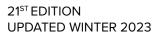
# BURNABY SENIORS' RESOURCE GUIDE







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THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

On behalf of Burnaby City Council, I would like to present you with the 2023 Burnaby Seniors Resource Guide.

You are an important member of our city and we want to make sure you have access to the services and programs that help keep you healthy and active. This valuable telephone directory is published every two years to make sure information about programs, services and benefits get into the hands of the people who need it most. It is our gift to you.

Burnaby is very fortunate to have an amazing Citizen Support Services Department who provide support to seniors in so many ways, including connecting volunteers with opportunities to make a real difference in our community. They take special pride in assisting our seniors to maintain a healthy and independent lifestyle.

We hope you find the directory helpful.

Sincerely,

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Mike Hurley, Mayor

## How to Use This Book

The Table of Contents is at the front of the book.

The Alphabetical Index is at the back of the book.

We have tried to make sure that the information in this book is correct and up-to-date. However, organizations sometimes make changes to their operations and there may be some inaccuracies for which we apologize.

## **Citizen Support Services**

CITY OF BURNABY604-294-7980
www.burnaby.ca
See page 103
These programs are provided by the City of Burnaby, Citizen Support Services.
Hours: Monday-Wednesday, Friday8am-4:45pm Thursday8am-8pm
For a complimentary copy of this book or to advertise in the next edition, please contact us at the City of Burnaby Citizen

next edition, please contact us at the City of Burnaby Citizen Support Services 604-294-7980, or email volunteers@burnaby.ca

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## Burnaby Provincial and Federal Representatives

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## **City of Burnaby Council**

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James Wang	604-788-3109	james.wang@burnaby.ca

## **City Services**

<ul> <li>BURNABY CITY HALL</li></ul>	604-294-7944
MAYOR'S OFFICE	604-294-7340
CITY COUNCILLORS	604-294-7109
<ul> <li>CITIZEN SUPPORT SERVICES</li> <li>111 – 4940 Canada Way Burnaby V5G 4K6</li> </ul>	604-294-7980

#### CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTRE

Our customer service centre will be open Monday-Wednesday and Friday from 8am-4:45pm and Thursday from 8am-8pm. You can reach our new customer service representatives by calling 604-294-7944 or emailing CustomerService@burnaby.ca.

See **VOLUNTEER SERVICES** (page 103) for a list of programs provided by Citizen Support Services.

## **Community Food Programs**

## FOOD BANKS AND HUBS

## GREATER VANCOUVER FOOD BANK SOCIETY.. 604-876-3601

#### www.foodbank.bc.ca

8345 Winston Street, Burnaby Hours: Please call for weekly schedule Closed on Sundays, Mondays and Statutory Holidays

#### ■ THE NEIGHBOURHOOD CHURCH...... 604-259-0170

#### www.southside.ca/edmondsoutreach

7135 Walker Avenue, Burnaby

**Food Hub (food bank):** a neighbourhood food pantry where neighbours can select Food Bank groceries for the week. Tuesdays, 3-5pm

**Neighbourhood Table:** A community dinner as we get to know neighbours, drink coffee together, and spend time around the table. Wednesdays, 5-7pm

### DON'T GO HUNGRY – FOOD SUPPORT......604-836-8400

#### www.dontgohungry.ca

Trinity Presbyterian Church Edmonds 7457 Edmonds Street, Burnaby

Hours: Saturdays, 12:30-2pm

Provides free grocery hampers every Saturday for anyone in need. Standard hampers may include dry goods, meat, dairy, breads, and produce. Gluten-free and vegetarian options are also available. Delivery available to those who are medically or mobility challenged with a referral. Please call to register.

## RYAN'S RAINBOW EMERGENCY

## FOOD OUTREACH SOCIETY...... 604-761-4357

1600 Cliff Ave, Burnaby

Hours: Thursdays, 10:30am-3pm

## BURNABY NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE – FOOD HUBS

## www.burnabynh.ca/get-involved\_community

- Supporting individuals and families who have loss of employment and/or are low income with food hampers and grocery gift cards
- Supporting low income seniors with prepared meals and food hampers
- Grocery shopping and free delivery for Burnaby residents who are unable to get out
- Coordinating response in Burnaby for food sourcing, storage facilities, transportation and volunteer management relating to food security issues

Please contact respective location to register or for more information on available food resources:

### North House (for North Burnaby Residents)......604-294-5444

foodhubcoord@burnabynh.ca

Food pick-up: Thursdays, 10am-1pm at BNH North House (4908 Hastings St). In-person registration during office hours (Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:30pm)

## South Food Hall (for South Burnaby residents).......604-307-2945 southfoodhub@burnabynh.ca

Food pick-up: Wednesdays, 1-5pm at BNH Community Hall (5024 Rumble St). In-person registration only during these hours.

#### Community Kitchen

A weekly program offered at Burnaby Neighbourhood House-South and Gilmore Community School that involves cooking, eating, and lots of great conversation and laughter. Families or individuals who have limited income join together to prepare healthy meals to take home, and to have lunch together. Free childminding is available. If you are interested in joining us, please call 604-431-0400.



## **Education and Libraries**

## **Education**

BURNABY COMMUNITY AND	
CONTINUING EDUCATION	604-296-6901
Fax:	604-296-6913

#### www.burnabyce.com

Offers many different kinds of courses. Many of the courses are half price if you are 65 years or older. You must show your CareCard. Printed brochures are available at libraries, recreation centres and online.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4pm

## COMMUNITY CENTRED COLLEGE

### Email: cccr@telus.net

Courses in computers, art, music, languages, creative writing, geneology, forensic science, Bridge levels 1 and 2, technology courses, flower arranging, and community concerns for people 55 years or older. Classes are held from Monday-Friday, 9am-3:30pm.

Hours: Monday-Friday (registration and information), 9am-3pm

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Call 604-527-5486 (Student Services) or 604-527-5478 (Registration). For information on seniors' fees for general interest courses, call 604-527-5472. (Continuing Education)

Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, 9am-4pm Wednesday, 10am-6:30pm

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The SFU Seniors Program began in 1975 as part of Continuing Studies' commitment to lifelong learning. Every semester -September, January, and May - the Seniors Program offers non-credit courses at our downtown Harbour Centre building for anyone 55 years of age or older, regardless of educational background. Courses generally run for 6 weeks and meet once a week for two hours. Fees are deliberately kept as low as possible.

If you would like to be added to our mailing list to receive the current or future Seniors Program brochures, or for more information on the Seniors Program, please contact us at the above number or email us.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4:30pm

## UNIVERSITY OF BC...... 604-822-1444

#### www.students.ubc.ca

Full or part-time academic credit courses for seniors 65 years and older. The courses are free depending on availability. Seniors can also apply to take courses for general interest, which are usually free.

Hours: Summer (May to August) Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, 9:30am-4pm Tuesday, 10am-4pm

### Hours: Winter (September to April) Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm Tuesday, 9:30am-4:30pm

Complete course and registration information is available on the website.

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Online catalogue of courses available to view or download.

Program Assistance 3rd Age Partners in Learning 604-822-1462 Non-credit, general interest courses. Ask about reduced fees for seniors and special programs.

**Ageless pursuits** Pt Grey: Summer lecture series, offered over 4 weeks in June. Open to adult learning of all ages.

**UBC Elder Scholar:** A program launched in Fall 2013. See website for further information. Held at Tapestry Wesbrook Village. UBC currently offers lifelong learners ages 65 and over the opportunity to take most UBC credit (degree-related) courses for general interest, free of tuition or student fees. Some conditions apply. For more information see "learning opportunities for seniors" on the UBC continuing studies website.

## Libraries

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Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4:30pm

This department of the public library offers accessible library services to patrons with perceptual disabilities or to those who cannot visit the library due to health or limited ability.

## Public Libraries (Burnaby) –

Bob Prittie Metrotown Branch604	-436-5400
6100 Willingdon Avenue	
Whatever you are interested in, the library has son for you: information, novels, non-fiction, paperback magazines, newspapers, cassettes, videos, CDs & Large print books are also available.	k books,
Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-9pm Saturday, 9am-6pm Sunday, noon-5pm	
Cameron Library 604	1-421-5454
9523 Cameron Street New Temporary Cameron Library 9855 Austin Avenue (opening in fall 2023)	
<b>Hours:</b> Monday-Thursday, 10am-9pm Friday-Saturday, 10am-6pm Sunday, noon-5pm	
Tommy Douglas Library604	I-522-3971
7311 Kingsway	
<b>Hours:</b> Monday-Friday, 10am-9pm Saturday, 10am-6pm Sunday, noon-5pm	
McGill Library	<b>I-299-8955</b>
4595 Albert Street	
<b>Hours:</b> Monday-Friday, 10am-9pm Saturday, 10am-6pm Sunday, noon-5pm	

## **Financial Help**

## Help for the Disabled –

The staff will help you if you are having trouble getting a subsidy for your disability. They will inform you of your rights, provide information about available services and support, and assist people 18-65 years old with disabilities in accessing handicapped benefits from the governments of BC and Canada.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

## Federal Help with Money -

## CANADA PENSION PLAN (C.P.P.) Information.....1-800-277-9914 TTY.....1-800-255-4786 www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/ contact/cpp

The CPP provides income replacement to contributors and their families in the event of retirement, disability or death. The CPP is a statutory program that is governed by the federal government and the provinces. It is enabled by the CPP legislation. Eligibility criteria must be met in order to receive benefits.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm (EST)

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### INFORMATION ON THE GOVERNMENT

OF CANADA SERVICES	1-800-622-6232
ТТҮ	1-800-926-9105

#### www.canada.ca

Provides general and related contact information on federal programs and services.

"Basic Services for Seniors" is a bilingual guide that provides information on programs and services offered by the federal government to seniors and their families. It is also available in alternate formats (Braille, disc, etc). Call the above number to order.

