

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Get ready for Reuse Rendezvous 2023!

*Annual city-wide swap meet takes place July 22 and 23*

#### Summary

Reuse Rendezvous, Nanaimo's longest running reuse event, is back! This annual event, held July 22 and 23, 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 placing 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. Please remove any unclaimed, leftover items from the curb by Monday, July 24.

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 July 22 and 23, 2023.
- 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, July 24.

#### Quotes

"Reuse Rendezvous is a perfect opportunity for residents to declutter and give unwanted but usable household items a new lease of life. I hope you will take the time to join in, have some fun, grab some great finds and spare the landfill."

Leonard Krog  
Mayor  
City of Nanaimo

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