



Media Release

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Volunteers needed to form a Community Homelessness Coalition

Volunteers are invited to be part of a community homelessness coalition that will work to turn ideas into action.

In February 2009, the City's Homelessness Task Force was created to examine the issue of homelessness. One of the key goals identified by the task force was to create a community homelessness coalition. Building on the work of the Homelessness Task Force, the City of Campbell River is assisting in establishing a community Homelessness Coalition.

The Coalition will be a long-term, action-oriented, results-focused organization with a focus on identifying opportunities to put ideas into action. The Coalition will bring together participants representing a diverse cross-section of the community to facilitate and coordinate community response to homelessness. The Coalition will also serve to identify gaps between services and ensure services are streamlined and accessible.

"The Community Homelessness Coalition will assist in the coordination of community organizations that are working to address homelessness," says Mayor Charlie Cornfield. "They are seeking community members who are committed, action-oriented and results-focused to alleviate homelessness in Campbell River."

People interested in volunteering can submit applications to join this community-based coalition through the City until January 28, 2011. Applications can be found at www.campbellriver.ca or at City Hall.

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