
Evolve E-Bike and E-Scooter Share Coming to Parksville

New pilot program will bring 50 shared e-bikes and e-scooters to more than 10 stations across the City of Parksville.

Residents and visitors in Parksville will soon have a new way to get around with Evolve, created by BCAA, launching this month. As part of a new pilot program, Evolve will introduce 20 e-bikes and 30 e-scooters, offering a convenient and flexible way to move around the City.

Evolve e-bikes and e-scooters will be available from more than 10 stations across Parksville, including:

- Resort and tourism areas – Connecting the resort area near Rath Trevor Beach Provincial Park to support visitors travelling between accommodations, beaches and local amenities.
- Parksville downtown – Providing convenient access to shops, restaurants and services in central Parksville, helping residents and visitors move easily through downtown.
- Retail and commercial hubs – Extending west toward major destinations such as Quality Foods, making it easier to travel for everyday errands.
- Key community connections – Linking residential areas, local businesses and recreational destinations to support short trips without needing a car.

Evolve Launch Event and Free Earth Day Rides - April 22

The program launch will be held on Earth Day, Wednesday, April 22, from 10 am to 11 am at the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre. Light refreshments will be available, and attendees can spin a prize wheel for giveaways and program materials. We hope you will join the Evolve team and Parksville Council to celebrate this exciting new initiative for Parksville.

From 10 am to 1 pm, residents will have the opportunity to test e-bikes and e-scooters, learn about program benefits, and speak with Evolve staff for guidance, questions and a walkthrough of how the program works.

To celebrate Earth Day, all rides on April 22 will be free. Riders can take unlimited 30-minute trips throughout the day and only pay the \$1.25 unlock fee per ride.

Ride safe with Evolve

Each Evolve e-bike and e-scooter comes equipped with built-in safety features like automatic lights, turn signals, and a shared helmet system to help ensure every ride is a safe one. To further support safe riding, Evolve will be hosting safety events in the community where riders can learn the rules of the road, practice safe riding habits, and get hands-on experience with e-bikes and e-scooters.

Evolve e-bike and e-scooter share, created by BCAA, is a made-in-BC service offering affordable and convenient micromobility options for communities across the province. The launch in Parksville is part of Evolve's continued growth on Vancouver Island, building on existing programs in Nanaimo and the Comox Valley Regional District, and expanding to connect more communities across the region.



E-bikes and e-scooters can be accessed through the Evo app on iOS or Android. Riders simply unlock an Evolve e-bike or e-scooter using their smartphone and go. Helmets are included, and pricing offers both pay-per-minute and monthly options. For more information, visit evo.ca/evolve and [Let's Talk Parksville](#).

QUOTE – PARKSVILLE MAYOR DOUG O'BRIEN

"Introducing e-bike and e-scooter share with Evolve is a welcome addition to our transportation network and helps to address our ongoing efforts to roll out more active and accessible options that don't add more cars to our roads. We're looking forward to the positive impact Evolve will have on helping people in Parksville easily access our local businesses, nature and community amenities."

QUOTE - LEANNE BUHLER, HEAD OF EVOLVE E-BIKE AND E-SCOOTER SHARE

"Expanding to Parksville is an exciting step in growing Evolve's footprint across Vancouver Island and connecting more communities. Parksville helps link residents and visitors to local destinations while supporting active travel across the region."

About Evolve E-Bike and E-Scooter Share

Evolve is a turnkey micromobility share program that offers e-bike and e-scooter share services in British Columbia. Created by [BCAA](#) and operating alongside [Evo Car Share](#), Evolve operates public and private e-bike and e-scooter share programs in Metro Vancouver, Whistler, Squamish, and on Vancouver Island. Businesses, organizations, or municipalities interested in learning more about Evolve E-Bike and E-Scooter Share can reach out at evo.ca/evolve.

About BCAA

Driven by its purpose to move British Columbians forward, BCAA (British Columbia Automobile Association) is a long-standing BC Top Employer (Mediacorp) and provides over one in three BC households with industry leading mobility and protection services including membership, insurance, Auto Marketplace, Task Marketplace, Auto Service Centres as well as Evo Car Share and Evolve E-Bike and E-Scooter Share. BCAA invests in programs and initiatives to make a positive impact by protecting the people and Province of BC, recognizing that the place we call home is all of [Ours to Protect](#).

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