



**The Greater Victoria
Extreme Weather Response Plan Coordinator's Report**

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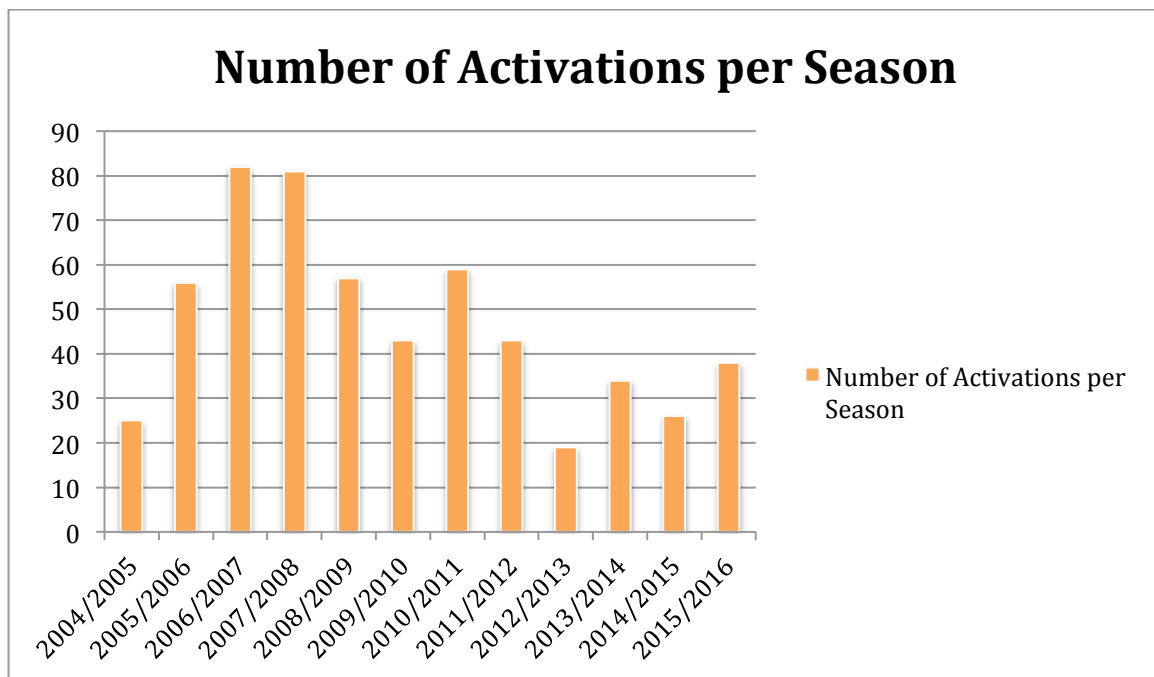
Introduction

The Greater Victoria Extreme Weather Response Plan (EWP) is a regional community program developed to address the shelter needs of homeless people during periods of harsh wind, rain, snow, and/or subzero temperatures. This community response began as an emergency shelter program during a cold snap in the winter of 2003/2004. In January of 2004, the City opened an emergency cold weather shelter at the Silver Threads building in cooperation with various downtown service providers.

A more concrete community plan was developed the following year (2004/2005), and what was then called the “Cold/Wet Weather Protocol”. The City coordinated the efforts of the Extreme Weather Protocol for the winters of 2005/2006 and 2006/2007, and the emergency shelters were opened more often. For the winter of 2007/2008, a part-time dedicated coordinator was hired to handle logistics, communications, media relations, and planning for the program. The City ceased coordinating, and assumed the role of committee member.

The regional coordinator continues to handle these aspects of the Greater Victoria Extreme Weather Response Program.

Below is a chart outlining how many times the protocol was activated for each season.



Extreme Weather Protocol Committee

The 2015/16 Greater Victoria Extreme Weather Response has been developed through the involvement and efforts of the following organizations:

Community Organizations:

- Canadian Red Cross
- Cool Aid Society
- Our Place
- Beacon Community Services
- Pacifica Housing
- The Salvation Army
- Victoria Native Friendship Centre
- Victoria Emergency Management Agency
- Esquimalt Emergency Social Services
- Victoria Youth Empowerment Society
- AIDS Vancouver Island
- Greater Victoria Coalition to End Homelessness
- Sooke Ministerial
- Sooke Crisis Centre
- Sooke Emergency Social Services

Municipal:

- City of Victoria
- Victoria Police and Fire Departments
- District of Saanich
- Saanich Police and Fire Departments
- District of Sooke
- Sooke RCMP and Fire Department

Provincial:

