Community Response

The Vancouver Island Crisis Line 24-hour Crisis Line Service 1.888.494.3888

Island Health

Nanaimo Mental Health & Substance Use COR (Community Outreach Response):

• Homelessness Outreach Response via Team Cell 250.741.7645

Information on Safe Handling for Needles www.islandhealth.ca/safe-needle-disposal

Street Reach (Canadian Mental Health Association Mid-Island) 250.716.8823

Poison Control 1.800.567.8911

Call 211

- Provides information and referral regarding community, government and social services in BC, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in over 100 languages
- Includes the Alcohol and Drug Information and Referral Service (ADIRS), the Problem Gambling Help Line, VictimLink BC, and the Youth Against Violence Line.

Shelters

The Salvation Army New Hope Centre (Men's Shelter) 250.714.1142

Unitarian Shelter (Co-ed Shelter) 250.754.3720

Tillicum Lelum Youth Safe House (Co-ed Shelter – "at-risk" youth ages 12-18) 250.753.8266

Samaritan Place (Women Only) 250.753.1474

Haven Society Transition House (Women Seeking Safety) 250.756.2452

St. Peter's Cold Weather Shelter Winter Only: Nov 2, 2024 – Mar 31, 2025 Operated by Nanaimo Family Life Association (Co-ed Shelter) 250.591.5600

• Nanaimo Family Life (office hours): 250.754.3331

Risebridge Temporary Winter Shelter Winter Only: Oct 21, 2024 – April 30, 2025 (Co-ed Shelter) 250.268.8428

Nanaimo City Hall

For general inquiries about City services:

455 Wallace Street Nanaimo, BC V9R 5J6 250.754.4251 www.nanaimo.ca



Public Safety

Who to Call

North Nanaimo

Updated: December 2024

Bylaw, Regulation & Community Safety

To Report (outside of downtown core):

- Parking
- Traffic
- Noise
- Encampment activity
- Unsightly properties
- Nuisance properties

To Report (downtown core):

- Downtown parking issues
- Aggressive panhandling downtown
- Encampment activity downtown
- Security matters on downtown public property
- Downtown Bylaw matters (noise, unsightly, nuisance activities)
- Connecting individuals in need to services

Monday to Friday (8:00 am to 4:30 pm) Call 250.755.4422

Evenings and weekends: Call 250.758.5222 bylaw.info@nanaimo.ca

Crime prevention and community policing programs:

www.nanaimocpvolunteers.ca/programs Community Policing Coordinator Call 250.755.4531

Uplands Walk Housing

Kayla Lilledahl, Director of Supportive Services KLilledahl@pacificahousing.ca Call 250.618.4808

Victoria Main Administrative Office

Contact administration if you want to apply for housing, pay rent, connect with the management team or find out more information.

Call 250.385.2131

Public Works

If you find a discarded needle, call for proper disposal:

24 hours a day, 7 days a week Call 250.758.5222 public.worksinfo@nanaimo.ca

Nanaimo Animal Control

To Report:

- Unlicensed dogs
- Dogs-at-large
- Care and standards
- Control of livestock

Monday to Friday (9:00 am to 5:00 pm) Call 250.616.0233 animal.shelter@nanaimo.ca

RCMP

To report any suspicious activity or a crime after it has happened:

Non-Emergency Assistance (24 hours) Call 250.754.2345

To report crimes in progress, fires, serious traffic accidents & medical emergencies: **Call 911**

Nanaimo Fire Rescue

To Report:

- Burning complaints
- Burning permits
- Smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector information
- General fire safety information

24 hours a day, 7 days a week Call 250.753.7311 fireinfo@nanaimo.ca