Hours: Monday-Friday (local calling time), 8am-5pm

## OLD AGE SECURITY (O.A.S.)

Information	1-800-277-9914
ΤΤΥ	1-800-255-4786

#### www.canada.ca

You can apply if you are a Canadian or a legal resident, and are 65 years or older. It doesn't matter if you have other income or funds, but you must have lived in Canada for at least 10 years. You should apply 6 months before your 65th birthday. If you need help, call the above number.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm (EST)

# O.A.S. SPOUSE'S ALLOWANCE......1-800-277-9914 TTY......1-800-255-4786

#### www.canada.ca

You can apply if you are between 60 and 65 years old, have lived in Canada for 10 years, and are married to someone who is getting O.A.S. The amount you get depends on how much income you and your spouse (husband or wife) have together. If your husband or wife is 59 to 64 years old, the form for O.A.S. spouse's allowance is usually sent together with the form for G.I.S. (Guaranteed Income Supplement). You must reapply each year for the O.A.S. Spouse's Allowance.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm (EST)

## SENIOR'S SUPPLEMENT BC......1-866-866-0800 (press 1, press 3, then 2)

#### www2.gov.bc.ca (search for seniors supplement)

The Senior's Supplement is a monthly payment provided by the Province of British Columbia. It ensures a conditionally guaranteed income level for BC residents receiving federal Old Age Security and Guaranteed Income Supplement or federal Allowances.

If the income level of an eligible senior's total income falls below the level guaranteed by the province, the supplement is provided to make up the difference. The maximum monthly supplement is \$49.30 for single seniors and \$120.50 for senior couples and is paid automatically to eligible recipients. Seniors do not have to apply.

The Senior's Supplement is also paid automatically to persons 60-64 years of age who are eligible, in receipt of federal Allowances, and married to an Old Age Security pensioner. Senior's Supplement rates are based upon income reported to Canada Revenue Agency or declared on the federal Guaranteed Income Supplement application if a senior is required to complete one.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm

WIDOWED SPOUSE'S ALLOWANCE	. 1-800-277-9914
ТТҮ	1-800-255-4786

#### www.canada.ca

You can apply if your husband or wife has died, you are between 60 and 65 years old, have lived in Canada for 10 years, and have a low or modest income. Call for information and application forms.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

## Provincial Help with Money -

SERVICE BC 604-660-2421 TTY 604-775-0303
Gives information concerning any of the services the Provincial Government provides, or connects you (free of charge) to the appropriate ministry.
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY REDUCTION
www2.gov.bc.ca
Email: enquirybc@gov.bc.ca
(Employment and Income Assistance) 1-866-866-0800
Burnaby Metro Pointe Office enquiries 1-866-866-0800
Bus Pass Information1-800-866-0800
(Press 3 for first menu Press 1 for second menu)
You can apply for income assistance at a Burnaby office if you live in Burnaby and are 60 years or older.

### SHELTER AID FOR ELDERLY RENTERS

### www.bchousing.org

SAFER is a non-taxable rent subsidy program for people who are 60 years or older and are currently paying more than 30% of their income towards rent. To be eligible, seniors 60 years or older must be renting, be entitled to receive Old Age Security, and have lived in BC for one year prior to applying. The applicant or spouse must have resided in Canada for one year and be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

## **Veterans**

## VETERANS AFFAIRS CANADA.....Toll free 1-866-522-2122 www.veterans.gc.ca

Veterans and their families can get information about pensions and benefits. Also provides veterans who have low income with medical and financial assistance.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

VETERANS CRISIS HELPLINE	1-800-273-8255
TDD	1-800-799-4889

BUREAU OF PENSIONS ADVOCATES..... 1-877-228-2250

## **Funerals**

## **Funeral Information**

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All information is given by recorded voice. You can hear recorded information about registering a death, about wills, or burial permits.

FUNERAL ASSOCIATION OF BC	1-250-592-3213
Toll-free	1-800-665-3899
www.bcfunerals.com	
Email: info@bcfunerals.com	

Gives advice on planning ahead. They can tell you what to do when someone dies, and where to go for financial help. You can get a free booklet called "Helpful Information about Funerals"

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

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For war veterans who have limited assets. Money is available for funeral, burial services, and military markers.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4pm

## **Grief Counselling**

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS OF CANADA (The)

Burnaby Branch......778-222-0446

www.tcfcanada.net

Email: MetroVancouverBurnaby@TCFCanada.net

Please leave a message.

A support group for parents who have lost a child or grandchild. Offers support and understanding. Call or visit the website for more information.

#### BURNABY HOSPICE SOCIETY...... 604-520-5087

www.burnabyhospice.org

Email: info@burnabyhospice.org

#### Donate

6843 Kingsway, Burnaby (Thrift Store) 604-520-5082

Hours: Monday-Saturday, 9:30am-7pm Sunday, 9:30am-4:30pm

A non-profit organization dedicated to providing compassionate care to individuals and families during the end-of-life journey.

BC BEREAVEMENT HELPLINE:	604-738-9950
Toll-free	1-877-779-2223
www.bcbh.ca	
Email: contact@bcbh.ca	

A non-profit (free) charitable organization with information about how to seek help for themselves or individuals known to them who are in need of assistance dealing with their grief.

## **General information**

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Available in the Regional Districts of Metro Vancouver, Fraser Valley and Squamish-Lillooet.

If you are looking for services in your community, phone 2-1-1. Services are free, confidential, multilingual and available 24/7.

## SERVICE CANADA

Toll-free (8am-8pm)	1-800-622-6232
ТТҮ	1-800-926-9105
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#### www.seniors.gc.ca

This website contains information and links to services and benefits for seniors, both federal and provincial. It also has information on elder abuse awareness and on New Horizons for *Seniors Program*. Publications are also available. Through Service Canada, you can access more than 70 Government of Canada services including Canada Pension Plan and Old Age Security.

## **Health services**

Healthlink BC ......8-1-1 (Live help 24/7) For people with hearing impairments......7-1-1 For help finding health services anytime

## Abuse

SENIORS FIRST BC	
General Inquiries	604-688-1927
SAIL – Seniors Abuse and Information Line	604-437-1940
Toll-free	1-866-437-1940
ТТҮ	604-428-3359
www.seniorsfirstbc.ca	
Email: info@seniorsfirstbc.ca	

Advocating for legal and social justice for older adults in BC, this organization believes that all have the right to live with dignity, safe from abuse of any kind.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm (excluding holidays)

Burnaby Home Health	604-918-7447
Burnaby Mental Health	604-453-1900
Community Living BC	604-664-0101

## **Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco Programs**

## A.A. (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS).....604-434-3933 (24h) www.vancouveraa.ca

People who have a drinking problem help each other.

Office Open: Monday-Friday, 9am-6:30pm Saturdays, 9:30am-1pm Sundays, 9:30am-1pm Statutory Holidays, closed

## AL-ANON

## (After hours recorded message)...... 604-688-1716 www.bcyukon-al-anon.org

Relatives and friends of alcoholics meet in groups for support.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 10am-1pm

## ALCOHOL & DRUG INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICE......604-660-9382

Information about alcohol and drug treatment services. Trained staff will help you find the treatment you need.

Hours: Daily 24 hours

# BURNABY ADDICTION SERVICES......604-777-6882 www.fraserhealth.ca

Help for people with alcohol and drug problems. Screening and assessment, referral, individual, family, youth and group counselling. Also counselling for those affected by another person's substance misuse. There is no charge for this service. Senior's outreach worker available.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

## BURNABY SUBSTANCE USE SERVICES

#### (older adult outreach program).....1-866-624-6478

Offers free counseling, either in your home or at the office, for adults over 65, who live in Burnaby or New Westminster.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 11:30am-6pm

## **Clinics and Rehabilitations**

## BURNABY PARTNERS IN SENIORS' WELLNESS (55+) www.bpsw.ca

Our weekly drop-ins offer blood pressure monitoring, reflexology, massage, nutrition/health-related books, guest speakers, and other services. The Burnaby Leisure Guide available at Burnaby Community and Recreation Centres provides further information on programs for seniors.

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#### **HEALTH FOCUS:**

#### CAMERON RECREATION CENTRE......604-415-3555

9523 Cameron Street, BurnabyNew temporary Cameron Recreation Centre9855 Austin Ave (opening Fall 2023)

#### **Blood Pressure Clinic and other health services**

Second Wednesday of each month.

Hours: 8:45-11:30am

## HEALTH WATCH: EDMONDS COMMUNITY CENTRE:.....604-297-4901

7433 Edmonds Street, Burnaby Hours: 9:30-11:30am (Thursdays)

Health and senior related presentations every Thursday at 11am. Foot clinic once a month (paid service). By appointment only.

## HEALTHY HEART PROGRAM at BURNABY HOSPITAL......604-412-6440

For people who have heart disease or are at a high risk of getting heart disease, the Healthy Heart Program has supervised exercise programs. You can speak with a professional dietitian and get information on food and nutrition. There are weekly classes about heart health. Call the above number for more information.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-1:30pm

## KINSMEN FOUNDATION OF BC

### www.kinsmenfoundationofbc.ca Email: kinsmenfoundationofbc@shaw.ca

Kinsmen Rehabilitation Foundation of British Columbia, known as the Kinsmen Foundation of BC, is a not-for-profit, Canadian registered charity. Our mission is to raise funds to support many worthwhile organizations and individuals facing the daily challenges of living with a physical disability to improve their quality of life and independence.

## WAVEFRONT CENTRE FOR COMMUNICATION

#### www.wavefrontcentre.ca

#### Email: info@wavefrontcentre.ca

Trained staff give advice and hearing tests. The centre has recycled hearing aids and special equipment for the deaf and hard of hearing. Sign language and interpreting services available. Services provided in Cantonese, Mandarin, and French.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm (closed between noon-1pm) Saturday, 8:45am-4:45pm (closed between noon-1pm)

## • Y.M.C.A. HEALTHY HEART PROGRAM

(Cardiac Prevention and Rehabilitation)......604-521-5801

For people who have heart disease or are at a high risk of getting heart disease, the YMCA has supervised exercise programs. A doctor's referral is required and there is a reduced monthly fee for seniors.