- BC Housing
- Vancouver Island Health Authority

Organization / Contact	Year Round Shelters	EWP - 1	EWP - 2
Victoria Cool Aid Society - Rock Bay Landing 535 Ellice Street Ph. 250-383-1951 Don McTavish Cell 250-888-7103 dmctavish@coolaid.org Joann Connolly Cell 250-882-4670 jconnolly@coolaid.org	+84 beds +20 Mats (Seasonal) Co-Ed Up to 30 days		
Victoria Cool Aid Society – Cool Aid Seasonal Shelter 755 Pandora Ave (Referrals and contact same as Rock Bay Landing) (+40 November 1 st to March 31 st Only)	+40 Mats(Nov-Mar) Co-Ed 10pm-7am		
Victoria Cool Aid Society - Next Steps 2317 Dowler Street (Referral and contact same as Rock Bay Landing)	+15 beds Co-Ed		
Victoria Cool Aid Society – Sandy Merriman 809 Burdett Avenue. Ph. 250-480-1408 Christine O'Brien Cell 250-893-7103 cobrien@coolaid.org	+25 beds Women Only		
Salvation Army – Addictions & Rehabilitation Centre 525 Johnson Street Ph. 250-384-3396 Dinuk Dinas ddinas@victoriaarc.org Lyle Smith lsmith@victoriaarc.org	+21 beds Men Only No Pets	+15 mats in the Chapel Co-Ed 9pm-7am	+30 mats in the Chapel Co-Ed 9pm-7am
Sobering and Assessment Centre 1125 Pembroke Street Ph. 250-213-4441 Bob McKechnie bob.mckechnie@viha.ca	+20 beds Existing Client Base Regulations Exist		
Victoria Youth Empowerment Society Kiwans Emergency Youth Shelter 2117 Vancouver Street Pat Griffin Ph. 250-383-3514 pat.griffin@vyes.ca Leigh Heard Ph. 250-386-8282 keys@vyes.ca	+10 beds 5 Female 5 Male Youth (13-18) Co-Ed		
Victoria Native Friendship Centre 231 Regina Ave. Ph. 250-888-0548 Ph. 250-384-3211 Bruce Parisien Cell 250-888-8059 brucep@vnfc.ca Kari Hutchison Cell 250-213-5987 kari@vnfc.ca		+25 mats Adults No Pets 9pm-7am	+25 mats Adults No Pets 9pm-7am
Our Place Society 919 Pandora Avenue Ph. 250-388-7112 Jordan Cooper Cell 250-727-5532 jordan@ourplacesociety.ca Don Evans Cell 778-977-4921 don@ourplacesociety.ca		+30 spaces Co-Ed No Pets 7:30pm-7am	+50 spaces Co-Ed No Pets 7:30pm-7am
Out of the Rain Night Youth Shelter 250-415-3856 c/o Beacon Community Services (www.outoftherainvictoria.ca) Jenn Mortimer Cell 250-884-3701 jmortimer@beaconcs.ca Elaine Venables Cell 250-3607848 evenables@beaconcs.ca (+30 November 1 st to April 15 th Only)	+30 beds Pets Allowed (Mon-Fri) Youth (15-25) Open 11pm-8am		
Total Spaces: 370 Beds	175 (+90 Seasonal)	70	105

IMPORTANT COMMUNITY CONTACTS

EWP Coordinator: Jen Wilde Cell 250-896-4012 jen@vewp.net

Victoria Police Watch Commander: 250-995-7223 **Saanich Police Watch Commander:** 250-475-4341

Victoria Fire Dept.: Steve Smith 250-920-3362 **Saanich Fire Dept.:** Brock Henson 250-475-5559

VIHA Street Nurses: Nursing services and referrals year round Mon-Fri 9:00am-6:00pm (various sites)
Shelby 250-480-8967 Stacey 250-361-7056 Lisbet 250-818-3373

AIDS Vancouver Island: Heather Hobbs – 250-384-2366 ext 2272 Outreach Team 250-896-AVIX (2849)

Red Cross: Gary Carleton Ph. 250-382-2043 cell 250-661-1805 gary.carleton@redcross.ca

Emergency Social Services: Rob Johns rjohns@victoria.ca Ph. 250-920-3377

Updated October 2015

Overview of 2015/2016

Model of Care

The overall theme for the extreme weather response plan is harm reduction. Our goal is to meet the needs of clients to ensure that they are sheltered from the winter elements. In order to do this, we have created a multi-level support system to ensure that we are able to assist as many people as possible. With the complex nature of homelessness, an equally flexible model of care is required to assist those individuals who may struggle with accessing services and care. There is a zero turn away policy with the EWP. Staff are solution focused and directed to make every effort to find the right fit for each person seeking shelter during an extreme weather event.

The coordinator has been actively pursuing a diverse shelter system as well as developing methods for assisting clients in the outer lying areas of Greater Victoria.

Changes to Shelter Capacity

In the fall of, BC Housing and Our Place Society collaborated to open The First Metropolitan United Church Seasonal shelter's 45 mats. These 45 mats were initially intended to replace the extreme weather shelter that operated out of Our Place. The EWP shelter at OPS was placed on the second tier of activations in order to maintain its preparedness should additional shelter be needed.

It became apparent very quickly into the season that the EWP shelter at OPS was an essential service and it was activated for at least 30 mats every time the EWP was activated this season.

Salvation Army ARC operated a warming station for the first time this season. It was a similar concept to the warming station hosted at Our Place. This "awake shelter" allowed people to come in for short periods of time and to grab some soup if they were hungry. This concept was invaluable to the street community but will require some revisions and additional support in order to maintain the operation in future seasons.

Changes to Shelter Capacity (Cont'd)

A youth warming station was initiated at the Sanctuary this season as well and opened for the first 6 activations. The warming station opened at 5:00pm and operated until the van came to take the youth clients to Out of the Rain. There were some operational and financial concerns that discontinued the activation of this service very early on in the EWP season.

The development of “Tent City” at the beginning of the winter season created a whole new dynamic to the homeless population in Greater Victoria and a whole new set of sheltering units were opened in response. Salvation Army ARC Chapel was funded to be open every night and was thus removed from the extreme weather response activations. Both Our Place Society and Cool Aid Society opened a number of transitional facilities over the course of this season with the support of the province and community partners. A total of 128 units of transitional housing and shelter were added over the course of the season. [My Place (40), Choices (50), Mount Edwards (38)]

Seasonal and temporary shelters in Greater Victoria received additional funding to continue past their usual seasonal end dates and are currently still operating.

Unseasonably Mild Weather (Jan-Mar)

The response season averaged normal activation activity for the months of November and December. There was very little activity for the second half of the season. Of the 38 activations that occurred this season, only 9 of these occurred after the New Year. The forecasted overnight low temperatures averaged 4-9° for January to March.

Activation Strategy

A two-tiered approach to activating the downtown shelters allowed the program to efficiently open more shelters at a reduced capacity. Opening different kinds of shelters meant that we were able to meet a much more diverse set of needs. With this new approach, we were able to activate Our Place for 30 mats instead of 50 in the first tier. The activation of the second tier allowed an increase of 20 extra mats at Our Place if they were needed. The shelter at Our Place was set up to be able to meet the needs of clients who were having difficulties settling at night. This exceptionally low-barrier shelter was full every night that it was opened. It proved to be a very valuable option for a previously challenging population that refused the service in the past.

Social Media Strategy Updates

In November of 2014, Kelsi Stiles (Coalition to End Homelessness) approached the coordinator with a proposal to improve the online strategy of the EWP. A brand new website was put together. The facebook account was updated and a twitter account was activated. A posting strategy was developed that made a daily notice to let people know the status of the program. The strategy was implemented in the midst of the 2014-15 season and received a very good response considering the lack of activity within the program for the latter part of that season.

