

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**RENT SUPPLEMENT PROGRAMS IN NANAIMO**

Support Service Agency	Rent Supplement Program Name and Criteria	Funding Source	Number of Households Served Annually
Canadian Mental Health Association – Mid Island Branch	Homeless Rent Supplements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• homeless or at risk of homelessness</li> <li>• unable to access crisis funding/grants elsewhere</li> <li>• willingness to access support from community agency where appropriate to address any outstanding barriers to finding and maintaining housing</li> <li>• one time crisis payment or monthly rent supports</li> </ul>	BC Housing	72
Central Vancouver Island Multicultural Society	Resettlement Assistance Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• individuals and families through the Resettlement Assistance Program that are government assisted refugees settling in Nanaimo (housing top up pilot program ending in September 2023)</li> <li>• monthly rent supports</li> </ul>	Government of Canada – Immigration Refugee Citizenship Canada	Unlimited rent supports up to \$500 per household monthly for up to one year (40 households are currently being supported annually)
Connective Society	Homeless Rent Supplements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• must be homeless, at risk of homelessness or hidden homeless</li> <li>• individuals leaving correctional or hospital systems</li> <li>• women fleeing violence</li> <li>• youth aging out of care</li> <li>• Indigenous People</li> <li>• one time crisis payment or monthly rent supports</li> </ul>	BC Housing	30
Connective Society	Community Housing Benefit Provincial Supplements for Incarceration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• must have no fixed address and/or exiting incarceration</li> <li>• recent criminal justice involvement</li> <li>• monthly rent supports</li> </ul>	BC Housing	25

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Connective Society	Housing First Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• chronic or episodically homeless individuals requiring supportive services to stabilize in housing</li> <li>• City of Nanaimo residents</li> </ul>	Reaching Home and City of Nanaimo	18
Haven Society	Homeless Rent Supplements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• homeless, at risk of homeless or hidden homeless</li> <li>• individuals leaving correctional or hospital systems</li> <li>• women fleeing violence <i>*priority is given here*</i></li> <li>• youth aging out of care</li> <li>• Indigenous People</li> <li>• one time crisis payment or monthly rent supports</li> </ul>	BC Housing	20
Haven Society	Canada – BC Housing Benefit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• people experiencing or at risk of homelessness</li> <li>• women and children fleeing violence</li> <li>• Indigenous People</li> <li>• people dealing with mental health and addiction issues</li> <li>• people with disabilities</li> <li>• veterans</li> <li>• racialized communities</li> <li>• youth leaving care</li> <li>• large families requiring 4 or more bedrooms</li> <li>• households requiring accessible accommodations</li> <li>• other households on the waitlist for subsidized housing whose housing need cannot be met by the existing stock as identified by BC Housing</li> <li>• one time crisis payment or monthly rent supports</li> </ul>	BC Housing / Government of Canada	4
Haven Society	Portable Rent Supplements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• families with a low gross household income</li> <li>• must meet BC Housing residency, income and asset requirements</li> <li>• satisfactory tenant history one time crisis payment or monthly rent supports depending on availability</li> </ul>	BC Housing	5

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Island Crisis Care Society	Homeless Rent Supplements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• homeless, at risk of homeless or hidden homeless</li> <li>• individuals leaving correctional or hospital systems</li> <li>• women fleeing violence</li> <li>• youth aging out of care</li> <li>• Indigenous individuals</li> <li>• one time crisis payment or monthly rent supports</li> </ul>	BC Housing	5
Island Crisis Care Society	Canada – BC Housing Benefit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• people experiencing or at risk of homelessness</li> <li>• women and children fleeing violence</li> <li>• Indigenous People</li> <li>• people dealing with mental health and addiction issues</li> <li>• people with disabilities</li> <li>• veterans</li> <li>• racialized communities</li> <li>• youth leaving care</li> <li>• large families requiring 4 or more bedrooms</li> <li>• households requiring accessible accommodations</li> <li>• other households on the waitlist for subsidized housing whose housing need cannot be met by the existing stock as identified by BC Housing</li> <li>• one time crisis payment or monthly rent supports</li> </ul>	BC Housing / Government of Canada	9
Kw'umut Lelum	Rent Supports for Individuals and Families: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• living in urban area of Nanaimo</li> <li>• involved with delegated services at Kw'umut Lelum</li> <li>• short term rent supports only</li> <li>• rent supplements amount vary based on need and availability (up to \$9,000 per year available)</li> </ul>	Reaching Home	20 to 30 rent supplements estimated as available annually

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Snuneymuxw First Nation	Rent Supports for Individuals and Families: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• homeless</li> <li>• individuals or families with rental arrears or attempting to secure housing</li> <li>• must be Indigenous (Metis, Inuit, Snuneymuxw or other First Nations - on or off reserve)</li> </ul>	Reaching Home	4
Tillicum Lelum	Housing Navigation Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• priority given to families and individuals who are facing eviction or homelessness</li> <li>• involved in delegated services at Tillicum Lelum</li> <li>• short term rent supports only</li> </ul>	Reaching Home	12
			<b>Estimated Total: 264</b>