

### **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Get ready for Reuse Rendezvous 2021!

Annual city-wide swap meet takes place August 14 and 15, 2021

## **Summary**

Reuse Rendezvous, Nanaimo's longest running reuse event, is back! This annual event, held August 14 and 15, is designed to keep useful items from going to waste by providing Nanaimo households an opportunity to give old household items a new lease on life.

Residents can participate by taking unwanted toys, sporting goods, furniture, books, bikes and other items to the curb so that others can take and reuse them.

Please mark items set out for others to take with a "FREE" tag. Items set out should not block sidewalks and bike lanes, and make sure to remove any leftover items by August 16.

Participants of Reuse Rendezvous are asked to stay safe when searching for bargains: slow down, watch for children, park carefully and obey traffic signs and speed limits.

Strategic Link: By encouraging reuse of household goods and keeping waste out of the landfill, Reuse Rendezvous supports Council's priority to protect and enhance Nanaimo's natural environment.

# **Key Points**

- Households Find a match for your unwanted goods by marking them with a "FREE" tag and putting them at the curb in front of your home on the weekend of August 14 and 15, 2021.
- Bargain Lovers Join in by searching the city for marked free items you can take home and reuse. Good
  used furniture, tools, clothing, sporting goods and toys are just some of the great finds you could discover.
   Please remember to take only items you can use!
- Respect public and private property: do not block sidewalks or bike paths, and please remove any leftover items from your curb by Monday, August 16.

### Quotes

"Get ready, Nanaimo! Our annual city-wide swap meet is a great opportunity to declutter (or reclutter!) your homes and have fun seeking out treasures across our community. Not to mention, you are contributing to greener Nanaimo by extending the life of household items and diverting waste from the landfill."

Leonard Krog Mayor City of Nanaimo

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