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## **Homelessness Coalition invites pilot housing project ideas**

The Campbell River Homelessness Coalition is putting out a call for project ideas that will increase adult housing opportunities in the community.

The coalition is seeking specific expressions of interest by Feb. 29 for pilot projects that would prevent and reduce homelessness in Campbell River by supporting a *Housing First* approach. *Housing First* emphasizes client choice and is based on the simple idea that housing is central to recovery from homelessness. Adults experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of experiencing homelessness have been identified as a priority need by the Campbell River Homelessness Coalition.

Expressions of interest must include:

1. A brief description of your organization's mandate;
2. How your organization proposes to address one or more of the identified priority areas;
3. A clear reflection of organizational partnership arrangements; and
4. Plan for ongoing financial sustainability beyond a one-year funding period.

This is a call for expressions of interest only and does not require a full proposal. Expressions of interest must be typed (a minimum of two pages and a maximum of five pages).

Please send expressions of interest to the City of Campbell River, (301 St. Ann's Road, Campbell River, BC V9W 4C7) no later than the deadline of 4:30 p.m. Feb. 29, 2012.

For more information, including guidelines for the submission of expression of interest, please visit the City of Campbell River website at [www.campbellriver.ca](http://www.campbellriver.ca) and click on What's New, or contact the Chair of the Campbell River Homeless Coalition at [crhomelessnesscoalition@gmail.com](mailto:crhomelessnesscoalition@gmail.com).

Information meetings to review guidelines for expressions of interest will occur:

**Friday, Feb. 10, 2012 3-4:30 p.m. – City Hall Committee Room, 301 St. Ann's Rd**

**Thursday, Feb. 16, 2012 7-8 p.m. – Community Centre, Room 2 (upstairs), 401 11<sup>th</sup> Ave**

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