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# Flood Response Resources



If you've been impacted by the floods, there are resources available to help out. Use this booklet as a resource to help you and your community.

Self-register for support services

[bcfloodrecovery@redcross.ca](mailto:bcfloodrecovery@redcross.ca)

Register to access

## Emergency Supports

**Step 1:** Self-register for personalized emergency support service with the Red Cross [bcfloodrecovery@redcross.ca](mailto:bcfloodrecovery@redcross.ca)



### The Red Cross

**Provides** personalized recovery supports, Interim housing & housing repair programs. If you've been affected by the flooding, Register online, by phone, or in person (the Old Courthouse across from city hall) - *Even if you were not in the evacuation zone.*

UPDATE: New \$5,000 grant for small businesses and Non-profit organizations. **Deadline** Sept 30th 2022

[www.redcross.ca/bcfloods/smallbusiness](http://www.redcross.ca/bcfloods/smallbusiness)

 1 800-863-6582

 32203 South Fraser way  
M-F 10am - 5pm



[redcross.ca](http://redcross.ca)

Municipal Updates on how to find and

## Access Help, Info & Resources

Abbotsford Return Home Plan

[abbotsford.ca/returnhome](http://abbotsford.ca/returnhome)

Chilliwack Resources for residents impacted by flooding

[chilliwack.com/FloodResources](http://chilliwack.com/FloodResources)

BC Provincial Government support (including livestock relocation funding)

[www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/floods-2021/](http://www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca/floods-2021/)



## Financial Assistance

**Funding for Farmers** (BC Gov't)

Flood Recovery Program for Food Security:

- Uninsurable infrastructure cleanup & repair
- Production expenses (Feed, Crops, Livestock)

 1 888-332-3352



**Flood Recovery Program for Food Security**



<https://bit.ly/34W5SFS>

**Disaster Financial Assistance: [PAST DUE]** <80% of the value lost (<\$300,000) where losses could not be insured



[gov.bc.ca/disasterfinancialassistance](http://gov.bc.ca/disasterfinancialassistance)



## If you have home insurance

Contact your insurance provider; clean-up and restoration services may be included in your insurance policy. If you are unsure about the response you get from your home insurance provider, contact the Insurance Bureau of Canada and they will help clarify your policy and what is covered.



[ibc.ca/on/disaster](http://ibc.ca/on/disaster)



## If you don't have home insurance

You can get in touch with one of the following organizations for help with clean up and rebuilding.

- **Mennonite Disaster Services:** Assessments & Rebuilding assistance



778-255-0188



[sdueck@mds.org](mailto:sdueck@mds.org)



## Rent Bank

### Rent Bank

Please Contact the Salvation Army, MCC Rent Bank or Emergency Rent Assistance



[www.mccbc.ca/rentbank](http://www.mccbc.ca/rentbank)

### Homelessness Prevention and Outreach Program

Mission Community Services Society

3-32618 Logan Ave, Mission



604-826-3634



## Income Assistance & EI

Ministry of Social Development **1-866-866-0800**

Service Canada **1-877-631-2657**

# Local Help for Basic Needs & Assistance

These organizations offer food, clothing, counselling and more. Contact each organization directly for assistance.

## Chilliwack, Yarrow & Sumas Flats

**For Seniors:** Chilliwack Better at Home (Chilliwack Community Services) [\(778\) 860-5499](tel:778-860-5499)

- **Ann Davis Society:** Mental Health Support/Community Connector For all ages and genders, singles and families, emergency mental health counselling, groups, & legal advocacy [\(604\) 792-2760](tel:604-792-2760)
- Outreach Services: basic needs supplies, clothing, bedding, & kitchen supplies & help with documents [\(604\) 402-0014](tel:604-402-0014)
- **Regional Food Hub:** Chilliwack Bowls of Hope/Salvation Army site at 45746 Yale Rd. [\(604\) 792-0001](tel:604-792-0001)
- **Yarrow Food Hub:** Food/tools/equipment & emotional support for those who drop in Thurs-Saturday 10-4pm  
[41620 #3 Road](tel:41620-3300)
- **United Way Community Builders** connecting unmet needs of flood impacted residents with local resources and supporting volunteer led projects  
Alison [\(778\) 757-3402](tel:778-757-3402)      [AlisonG@uwbc.ca](mailto:AlisonG@uwbc.ca)
- **Arnold Church:** Meals and other support [\(604\) 864-2208](tel:604-864-2208) 310 Arnold Road





