

Poverty Intervention Tool Rounds – Nelson

Nelson Services outlined in Dr. MacKay's presentation

Overview of emergency food services in Nelson:

- 3 food banks:
 - *Salvation Army (601 Vernon St)* – non-perishable hampers once/2 weeks, with local ID. Hot breakfast program Mon – Thu
 - *St Saviour's Food Pantry (723 Ward Street)* – Fri, 9 – 11am – barrier free, non perishables, bread and coffee
 - *Nelson Food Cupboard (602 Silica Street)* – Mon & Wed 9am – 1pm or by appointment; barrier free; five fresh produce items, bread, protein, whole grains, and miscellaneous staples and treats, food for special diets, eg. gluten free.
 - *Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen (520 Falls Street)* – part of Kootenay Christian Fellowship – hot substantial lunch Mon – Fri

The Advocacy Centre (Contact #- 250 352-5777):

- Help with income assistance issues, disability applications and appeals, tenancy issues and debt
- Information about family law matters
- Support for families dealing with the Ministry for Children and Family Development
- Specialized Victims Services for victims of relationship violence, sexual assault, child abuse, adult survivors of child abuse and criminal harassment/stalking
- Resource and referral information for other poverty/family law related issues.

Nelson Community Services (Contact #- 250-352-9595):

- **Main office at 518 Lake Street:** general counselling, women's counsellor, women's outreach worker, parent educator/counsellor, family support (must be referred by Ministry for Children and Families), behavioural consultant (as above), children's counsellor. Contact #- 250-352-3504
- **Aimee Beaulieu Transition House:** 8 bed home in confidential location that provides temporary housing/support for women and their children who are fleeing domestic violence. 24 hour staffing available for continual intake and crisis calls for women. Contact #- 250-354-4357
- **Cicada Place- Youth/Family Services and Housing- 605 Lake Street**
 - transitional housing support for youth ages 16-22 years old
 - Youth Outreach- an outreach worker is available to meet youth in community, schools, etc. to help connect them to appropriate services
 - Homeless Outreach Program (HOP)- an outreach worker is available to help individuals or families find appropriate housing and can offer up to ten supplements of \$120.00 to help secure and maintain housing
 - Homeless Prevention Program (HPP)- an outreach worker is available to support up to twenty individuals with a monthly supplement of a maximum of \$450.00 to secure and maintain housing. 80% of the caseload must be from 4 target areas: women fleeing violence; youth transitioning to adulthood (must be under 24); aboriginal; and individuals leaving institutions ie. hospital, treatment centres or correction facilities

ANKORS, Kootenay/Boundary HIV/AIDS Network, Outreach and Support Society (Contact #- 250 505-5056):

- HIV and HCV Prevention Education
- Harm Reduction Services (mobile outreach, harm reduction supplies such as safer injection and inhalation kits; weekly supply of vitamins)
- Support and Outreach Services (health care navigation; disability applications; referral services, ie. HIV and HCV testing, mental health and substance use, housing, food security, etc.)
- Trans Connect Transgender support; education and awareness for community and service providers
- Foundation Fund for people living with HIV and/or HCV