### Email: joan.mann@gv.ymca.ca

#208 - 245 East Columbia Street, New Westminster

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

## **Dental Care** -

## BRITISH COLUMBIA DENTAL ASSOCIATION.....604-736-7202 www.bcdental.org

### Email: info@bcdental.org

The association provides information on gum disease, crowns, bridges and dentures. You can also get information about dentists in Burnaby who are taking new patients, and which dentists can take patients who use wheelchairs.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm (closed noon-1pm)

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1145 Commercial Drive, Vancouver

www.reachcentre.bc.ca

Email: dental@reachcentre.bc.ca

Hours: Monday-Saturday, 8:15am-5:15pm Closed Sunday and Statutory Holidays

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## www.dentistry.ubc.ca/treatment/about

You can get dental work done at a discount (20 to 40 percent less than dental fee guide).

Nobel Biocare Oral Health Centre, 2151 Wesbrook Mall, UBC

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:15am-12:30pm & 2-5pm

## VANCOUVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC

(Recorded Message)...... 604-443-8499

250 West Pender Street, Vancouver

Clinic offers quality, low-cost dental care to the general public. Services are delivered by students from VCC's dental hygiene program, under the guidance of experienced instructors.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-noon & 1-4pm Clinic is closed during Summer (June, July and August)

## Fraser Health —

FRASER HEALTH	604-918-7605 / 604-918-7447
HOME HEALTH CARE	1-855-412-2121
CARE COMPLAINTS	604-918-7683

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

## HOME HEALTH CARE

Home Health Care has a number of services including Nursing, Rehabilitation, and Long Term Care.

### Home Care Nurses

If you have a long term illness or disability, or after you come out of hospital, nurses can come to your home to assess your situation and provide the type of treatment you require.

### Physiotherapy/Occupational Therapy

If you cannot go to a treatment centre, physio and occupational therapists will come to your home. The therapists will assess your physical problems and provide you with the type of treatment you need. They will also give you advice about special equipment that can help you stay in your own home, and about how you can make your home safe.

## Long Term Care

The nurses and social workers in this program work with people who have long term health problems that affect their ability to continue to live at home. They give help and advice, and can arrange for home support workers, Meals on Wheels, adult day programs, and other services. If you can no longer live at home, they will help you find alternative living arrangements.

If you need information, want to know if you are eligible, or want to make a referral to these programs you can call 604-918-7447.

## **Health Protection**

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES......604-918-7683

Public Health Inspectors inspect restaurants and food stores. They also inspect public pools, personal service establishments and various businesses. They deal with complaints regarding these premises as well as rat complaints.

## COMMUNITY CARE FACILITIES LICENSING.......604-918-7683

Licensing Officers inspect Adult and Child Care facilities such as care homes and daycares. They deal with complaints regarding these facilities.

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In the fall, Public Health Nurses from Fraser North - Burnaby give immunizations against flu and pneumonia. These shots are free for seniors. Dates, times and locations will be advertised in the local papers in the early fall.

## Health Information

### BC HEALTH and SENIORS INFORMATION LINE.. 1-800-465-4911

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

### BC MINISTRY OF HEALTH

General Information (Enquiry BC)	604-660-2421
Pharmacare	604-683-7151
ТТҮ	604-775-0303

#### www.gov.bc.ca/health

#### Email: enquiryBC@gov.bc.ca

For information on or assistance with Pharmacare or Medical Services Plan, call Health Insurance BC Contact Centre at 604-683-7151.

Automated Telephone Inquiry (ATI) - To talk to an agent wait 30 seconds after the message ends and press "0" or say the word "agent".

For general information about health services, call Health and Seniors Information Line 1-800-465-4911.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

### Seniors Health Care Support Line (Toll-free)......1-877-952-3181

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

## BC NURSELINE

Greater Vancouver	Direct: 604-215-8110
or	8-1-1 (anywhere in BC)
TTY	7-1-1 (anywhere in BC)

#### www.healthlinkbc.ca

Specially trained nurses answer questions about health topics and procedures, identify symptoms, and help you decide when to see a health professional. Tele-nursing services are available 24/7. No charge.

**Pharmacists** are available to answer your questions about medications. Translation services are available in 130 languages.

Call 8-1-1 (TTY 7-1-1)

Hours: Daily, 5pm-9am

#### COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND

SURGEONS OF BC.....1-800-461-3008 www.cpsbc.ca

Call to get the names of Burnaby family doctors who are taking new patients, or to file a complaint.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

#### CRISIS LINE

Crisis Intervention and Suicide Intervention		
Centre (24/7 Distress Line)		
ТТҮ	1-866-872-0113	
Mental Health SupportNo area coc	le (BC wide) 310-6789	
Senior's Distress Line	604-872-1234	
Elder Abuse Line	604-437-1940	
SUCCESS (Chinese Help Lines)(Burnaby office)604-430-1899		

Hours: Daily, 10am-10pm	
Cantonese	604-270-8233
Mandarin	604-270-8222
Korean	1-888-721-0596 Ext.3

This is a volunteer driven organization committed to helping people help themselves and others deal with crisis.

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You can speak with a registered dietitian, and get information on food and nutrition. Translations are available in 130 languages. This service is free, and available anytime of the day or night, every day of the year.

## MEDICAL SERVICES PLAN (MSP)

OF BRITISH COLUMBIA	604-683-7151
Toll free from anywhere in North America	1-800-663-7100
Recorded Message-Long Distance	1-250-386-7171
BC Services Card	604-683-7151
Senior's Health Care Support Line (Toll-free)1-877-952-3181	
www.gov.bc.ca/health	

The Medical Services Plan (MSP), a Ministry of Health program administered by Health Insurance BC, insures medically required services provided by physicians and supplementary health care practitioners, laboratory services and diagnostic procedures. It insures part of the cost for the services of podiatrists, chiropractors and physical therapists.

You qualify for the BC Medical Services Plan if your home is in BC and you spend at least six months of each year in the province. New arrivals to BC must wait three months before applying. There is a monthly fee for MSP; lower rates are available to BC residents with a low income.

**Hours:** Monday-Friday, 8am-4:30pm to speak to a customer service representative. Automated general information service is available 24 hours, 7 days a week.

#### MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SENIORS

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#### www.gov.bc.ca/health

Gives information on seniors' programs and benefits. One stop location to get help.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

The following book is available free of charge "BC Health Guide; Healthy Eating for Seniors." If you want a copy, call 8-1-1 or go to website: **www.healthlinkbc.ca**. Available in a number of languages.



- Email: decoxon@gmail.com **Registered Nurse - Evelyn**
- SCREENING MAMMOGRAPHY PROGRAM OF BC

(Breast Screening) Info Line...... 604-877-6187 To book appointment...... 1-800-663-9203

www.screeningbc.ca

Women 40-79 years old should be tested for breast cancer at least every two years. An appointment is required. A referral from your doctor is not necessary, but you must have a family doctor. The staff will give the test results to your doctor, and to you.

Hours: Monday-Friday (Booking), 8am-5:30pm Monday-Friday (Burnaby appointments), 8:30am-5pm

## Health Organizations -

#### ALLERGY/ASTHMA INFORMATION ASSOCIATION Help Line...... 1-866-787-4050 www.asthma.ca Email: info@asthma.ca

Provides information and advocacy for people with allergies and asthma and their families. Also provides telephone support. Members receive four newsletters a year. Allergy cookbooks and other products are available for purchase.

#### A.L.S. SOCIETY (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Society of British Columbia (Lou Gehrig's Disease)......604-278-2257 www.alsbc.ca

#### Email: info@alsbc.ca

Information and help for people with A.L.S. and their families.

#### ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF BC...... 604-681-8651 www.alzeimer.ca/bc

Help and information for family and friends of people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia. Groups meet at least once a month.

#### ARTHRITIS SOCIETY...... 1-800-321-1433 www.arthritis.ca

The Arthritis Society has a long tradition of providing educational programs, to professionals and those with arthritis, as well as innovative solutions aimed at helping people affected by arthritis have the best possible quality of life.

General Inquiries: info@arthritis.ca

REGIONAL CENTRE (Mary Pack Arthritis Centre)..604-875-4040
 3rd floor - 895 West 10th Ave, Vancouver
 Email: info@bc.arthritis.ca

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#### BC EPILEPSY SOCIETY......604-875-6704

#### www.bcepilepsy.com

#### Email: info@bcepilepsy.com

BC Epilepsy Society is a non-profit charitable organization dedicated to serving the well-being of people living with epilepsy. We empower, educate, and support British Columbians living with epilepsy, and fund research to find a cure.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

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Information and help for people with asthma, emphysema, chronic bronchitis, and other lung problems. "Better Breathers Club" is a club for people with breathing problems. They meet once a month, in Vancouver, New Westminster and Richmond.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

#### BURNABY FALL PREVENTION SOCIETY

#### Falls Prevention Mobile Clinic:

To register or for more information 604-587-7866 or 8-1-1 Email: fallsprevention@fraserhealth.ca

For further information on Fall Prevention go to

www.fraserhealth.ca (click on "locations and services", then in the search tool type "falls prevention")

A group of concerned, community based volunteers who educate seniors to be more aware of the risks for falls and how to minimize those risks to keep safe, active and independent. The Society offers a free 90 minute program to interested seniors' groups, which includes a power point presentation, chair exercises and balance testing. The clinic travels to many different locations in the Fraser Health region including community centres, seniors housing complexes and other locations where seniors gather. Pre-registration is required.

## BURNABY HOSPICE SOCIETY...... 604-520-5087

www.burnabyhospice.org

#### Email: info@burnabyhospice.org

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm

Not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing compassionate care to individuals and families during the end-of-life journey.

Trained volunteers visit people with life threatening illnesses in their homes, in hospital, and long term care facilities. There is a grief support group for family and friends. There is no cost for hospice programs and services. Referrals can be made by anyone.

#### DIABETES CANADA

Vancouver Office	604-732-1331	
Information Line	1-800-226-8464	
Chinese Information Line	604-732-8187	
Clothing, electronics and small household items recycling		
1-800-505-5525 (for pick up or to locate a drop box)		
www.diabetes.ca		
Email: info@diabetes.ca		

Provides information and support for people with diabetes.

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A support group for people who are hard of hearing. Small membership fee. Call for more information.

Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 10am-2pm

A service for people who have difficulty seeing, or are blind or deaf blind. We help people learn to live independently. These services teach people how to live on their own. Counselling is offered. A library service with talking books is available. These services are free of charge to everyone in need.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

#### CEREBRAL PALSY

Information and help for people with Cerebral Palsy.

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-5pm

#### HEART AND STROKE FOUNDATION OF BC......604-372-8000

or.....1-888-473-4636

#### www.heartandstroke.ca

Free information, films, talks on heart health and strokes. Free pamphlets on heart and stroke risk factors.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm

KIDNEY FOUNDATION OF CANADA	
BC BRANCH 604-736-977	5
www.kidney.ca/bc	

#### Email: info@kidney.ca

The Kidney Foundation of Canada is a national volunteer organization committed to improving the health and quality of life of people affected by kidney disease. We fund medical research, provide education and support to patients and their families, promote access to high quality health care and increase public awareness about the importance of kidney health and organ donation.

#### MYALGIC ENCEPHALOMYELITIS

#### (Chronic Fatigue Syndrome) and FIBROMYALGIA (MEFM) SOCIETY OF BC

#### Email: info@mefm.bc.ca

This is a volunteer-run organization offering public information through our phone information service and quarterly newsletter. We provide educational material and resources as well as referrals to self-help groups. Annual membership is \$25.

#### MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF CANADA

#### (BC AND YUKON DIVISION)...... 604-689-3144 www.mssociety.ca

#### Email: info.bc@mssociety.ca

People with MS, their family and friends can get information, advice and help. You may qualify for our equipment provision program or our volunteer legal advice program. The society also offers support groups to people with MS, their family and friends. Many volunteer opportunities.

#### MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY CANADA.....1-800-567-2873

#### www.muscle.ca

#### Email: info@muscle.ca

You can get help to buy certain basic equipment. Some assistance is available to access medical help when travelling by air. To receive this assistance, you must be registered with this agency.

## OSTEOPOROSIS CANADA BC DIVISION......1-800-463-6842 Local Support Group......604-685-2582 www.osteoporosis.ca Email: matthes@shaw.ca

Osteoporosis Canada provides medically accurate information to patients, health care professional and the public. They offer services to individuals with osteoporosis and the public including free publications, a bilingual toll-free information line, educational programs and referrals to self-help groups and community resources, as well as their website.

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This group meets for education and support at St. Paul's Hospital. Call for more information and meeting dates.

#### www.parkinson.bc.ca

Information, lending library, newsletter and counselling for people with Parkinson's Disease and their families. There is an annual membership fee.

A Parkinson's support group meets on the second Monday of each month (1-3pm) at Confederation Centre. They have presentations and a recreation program. There is no charge for joining this group. There is a network of 50 support groups throughout the province. There is a Chinese speaking support group which meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month (10am-noon) at Crystal Mall, Ching Seen Centre.

# STROKE RECOVERY ASSOCIATION OF BC......604-688-3603 Toll-free......1-888-313-3377 www.strokerecoverybc.ca

This group gives information to assist recovery and sets up stroke recovery branches. An information kit and quarterly newsletter is available. They also conduct special events (see website).

Meetings are held at Edmonds Community Centre (7433 Edmonds St, Burnaby, BC V3N 1B1) 2nd and 4th Friday of each month. Outings are on the third Friday.

Speakers, video presentations, adapted exercise, speech maintenance, peer support and caregiver support are available for stroke survivors.

Hours: Fridays, 10am-12pm

They also offer other virtual programming for Burnaby stroke survivors. Virtual programs such as Fraser Region 1, TALK Program, Young Stroke Survivor Program, Musical Minds Program etc.

For registration, please contact an After Stroke Coordinator via email: afterstrokebc@marchofdimes.ca or call 1-888-313-3377 ext.6201

## UNITED OSTOMY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA......1-800-826-0826

#### www.uoavancouver.com

Provides information and assistance for patients, family and friends. Meetings are held at Collingwood Neighbourhood House, 5288 Joyce Street, Vancouver (near Joyce SkyTrain station).

## Hospitals and Ambulance Service

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Department that is open 24 hours, seven days of the week.

#### ROYAL COLUMBIAN HOSPITAL......604-520-4253 www.fraserhealth.ca

#### PATIENT INFORMATION

BC Cancer Agency	
Burnaby Hospital	604-434-4211
Eagle Ridge Hospital	604-461-2022
Royal Columbian Hospital	604-520-4253
St. Paul's Hospital	604-806-9090
Surrey Memorial Hospital	604-581-2211
Vancouver General Hospital	604-875-4111
Poison Control Line	1-800-567-8911

## **Medical Alert Systems**

## CANADIAN MEDIC ALERT.....1-800-668-1507

#### www.medicalert.ca

#### Email: customerservice@medicalert.ca

Provides customized bracelets and necklaces that are linked to emergency medical information services. Information regarding medical conditions and special medical needs is provided to medical personnel on a twenty-four hour basis. There are forty styles of bracelets and necklaces available.

The Member Assistance Program provides a partial subsidy for the membership fee and the cost of a stainless steel bracelet for people with potentially life-threatening health conditions or special medical needs.

#### FRASER NORTH LIFELINE

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#### Email: lifeline@fraserhealth.ca

Provides a personal medical alarm response system designed for individuals living at home with medical conditions. Help is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Reasonable monthly fee. Call for more information. Brochure and application available online.

## Medical Equipment and Supplies ————

BC MEDEQUIP......604-888-8811

#### www.bcits.org

#### Email: info@technologyforliving.org

Technology for Independent Living (TIL) - Biomedical technicians will supply and set up home automation and assistive technology (including Google Home) to control the home environment such as lights, blinds, TV, automatic doors etc. The service is for severely disabled people living at home, equipment is loaned to qualified applicants. The service is extending to people with disability due to aging on a pay-for-service basis.

#### ■ THE CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY......604-709-6600

#### www.redcross.ca

Burnaby Short Term Equipment Loan Service....604-522-7092

## Edmonds Neighbourhood Resource Centre 105-7355 Canada Way, Burnaby

Equipment (canes, crutches, raised toilet seats, bath boards, bedpans, wheelchairs, walkers, etc.) is available for up to 1 month. All equipment loans require a referral from a regulated health care professional. Call to make sure they have what you need. Delivery service is no longer available.

## **Mental Health**

CANADIAN MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION60	4-526-9606
www.cmha.ca	
Email: info@cmha.ca	
Vancouver-Fraser Branch60	04-872-4902
www.vancouver-fraser.cmha.bc.ca	
Suite 110 – 2425 Quebec Street, Vancouver	
Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm	

DEMENTIA HELPLINE......604-681-8651

## FAMILY SERVICES OF GREATER VANCOUVER Burnaby/New Westminster Branch......604-525-9144 Email: receptionnw@fsgv.ca

Professional support and counselling services are available for people who are experiencing challenges in their life. There is a sliding scale fee (amount depends on your income).

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

## Pharmacare <sup>·</sup>

Health Info Line:	604-683-7151
or Toll-free	1-800-663-7100
www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/	
pharmacare-for-bc-residents	

Pharmacare, a Ministry of Health program administered by Health Insurance BC, assists British Columbia residents in paying for eligible prescription medications and designated medical supplies.

Check the website or contact Pharmacare for specific information on eligible benefits.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-8pm Saturday, 8am-4pm

You can register for Fair Pharmacare online 24/7

## **Services for Cancer Patients**

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A treatment centre for cancer patients. Social workers offer professional counselling to people with cancer and their families. You can get counselling by yourself or in a group.

For information about cancer treatment, call the Cancer Research Centre 604-675-8000.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm



#### CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY

#### www.cancer.ca

General inquiries: connect@cancer.ca

Cancer information and support: info@cancer.ca

The Cancer Information Service (CIS) is a national, bilingual, confidential, toll-free service offering comprehensive information about cancer and community resources to cancer patients, their families, the general public and health care professionals.

Information available:

- all types of cancer
- prevention and risk reduction
- early detection
- cancer treatments
- drugs and clinical trials
- dealing with side effects
- complementary and alternative therapies
- cancer statistics
- supportive and palliative care
- helping resources in the community

## **Support Services**

BURNABY COUNSELLING	604-430-1303
www.counsellinggroup.org	
Email: bookings@counsellinggroup.org	

2055 Rosser Avenue, Burnaby

www.bsoss.org

Email: faryar@bbyseniors.ca

**Seniors Helping Seniors** is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting emotional health and well-being of seniors. Peer counsellors provide support and guidance through difficult times.

**Burnaby Family Caregivers Project** offers free short information presentations, a support group meeting the first and third Saturday every month from 10am to noon, and an annual information fair. Call 604-291-2258 or visit www.bsoss.org for more details.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:30pm

#### BURNABY COMMUNITY RESPONSE NETWORK

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:30pm

This outreach service provided by Burnaby Neighbourhood House (formerly South Burnaby Neighbourhood House) helps connect isolated seniors to community services and programs in Burnaby. Trained volunteers visit seniors offering comprehensive information to improve their quality of life. This service is free of charge. Call for information or to make referrals.

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-8pm Friday, 9am-5pm

#### PHONE BUDDIES PROGRAM......604-294-7980

Provided by the City of Burnaby, Citizen Support Services.

