



## **Village of Lytton Update**

**December 4, 2021**

### **LYTTON RESILIENCY CENTRE**

The Lytton Resiliency Centre is open to support evacuees and area residents. The Centre is located in the old art room at the Kumsheen ShchEma-meet School, at 365 Trans-Canada Highway in Lytton, BC. Hours of operation are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, and open until 6 p.m. on Wednesdays.

The Resiliency Centre will provide valuable resources (in-person and virtual) for area residents, including a business centre, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and representatives from the insurance industry. Note that it may take several days for all supplies and resources to arrive at the Resiliency Centre given current conditions, but they are on their way!

### **DISASTER PSYCHOSOCIAL SERVICES**

This Tuesday, Dec 7th (from 10am to 4pm) and Wednesday Dec 8th (from 10am to 6pm) confidential Disaster Psychosocial Services (DPS) will be available at the Lytton Resilience Centre. The Lytton Resilience Centre is located at the Kumsheen ShchEma-meet School in the old art room (downstairs).

If you need one-on-one support, or if you have questions about mental health or stress management (yours or someone you know), please know you are not alone. Representatives will be on hand to provide information and one-on-one supports. The following video provides an overview of BC's disaster psychosocial supports in place:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xWG\\_io927kw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xWG_io927kw). Stop in for a coffee and say hello!

### **Q&A FROM NOV. 8 COMMUNITY MEETING**

Community members can watch the recordings of the November 8th Village of Lytton Community Meeting online:

- Part 1: [https://us06web.zoom.us/rec/share/JkXoBzT-zFvzCyEtfq0bz\\_bkoqRkVd7tpopzbK3Lus3qba-rT7ciDklqDLf32IEz.BOZ3bA27IIGYd\\_4I](https://us06web.zoom.us/rec/share/JkXoBzT-zFvzCyEtfq0bz_bkoqRkVd7tpopzbK3Lus3qba-rT7ciDklqDLf32IEz.BOZ3bA27IIGYd_4I)
- Part 2: [https://urbansystems-ca.zoom.us/rec/share/-30sz5idnYfkbLu\\_j7HqjeHJcRwk96H--xudF00bFkD6qgdA4s7XGfHdFAO1ErT2.aNCvblx1v-IRSOg4](https://urbansystems-ca.zoom.us/rec/share/-30sz5idnYfkbLu_j7HqjeHJcRwk96H--xudF00bFkD6qgdA4s7XGfHdFAO1ErT2.aNCvblx1v-IRSOg4)

**Responses to the questions not answered during the meeting are now posted online.**

Residents can read them here: <https://lytton.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Community-Meeting-QAs-FINAL.pdf>

## SAVE THE DATE: COMMUNITY MEETING – DECEMBER 9

The Village of Lytton is hosting another Community Meeting on Thursday, December 9 to discuss what's next in the Community Recovery Planning process.

**Residents are asked to submit their questions in advance to [communication@lytton.ca](mailto:communication@lytton.ca) by Wednesday, December 8.** There will also be an opportunity to ask questions live or through the chat during the meeting.

All Lytton residents, business owners and community members are encouraged to attend the virtual meeting to get the latest information from the Village's Recovery Team, provide feedback and get answers to your questions.

### Meeting Details:

**Date:** Thursday, December 9, 2021

**Time:** 7-9 p.m.

**Meeting link:** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81749917515>

**Call in option:** 1-778-907-2071 Meeting ID: 817 4991 7515

## VOLUNTEER FOR THE UNMET NEEDS COMMITTEE

The Village of Lytton Unmet Needs Committee (UNC) was formed by Council at the December 1, 2021 Council Meeting. The purpose of the Committee is to advise and make recommendations to the Council on issues pertaining to unmet needs during the rebuild and recovery of the Village of Lytton.

Per the Terms of Reference (<http://lytton.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/12.3-2021-12-01-Unmet-Needs-Committee-TOR.pdf>), the composition of the UNC is as follows:

- Lytton Recovery Manager (staff lead)
- A representative from Lytton's business community
- Village of Lytton community members (2-4)
- A representative from Lytton First Nation

**The Village of Lytton invites members of the public to apply to be a member of the UNC no later than Wednesday, December 15th.** Please send an email to Alison Poste, Recovery Manager at [APoste@Lytton.ca](mailto:APoste@Lytton.ca) outlining your interest in the Committee.

The date of the first UNC meeting will be determined by the group members. The Village of Lytton thanks you in advance for your interest in joining the UNC.

## **APPLY FOR B.C. HOME OWNER GRANT**

For support paying 2021 property taxes, the Village encourages residents to apply for the B.C. Home Owner Grant. The Home Owner Grant reduces the amount of property tax you pay for your principal residence. It is our understanding that residents have until Dec. 31, 2022 to apply for the 2021 Home Owner Grant. Learn more:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/annual-property-tax/home-owner-grant>

## **FLOODING SUPPORT**

Local communities may contact the PREOC if they have any urgent needs with respect to flood response: [preoc3.ops1@gov.bc.ca](mailto:preoc3.ops1@gov.bc.ca).

An LFN Member Support Branch Director is now available to answer any questions related to the flood or can direct Members to available resources. You can reach the Director at [eocflood@lfn.band](mailto:eocflood@lfn.band) for all inquires, concerns and questions.

For the latest road condition updates, visit <https://drivebc.ca/>.

## **SUPPORTS, FOOD & SUPPLIES UPDATE**

Relief Centres remain open at this time and will continue to operate as long as they have supplies and power. Open Relief Centres are located at the Skuppah Community Hall, the Siska Community Hall and the West Side Hall.

FNHA Public Health Nurses are willing to run prescriptions down to Lytton for anyone (Indigenous or not) during this situation. People need to have their prescriptions faxed to the Pharmasave in Lillooet and then they must call Jeanette at the FNHA reception to let her know a prescription needs picking up: 250-455-2715.

## **DEDICATED SERVICE CANADA LINE FOR LYTTON EVACUEES**

Residents can reach the dedicated Service Canada line for Lytton Evacuees at 1-877-631-2657. This line is dedicated to evacuees who need special assistance in applying for EI and for replacement ID lost in the fire. Employees will have their applications processed without the need of the employer completing a Record of Employment (ROE). The line is open Mon-Fri 8am-4pm. If you experience any difficulties accessing this service, please email [communication@lytton.ca](mailto:communication@lytton.ca).

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Contact [communication@lytton.ca](mailto:communication@lytton.ca) or 778-254-5004 if you have any additional questions or concerns. Residents who would like to receive email updates directly from the Village of Lytton are encouraged to sign up here: <https://forms.gle/Cw8wdRDqJzRNnCKZ6>.