

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Help to Shape Nanaimo's new Affordable Housing Strategy

Opportunities to provide your ideas for improving housing affordability

### **Summary**

There are a number of opportunities during the month of November to provide input into Nanaimo's new Affordable Housing Strategy. Everyone is invited to fill out the online survey on the City's website, which will be open until November 30, 2017.

If you prefer to provide your input face-to-face, the Affordable Housing Strategy team will have an information booth open at the following times/locations in November:

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Friday, November 17th from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm at the Kris Kringle Craft Market in Beban Park

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Saturday, November 18th from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm at Serious Coffee in Southgate Mall

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Friday, November 24th from 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm at the Nanaimo Aquatic Centre

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Saturday, November 25th from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm at the North Nanaimo Town Centre

Strategic Link: Affordable Housing is one of Council's key initiatives for 2016-2019

# **Key Points**

- An online survey will be open until November 30, 2017 to collect ideas and priorities for the Affordable Housing Strategy.
- There will be four community pop-up/drop-in meetings during the last half of November for the public to provide input into and learn more about the Strategy.

### Quotes

"As we work towards our goal of improving housing affordability in Nanaimo, the community plays a key role in identifying issues and opportunities that the Strategy should consider."

Bruce Anderson Manager, Community and Cultural Planning City of Nanaimo

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