Volunteers call clients to visit with them over the phone. They can call every day or occasionally, for a friendly conversation and to make sure everything is okay.

## QMUNITY (LGBT2Q+).....604-684-5307 ext. 110 www.qmunity.ca Email: reception@qmunity.ca

#### VOLUNTEER VISITOR PROGRAM......604-294-7980

Provided by the City of Burnaby, Citizen Support Services.

One to one visits are made in the client's home to provide companionship for isolated or lonely seniors and people with disabilities.

## **Home Services**

## Gardening —

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Neighbours Helping Neighbours is an outreach program of L'Arche Greater Vancouver where a small crew of adults with developmental disabilities and their supervisor provide simple maintenance tasks for seniors. Their services include such things as basic gardening, lawn mowing, raking leaves, pruning, and mending fences. They are a skilled and enthusiastic group. There is no fee for this service, donation suggested. You are welcome to make a donation to the L'Arche Foundation of Greater Vancouver and you will receive a tax receipt.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm







## Groceries

#### DAIRYLAND HOME SERVICE

Toll-free.....1-800-667-1228 www.morethanmilk.ca

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Provided by City of Burnaby, Citizen Support Services.

If you are elderly or have a disability, you can order groceries by phone. A volunteer will do the shopping at a local supermarket, and City of Burnaby staff deliver your order to your residence. Payment method: credit card or debit card. Minimum order of \$30.00. Free delivery.

## **Home Support Workers**

HOME SUPPORT AGENCIES (Private)..... pages 56 and 57

You can find private nursing and home help services in "The Yellow Pages" telephone book or online at www.yellowpages.ca

#### see FRASER HEALTH LONG TERM CARE PROGRAM...page 33

## **Library Services**

#### HOME LIBRARY AND ACCESSIBLE SERVICE... 604-436-5423 www.bpl.bc.ca/hlas

This is a free service.

The Home Library Service will come to your home once every four weeks:

 If you are a senior and do not have transportation to a library.
 If you are a resident of Burnaby who must remain at home for three months or more due to poor health, physical weakness, poor eyesight or physical disability.

The Home Library Service staff can bring you library material of your choice – a personally selected collection of paperbacks and hardcover books in regular print and LARGE print, videos, music, magazines, and books on discs and tapes. A separate category of audiobooks on discs and tapes are available for people who can't read books because of poor eyesight, physical disability or blindness. Disc and cassette players are available on loan free of charge.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4:30pm

#### Meals

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#### Email: kim@burnabymeals.ca

Volunteers deliver meals to the homes of Burnaby residents who are unable to or have difficulty cooking due to age, illness, or disability. Nutritious hot meals, frozen meals and bagged lunches are served on a rotating meal schedule. Food preferences and diet choices can be accommodated within reason. No doctor referral needed. Short term service available. Some meal cost subsidies available. Please phone to find out about meal costs and delivery days. Vegetarian meals and Chinese hot meals are available.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-3:30pm

## Repairs

#### SENIOR CITIZENS' REPAIR SERVICES

#### Dispatcher (9am-4pm).....604-438-6990

Seniors or people with disabilities who live in their own homes or apartments can get plumbing, electrical, painting, minor repairs, wall papering and some gardening done. The work is guaranteed. There is a charge for materials and transportation. Phone for current rates for labour.

Tradesmen:.....\$60.00 per hour Travel time:

(Burnaby, Coquitlam, New Westminster, Port Moody,

Vancouver to Main Street): charged based on mileage/travel time

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm



Call (604) 432-1139 • Burnaby@HomeInstead.com

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## **Housing and Accommodation**

## **Home Adjustments**

#### HOME ADAPTATIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE (HAFI)........ (Lower Mainland) 604-433-2218 www.bchousing.org/

This program provides financial assistance to help eligible low-income seniors and people with disabilities in BC continue to live in the comfort of their homes. Even small home adaptations can make a big difference in the lives of people who wish to remain in their homes longer. Brochures available in English, Chinese and Punjabi.

Helps seniors with low income to pay for changes in their homes (for example, ramps, handrails, easy-to-reach work and storage areas, press-down door handles, grab bars and seats for the bath or shower). Also covers assistance for roofing, heating, plumbing and wiring.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm



## Housing Information

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING SOCIETY

#### BC HOUSING MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

Housing Application/Rental Assistance	
Program/ Safer Inquiry Line	604-433-2218
Fax	604-439-4729
Toll-free	1-800-257-7756

#### www.bchousing.org

Subsidized housing is available for seniors who are 55 years or older, families with a minimum of two people - one of whom is dependent on the other, urban singles or people with special needs who live independently and qualify for a disability pension, or cannot work because of a disability. You must be a BC resident and have a gross household income below a yearly amount, set by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. Check with BC Housing to determine if you are eligible.

"The Link" available at all libraries gives information on all government assisted housing throughout the province.

BC NON-PROFIT HOUSING ASSOCIATION	604-291-2600
Toll-free1-	800-494-8859
www.bcnpha.ca	
Email: admin@bcnpha.ca	
Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4:30pm	
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## CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING FEDERATION OF BC.... 604-879-5111 www.chf.bc.ca Email: info@chf.bc.ca Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4:30pm

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Provides low rent housing in Vancouver. You may qualify if you are 50 years or older and have a low income.

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-4pm

If you need subsidized housing, please contact the housing registry at BC Housing 604-433-2218 (see page 60).

#### LEGION HOUSING

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Located in a park-like setting in Burnaby, the centre is a community-based, non-profit care residence for Canadian veterans of the Armed Forces. The average resident age is 80 years; mostly male. Volunteers are an integral part of the George Derby Centre.

New Chelsea Society...... 604-395-4370

#### www.newchelsea.ca

#### Email: admin@newchelsea.ca

New Chelsea Society provides affordable, safe and reliable housing for seniors, low-income families and veterans, operating 19 properties in Vancouver, North Vancouver, Burnaby, Port Coquitlam and Surrey.

#### POST 83 CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING

#### Email: post83@gmail.com

Post 83 is accepting applications for our one bedroom units in our adult oriented Housing Co-operative located near beautiful Central Park, Burnaby Public Library and Metrotown. Share purchase is \$1500. Please send a self-addressed envelope with a \$15 application fee to:

Post 83 Co-operative Housing Association #106 - 4221 Mayberry Street, Burnaby, BC V5H 4E8

#### Email: housing@seniorsservicessociety.ca

Seniors Services Society provides information on housing options for seniors (60+). We are not a housing provider nor are we able to provide housing placements; however we provide information and guidance on seniors' housing options in British Columbia. Seniors Services Society is the only non-profit society working specifically with seniors to assist them with information on various housing options



#### NON-PROFIT SENIORS' HOUSING

Apartments for seniors and/or people with disabilities. If you are 55 years or older and you qualify, the society makes sure that the rent will not be more than 30% of your income.

In Burnaby non-profit societies look after these buildings:

#### NORTH BURNABY: Salishan (seniors only - not for disabled)......604-421-1466 www.setonvilla.com Email: info@setonvilla.com Email: info@swedishcanadian.ca SOUTH BURNABY: www.reddoorhousing.org Dania Home (care facility)......604-299-2414 Email: info@dania.bc.ca Dania Lodge/Carl Mortensen Manor (independent living)......604-299-2414 Fairhaven (United Church Homes)......604-435-0525 Finnish Manor (Cascade Gardens)......604-434-2666 www.finncarebc.ca Kingsway Court (seniors only - not for disabled)......604-434-3724 Email: info@newvista.bc.ca Nikkei Seniors' Health Care www.nikkeiplace.org

## Landlord / Tenant Issues

## **Legal Services and Information**

## **Parent Support Services Society of BC**

Toll-free Support Line 1-855-474-9777
OR604-669-1616
www.parentsupportbc.ca
Email: office@parentsupportbc.ca
#204-5623 Imperial Street, Burnaby
Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 10am-2pm
Also provides peer support circles for grandparents in Burnaby.
ELDER LAW CLINIC
OMBUDSPERSON1-800-567-3247

SENIORS ADVOCATE......1-877-952-3181

## **Help with Legal Documents**

## Legal Advice

#### BC CENTRE FOR ELDER ADVOCACY & SUPPORT Seniors Advocacy, Information and Abuse Line..604-437-1940 TTY.....604-428-3359 www.seniorsfirstbc.ca

Hours: Daily (except holidays), 8am-8pm

The BC Centre for Elder Advocacy & Support is committed to protecting the rights of older adults and increasing access to justice for older adults. Call our confidential phone line if you are on a fixed income and cannot otherwise access legal assistance for information or free legal advice on the following issues:

- housing
- debt
- government benefits
- financial exploitation
- guardianship/capacity
- abuse/neglect
- discrimination
- pensions and appeals
- consumer complaint

#### www.dialalaw.org

Hours: 24 hours a day - 365 days a year

You can hear recorded information on many important legal subjects. Service is available in English, Chinese and Punjabi. If you have a touch tone phone, you can use this service 24 hours a day all week. If you do not have a touch tone phone, you can use a regular phone at the following times: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

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This is a telephone service which gives you the names of lawyers who will charge you only \$25 plus tax for the first 30 minutes of consultation.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm

#### PEOPLE'S LAW SCHOOL

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You can get the following books, available in a number of languages, free of charge by calling the above telephone number.

- Writing a Will
- Choosing an Executor/Being an Executor
- Power of Attorney

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Gives free legal advice to people who cannot pay a lawyer [general advice, information about wills, small claims, tenant, consumer, criminal problems, family law (excluding property issues, and divorces)].

#### Switchboard Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:30pm

Telephone Enquiries	604-822-5791
Appointment Booking	
Manual Orders	604-822-5723
Fax	604-822-1661

#### PRO BONO SOCIETY OF BC (Access Pro Bono)

## (at South Burnaby Neighbourhood House)

CLIENT LINE...... 604-878-7400

#### www.accessprobono.ca

#### Email: appointments@accessprobono.ca

Gives free legal advice to people who cannot pay a lawyer or get help from Legal Aid. This service is provided by qualified volunteer lawyers.

#### Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm By appointment only.

## **Public Trustee**

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#### www.trustee.bc.ca

Helps people who are not able to look after their own affairs.

The Public Guardian and Trustee of BC:

 Helps people take care of money and legal business when they have no one else to help them. For example, you can name the Public Guardian and Trustee as the executor of your will.
 Looks after the estates of people who die with or without a will, and have no one else to take care of the estate for them.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

## Wills -

#### ABOUT WILLS

If you own property, you should have a will. The will should describe what you want done with your property after you die. The property does not have to be a house or other land. It can be a bank account, a car, furniture, or anything of value.

A will must be in writing, and it must be signed by the person who makes it and by two other people. You should get legal help when you make a will.

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#### Email: info@nidus.ca

A Living Will is a document with the date on it, and signed by you and another person. In this document you can say ahead of time what kind of life saving measures you want taken if you are dying. In a Living Will, you can also name someone to make decisions about your care when you are no longer able to make them yourself.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

# Recreation

# **Arts Organizations**

Gallery open most Saturdays & Sundays, noon-4pm (Artists in attendance, phone to confirm).

 BURNABY ART GALLERY......604-297-4422 www.burnabyartgallery.ca
 Email: gallery@burnaby.ca

6344 Deer Lake Avenue, Burnaby

Burnaby Art Gallery is dedicated to presenting a variety of exhibitions and events in the galleries of the Burnaby Art Gallery and throughout the community. Services include educational programs for children, adults and seniors, an art rental and sales program, community projects and exhibitions in schools, recreation facilities, and community centres.

Hours: Monday Closed Tuesday-Friday, 10am-4:30pm Saturday & Sunday, noon-5pm

Low-income seniors can apply for credits that can be used at any Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Culture facility for programs and admission services. Application forms are available at all Burnaby Parks, Recreation and Culture facilities. Certain criteria apply.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 10am-3pm

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# **Community Centres**

These recreation centres are run by the City of Burnaby Parks, Recreation & Culture Department, and have many social, recreational and educational programs for seniors.

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6550 Bonsor Avenue, Burnaby

Hours: Monday-Friday, 6am-11pm Saturday, 7:10am-10pm Sunday, 7:10am-11pm

#### CAMERON RECREATION COMPLEX...... 604-297-4456

9523 Cameron Street, Burnaby New Temporary Cameron Community Centre 9855 Austin Avenue (opening fall 2023)

Hours: Monday-Friday, 6am-11pm Saturday, 7am-6pm Sunday, 7am-9pm

#### CONFEDERATION COMMUNITY CENTRE............ 604-294-1936

4585 Albert Street, Burnaby

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-9pm Saturday, 10am-4pm Sunday, noon-4pm

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#### WILLINGDON HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTRE..... 604-297-4526

1491 Carleton Avenue, Burnaby

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-9pm Saturday, 9am-4pm

## **Burnaby Partners in Seniors' Wellness**

Our weekly drop-ins offer blood pressure monitoring, reflexology, massage, nutrition/health related books, guest speakers, and other services.

#### BONSOR 55+ CENTRE: HEALTH ALERT......604-297-4956

6533 Nelson Avenue, Burnaby

Hours: Monday (leave message), 9am-4pm

Health and senior related presentations at noon. Foot clinic once a month (paid service). By appointment only.

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Meet every second Wednesday of each month.

**Hours:** 8:30-11:30am Blood Pressure Clinic, foot care, chair massage, presentations and health information.

#### CONFEDERATION COMMUNITY CENTRE:

4585 Albert Street, Burnaby V5C 2G6

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-9pm Saturday, 10am-4pm Sunday, noon-4pm

#### EDMONDS COMMUNITY CENTRE:

7433 Edmonds Street, Burnaby

Hours: Thursday, 10-11:45am

Health and senior related presentations every Thursday at 11am. Foot clinic once a month (paid service). By appointment only.

# **Cultural Services**

www.burnabyvillagemuseum.ca Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4:30pm (Year Round) Summer Hours: Daily, 11am-4:30pm Re-open for Christmas - phone for more details.

# Special Interest Group —

BURNABY NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE	
	South Burnaby604-431-0400
	www.burnabynh.ca
	Email: info@burnabynh.ca
	4460 Beresford Street, Burnaby
	Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-8pm Friday, 9am-5pm
	North Burnaby604-294-5444
	Email: simoneb@burnabynh.ca
	4908 Hastings Street, Burnaby
	Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:30pm
	This outreach service provided by Burnaby Neighbourhood House (formerly South Burnaby Neighbourhood House) helps connect isolated seniors to community services and programs in Burnaby. Trained volunteers visit seniors offering comprehensive information to improve their quality of life. This service is free of charge. Call for information or to make referrals.
	Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-8nm

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-8pm Friday, 9am-5pm

# SENIORS TOGETHER PROGRAM BURNABY NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

Hours: Wednesday, 11am-3pm Wednesday, 1-2:30pm – ESL entry level Friday, 9:30am-4pm Friday, 9:30-10:30am – ESL class Friday, 10:30am-noon – Discussion group or Health information topics Seniors Program, noon-3pm Fridays: 10-11am – ESL class Discussion Group or Health Information topics. 11am-12:30pm

Light lunch is available for \$5 or 6 lunches for \$27

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Provided by the City of Burnaby, Citizen Support Services.

Volunteer drivers bring housebound seniors 65+ from their home to a local Seniors' Centre for lunch. Volunteers greet and assist clients. A great social outing. Small fee applies.

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#### Email: wpatterson@willingdon.org

Willingdon Church 4812 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby

Recreational, social and spiritual events for people 55 years or older held every Thursday.

Hours: Thursdays, 1-4:15pm

#### OUTINGS FOR THE ELDERLY......604-294-7980

Provided by the City of Burnaby, Citizen Support Services.

Bus trips for housebound seniors 65+, living independently, who have some mobility challenges. Volunteer drivers escort clients to and from the bus or event, and also assist on the outings. Small fee applies.

# ROAD SCHOLAR (Formerly Elderhostel Canada) Toll-free......1-800-454-5768 www.roadscholar.org Not-for-profit Road Scholar inspires adults to learn, discover and travel. Our learning adventures engage expert instructors, provide extraordinary access, and stimulate discourse and friendship among people for whom learning is the journey of a lifetime. **Swimming Pools** www.Burnaby.ca/Active BONSOR RECREATION COMPLEX......604-297-4597 6550 Bonsor Avenue, Burnaby Hours: Monday-Friday, 6am-10pm Saturday, 9am-9pm Sunday, 10am-8:30pm EDMONDS COMMUNITY CENTRE POOL 7433 Edmonds Street, Burnaby Hours: Monday-Friday, 6am-10pm Saturday & Sunday, 8:30am-9pm EILEEN DAILLY LEISURE POOL 240 Willingdon Avenue, Burnaby Hours: Daily, 6am-10pm

# **Senior Citizens' Organizations**

#### BC OLD AGE PENSIONERS' AND SENIORS' ORGANIZATION.

#### www.bcoapo.ca

#### Email: abbotsfordretiree@gmail.com

Jerry Gosling, President

A group that talks to government about seniors' matters. They have branches all over BC. Anyone who wants to work for the welfare of seniors can join.

#### Edmonds Centre Branch #12

Hours: Monday, noon-2:30pm

#### BC SENIORS ADVOCATE:

Toll-free.....1-877-952-3181

On March 19, 2014, the government of BC announced the appointment of Canada's first Seniors Advocate.

As the voice for seniors in BC, the advocate has broad mandate to monitor and review system-wide issues affecting the well-being of seniors, and raise awareness about resources available to them.

The advocate also makes recommendations to government and to those who deliver seniors' resources related to health care, personal care, housing, transportation and income support.

The advocate's office is located in Victoria.

Contact information is available on the website: **www.seniorsadvocatebc.ca** 

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Network of seniors' advocates across the province providing needed supports to seniors in crisis. Also provides social, recreational, nutritional and counseling needs.

#### A NEW VISION OF AGING FOR CANADA (CARP)

Toll-free...... 1-888-363-2279 North Fraser Chapter (Coquitlam & Burnaby)..... 604-367-0012 North Fraser Chapter: For membership...... 1-833-211-2277 www.carp.ca

#### Email: northfraser@carp.ca

"A New Vision of Aging for Canada" CARP is a nation-wide non-profit, non-partisan organization for people aged 45 and older. It is involved in advocacy activities for seniors, and also provides practical information, tools and services to help members get the most out of life. There is a modest membership fee of \$19.95 per year.

#### COUNCIL OF SENIOR CITIZENS'

ORGANIZATIONS IN BC (COSCO)......604-630-4201

#### www.coscobc.org

#### Email: pres@coscobc.org

The Provincial Government recognizes this organization as a representative of seniors in BC.

Please leave a message.

#### SENIORS SERVICES SOCIETY

General Enquiries on Seniors Services...... 604-520-6621

Fax...... 604-520-1798

#### www.seniorsservicessociety.ca

Email: info@seniorsservicessociety.ca

750 Carnarvon Street, New Westminster

Hours: Monday-Thursday closed for lunch noon-1pm

The following are services offered by the Seniors Services Society:

# Support Services......604-520-6621

#### Email: support@seniorsservicessociety.ca

- Meals on Wheels New Westminster
- Lunch Club New Westminster
- Dining Club New-Westminster
- Friendly Morning Calls New Westminster
- Grocery Shopping New Westminster
- Annual Tax Clinic New Westminster

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- Client outreach New Westminster and Vancouver
- Housing Counselling and Information Lower Mainland
- Housing Directory Province Wide

#### Community Education......604-520-6621

- Workshops and Presentations Lower Mainland
- Housing Directory Province Wide
- Housing Counsellor Training Lower Mainland

Volunteer Opportunities...... 604-520-6621

# **Services for New Canadians**

	NABY MULTICULTURAL SOCIETY 604-431-4131
Ema	il: info@thebms.ca
imm	(English as a Second Language) training and support for igrants. Helps immigrants and refugees settle in. Workshops community needs available.
Hou	<b>rs:</b> Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm
www Weld 2610	IGRANT SERVICES SOCIETY OF BC604-684-2561 v.issbc.org come Centre - Head Office
	il: info@issbc.org naby Office 604-395-8000
	7355 Canada Way, Burnaby
Help	<b>il: settlement@issbc.org</b> os immigrants and refugees settle in. Has ESL classes at nner level.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

#### 

A help line for people in emotional or personal trouble. They will tell you about other agencies that can help you. Services in Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu and other dialects.