At the beginning of the 2015-16 season, due to these changes, the website and connected email address for the coordinator became severely compromised due to a large number of glitches in the transition. There was a great deal of effort made to fix the errors and restore the email to good standing. The current set-up for the website hosting will need to be re-vamped before the next season.

Community Donations

The development of Tent City drew a great deal of attention to the issue of homelessness over the course of this season and the coordinator received a great deal of donations from the community. Sock, mittens, hats, jackets, sweaters, blankets, sleeping bags and mats were donated and handed out to individuals by the coordinator.

Canadian Red Cross

The Canadian Red Cross (CRC) volunteer program was continued again this year with some challenges in ensuring adequate volunteer coverage. Volunteers were utilized at The Sanctuary Drop in, Victoria Native Friendship Centre, Salvation Army and Our Place to assist with the transition times, intake and clean up.

We ran a training session in November with excellent attendance and participation. There were a number of individuals who had volunteered in previous years, some brand new faces and some of the CRC Disaster Management volunteers looking for opportunities to contribute to their local community.

Canadian Red Cross (Cont'd)

The Disaster Management Coordinator handled deployment of volunteers during an extreme weather response. The EWP Coordinator sent a volunteer deployment request email to the CRC Disaster Management Coordinator, who in turn responded with the names and availability of volunteers to requested locations.

There were a total of 38 volunteer deployment requests. We were able to deploy at least one volunteer on 21 occasions and a total of 37 deployments occurred over the course of this season. On a few occasions, the EWP coordinator was able to respond and help out when volunteers were unavailable.

The CRC once again supported the EWP with a donation for purchasing self-inflating mats. Unfortunately, Robinson's Outdoor Store was unable to fill the order due to a high volume of backorders on mats for the multiple shelter openings this season.

Inventory of Supplies

- Native Friendship Centre – 14 Mats / 49 Blankets
- Salvation Army ARC Chapel – 0 Mats / 0 Blankets
- Our Place – 0 Mats / 0 Blankets
- EWP Storage – 0 Mats / 14 Blankets

This gives us a total of 14 mats and 63 Blankets. With the shifts and changes within the shelter system this season, many of the EWP supplies were utilized to get shelters up and running. This equipment has a usage rate of approx. 40-60 nights. Under the extreme weather shelter program, this is usually sufficient for 1-2 seasons. With the extra openings, the majority of the EWP equipment is now in need of replacement.

Appendix 1 – Email Template for Issuing an Extreme Weather Alert

Hello,

I have been designated under the Assistance to Shelter Act as the Community Representative for the City of Victoria, Municipality of Saanich and the Township of Esquimalt, British Columbia. I am issuing an Extreme Weather Alert (EWA) for the City of Victoria, Municipality of Saanich and the Township of Esquimalt, British Columbia.

It would be appreciated if the police department in receipt of this e-mail acknowledged receipt of this message to me only – no other recipients need to reply. You will be advised via e-mail when the EWA has been cancelled.

Thanks in advance for your assistance,

Jen Wilde
Regional Coordinator
Greater Victoria Extreme Weather Protocol

Extreme Weather Alert

Pursuant to sec. 2(2)(b) of the Assistance to Shelter Act an Extreme Weather Alert (EWA) is being issued for the City of Victoria, Municipality of Saanich and the Township of Esquimalt, British Columbia. This EWA activates the authorities in the Assistance to Shelter Act for police to assist persons at risk due to extreme weather conditions and remains in effect until it is cancelled.

This EWA is being issued on (Date and Time), due to the following weather conditions and forecast: (Description of conditions and forecast)

The following shelter(s) will be providing spaces during this EWA:

(Description of shelters available)

EWA issued by:

Jen Wilde
Regional Coordinator
Greater Victoria Extreme Weather Protocol
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Appendix 2 – Email Template for Canceling an Extreme Weather Alert

Hello,

I have been designated under the Assistance to Shelter Act as the Community Representative for the City of Victoria, Township of Esquimalt and the Municipality of Saanich, British Columbia.

On (Date), I issued an Extreme Weather Alert (EWA) for the City of Victoria, Township of Esquimalt and the Municipality of Saanich, British Columbia.

There is no longer a need for the EWA to remain in effect and, as such, I am issuing a Cancellation of an EWA. It would be appreciated if the police department in receipt of this e-mail acknowledged receipt of this message to me only – no other recipients need to reply.

Thanks again for your assistance,

Jen Wilde
Regional Coordinator
Greater Victoria Extreme Weather Protocol

Cancellation of an Extreme Weather Alert

Pursuant to sec. 2(2)(e) of the Assistance to Shelter Act the Extreme Weather Alert (EWA) issued on (Date) for the City of Victoria, Township of Esquimalt and the Municipality of Saanich, British Columbia, is now cancelled. The authorities in the Assistance to Shelter Act for police to assist persons at risk due to extreme weather conditions are no longer in effect.

This Cancellation of an EWA is being issued on (Date and Time), due to improved weather conditions and forecast.

Cancellation of an EWA issued by: Jen Wilde, Community Representative for the City of Victoria, Township of Esquimalt and the Municipality of Saanich, British Columbia.

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Appendix 3 - Weather Summary Table

EWP activations were based on a combination of current weather situations, forecasted weather and shelter capacity. The weather conditions for activations included:

- Temperatures near zero with rainfall that makes it difficult or impossible for homeless people to remain dry; and/or
- Sleet/freezing rain; and/or
- Snow accumulation; and/or
- Sustained high winds; and/or
- Temperatures at or below -2 Celsius.

The decision to activate the program was made daily at around 11:00am unless the actual weather factors and shelter capacity (90%+) indicated a need for additional shelters before or after that time. The weather summary table below was based on forecasted weather delivered by Environment Canada at 11:00am each day. The historical data was obtained through the Environment Canada website.

