early 1900s. It was the first “company town” in B.C. as it was built for the employees of the Clayburn Company brick plant. Even after the brick plant shut down several original houses, the schoolhouse, a store, and the church still stand. Clayburn Village is a very popular filming location.

 Clayburn Village Store | 34810 Clayburn Rd  604-853-4020  clayburnvillagestore.com



 Clayburn Church | 4304 Wright St & School House | 4315 Wright St  clayburnvillagerentals@gmail.com



EXTRA STEPS WHEN FILMING IN CLAYBURN

- Filming must be within curfew hours: 7:00am to 10:00pm
- For filming at the schoolhouse and/or church please connect with the **Clayburn Village Society**.

 clayburnvillagerentals@gmail.com

PARKING SUGGESTIONS FOR CLAYBURN VILLAGE

- Riverside Equipment | 3112 Pratt St
- Randhawa Farms | 33677 Hallert Road
- Christian Life Community Church | 35131 Straiton Rd
- Farm Land | 34892 Armstrong Avenue

TRETHEWEY HOUSE

Trethewey House is a historic heritage site located in Abbotsford. The house was built in 1919 for B.C. lumber baron Joseph Ogle “J.O.” Trethewey. Located a short walk from Mill Lake Park, Trethewey House offers residents a look into Abbotsford’s past.

 2313 Ware St

 604-853-0313

 tretheweyhouse.ca



MATSQUI LUTHERAN CHURCH

Matsqui Lutheran Church is over 100 years old and is located in Matsqui Village. The church was founded in the early 1900s when new immigrants settled on the Matsqui Prairies. Matsqui Lutheran Church is a very popular filming location in Abbotsford.

 5781 Riverside St



ABBOTSFORD ENTERTAINMENT & SPORTS CENTRE

The Abbotsford Centre is a 7,000 seat multi-purpose arena, that is a premier sports and entertainment destination in the Fraser Valley.

 33800 King Rd  604-743-5000  abbotsfordcentre.ca



UNIVERSITY OF THE FRASER VALLEY

The University of the Fraser Valley (UFV) is the main post-secondary institute in Abbotsford. The campus features classrooms, office spaces, a large library, a cafeteria, residences, a bookstore, a sports centre, and a large student centre.

 Emil Fernandes  604-557-7441 | EXT. 4474  ufv.ca/conference  conferenceservices@ufv.ca



Farm Attractions

TAVES FARM | APPLE BARN PUMPKIN FARM

A family run farm in Abbotsford that has a sunflower patch, pumpkin patch, rows and rows of apple trees, hay rides, petting barn, jumping pillow, and more!

📍 333 Gladwin Rd 📞 604-853-3108 🌐 tavesfamilyfarms.com



★ POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION

TUSCAN FARM GARDENS

This location features a farm full of wildflowers, especially in June and July when their lavender plants are in full bloom. The property also features a lily pond, fountains, and a gazebo surrounded by roses.

📍 6834 Mount Lehman Rd 📞 604-857-1998 🌐 tuscanfarmgardens.com ✉ info@tuscanfarmgardens.com



★ POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION

EXTRA STEPS WHEN FILMING IN MT LEHMAN

- Filming must be within curfew hours: 7:00am to 10:00pm
- All parking and catering to be contained to one site
- All filming needs to be pre-approved by the film office

WOODBIDGE PONDS

Woodbridge Ponds is located in between Abbotsford and Chilliwack. When people visit they can explore the nursery, do wine tastings, have picnics, and more. Woodbridge Ponds is made up of green houses, a nursery, gardens, and a winery.

 3387 Tolmie Road  604-823-0222  woodbridgeponds.com  info@woodbridgeponds.com



 POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION

MAAN FARMS

A local family run farm in Abbotsford.