## Abbotsford

- **Archway Community Services:** access to food, navigational assistance, children, youth and seniors, counselling, migrant workers supports, access to legal and medical supports, (re-)employment assistance & more **604-859-7681** info at [archway.ca](http://archway.ca)
- **Archway's Community Transportation Van:** Can be booked to take flood impacted persons to appointments related to completing applications for assistance, or for the pickup of supplies such as food or other items. For more information, contact **604.743.0354**. or [Archway.ca/CommunityVan](http://Archway.ca/CommunityVan)
- **Gateway Community Church Pantry:** Offers food and basic household needs in a mini market style setting. MWF 10:30am-4.30pm **2884 Gladys Ave** (lower parking lot) Requires proof of residency. [www.gatewaycrc.org](http://www.gatewaycrc.org)
- **Salvation Army Thrift Store:** \$50 coupon per member of flood evacuees' families, food, basic needs, flood clean-up kits, spiritual & emotional support **34081 Gladys Avenue**
- **Samaritan's Purse:** Friendly personal service navigation connecting people with available resources. If you need a hand or are unsure what resources are available, Call **236-622-2000** or [kwhite@samaritan.ca](mailto:kwhite@samaritan.ca)
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- **For Seniors – Abbotsford Association for Healthy Aging** **(604) 854-1733**
- **MCC Thrift Store:** Free Clothing supports for Evacuees **33933 Gladys Ave 604-854-2062**
- **United Way Community Builders** connecting unmet needs of flood impacted residents with local resources and supporting volunteer led projects  
Trina **(236) 483-0401** [TrinaE@uwbc.ca](mailto:TrinaE@uwbc.ca)
- **Engaged Communities of Canada:** (In partnership with Khalsa Diwan Society, Abbotsford) Basic needs supplied via local pop-ups including food, PPE, feminine hygiene products, first aid, harm reduction and warm clothing.  
**(778) 223-6987** [info@eccsociety.org](mailto:info@eccsociety.org)



## Abbotsford Continued

**University of Fraser Valley:** Students enrolled at the University of the Fraser Valley can receive food hampers through the UFV-SUS Food Bank, supported by the United Way.

[www.ufv.ca/student-services/support/food-bank/](http://www.ufv.ca/student-services/support/food-bank/)

- **Dignidad Migrante:** Dignidad Migrante: Para hispanohablantes, contacto **604-754-3419** [info@dignidadmigrantsociety.org](mailto:info@dignidadmigrantsociety.org)
- **Facebook groups:** [fv flood help](#) [helpingsumasprairiefarmers](#)



## Listening Ear

**Mental Health Support:** Emotional support info & resources

 **310-6789**

**BC211 (Mental Health Hotline - Free, Confidential, 24/7)**

 **dial or text 2-1-1**

**Agesafe (mental Health Supports for Farmers)**



[agsafebc.ca/mental-wellness](http://agsafebc.ca/mental-wellness)

**Online Adult Counselling (Archway Community Services)**



[maria.cargnelli@archway.ca](mailto:maria.cargnelli@archway.ca)

**Foundry (Abbotsford Mental Health Centre):** Free Drop-in counselling for youth (12-24y) & Art Therapy Group (14-18y)



[foundrybc.ca/abbotsford](http://foundrybc.ca/abbotsford)

**604.746.3392** ext **815**



[leah.froese@foundryabbotsford.ca](mailto:leah.froese@foundryabbotsford.ca)

**Ann Davis Society:** All ages and genders, singles and families, emergency mental health counselling, & legal advocacy



**(604) 792-2760**



## For your Animals

- **SPCA – 604 850-1584 (778) 860-5499**
- **Canadian Disaster Animal Response Team** [www.cdart.org](http://www.cdart.org)



## Support for Indigenous Communities

- **Abbotsford Youth Health Centre:** 32555 Simon Ave, Abbotsford, [604-746-3392](tel:604-746-3392) or [fnha.ca](http://fnha.ca)
- **Fraser Salish Regional Health:** James George, Regional Health Liaison, [604-693-6528](tel:604-693-6528); [james.george@fnha.ca](mailto:james.george@fnha.ca)
- **Indigenous Services Canada:** [sac-isc.gc.ca](http://sac-isc.gc.ca) 105-1100 Melville St., Vancouver, [1-800-557-960](tel:1-800-557-960)
- **Sumas First Nations Housing:** 2788 Sumas Mountain Road, Abbotsford, [604-852-4041](tel:604-852-4041)



## Asbestos Contamination

### Asbestos Contamination in Houses built before 1990

1. N95 Masks are not sufficient to protect from Asbestos exposure.
2. Mold is a significantly lower health risk and priority should be to remove drywall safely rather than quickly.
3. Consider all pre-1990 drywall to contain asbestos until proven otherwise. Testing available in Abbotsford.



**BCCDC Asbestos Info**

<https://bit.ly/3ocwd9o>



**BC WorkSafe Asbestos**

<https://bit.ly/3G6eBC8>



## Funding Support with Local Recovery Efforts

- **United Way British Columbia** in the Fraser Valley [yvest@uwbc.ca](mailto:yvest@uwbc.ca) United for BC Flood Response Grants to local agencies grants approved weekly.  
More info at [uwbc.ca/flood/](http://uwbc.ca/flood/)
- **Abbotsford Community Foundation:** Abbotsford Disaster Relief funding up to \$25,000 for front line charities assisting with flood relief. [604-850-3755](tel:604-850-3755)
- **Gateway Community Church:** Abbotsford Disaster Response Coalition relief funding (up to \$8K) for un-met needs such as appliances, furniture etc. [www.gatewaycrc.org](http://www.gatewaycrc.org).  
Also Grants available for outdoor equipment (up to \$3000) and for those affected through the Big Steel Box



Know someone that needs help?  
Share this booklet with them.  
Everyone could use a helping hand.