Weather Summary Table Definitions:

Date: This field ranges from the 1st of November to the 31st of March (151 days), during which the EWP program was in effect. Blue highlighting is used to indicate whether or not the EWP was activated on the given day.

Forecasted Temperature Lows: States what the forecasted low was at 11:00 am on the given day.

Lowest Temperature This Night: Indicates the lowest temperature (in Celsius) between the hours of 9pm and 7am.

Peak Wind Speeds This Night: Indicates the highest wind speed (in km/h) recorded between the hours of 9pm and 7am.

Approximate Lowest Wind Chill: Indicates nights when the wind chill was a factor accounted by Environment Canada.

Forecast Weather Factors: Indicates other factors that may influence the Extreme Weather Alert, including wind warnings, snowfall warnings, rain, etc.

Actual Weather Factors: States the actual weather events that happened on the given day.

Date	Forecast Temp lows	Lowest Temp This Night (9pm-7am)	Peak Wind Speeds This Night (9pm-7am)	Lowest Wind Chill (9pm-7am)	Forecast Weather Factors	Actual Weather Factors
01-Nov-15	7	3.8	10		30% Showers	Cloudy
02-Nov-15	5	5.7	13		Cloudy, Foggy	Cloudy
03-Nov-15	5	2.0	11		Cloudy, Foggy	Clear
04-Nov-15	7	7.9	13		60% Showers	Rain
05-Nov-15	7	4.5	5		40% Showers	Cloudy, Showers
06-Nov-15	9	9.3	10		Rain, Wind 40-60kms	Rain
07-Nov-15	7	5.2	24		30% Showers, Windy	Cloudy, Windy
08-Nov-15	6	7.8	13		60% Showers	Showers
09-Nov-15	2	1.9	11		Few Clouds	Clear
10-Nov-15	6	5.1	29		Rain, Windy	Rain, Windy
11-Nov-15	6	2.3	25		60% Showers, Windy	Cloudy, Windy
12-Nov-15	11	9.2	33		Wind Warning, Rain Warning	90-110mm Rain
13-Nov-14	7	6.9	8		60% Showers	Showers
14-Nov-14	4	3.3	21		40% Showers, Windy	Rain, Windy
15-Nov-14	2	0.1	14		Few Clouds	Clear
16-Nov-14	9	4.6	33		Wind Warning, Heavy Rain	Rain, Windy
17-Nov-14	5	-0.3	18	-3	Wind Warning, Heavy Rain	Windy
18-Nov-14	6	4.1	11		30% Showers	Cloudy
19-Nov-14	1	0.1	13		Clear	Clear
20-Nov-14	0	-1.1	12	-4	Clear	Clear
21-Nov-14	2	-0.6	12		Few Clouds	Clear
22-Nov-14	3	2.9	8		30% Showers	Cloudy
23-Nov-14	4	3.7	20		Scattered Showers	Rain, Fog, Windy
24-Nov-14	-1	-2.3	16	-6	Windy	Clear, Windy
25-Nov-14	-4	-1.9	11	-6	Clear	Clear
26-Nov-14	-1	-1.2	10	-4	Foggy	Clear
27-Nov-14	0	-2.5	12	-6	Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
28-Nov-14	0	-2.4	8	-5	Cloudy, Foggy	Foggy
29-Nov-14	-1	-1.4	12	-5	Cloudy, Foggy	Foggy
30-Nov-14	3	3.2	10		40% Chance Showers	Cloudy, Showers

Date	Forecast Temp lows	Lowest Temp This Night (9pm-7am)	Peak Wind Speeds This Night (9pm-7am)	Lowest Wind Chill (9pm-7am)	Forecast Weather Factors	Actual Weather Factors
01-Dec-14	5	7.2	30		Rainy, Windy	Rain, Windy
02-Dec-14	6	8.5	31		Rainy, Wind Warning	Rain, Windy
03-Dec-14	6	5.8	19		40% Showers	Showers
04-Dec-14	6	6.4	39		Rainy, Wind Warning	Rain, Windy
05-Dec-14	8	8.8	31		Rainy, Wind Warning	Rain, Windy
06-Dec-14	10	8.8	32		Rainy, Wind Warning	Rain, Windy
07-Dec-14	9	8.4	30		25mm Rain, Windy	30-40mm Rain
08-Dec-14	8	7.3	34		Heavy Rain, 50-70kms Wind	Rain, Fog, Wind
09-Dec-14	7	5.8	39		Rain, Wind 40-60kms	Cloudy, Windy
10-Dec-14	6	7.3	21		30% Showers, Windy	Cloudy
11-Dec-14	4	1.0	22		Cloudy, Foggy	Clear
12-Dec-14	7	7.0	40		Rainy, Wind Warning	Rain, Windy
13-Dec-14	2	2.4	17		40% Showers, Windy	Partly Cloudy
14-Dec-14	1	-0.2	9	-3	Clear	Partly Cloudy
15-Dec-14	3	2.9	20		30% Showers	Partly Cloudy
16-Dec-14	3	4.0	25		Showers, Windy	Showers
17-Dec-14	4	1.9	15		Rain/Snow 10-15mm, Windy	Moderate Rain, Fog
18-Dec-14	2	2.7	18		Heavy Rain	Rain
19-Dec-14	2	3.3	28		Rain	Rain, Fog
20-Dec-14	5	4.2	22		Showers	Cloudy
21-Dec-14	4	-0.1	12	-3	Partly Cloudy, Showers	Freezing Fog
22-Dec-14	2	1.0	32		Rain, Windy	Rain, Windy
23-Dec-14	1	0.6	13	-4	Rain	Freezing Fog
24-Dec-14	-1	2.5	13		Partly Cloudy	Cloudy
25-Dec-14	-1	-0.4	11	-4	Partly Cloudy	Cloudy, Showers
26-Dec-14	2	3.5	21		Rain/Flurries, Windy	Rain, Windy
27-Dec-14	1	0.8	14		Rain/Flurries	Rain, Drizzle.Fog
28-Dec-14	1	2.5	13		30% Drizzle	Rain
29-Dec-14	-2	-2.2	17	-5	Clear	Clear
30-Dec-14	-3	-2.5	12	-6	Clear	Clear
31-Dec-14	-3	-2.9	13	-7	Clear	Partly Cloudy