 790 McKenzie Rd  604-864-5723  maanfarms.com  info@maanfarms.com



 POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION

Hotels & Accommodations

BED & BREAKFAST

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
Brookside Inn Boutique Hotel	2379 Chardonnay Lane	604-856-3300	brooksideinn.ca
MCC Deer Trail Guest House	31107 Deertrail Avenue	604-850-6529	mcccenture.ca/deertrailguesthouse/index/html

MOTELS

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
Alpine Inn	1881 Sumas Way	604-853-1141	thealpineinn.ca
Abbotsford Super 8	1881 Sumas Way	604-853-1141	super8.com

HOTELS

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
Abbotsford Hotel	2073 Clearbrook Rd	604-859-6211	abbotsfordhotel.place
Baker House at UFV (Only available during the summer)	1385 McKenzie Rd	604-504-7441	ufv.ca/conference/accommodation/
Travelodge Bakerview	1821 Sumas Way	604-859-1341	travelodge.com
Best Western PLUS Regency Inn & Conference Centre	32110 Marshall Rd	604-853-3111	bwregency.bc.ca
Coast Abbotsford Hotel & Suites	2020 Sumas Way	604-853-1880	coasthotels.com
Edenvale Retreat Centre	4330 Bradner Rd	604-856-3388	edenvale.ca
Clarion Hotel & Conference Centre	36035 North Parallel Rd	604-870-1050	clarionabbotsford.com
Sandman Hotel Abbotsford	32720 Simon Ave	604-556-7263	sandmanhotels.ca
Sandman Hotel Abbotsford Airport	3010 Mt. Lehman Rd	604-859-7263	sandmanhotels.ca



HALLS

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
Bradner Hall	5305 Bradner Rd	604-856-8441	bradnerhall.ca
Matsqui Community Hall	33676 St Olaf Ave	604-826-7643	matsquihall.com
Straiton Community Hall	4698 Sumas Mountain Rd		straitoncommunityclub.com
Mt. Lehman Community Hall	6418 Mt. Lehman Rd	604-866-4530	mtlehmanhall.ca

Specialty Shops

BUREAUX MODERN MERCANTILE

A modern general store.

 33827 S Fraser Way  604-852-8844  shopbureaux.com






CHOCOLATAS

Handcrafted quality chocolate made locally in Abbotsford, B.C.

 101-31060 Peardonville Rd  604-504-5957  chocolatas.com

CHAMPAGNE AND LACE

Champagne and Lace is a popular wedding dress shop in Abbotsford. The store is quite large and has hundreds of dresses throughout.

 33811 S Fraser Way  604-852-8686  champagneandlace.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location





REVIVE BOUTIQUE BISTRO

A new concept integrated boutique and bistro experience in the heart of downtown Abbotsford.

 33757 South Fraser Way  604-556-0568  reviveboutiquebistro.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location

SPRUCE COLLECTIVE

A collection of locally crafted items ranging from home goods, to lifestyle, to apparel.

 2622 Montrose Ave  604-855-0506  sprucecollective.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location

THE BOOK MAN

The Book Man is a family run, locally owned bookstore with over a half a million books between their two locations.

 5-2630 Bourquin Crescent West  604-853-7323  bookman.ca

VINTELIER

Locally owned and operated women's clothing boutique.

 33739 Essendene Ave  604-744-1696  vintelier.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location





Florists

SHE'S MY FLORIST

 1-32700 George Ferguson Way  604-746-4612  shesmyflorist.com

 POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION

BUCKETS FRESH FLORAL MARKET

 33781 S Fraser Way  604-870-2994  abbotsfordflorist.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location





EVERBLOOM DESIGNS

 1520 McCallum Rd #103  778-880-1688  confettifloral.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location

ROSEBAY FLORIST

 110-2525 McCallum Rd  604-853-4444  rosebayflorist.net  Popular Abbotsford filming location

SIMPLY PERFECT FLOWERS

 33781 S Fraser Way  604-557-0055  simplyperfectflowers.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location


Restaurants

BOW & STERN

Dine-in | Takeout

 2551 Montrose Ave  604-776-3474  bowandstern.ca

BOW & STERN

 POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION

ANN MARIE'S CAFÉ

Dine-in | Takeout

 33771 George Ferguson Way  604-852-2610  annmariescafe.ca  Popular Abbotsford filming location





BRGR BRGR

Dine-in | Takeout

 33758 Essendene Ave  604-746-6225  brgrbrgr.ca  Popular Abbotsford filming location





FIELD HOUSE BREWING

Dine-in | Takeout

 2281 W Railway St  604-776-2739  fieldhousebrewing.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location

PALIOTTI'S

Dine-in | Takeout | Delivery

 33886 Essendene Ave  604-855-1888  paliottisitalianrestaurants.ca  Popular Abbotsford filming location

RESTAURANT 62



Dine-in | Takeout

 110-33559 Marshall Rd  604-855-3545  restaurant62.ca  Popular Abbotsford filming location

Restaurants *continued*

THE SPICE KITCHEN

The Spice Kitchen is an East Indian Restaurant, located in the heart of Abbotsford, trying to serve basic Indian regional food without compromising on quality. They offer vegan, gluten-free, dairy-free, and keto dishes. Catering options are available.

