

NEWS RELEASE

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Emergency Preparedness Week is May 3 to May 9, 2020

Plan, Prepare, Be Aware

Summary

As we work together to flatten the Covid-19 curve and support the collective response in reducing risks to the community, we realize now more than ever how important it is to prepare for the unexpected. Many City of Nanaimo residents have started to build an emergency kit and there is no time like today to complete it. A few simple actions will help you build upon all of the hard work you already have in place.

Being prepared is important and something the whole family can do. As we are supporting the reduction of the Covid-19 spread by complying with the BC Health recommendations, residents can take the opportunity to complete their emergency planning including their kits.

For more information about how you can prepare and make a kit visit www.nanaimo.ca and go to the Emergency Management page or the Province of BC website www.gov.bc.ca/preparedbc.

Strategic Link: Providing information and resources for residents to be prepared for an emergency supports a livable community.

Key Points

- Emergency Preparedness Week is a national event coordinated by Public Safety Canada.
- The City of Nanaimo is encouraging residents to make a kit during this week or check their kits if you already have one.
- Plan, Prepare, Be Aware! Know the risks in the community and prepare for emergencies.

Quotes

"Thank you to City of Nanaimo residents for supporting the Covid-19 response and your efforts in flattening the curve. We are in this together, and your continued commitment is appreciated. Covid-19 serves as a reminder of the unpredictability of emergency situations and the importance of being prepared as individuals and as a community"

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