Date	Forecast Temp lows	Lowest Temp This Night (9pm-7am)	Peak Wind Speeds This Night (9pm-7am)	Lowest Wind Chill (9pm-7am)	Forecast Weather Factors	Actual Weather Factors
01-Jan-15	-4	-3.3	15	-6	Clear	Clear
02-Jan-15	-3	-2.6	14	-7	Clear	Partly Cloudy
03-Jan-15	2	0.9	9		70% Rain Showers/Flurries	Rain, Snow, Fog
04-Jan-15	2	-0.6	11	-4	60% Rain Showers/Flurries	Snow, Fog
05-Jan-15	2	2.6	14		60% Showers	Rain, Fog
06-Jan-15	1	2.2	15		Cloudy, Foggy	Fog
07-Jan-15	2	3.2	8		Foggy	Fog
08-Jan-15	3	0.9	11		Foggy	Fog
09-Jan-15	2	1.3	13		Cloudy, Foggy	Fog
10-Jan-15	0	-2.4	12	-5	Foggy	Clear
11-Jan-15	3	2.4	13		40% Showers	Rain, Fog
12-Jan-15	3	6.0	18		Heavy Rain and Wind	Heavy Rain, Fog, Wind
13-Jan-15	4	1.1	13		40% Showers	Partly Cloudy
14-Jan-15	0	0.2	10		Foggy	Partly Cloudy
15-Jan-15	4	4.6	25		10-15mm Rain, Wind 50-70km	Heavy Rain, Fog, Wind
16-Jan-15	5	5.4	24		40% Showers	Wind, Showers
17-Jan-15	5	6.3	16		30-70% Showers, Windy	Showers
18-Jan-15	6	1.9	10		30% Showers, Windy	Cloudy
19-Jan-15	3	1.8	9		30% Showers	Partly Cloudy
20-Jan-15	6	6.6	23		Rain, Windy	Rain, Wind, Fog
21-Jan-15	6	8.9	21		Windy, Showers	Rain, Wind
22-Jan-15	4	4.9	12		30% Showers	Cloudy
23-Jan-15	5	0.9	17		30% Showers	Clear
24-Jan-15	4	2.6	8		Partly Cloudy	Cloudy
25-Jan-15	5	6.2	12		40% Showers	Rain
26-Jan-15	7	8.4	8		Cloudy, Showers	Rain, Fog
27-Jan-15	11	9.8	28		Heavy Wind and Rain	Heavy Rain, Fog, Wind
28-Jan-15	6	7.3	27		Partly Cloudy	Cloudy
29-Jan-15	5	3.0	27		Showers, Windy	Showers, Wind
30-Jan-15	4	3.9	17		Cloudy, 60% Showers	Showers
31-Jan-15	2	0.0	14		Cloudy, 60% Showers	Partly Cloudy

Date	Forecast Temp lows	Lowest Temp This Night (9pm- 7am)	Peak Wind Speeds This Night (9pm- 7am)	Lowest Wind Chill (9pm- 7am)	Forecast Weather Factors	Actual Weather Factors
01-Feb-15	3	3.8	9		Cloudy	Rain, Fog
02-Feb-15	4	2.2	16		70% Rain	Cloudy
03-Feb-15	5	2.9	18		Rain, Showers, Wind	Rain
04-Feb-15	6	6.2	14		Overcast, Windy	Cloudy
05-Feb-15	4	5.5	23		Cloudy, Windy	Showers, Windy
06-Feb-15	2	1.5	12		Cloudy	Cloudy
07-Feb-15	4	2.7	11		Mainly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
08-Feb-15	3	3.4	10		Clear, Foggy	Clear
09-Feb-15	3	4.8	11		Partly Cloudy	Cloudy
10-Feb-15	4	3.0	17		Partly Cloudy, Foggy	Partly Cloudy
11-Feb-15	8	7.5	11		Rain, Windy	Rain, Drizzle, Fog
12-Feb-15	5	5.4	19		Showers, Windy	Showers
13-Feb-15	9	4.8	10		Periods of Rain	Rain
14-Feb-15	9	7.3	11		Showers, Rain, Windy	Rain, Fog
15-Feb-15	5	4.3	23		Showers, Windy	Showers, Windy
16-Feb-15	7	7.0	13		Cloudy, Few Showers	Showers
17-Feb-15	7	7.1	14		Showers	Rain
18-Feb-15	7	7.3	29		60% Showers, Windy	Showers, Windy
19-Feb-15	4	4.7	25		60% Showers, Windy	Showers, Windy
20-Feb-15	3	1.0	10		Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
21-Feb-15	2	2.4	18		70% Showers, Windy	Showers
22-Feb-15	2	0.1	9		Partly Cloudy	Clear
23-Feb-15	4	3.8	11		Cloudy, Windy	Cloudy
24-Feb-15	2	3.0	12		Partly Cloudy	Clear
25-Feb-15	3	3.3	12		Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
26-Feb-15	7	6.8	10		Periods of Rain	Rain, Fog
27-Feb-15	7	7.4	8		Rain, Windy	Rain
28-Feb-15	5	5.0	18		60% Showers, Windy	Showers
29-Feb-16	7	6.4	28		Rain, Windy	Rain, Windy