 100-2955 Gladwin Rd  604-746-7915  spicekitchenabby.com

 POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION



NOODLEBOX

Dine-in | Takeout | Delivery

 2455 W Railway St  604-744-2447  noodlebox.ca  Popular Abbotsford filming location

R RESTAURANTS

Dine-in | Takeout | Delivery

 32760 Simon Ave  604-857-9011  rrestaurant.ca  gm@rrestaurant.ca  Popular Abbotsford filming location

Catering

Please note: If a catering truck will be on-site while filming, the City requires proof of up-to-date inspection and servicing.

KLASSIC CATERING

A fully mobile catering company that has completely customizable menus and can travel anywhere within the lower mainland. They use fresh, local ingredients whenever possible and are equipped to keep food at proper serving temperatures.



604-864-8250



klassiccatering.com



cheryl@klassiccatering.ca

MAMA MICHELLE'S CATERING

Fresh home cooked meals - to go. Mama Michelle's Kitchen prepares delicious home cooked meals with fresh ingredients. Mama Michelle's offer everything from hot or cold breakfasts, lunch buffets, or more formal dinner buffets.



778-856-5856



mamamichelles.ca



info@mamamichelles.ca

VALLEY CATERERS

Full service catering and mobile catering. Kitchen on wheels allows us to cater large functions anywhere you can imagine.



3225 McCallum #6



604-854-6121



valleycaterers.ca

WHITE TABLE CATERING

White Table Catering creates meals from local, seasonal ingredients to accommodate dietary needs or preferences. Food is cooked on-site and served fresh from the kitchen.



604-283-3993



whitetablecatering.com



info@whitetablecatering.com

Cafés

OLDHAND COFFEE

Oldhand Coffee is a locally owned coffee shop in Downtown Abbotsford. It is full of specialty coffee and baking. This is a popular place in Abbotsford for people to come sit, and see family or catch up with friends.

 2617 Pauline St  778-779-3111  oldhandcoffee.com






 POPULAR ABBOTSFORD FILMING LOCATION

CAFÉ AMARTI

This cafe was inspired by European coffee shops. Serving 49th Parallel coffee & tea, pastries, sandwiches and desserts.

 320-3033 Immel St  604-504-0899  cafeamarti.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location

HUGS IN A MUG

 100-1910 North Parallel Rd  604-746-1136  hugsinamugcoffeebistro.com





POLLY FOX

A bakery and bistro in Downtown Abbotsford that specializes in 100% gluten and allergen-free baked goods.

 130-33780 Essendene Ave  604-744-1881  thepollyfox.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location

TRACYCAKES




A bakery and café in Downtown Abbotsford that offers freshly baked goods, and elegant high teas. They are most popular for their delicious cupcakes.

 101-2636 Montrose Ave  604-852-1904  tracycakesonline.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location

Wineries

SEASIDE PEARL WINERY




Seaside Pearl Winery is a family owned winery, located on the rolling acres of Mt Lehman. The tasting room is located in a tiny chapel (pictured below), surrounded by the vineyard. There are spectacular views of the mountains that surround Abbotsford from the farm as well.

 5290 Olund Rd  778-856-1312  seasidepearlwinery.ca





SINGLETREE WINERY

This is another family owned winery located in Mt Lehman. With a tasting room and vineyard located on a 67-acre property, Singletree Winery is a popular destination in Abbotsford, especially for weddings and corporate events.

 5782 Mount Lehman Rd  604-381-1788  singletreewinery.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location

MT LEHMAN WINERY

Another popular boutique winery in Mt Lehman, is Mt Lehman Winery. They have won multiple awards for their wine and are constantly working on making it better. Mt Lehman Winery is a very popular location for weddings and for tourists driving through Abbotsford.

