

Temporary Overnight ShelteringIn Saanich Parks

Saanich has a wide variety of parks, trails and recreational amenities.

There are no designated overnight campgrounds in Saanich and camping is not permitted in Saanich Parks.

However, people who need to shelter overnight in a park as a result of experiencing homelessness, may do so under these conditions:

- Overnight sheltering must be temporary (tent, tarp, no permanent structures, etc.) between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. the following day.
- Shelters and personal property must be removed by 7 a.m. In the case that property
 is left unattended, Saanich staff will remove the property, store only those items that
 have value (for 14 days) and dispose of the remainder. For property enquiries, please
 call the non-emergency Saanich Police line at 250-475-4321.
- · Fires and smoking are prohibited.
- Some parks and specific areas of parks are off limits to all temporary sheltering.
 Prohibited areas include:
 - environmentally sensitive and natural areas (unmown parkland);
 - within 3m of playgrounds, spray parks or pools;
 - horticultural display areas or gardens;
 - within 3m of skateboard bowls, tennis courts or other sports courts;
 - within 3m of sports fields, stadiums or dugouts;

- · within 3m of stages or bleachers;
- within 3m of washroom facilities, picnic shelters or gazebos;
- · within 3m of recreation facilities;
- beaches;
- cemeteries;
- golf courses;
- pathways, bridges, boardwalks, docks or wharves; and
- roads, driveways or parking facilities.

To report an encampment outside of the conditions noted above, please call the Saanich Police non-emergency line at **250-475-4321**.

Scan the QR code below to view local shelters:



Call 2-1-1 to speak with the Shelter and Street Help Line.

- Service available from 9am 9pm Monday – Friday
- For emergencies call 9-1-1

Affordable housing:

PACIFICA HOUSING DOWNTOWN OUTREACH SERVICES

826 Cormorant Street, 250-356-2555

Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (closed for lunch 12 p.m. – 1 p.m.)

BC Housing

To register for subsidized housing, apply online at:

programfinder.bchousing.org

Call 1-800-787-2807

or visit **#201 - 3440 Douglas Street**

Email: VanIslandRegion@bchousing.org

Day locker storage Our Place

919 Pandora Avenue, 250-388-7112

Open 7 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. daily

ROCK BAY LANDING 535 Ellice Street

250-383-1951

Crisis lines

- Vancouver Island Crisis Line:
 Call 1-888-494-3888 (24 hours)
 or text 250-800-3806 from
 p.m. 10 p.m. daily
- 211 British Columbia:
 Call or text 2-1-1 (24 hours)