Date	Forecast Temp lows	Lowest Temp This Night (9pm-7am)	Peak Wind Speeds This Night (9pm-7am)	Lowest Wind Chill (9pm-7am)	Forecast Weather Factors	Actual Weather Factors
01-Mar-15	8	7.2	30		Showers, Windy	Rain, Windy
02-Mar-15	7	7.7	21		40% Showers, Windy	Showers, Windy
03-Mar-15	7	9.0	23		40% Showers, Windy	Cloudy, Windy
04-Mar-15	8	8.0	21		Periods of Rain, Windy	Rain, Windy
05-Mar-15	8	7.0	32		Showers, Windy	Showers, Windy
06-Mar-15	5	6.1	17		40% Showers	Rain, Fog
07-Mar-15	6	3.6	11		Partly Cloudy, Windy	Partly Cloudy
08-Mar-15	7	7.0	25		Partly Cloudy	Cloudy
09-Mar-15	9	8.6	32		Wind Warning, Rain	Heavy Rain, Windy
10-Mar-15	6	4.6	11		30% Showers, Windy	Cloudy
11-Mar-15	7	5.7	20		Showers	Cloudy
12-Mar-15	5	4.2	34		60% Showers, Windy	Showers, Windy
13-Mar-15	6	3.8	23		Wind Warning, Rain	Showers, Windy
14-Mar-15	5	2.7	15		60% Showers, Windy	Partly Cloudy
15-Mar-15	2	2.5	18		30% Showers	Cloudy
16-Mar-15	3	2.7	17		Few Clouds	Partly Cloudy
17-Mar-15	2	2.3	9		Clear, Windy	Partly Cloudy
18-Mar-15	6	4.8	10		Cloudy	Cloudy
19-Mar-15	6	7.9	11		Cloudy, 60% Showers	Showers
20-Mar-15	7	6.5	31		Few Showers	Showers, Windy
21-Mar-15	6	3.4	7		30% Showers	Partly Cloudy
22-Mar-15	7	7.6	22		40% Showers, Windy	Partly Cloudy, Windy
23-Mar-15	6	3.2	26		40% Showers, Windy	Showers, Windy
24-Mar-15	2	3.1	17		40% Showers, Windy	Cloudy
25-Mar-15	6	4.4	10		Cloudy	Cloudy
26-Mar-15	6	5.4	14		Few Showers, Windy	Rain
27-Mar-15	4	3.5	19		40% Showers, Windy	Partly Cloudy
28-Mar-15	3	3.3	11		Clear	Clear
29-Mar-15	4	5.0	12		Clear	Clear
30-Mar-15	5	6.4	10		Clear	Clear
31-Mar-15	5	6.0	7		Clear, Windy	Clear

Appendix 4 - Shelter Capacity Summary

When a weather factor indicated that activation should be considered, the coordinator looked to the existing shelters to determine the need for additional shelters. A number of factors influenced the attendance at both EWP and non-EWP shelters. For example, attendance was very low on the days directly following Social Assistance cheque issue dates. Weather systems that arrived late in the day—such as a rainfall at midnight—also brought the attendance levels down, as clients were unaware that they would require shelter until it was too late.

The summary below contains data collected from the participating organizations over the course of the EWP season.

Shelter Capacity Summary Definitions

SA ESP: Salvation Army ARC – Emergency Shelter Beds

SA Free: Salvation Army ARC – Overflow Free Beds

RBL Beds: Rock Bay Landing – Emergency Shelter Beds

RBL Mats: Rock Bay Landing – Overflow Mats

SJD: St John the Divine Church

SM: Sandy Merriman House

OOTR: Out of the Rain Night Youth Shelter

NS: Next Steps

SA ARC – Salvation Army ARC – EWP Mats

NFC: Victoria Native Friendship Centre – EWP Mats

OP: Our Place – EWP Mats

Blue
Highlighting

indicates EWP activations

Yellow Highlighting

indicates 90%+ capacity

Grey Highlighting

indicates that the shelter or a portion of that shelter was unavailable for that night.

Light Orange
Highlighting

indicates Tier One Activation of the EWP

Dark Orange
Highlighting

indicates Tier Two Activation of the EWP

Adult Shelters											Alt. Shelters				EWP Shelters				Totals	
Date	SA ESP	SA Free	SA MATS	RBL Beds	RBL Mats	SM	CSS	OPS FMU	Total in Adult	% Used	OOT R	NS	Total in Alt.	% Used	SA ARC	NFC	OPS	Total in EWP	% Used	Total in Shelters
01-Nov-15	21	0		84	30	24	29	40	228	97%	24	15	39	87%				0		267
02-Nov-15	21	0		84	25	26	27	40	223	95%	21	14	35	78%				0		258
03-Nov-15	21	0		84	27	25	38	40	235	100%	29	15	44	98%				0		279
04-Nov-15	21	0		84	27	25	38	40	235	100%	26	15	41	91%				0		276
05-Nov-15	21	0		84	30	25	31	40	231	98%	20	15	35	78%				0		266
06-Nov-15	21	0		84	30	23	40	40	238	101%	19	15	34	76%				0		272
07-Nov-15	21	0		84	30	25	37	40	237	101%	23	15	38	84%				0		275
08-Nov-15	21	0		84	28	26	44	40	243	103%	18	15	33	73%				0		276
09-Nov-15	20	0		84	28	24	37	40	233	99%	18	15	33	73%				0		266
10-Nov-15	21	0		84	27	25	41	40	238	101%	21	15	36	80%				0		274
11-Nov-15	21	0		84	28	25	42	40	240	102%	22	15	37	82%				0		277
12-Nov-15	21	0		84	29	24	40	40	238	101%	18	15	33	73%	19	4	30	53	62%	324
13-Nov-15	21	0		84	29	25	45	40	244	104%	15	15	30	67%				0		274
14-Nov-15	21	0		84	30	24	43	40	242	103%	30	15	45	100%				0		287
15-Nov-15	21	1		84	30	25	44	40	245	104%	25	15	40	89%				0		285
16-Nov-15	21	0		84	29	25	28	40	227	97%	27	15	42	93%	30	11	25	66	78%	335
17-Nov-15	21	0		84	27	27	31	40	230	98%	30	15	45	100%	30	9	30	69	81%	344
18-Nov-15	21	0		84	27	20	32	40	224	95%	10	15	25	56%				0		249
19-Nov-15	21	0		84	26	25	35	40	231	98%	13	15	28	62%				0		259
20-Nov-15	21	0		84	27	25	35	40	232	99%	17	15	32	71%				0		264
21-Nov-15	21	0		84	24	23	38	40	230	98%	21	15	36	80%				0		266
22-Nov-15	21	0		84	29	22	41	40	237	101%	20	15	35	78%				0		272
23-Nov-15	21	0		84	28	19	42	40	234	100%	26	15	41	91%				0		275
24-Nov-15	21	0		84	26	18	31	40	220	94%	20	15	35	78%	30	13	25	68	80%	323
25-Nov-15	21	1		84	27	16	27	39	215	91%	22	15	37	82%	30	13	30	73	86%	325
26-Nov-15	21	1		84	20	19	31	39	215	91%	20	15	35	78%	30	17	30	77	91%	327
27-Nov-15	21	1		84	22	20	29	38	215	91%	20	15	35	78%	30	19	30	79	93%	329
28-Nov-15	21	1		84	19	21	32	40	218	93%	17	15	32	71%	30	12	24	66	78%	316
29-Nov-15	21	1		84	19	24	32	40	221	94%	21	15	36	80%	30	15	30	75	88%	332
30-Nov-15	21	1		84	26	21	45	40	238	101%	20	15	35	78%				0		273