 5094 Mt. Lehman Rd  604-746-2881  mtlehmanwinery.com  Popular Abbotsford filming location

Additional Resources

AUDITORIUMS

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
Abbotsford Arts Centre	2329 Crescent Way	604-853-0966	abbotsfordarts.abbyschools.ca
Matsqui Centennial Auditorium	32315 S Fraser Way	604-859-3134	

CITY FACILITIES

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE/EMAIL
City of Abbotsford Parks, Recreation & Culture (For park bookings and rentals only)	1881 Sumas Way	604-859-3134	abbotsford.ca/parks-recreation-culture/bookings-rentals
Old Courthouse Abbotsford Film Liaison will be onsite for productions at the old courthouse, for details contact: info@angusfilm.ca	32203 South Fraser Way	604-864-5670	For bookings and viewings please contact the film office at: filming@abbotsford.ca

OFFICE

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
Backbone Offices	32615 S Fraser Way	236-233-3200	
Pacific Life Chiropractor	108-1379 Sumas Way	604-850-0551	

PRESSURE WASHING

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
Lil Squirt Power Washing		604-603-6648	lilsquirtpowerwashing.com

SCHOOL RENTALS

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	EMAIL
Abbotsford School District – School Rentals Department		604-852-9494	schoolrentals@abbyschools.ca
Vacant School	32160 S Fraser Way #200	604-786-1770	

Additional Resources *continued*

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
Riteway Traffic Control	35380 McKinley Dr	604-217-6090	ritewaytraffic.com
Dynasty Traffic LTD - Traffic Control Company	30041 Harris Rd	604-362-5000	dynastytraffic.com

OTHER CHURCHES

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE/EMAIL
Abbotsford Pentecostal Assembly	3145 Gladwin Rd	604-853-8158	office@apaonline.ca
Northview Community Church	32040 Downes Rd	604-853-2931	reception@northview.org
Sevenoaks Alliance Church	2575 Gladwin Rd	604-853-0757	sevenoaks.org

MISCELLANEOUS

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE/EMAIL
BC Milk Marketing Board (Old Envision Building)	32160 S Fraser Way #200 2670 Minter St	604-556-3444	
Envision Financial	32711 S Fraser Way		
Hemingway Books Facility Site	33765 Essendene Ave		inquiriesfilming@downtownabbotsford.com
Sevenoaks Shopping Centre	32900 S Fraser Way	604-853-1339	shopsevenoaks.com
Tradex (Contact: Susan Steffens)	1190 Cornell St		ssteffens@tradexbc.com tradexbc.com

Parking

CITY FACILITY LOTS

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	EMAIL
Abbotsford Exhibition Park - Twister's Gymnastics Lot	32470 Haida Dr		Submit form request to prcoffice@abbotsford.ca

CLAYBURN VILLAGE

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	EMAIL
Christian Life Community Church	35131 Straiton Rd	604-853-4166	
Clayburn Village Schoolhouse	4315 Wright St	604-618-7213	clayburnvillagerentals@gmail.com

DOWNTOWN ABBOTSFORD

There are many parking options available downtown that are free of charge. Please refer to **On-Street and Off-Street Parking Options** listed online for maps and parking restriction updates.

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	EMAIL
City Lot (Partial)	2495 W Railway St	604-368-2281	econdev@abbotsford.ca
Fraser Valley Inn Lot	33790 Essendene Ave	604-853-3307	fvi@aksagroup.ca
Gateway Christian Reformed Church	2884 Gladys Ave	604-859-5908	office@gatewaycrc.org
Trinity Memorial United Church	33737 George Ferguson Way	604-853-2591	ministertmuc@gmail.com

Travel Information

BY PLANE

ABBOTSFORD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (YXX)

Located just 15 minutes from Trans-Canada Hwy/BC-1 W. This airport is serviced by WestJet, Island Express, and its newest airline, Canada's low-cost airline Fly Swoop.

 30440 Liberator Ave

 604-855-1001

 abbotsfordairport.ca



BY BUS

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
BC Transit (Central Fraser Valley Transit System)		604-854-3232	Schedule on BC Transit website bctransit.com

BY CAR

NAME	LOCATION	PHONE	WEBSITE
Clearway	31808 S Fraser Way	604-850-6522	clearwaybc.ca
Enterprise Rent-A-Car	103-30125 Automall Dr 30440 Liberator Ave		enterprise.ca

BORDER CROSSINGS



NAME	HOURS OF OPERATION
Sumas Crossing (Abbotsford)	Open 24 hours 7 days a week
Aldergrove Crossing (Langley)	Open 8 pm - midnight 7 days a week



Are you a business owner that would like your business featured in this guide?
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