



Homelessness in THE COMOX VALLEY

250



There are 250 *absolutely homeless* persons in the Comox Valley

3,000



There are 3,000 persons who are *at risk of homelessness* in the Comox Valley



Nearly 1 in 5

HOUSEHOLDS IN CANADA EXPERIENCE EXTREME HOUSING AFFORDABILITY PROBLEMS

Meaning that they have low incomes and are spending more than 50% of their incomes on rent

WHERE do they stay?

SALVATION ARMY SHELTER (2014)		LILLI HOUSE TRANSITION HOUSE PROGRAM (2014)	
		Full 80% of the time	
		Average length of stay: 14.5 nights	
Males	503	Females	155
Females	220	Children	79
Turn Aways	845	Total bednights	3,328



LILLI HOUSE SUBSTANCE USE RECOVERY PROGRAM (2014)

Females **74**
Bednights **847**

FOOD



40,002
meals provided in 2014 by local agencies*



12,953
bags of groceries distributed (Food Bank and St. George's Pantry, 2014)

2,479
people attended St. George's drop-in coffee and conversation (2014)

REFERENCES

Gaetz, Gulliver and Richter. The State of Homelessness in Canada 2014.

City of Courtenay Mayor's Task force

*(Sonshine Lunch Club (29,125), Salvation Army (10,357), Northgate Foursquare Church (520))

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MEMBERS of COALITION

- ★ AIDS VANCOUVER ISLAND
- ★ COMOX VALLEY NETWORK - ASSOCIATION OF REGISTERED NURSES OF BC
- ★ COMOX BAY CARE SOCIETY CARE-A-VAN
- ★ COMOX VALLEY LIONS CLUB
- ★ COMOX VALLEY RECOVERY CENTRE
- ★ COMOX VALLEY SOCIAL PLANNING SOCIETY
- ★ COMOX VALLEY TRANSITION SOCIETY
- ★ DAWN TO DAWN ACTION ON HOMELESSNESS SOCIETY
- ★ EUREKA SUPPORT SOCIETY
- ★ HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
- ★ LUSH VALLEY FOOD ACTION SOCIETY
- ★ ST GEORGES UNITED CHURCH
- ★ ST JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL
- ★ UNITED WAY CENTRAL & NORTHERN VANCOUVER ISLAND
- ★ WACHIAY FRIENDSHIP CENTRE

MISSION

THE COMOX VALLEY COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS WORKS AS A COLLECTIVE TO PLAN, COORDINATE, RECOMMEND AND IMPLEMENT COMMUNITY RESPONSES TO HOMELESSNESS.

VISION

THE COMOX VALLEY WILL BE A SAFE, STRONG HEALTHY COMMUNITY FOR ALL AND WILL SEEK TO CREATE A SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT AND BUILD OPPORTUNITIES TO ADDRESS SOCIAL, PHYSICAL, ECONOMIC IN-EQUITIES FOR ITS RESIDENTS (From 2008 Mayor's Task Force on Homelessness)

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