Hours: Please leave a message.

	M.O.S.A.I.C
	Gives information and advice to immigrants and newcomers. Translation/interpretation services and language centre. Employment programs.
	Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm
•	MULTICULTURAL SERVICES (South Asian)604-596-4357 Options BC Main Office604-584-5811 New to BC

#### 

Help for members of the Cantonese or Mandarin Community who have or know someone who has a gambling problem. Helps you to determine if there is a problem. Free counselling is available for individuals, couples, families, and groups.

Hours: Available 24/7

#### 

A social group that meets once a week at Edmonds Community Centre. It is free of charge. The languages spoken are Punjabi, Hindi and some English.

Hours: Wednesday, 10am-1pm for women

#### ■ S.U.C.C.E.S.S.

Offers several programs to help immigrants learn about living in Canada and how to become part of the Burnaby community.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

#### VANCOUVER AND LOWER MAINLAND MULTICULTURAL FAMILY SUPPORT

SERVICES SOCIETY	604-436-1025
	Toll Free 1-888-436-1025
Fax	604-436-3267

#### www.vlmfss.ca

#### Email: againstviolence@vlmfss.ca

A non-profit agency providing culturally sensitive free and confidential services to immigrant and visible minority women and children who are experiencing family violence. Bi-lingual, bi-cultural workers provide counselling in many languages at the office, outside the office and over the phone.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

# Shopping

# **Personal Shopping**

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Provided by City of Burnaby, Citizen Support Services.

Helps seniors and people with disabilities with their personal shopping at local malls.

#### **Shopping Days:**

Thursday, 10:30am-1pm

#### Location:

Lougheed Mall/Metrotown Mall

## Protection

#### BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU OF MAINLAND BC

Public Inquires......604-682-2711

#### www.bbb.org

#### Email: contactus@mbc.bbb.org

The Better Business Bureau gives you information and advice about businesses. You can complain about a business to the Better Business Bureau using their dispute resolution service.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm Recorded Message 24 Hours

#### Complaints in writing only to:

Better Business Bureau 500-1190 Melville Street, Vancouver

CONSUMER PROTECTION BC	604-320-1667
or Toll-free	1-888-564-9963

#### www.consumerprotectionbc.ca

#### Email: info@consumerprotectionbc.ca

This service helps you deal with bad business methods (for example: door to door salespeople who harass you, etc.)

Provides education about your rights as a consumer, enforces consumer protection law, and operates a toll-free complaint line.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

# **Thrift Shops**

#### 

6843 Kingsway, Burnaby (between Griffiths & Sperling)

Come check out our great deals on men, women and childrens clothing, furniture, household goods, books, collectibles and so much more...Get a lot for a little at the Burnaby Hospice Society Thrift Store.

Hours: Monday-Saturday, 9:30am-5pm Sunday, 9:30am-4pm

#### CANADIAN DIABETES CLOTHES LINE......1-800-505-5525 www.declutter.diabetes.ca

Pick-up service for reusable clothing and household items.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm

#### JUBILEE UNITED

CHURCH THRIFT SHOP......604-434-8323

#### www.jubilee-uc.ca

7591 Gray Avenue (at Rumble), Burnaby

Sells things for the home, clothing, shoes, toys, games, books, etc. at a low price.

Hours: September to June Thursdays, 10am-2pm

#### ST. BARNABAS ANGLICAN CHURCH...... 604-526-6646

1010 5th Avenue, New Westminster, V3M 1Y5

Hours: Wednesday-Saturday, 10am-4pm

#### ST. STEPHEN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

9887 Cameron Street, Burnaby

Hours: 3rd Saturday of the month 10am-2pm

# **Special Services**

## **Anniversaries and Birthdays**

You can ask the Government to send greetings from the Prime Minister and the Premier for anniversaries (25th and over), and for birthdays (75th and older). On 90th birthdays and 50th anniversaries, you can get greetings sent from the Governor General and the Lieutenant Governor. When you are 100 years old or celebrate a 60th anniversary, a greeting can be sent from the King.

Protocol and Events Branch PO Box 9422 STN PROV GOVT Victoria, BC V8W 9V1

Phone......1-250-387-1616 Fax......1-250-356-2814

#### www.gov.bc.ca/officeofprotocol Email: protocol@gov.bc.ca

You can ask the City of Burnaby to send greetings for anniversaries (50th and over), and for birthdays (90th and older). Phone at least one month ahead.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-4:45pm

## Banks

Disabled people can get special help at many banks like large print cheques or a plastic guide for writing cheques. Call your bank for information.

# Burnaby RCMP Victim Services -

- support and crisis intervention
- investigation and court updates
- information on the criminal justice system
- witness preparation
- court orientation and accompaniment
- assistance with completing Victim Impact Statements and Crime
- victim assistance applications
- safety planning and personal security information
- referrals to counseling and other resources

Services are free of charge and delivered by highly trained caseworkers.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 7am-7pm Weekends/Holidays, 8am-4pm

## Elderdog Canada —

Phone.....1-855-336-4226 www.elderdog.ca info@elderdog.ca

ElderDog Canada is a community-based, non-profit and National registered Charity, volunteer run and provides services free of charge. Their mission is to assist and support older adults in the care and well-being of their canine companions. Dog care support might involve assistance with minor grooming/hygiene, dog walking; vet, transportation, temporary fostering or permanent placement if necessary.

## Provincial Victimlink BC 1-800-563-0808 -----

#### Text......604-836-6381

#### www.victimlinkbc.ca

#### Email: victimlinkbc@bc211.ca

A toll-free, confidential, multilingual telephone service available across BC, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It provides information and referral services to all victims of crime and immediate crisis support to victims of family and sexual violence, including victims of human trafficking, exploited for labour or sexual services.

# **Postal Services**

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You can buy stamps by mail, by telephone or online. To order, call the toll-free number and use Visa, MasterCard, or American Express or you can mail an order with a cheque or money order to the above address.

TDD for the Deaf or Hard of Hearing...... 1-800-267-2797

# SPCA

**Adoption Hours**: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 1-5pm Weekends 1pm-4pm



# Telephone

#### TELUS SPECIAL NEEDS CENTRE

Accessible Communication Services:

#### TTY Users

TTY or Voice Relay Services	dial 7-1-1 or call 1-800-459-4225
Voice to TTY	
TTY to TTY	
TTY to Voice	
Voice to TTY	1-800-855-0511
Hearing impaired:	7-1-1
Visually impaired: C	all CNIB Hotline 1-800-563-2642

Hours: Telus Relay services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

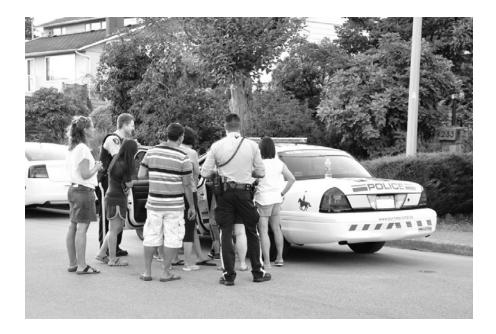
- For more information refer to the "Directory Information" section of the Telus phone books.
- If you have a hearing problem, you can get an amplifier for your regular phone, loud bells, buzzers, chimes or flashing lights to show that the phone is ringing.
- If you have had an operation and cannot speak normally, you may have a special voice box put on your phone.
- If you have problems seeing, you can get a touch button telephone, or a dial plate with large, raised numbers.
- If you have trouble holding a phone, you can get a lightweight headset.
- If you have trouble dialing, you can get phones with preset numbers, so that you can dial a number by pressing only one button.
- If you have had a stroke and have problems with speaking, or if you are deaf, you can use the Message Relay Centre. Call 7-1-1.

#### www.telus.com

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Block Watch encourages residents to take a proactive approach to preventing crime. Neighbours get to know one another, working together and with police to prevent crime in their neighbourhood. Benefits of the program include greater connections with your neighbours, information on crime prevention and increased communication with police.

Hours: Monday to Friday, 8am-4pm



# **Tax Information and Assistance**

## **Fuel Taxes**

## Goods and Services Tax (GST)

CANADA REVENUE AGENCY (CRA)......1-800-387-1193
 www.canada.ca (search for Canada Revenue Agency)

If your income is low, you may qualify for a GST credit which is paid four times a year. Tick "YES" to the question: "Are you applying for GST credit?" on your income tax form. Call for more information.

## **Income Tax**

#### FREE HELP WITH YOUR INCOME TAX RETURN

Free help available at Burnaby Community Services 604-299-5778 to make an appointment. Seniors with low income may obtain assistance filing income tax forms.

#### CANADA REVENUE AGENCY (CRA).....1-800-959-8281

For information and questions about seniors' taxable income.

#### BURNABY NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INCOME TAX CLINIC

South Burnaby: 604-431-0400 - 4460 Beresford Street North Burnaby: 604-294-5444 - 4908 Hastings Street

The clinic is run by volunteers (including students) with knowledge and experience in income tax returns. All advice is free of charge, but a minimum donation of \$5.00 is requested for each return filed to cover administration costs. This will include a free BNH membership. Call to book an appointment.

