

# LEAP

*Leisure Economic Access Policy*



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## History of LEAP

**1993 Policy Statement:**  
*All citizens of Nanaimo shall have access to programs and services provided by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture regardless of the ability to pay.*

**Program Eligibility:**

- Referral** – recognized social service agency
- Or Proof of Financial Situation**



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# Current LEAP Program

2020:

## LEAP Eligibility Includes:

**50% discount** on registered programs (up to a maximum of \$40) for 4 programs per year

**50 free** admissions for:

- Public swimming & skating
- Aquafit
- Weight rooms
- Drop-in sports at Oliver Woods Community Centre



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# Current LEAP Program

2020:

## The following information is required:

**LEAP** application form


**Notice of Assessment** from the previous year for all adults in the home

**T1 General Form** if line 150 on Notice of Assessment is less than \$9,000

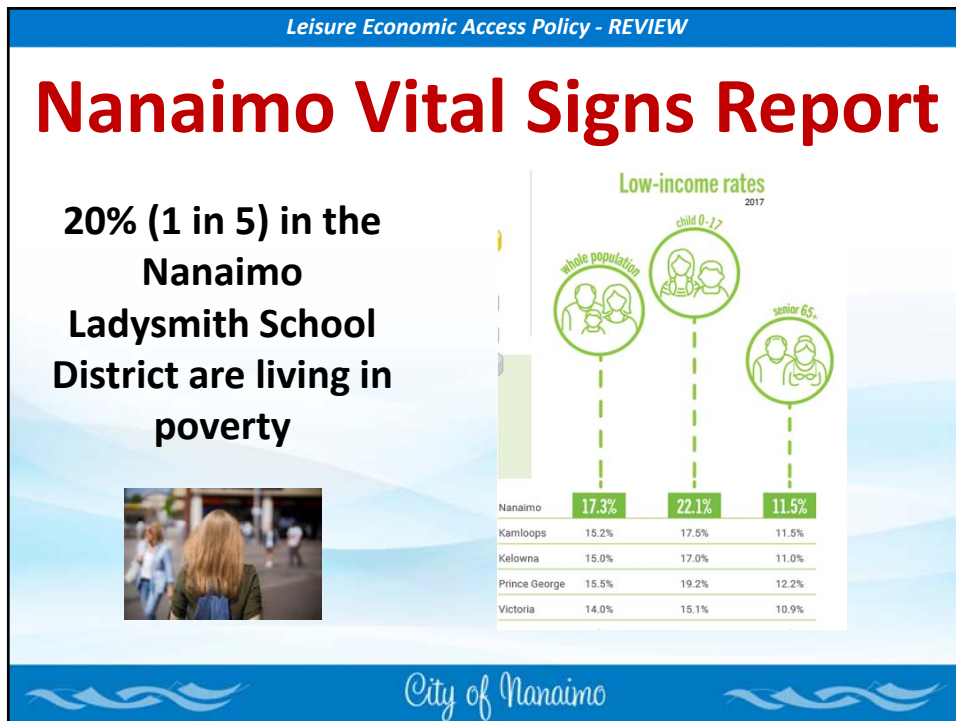
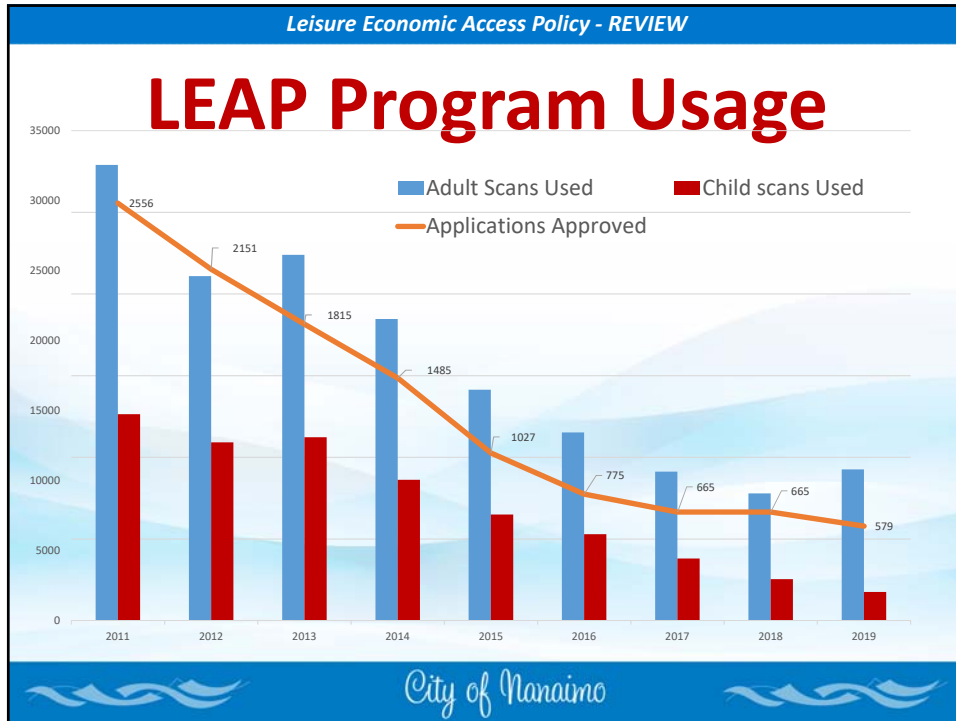
**Other Income Declarations** (child/spousal support, investments, homestay students, band, etc.)

**Current Child Tax Benefit Statement** listing dependents

**Proof of Residency**



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# Other Free/Low Cost Programs

Free public skating & swimming sessions (sponsored)

\$3 gym/swim sessions

Age 2 & under get free admission for skating and swimming

Seniors 80 & over get free public drop-in admission

Events: Canada Day, Concerts in the Park, Playground Program, Free Family Fun Nights

Programs, such as JumpStart, RecBucks Kids Sport

Swim to Survive

Active Passes for students in Grade 5 & 6

Positive Ticketing Program with RCMP



# Proposed LEAP Review Process

## 1. INFORMATION GATHERING (Sep/Oct 2020)

- Connect with key stakeholders
- Gather information/feedback about financial assistance programs in other communities
- Conduct city-wide inventory of free/low cost program options
- Access the PRC strategic plan engagement results



# Proposed LEAP Review Process

## 2. INFORMATION REVIEW (Nov/Dec 2020)



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## 3. REVISED PROGRAM PROPOSAL (Jan/Feb 2021)



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## 4. REVISED PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION (Mar 2021)

- Ready for Spring/Summer program registration



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# Comments & Questions



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