Adult Shelters											Alt. Shelters				EWP Shelters				Totals	
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01-Dec-15	21	0		84	30	24	43	40	242	103%	25	15	40	89%				0		282
02-Dec-15	21	0		84	25	23	32	40	225	96%	13	15	28	62%	30	7	24	61	72%	314
03-Dec-15	21	0		84	24	25	42	40	236	100%	15	15	30	67%				0		266
04-Dec-15	21	0		84	25	26	37	38	231	98%	15	15	30	67%	30	6	24	60	71%	321
05-Dec-15	21	0		84	24	24	32	38	223	95%	15	15	30	67%	30	18	30	78	92%	331
06-Dec-15	21	0		84	29	24	30	39	227	97%	15	15	30	67%	30	14	20	64	75%	321
07-Dec-15	21	0		84	28	21	28	40	222	94%	20	15	35	78%	30	13	30	73	86%	330
08-Dec-15	21	0		84	26	24	38	39	232	99%	17	15	32	71%	30	23	30	83	98%	347
09-Dec-15	21	0		84	27	23	33	49	237	99%	12	15	27	60%	30	18	42	90	86%	354
10-Dec-15	21	0		84	20	22	40	48	235	98%	11	15	26	58%				0		261
11-Dec-15	21	0		84	25	22	33	49	234	98%	13	15	28	62%				0		262
12-Dec-15	21	0		83	27	24	35	45	235	98%	14	14	28	62%	30	11	27	68	65%	331
13-Dec-15	21	0		84	26	25	34	52	242	101%	16	14	30	67%				0		272
14-Dec-15	21	0		84	23	25	40	50	243	101%	13	15	28	62%				0		271
15-Dec-15	20	0		84	23	25	41	50	243	101%	14	15	29	64%				0		272
16-Dec-15	21	0	30	84	25	24	37	55	276	102%	11	15	26	58%				0		302
17-Dec-15	21	0	30	84	23	23	33	43	257	95%	8	15	23	51%		6	34	40	73%	320
18-Dec-15	21	0	14	84	23	24	28	48	242	90%	8	15	23	51%		8	28	36	65%	301
19-Dec-15	21	1	14	84	26	22	32	47	247	91%	9	15	15	33%		10	36	46	84%	308
20-Dec-15	21	1	21	84	26	24	41	51	269	100%	13	15	28	62%				0		297
21-Dec-15	21	0	14	84	21	21	40	53	254	94%	13	15	28	62%				0		282
22-Dec-15	21	1	19	84	20	25	34	50	254	94%	14	15	29	64%		7	21	28	51%	311
23-Dec-15	21	0	20	84	25	26	32	46	254	94%	12	15	27	60%		16	25	41	75%	322
24-Dec-15	21	0	18	84	19	25	28	45	240	89%	8	15	23	51%		11	27	38	69%	301
25-Dec-15	21	1	16	84	18	24	25	47	236	87%	5	15	20	44%		5	30	35	64%	291
26-Dec-15	21	1	21	84	16	25	30	42	240	89%	10	15	25	56%		13	25	38	69%	303
27-Dec-15	21	1	19	84	22	24	29	50	250	93%	14	15	29	64%		11	24	35	64%	314
28-Dec-15	21	2	17	84	22	25	35	53	259	96%	17	15	32	71%				0		291
29-Dec-15	21	1	21	84	23	25	33	47	255	94%	19	15	34	76%		10	24	34	62%	323
30-Dec-15	21	1	14	84	19	26	32	49	246	91%	22	15	37	82%		11	28	39	71%	322
31-Dec-15	21	1	19	84	22	22	32	50	251	93%	10	15	25	56%		13	29	42	76%	318

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02-Jan-16	21	0	20	84	26	25	33	50	259	96%	14	15	29	64%		19	28	47	85%	335
03-Jan-16	21	0	21	84	23	24	29	48	250	93%	17	15	32	71%		12	30	42	76%	324
04-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	20	20	29	51	255	94%	18	15	33	73%		13	31	44	80%	332
05-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	25	20	42	50	272	101%	16	15	31	69%				0		303
06-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	20	26	40	50	271	100%	18	15	33	73%				0		304
07-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	26	24	42	50	277	103%	11	15	26	58%				0		303
08-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	17	23	38	50	263	97%	14	15	29	64%				0		292
09-Jan-16	19	0	22	84	23	27	40	48	263	97%	13	15	28	62%				0		291
10-Jan-16	19	0	30	84	23	25	40	58	279	103%	16	15	31	69%				0		310
11-Jan-16	21	1	30	84	27	23	43	55	284	105%	15	15	30	67%				0		314
12-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	20	25	34	50	264	98%	17	15	32	71%		15	30	45	82%	341
13-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	27	23	44	50	279	103%	17	15	32	71%				0		311
14-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	30	26	44	50	285	106%	15	14	29	64%				0		314
15-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	26	25	41	50	277	103%	12	14	26	58%		8	25	33	60%	336
16-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	28	22	45	49	279	103%	19	14	33	73%				0		312
17-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	28	22	43	51	279	103%	16	14	30	67%				0		309
18-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	27	25	44	51	282	104%	20	14	34	76%				0		316
19-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	24	24	45	49	277	103%	22	14	36	80%				0		313
20-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	25	25	44	50	279	103%	20	14	34	76%				0		313
21-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	29	25	45	50	284	105%	9	14	23	51%				0		307
22-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	20	21	40	45	261	97%	8	14	22	49%				0		283
23-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	20	21	40	51	267	99%	7	14	21	47%				0		288
24-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	25	23	42	51	276	102%	12	14	26	58%				0		302
25-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	22	23	36	51	267	99%	12	14	26	58%				0		293
26-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	30	23	36	47	271	100%	12	14	26	58%				0		297
27-Jan-16	21	0	30	83	26	21	37	43	261	97%	12	14	26	58%		8	22	30	55%	317
28-Jan-16	21	0	25	84	26	21	37	50	264	98%	9	14	23	51%				0		287
29-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	27	23	41	50	276	102%	8	14	22	49%				0		298
30-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	22	22	37	51	267	99%	8	14	22	49%				0		289
31-Jan-16	21	0	30	84	26	24	42	50	277	103%	11	14	25	56%				0		302