Hours: South Burnaby: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm North Burnaby: Monday-Friday, 9:30am-4:30pm

## **Property Tax** -

#### HOME OWNER GRANT FOR SENIORS...... 604-294-7350 www.burnaby.ca

If you are a resident of BC living in your own home, and are paying the property taxes on that home, you can apply for a Home Owner's Grant (HOG). This grant reduces the amount of property tax you have to pay.

Hours: Monday-Wednesday & Friday, 8am-4:45pm Thursday, 8am-8pm

#### PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL, BURNABY......604-294-7350 www.burnaby.ca

If you are 55 years or older, living in your own home and cannot pay the property taxes, or if you are a widow or widower of any age living on your own, you can delay payment of the taxes until you sell your home.

# Provincial

#### PROVINCIAL CONSUMER TAXATION BRANCH

Information Service (fuel tax rebate).....1-877-388-4440

https://www 2.gov. bc. ca/gov/content/taxes/sales-taxes/motor-fuel-carbon-tax/fuel-tax-refund and taxes/sales-taxes/motor-fuel-carbon-tax/fuel-tax-refund and taxes/sales-ta

#### Email: CTBTaxQuestions@gov.bc.ca

#### Registration Information: revregcl@victoria1.gov.bc.ca

Information regarding fuel tax rebate for the disabled person.

<b>Transportation</b>
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#### **Driver's Information**

<ul> <li>I.C.BC INFORMATION UNIT</li></ul>	
www.icbc.com	
If you own a car and are 65 years of age or older, you may qualify for a lower rate of insurance. Call AutoPlan for more information.	
To report an accident call	
DIAL A CLAIM (24 hour service)604-520-8	3222
Toll free 1-800-910-4	1222
MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION604-292-3	3901
MOTOR VEHICLE BRANCH604-661-2	2255

www.icbc.com

DRIVER'S LICENSE	1-800-950-1498
or	604-661-2255
or	604-982-2250

#### www.icbc.com

If you are 65 years or older, you will pay less for your driver's licence. The driver examination and the reexamination are both free.

If you are 80 years or older, you must have a medical examination, and send in a medical report every 2 years to the Motor Vehicle Branch. The Motor Vehicle Branch will mail you a medical report form.

Enquiry Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm Saturday, 9am-5pm

# **Services For The Disabled**

#### 

2055 Rosser Avenue, Burnaby

A volunteer will drive you to your doctor or to a physiotherapy appointment. You must arrange for this service at least five working days ahead. There is a small fee.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm

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Transportation for seniors and people with disabilities who cannot ride on the bus. You must arrange for this service at least three working days ahead. Phone the above number for information about cost and hours of service.

Weekends and holidays, 8:30am-4:30pm

#### SOCIAL PLANNING & RESEARCH COUNCIL OF BC (SPARC)

General Inquiries	604-718-7733
For Parking Permit	604-718-7744
Toll Free	1-888-718-7794
www.sparc.bc.ca	
4445 Norfolk Street, Burnaby	Email: info@sparc.bc.ca

Parking Permits available for people with disabilities.

You can apply for a parking permit for disabled drivers or passengers. Your doctor has to sign a form. Call 604-718-7744 for the form, download form from our website.

SPARC Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4:30pm

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#### www.translink.ca

This program helps people who cannot use public transportation because of a physical or mental disability. You must have a HandyCard before you can use this program. Phone for an application form 604-953-3680.

When you have a HandyCard you can buy a book of Taxi Saver tickets at half price. To buy Taxi Saver tickets, phone your local HandyDART office. When you have a HandyCard and the Taxi Saver tickets, you can call the taxi company yourself.

Remember, with a HandyCard you get a lower fare on buses, SeaBus, SkyTrain and West Coast Express. If you must have someone along to help you, that person can travel free.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm Saturday, 8am-4pm

#### GOVERNMENT OF BC

# BUS PASS PROGRAM

www.bctransit.com/regions/vic/fares/bcbuspass.cfm

A universal bus pass that allows for unlimited travel on your conventional transit system is available to seniors and persons with a disability on a restricted income.

To qualify for the BC Bus Pass Program, you must be receiving any of the following:

- Old Age Pension and Federal Guaranteed Income Supplement or Federal Spouse's Allowance;
- Spouses Allowance to Old Age Security;
- Over 65 years: would qualify for OAS and GIS except having less than 10 years residency in Canada;
- BC Employment and Assistance (60 years and older); or
- BC Employment and Assistance PWD Disability Assistance (18-64 years).

For more information, contact:

Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation Bus Pass Program 9985 STN PROV GOVT Victoria V8W 9R6

Phone (Toll-free) 1-866-866-0800, then follow the prompts.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm

# Translink

#### TRANSLINK INFORMATION

(SkyTrain, West Coast Express and SeaBus)...... 604-953-3333 www.translink.ca

Hours: Monday-Friday, 5:30am-12:30am Saturday-Sunday, 6:30am-11:30pm

#### www.translink.ca

If you have lost something on a bus, the SkyTrain, or the SeaBus, you can call and check to see if it has been found.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5pm Saturday, noon-4pm\*

\*Saturday hours are for walk-in customers only. Phone lines will not be active

# Travel

# Airlines -

#### AIR CANADA

Reservations	1-888-247-2262
Arrivals/Departures	1-888-422-7533
www.aircanada.com	

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If you are a BC resident and have a permanent disability, reduced passenger fares are available.

Hours: Weekdays, 7am-10pm Weekends, 7am-7pm

#### Insurance

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Make sure you buy extra health insurance when you travel. Outside BC, medical costs may be much higher than you are insured for by your BC Health and Hospital Plan. Make sure that the insurance company knows about any medical problems you have.

# Trains

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Information and Reservations......1-888-842-7245 TTY......1-800-268-9503

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10% off for people 60 years of age or older. You need proof of age (ID Card). Special services for people who have disabilities.

Hours: Weekdays, 8am-10pm Weekends, 8am-8pm

# **Volunteer Services**

#### CITIZEN SUPPORT SERVICES (CITY OF BURNABY)......604-294-7980 www.burnaby.ca

These programs are provided by City of Burnaby, Citizen Support Services.

#### (Gadabouts) Outings for the Elderly

Bus trips for housebound seniors 65+, living independently, who want to enjoy social connection. Volunteer drivers escort clients to and from the bus or event, and also assist on the outings. Small fee applies.

#### Wheelers

Outings for elderly housebound seniors 65+ who use a wheelchair/scooter and live independently come together for a lunch outing. Small fee applies. Senior must be registered with HandyDART.

#### Lunch Program

Volunteer drivers bring housebound seniors 65+ from their home to a local Seniors' Centre for lunch. Volunteers greet and assist clients. A great social outing. Small fee applies.

#### Phone Buddies Program

Volunteers call clients for a friendly conversation and to make sure everything is okay.

#### Shop by Phone Grocery Program

Order groceries by phone once a week. Volunteers take orders by phone and shop at a local supermarket. Groceries will be delivered to your residence. Payment method: Credit Card or Debit Card (Visa or Master only). Minimum order amount \$30.

#### **Shopping Buddies Program**

Seniors 65+ with disabilities are matched with a volunteer to help with their personal shopping at a local mall. HandyDART charges apply. Senior must be registered with HandyDART.

#### **Volunteer Visitor Program**

One to one visiting in the client's home to provide companionship for isolated, lonely seniors 65+ who are living independently.

#### BURNABY EMERGENCY VOLUNTEERS

The Burnaby Emergency Program is enhanced by volunteerism, and in many instances the delivery of services is dependent on the willingness of individuals in the community to help plan for the well-being of their neighbours and fellow citizens in the event of a disaster. A variety of volunteer opportunities exist with the Burnaby Emergency Program and include:

#### Individual and Family Emergency Preparedness Program

This program is available to community groups, businesses and individuals interested in increasing their emergency awareness and preparedness. Presentations can be tailored to your audience and provide valuable preparedness information as well as the distribution of a variety of self-help pamphlets.

#### Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness Program (NEPP)

This neighbour-helping-neighbour program is designed to encourage residents to work together in their emergency preparedness activities. The program is divided into two components: developing individual and family emergency plans; and, identifying available skills and resources within the neighbourhood.

# Burnaby Radio and Communications Emergency Services (BRACES)

Burnaby Radio and Communications Emergency Services (BRACES) is a group of agency representatives and volunteers organized to support Burnaby's Emergency Program through the provision of expertise, knowledge and skills by means of amateur radio operators, terrestrial and non-terrestrial communications methods.

#### **Emergency Support Services/Personal Disaster Assistance**

Emergency Support Services (ESS) is a component of the Provincial Emergency Program of the Province of British Columbia and is delivered locally in Burnaby by a dedicated team of staff and volunteers. ESS provides short-term assistance to British Columbians who are forced to leave their homes because of fire, floods, earthquakes or other emergencies.

For more information on any of Burnaby's Emergency Preparedness Programs, to become a Burnaby Emergency volunteer or to request a preparedness presentation, contact:

#### Burnaby Emergency Program Office......604-294-7097 Email: getprepared@burnaby.ca

#### VOLUNTEER BURNABY...... 604-294-5533

#### www.volunteerburnaby.ca

#### Email: info@volunteerburnaby.ca

Finds volunteers for community service. Call if you want to volunteer, and are not sure what kind of volunteer work you want to do.

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:30am-4:30pm Friday, 9:30am-1:30pm Weekends, closed

VOLUNTEER GRANDPARENTS	604-736-8271
Fax	604-294-6814

#### www.volunteergrandparents.ca

#### Email: info@volunteergrandparents.ca

Volunteer Grandparents has been dedicated to being a leader and advocate of intergenerational bonds among youth and seniors. Their programs are instrumental in linking low-income, underprivileged children without the immediate presence of grandparents with local senior volunteers. The volunteers provide families and the community with support and encouragement by sharing their skills, knowledge and experience.



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