

NEWS RELEASE

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Warming centre opens for residents without power

Summary

Nanaimo residents still without power can warm up in the Beban Park Social Lounge today. Nanaimo Community Assistance Program volunteers will be on-hand to manage the centre.

The Nanaimo Community Assistance program provides residents with short-term support during emergencies. The City recognizes that many homes without power may be getting cold and are opening up the centre to provide an opportunity for residents to get together in a warm setting.

To stay up to date with power outages, visit BC Hydro's website or follow them on twitter @bchydro.

Strategic Link: n/a

Key Points

- UPDATE: the warming centre will be open from 9 am to 4 pm on Sunday, December 23, 2018.
- The warming centre will be open from 2:30 to 9:30 p.m on Saturday, December 22, 2018.
- A warming centre will open in the Beban Park Social Lounge located at 2300 Bowen Road.
- The warming centre will be run by Nanaimo Community Assistance Program (formerly Emergency Support Services) program volunteers.

Quotes

"Our volunteers are ready to welcome residents without power to Beban Park Social Lounge to warm up and charge their phones."

Karen Lindsay Emergency Program Manager City of Nanaimo

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