

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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# City provides funding for two new winter warming centres

### Summary

The City of Nanaimo is pleased to announce that funding will be provided for two daytime warming centres to support the homeless during cold winter weather. The City's funding will support a warming centre operated by the Risebridge Society at 520 Prideaux Street, which will be open seven days per week. In addition, a warming centre operated by the 7-10 Club Society will be opened Monday to Friday at St. Paul's Anglican Church at 100 Chapel Street.

The warming centres will be open Dec. to March, and warm meals and outreach services will be provided. The City secured funding through the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Strengthening Communities' Services Program to support 2022-2023 extreme weather and emergency food services.

Information about the two new daytime warming centres, as well as other shelters, warming and emergency food services can be found on the Services and Supports page at <a href="https://www.nanaimo.ca">www.nanaimo.ca</a>.

Strategic Link: Proactively advocate for support to ensure our community is a safe place for all people.

### **Key Points**

- The City of Nanaimo is providing funding for two new warming centres to support the homeless during the cold winter weather.
- A warming centre operated by the Risebridge Society at 520 Prideaux Street will be open seven days per week, and a warming centre operated by the 7-10 Club Society will be opened at St. Paul's Anglican Church at 100 Chapel Street Monday to Friday.

#### Quotes

"The City of Nanaimo is pleased to be able to support the important work of the non-profit community who provide life-saving services during extreme weather events."

Leonard Krog Mayor City of Nanaimo

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