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His Worship Leonard Krog  
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Dear Mayor Krog:

Thank you for your correspondence of April 14, 2025, regarding funding for daytime drop-in spaces and programming for unsheltered individuals in Nanaimo.

As you have noted, drop-in hubs offer important supports to unhoused individuals and other community members by providing opportunities to build relationships between clients and service providers, helping people transition to housing options, and supporting reduced congregation outdoors.

I recognize the hard work and value of the Hub in Nanaimo, as well as the partnership that supports Homeless Encampment Action Response Team (HEART) activities and placements in Homeless Encampment Action Response Temporary Housing (HEARTH) spaces. As you know, 50 HEARTH spaces at Terminal Avenue have so far been implemented in Nanaimo with 50 coming soon at 1300 Island HWY and another 78 at 1298 Nelson Street. HEART partners are working to ensure that spaces are offered to those experiencing homelessness, particularly in downtown Nanaimo.

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The Province continues to consider options for enhancing availability of daytime services for people experiencing homelessness in priority communities throughout the Province, including Nanaimo.

While I am unfortunately not able to meet to discuss funding for daytime drop-in spaces at this time, my office will keep your request on file and reach out if an opportunity to arises to discuss this further.

Thank you again for taking the time to write and for the City of Nanaimo's leadership on this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Ravi Kahlon', with a stylized, flowing script.

Ravi Kahlon  
Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs