

Accessibility Information

The City of Nanaimo Parks Recreation and Culture Department is committed to offering accessible and equitable programs and events.

Physical or mental challenge special need clients- We do offer some adaptive programs specifically for those with special needs - watch for this ♿ throughout the guide.

Many of our programs are suitable for all abilities, if you are interested in taking part in any of our programs and have any concerns about accessibility please call us at 250 756 5200 and we can discuss how we can cater the program to suit your needs.

If you require one on one support your caregiver must attend classes with you. In most cases aides attend at no charge.

Leisure Economic Access Policy (LEAP)

The City of Nanaimo's Leisure Economic Access Policy (LEAP) helps to ensure everyone can participate in our programs.

What Is A LEAP Card? - A **LEAP** card entitles you and qualified family members to a 50 percent course fee discount (to a maximum of \$40) for 4 courses per year! (*Some programs may not qualify for the discount*). In addition, all participants will be issued a Swim/Skate/Gym Pass for 50 **FREE** admissions throughout the year.

How Do I Qualify? - The **LEAP** card is available to City of Nanaimo residents and those living in Electoral A, B, and C who meet certain criteria.

- **Electoral A** - Cranberry, Cedar, South Wellington
- **Electoral B** - Gabriola Island
- **Electoral C** - Extension, East Wellington, Lantzville, Snuneymuxw

Applicants qualify for LEAP in the following ways:

- **Referral** - Any person who has been referred by a recognized social service agency. The referring agency will certify that the applicant meets the limited income criteria and will stamp/sign the completed application form.
- **Proof Of Financial Assistance** - Any person who can show proof of income assistance (*BC Benefits Claim Form, Ministry Transit Pass or BC Senior's Supplement*).
- **Others In Need** - Any person on a limited income who cannot afford to participate in recreation programs or services. *Proof of income is required.*

How Do I Get A LEAP Card? - Pick up a **LEAP** application at your local Social Service office or at Beban Park, Bowen Park, Nanaimo Aquatic Centre, Oliver Woods Community Centre or Nanaimo Ice Centre. Fill out the application form and return to us, along with identification for each applicant (*picture ID with current address on it and current Child Tax Benefit Statement*).

How Do I Know If I Am Eligible? - The following gross incomes are a guide for those who may be eligible for **LEAP**.

Family Size	Gross Annual	Family Size	Gross Annual
1 person	\$19,976	5 persons	\$42,992
2 persons	\$25,123	6 persons	\$48,105
3 persons	\$30,541	7 persons	\$53,218
4 persons	\$36,761		

Further increments of \$3,000 per additional family member. Total gross household income, including that of the supporting individual will be considered for those living independently (students for example).



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www.canadiantire.ca/jumpstart.


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*Meet new friends
and plan activities!*

- Bingo
- Coombs
- White Spot
- Mini Golf
- Rock Band
- Pub Lunches ⁽¹⁹⁺⁾
- Games Day & More!

Next meeting:
 Thu, May 5, 1-3 pm
 Beban Social Centre

**Contact Tara at 250-756-5200
for more information.**