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02-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	23	24	39	46	267	99%	10	15	25	56%				0		292
03-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	22	23	44	47	271	100%	7	15	22	49%				0		293
04-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	28	24	40	50	277	103%	6	15	21	47%				0		298
05-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	28	23	45	46	277	103%	7	15	22	49%				0		299
06-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	28	23	43	50	279	103%	7	15	22	49%				0		301
07-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	29	23	40	48	275	102%	8	14	22	49%				0		297
08-Feb-16	21	1	30	84	30	24	40	51	281	104%	8	15	23	51%				0		304
09-Feb-16	21	1	30	84	29	25	43	50	283	105%	10	15	25	56%				0		308
10-Feb-16	21	1	30	84	30	24	44	50	284	105%	9	15	24	53%				0		308
11-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	26	24	45	47	277	103%	6	15	21	47%				0		298
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13-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	29	25	42	49	280	104%	7	15	22	49%				0		302
14-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	29	23	45	50	282	104%	6	15	21	47%				0		303
15-Feb-16	21	0	30	83	29	23	43	50	279	103%	7	15	22	49%				0		301
16-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	21	22	40	49	267	99%	10	15	25	56%				0		292
17-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	21	22	37	49	264	98%	7	15	22	49%				0		286
18-Feb-16	21	0	30	83	26	22	34	45	261	97%	7	15	22	49%				0		283
19-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	19	21	34	50	259	96%	4	15	19	42%				0		278
20-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	23	21	37	50	266	99%	7	15	22	49%				0		288
21-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	22	22	39	49	267	99%	8	15	23	51%				0		290
22-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	29	20	40	49	273	101%	4	15	19	42%				0		292
23-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	27	25	44	47	278	103%	8	15	23	51%				0		301
24-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	21	21	45	50	272	101%	10	15	25	56%				0		297
25-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	20	21	40	40	256	95%	8	15	23	51%				0		279
26-Feb-16	21	0	30	84	24	23	40	49	271	100%	8	15	23	51%				0		294
27-Feb-16	21	0	20	83	22	20	39	49	254	94%	8	15	23	51%				0		277
28-Feb-16	21	0	19	82	19	21	38	50	250	93%	11	15	26	58%				0		276
29-Feb-16	21	0	25	83	22	20	38	50	259	96%	12	15	27	60%				0		286

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03-Mar-16	21	0	22	84	25	22	44	50	268	99%	10	15	25	56%				0		293
04-Mar-16	21	0	21	84	25	22	39	46	258	96%	8	15	23	51%				0		281
05-Mar-16	21	0	13	84	19	22	40	50	249	92%	9	15	24	53%				0		273
06-Mar-16	21	0	16	84	21	23	27	45	237	88%	14	15	29	64%				0		266
07-Mar-16	21	1	21	84	18	20	33	50	248	92%	15	15	30	67%				0		278
08-Mar-16	21	1	23	84	20	21	38	50	258	96%	13	15	28	62%				0		286
09-Mar-16	21	0	23	84	17	22	0	50	217	80%	14	15	29	64%		10	43	53	71%	299
10-Mar-16	21	0	21	84	17	23	36	47	249	92%	10	15	25	56%				0		274
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12-Mar-16	21	0	20	84	21	22	40	50	258	96%	7	15	22	49%				0		280
13-Mar-16	20	0	20	84	17	22	31	49	243	90%	13	15	28	62%		4	17	21	60%	292
14-Mar-16	21	0	21	84	24	22	31	49	252	93%	16	15	31	69%				0		283
15-Mar-16	17	0	21	84	17	21	36	50	246	91%	17	15	32	71%				0		278
16-Mar-16	20	0	24	84	22	24	29	48	251	93%	16	15	31	69%				0		282
17-Mar-16	21	0	16	84	20	22	35	48	246	91%	8	15	23	51%				0		269
18-Mar-16	20	0	19	83	11	22	37	46	238	88%	11	15	26	58%				0		264
19-Mar-16	21	0	17	84	14	20	39	45	240	89%	8	15	23	51%				0		263
20-Mar-16	21	0	18	84	14	23	32	46	238	88%	18	15	33	73%				0		271
21-Mar-16	21	0	30	83	16	23	38	52	263	97%	13	15	28	62%				0		291
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23-Mar-16	20	0	23	83	10	20	35	44	235	87%	12	15	27	60%				0		262
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25-Mar-16	21	0	30	84	16	17	34	39	241	89%	10	15	25	56%				0		266
26-Mar-16	23	2	30	84	10	20	34	45	248	92%	10	15	25	56%				0		273
27-Mar-16	20	0	30	84	12	21	30	50	247	91%	12	15	27	60%				0		274
28-Mar-16	22	1	30	84	12	20	28	49	246	91%	13	15	28	62%				0		274
29-Mar-16	21	0	23	84	14	23	33	42	240	89%	17	15	32	71%				0		272
30-Mar-16	19	0	22	84	15	20	31	42	233	86%	17	15	32	71%				0		265
31-Mar-16	19	0	23	84	13	20	25	50	234	87%	13	14	27	60%				0		261