



City of Parksville
Town of Qualicum Beach
Regional District of Nanaimo

NEWS RELEASE

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Emergency Support Services Available in Oceanside

Emergency Management Oceanside is offering support services for British Columbia residents visiting the Oceanside area who are affected by wildfire in the province and unable to return home due to an evacuation order or road closure.

If you are visiting or know of someone visiting the City of Parksville, Town of Qualicum Beach or the Regional District of Nanaimo area and not able to return home please call Oceanside Emergency Support Services (OESS) at 250 937-0448 to access provincial assistance. On behalf of the province, OESS will provide housing, food and the support necessary to assist until you are able to return to your home.

At this time, Oceanside Emergency Support Services is now supporting two families in the Parksville area displaced by wildfires. As well, OESS volunteers are being deployed by the province to ESS centres in the Kamloops and Kelowna areas to assist with the care of evacuees located to those areas.

The emergency programs from the City of Parksville, Town of Qualicum Beach and the Regional District of Nanaimo work in unison to provide large scale emergency support and disaster service to Oceanside residents. Through the EMO partnership, there is a more efficient, effective and cooperative approach to managing emergencies in our region. The resources from the three local governments provide professional 24/7 emergency support and EMO has the capacity to develop and undertake preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery planning.

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