



A Guide

To Public, Community & Private Services for

Castlegar & Area Seniors

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This Guide and many more services posted on-line: <u>www.kb.fetchbc.ca</u>

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Disclaimer:

This Guide lists a number of publicly funded (government & non-profit) and privately operated, for-profit, services.

However, please note that we are NOT able to endorse or recommend specific services listed in this Guide. While many publicly funded services are externally evaluated and required to meet rigorous standards, we strongly suggest that, prior to hiring a privately funded service provider, references be checked and clear agreements made re fees, service expectations, and so on.

For more information, go to the **Better Business Bureau of Mainland BC** website: <u>www.bbb.org/mbc</u> or phone: 1-888-803-1222

FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION about a wide variety of

services and resources in the Kootenay Boundary region go to the

Kootenay Boundary FETCH website: <u>www.kb.fetchbc.ca</u>

Note: Seniors Directories for all 8 KB sub-regions are posted on website

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For information about COVID-19, vaccinations, supportive provincial services & other assistance:

- Vaccine Info & Appointments: Call 1-833-838-2323 or go online: <u>https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/register</u> Open Monday to Friday 7am to 7pm
- COVID-19 health information and links to current BC government programs: Call 811 for HealthLinkBC or go online <u>www.healthlinkbc.ca</u>
- Free rapid COVID test kits available free of charge from a local pharmacy for anyone over 18.
- Proof of Vaccine Card: may be required if travelling outside of Canada: For more information:
 - Go Online: https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/proof
 - Or Phone: 1-833-838-2323

ABUSE / CRISIS / EMERGENCIES

24 / 7 Emergency (Ambulance, Fire, Police)	911
 24 / 7 Crisis Lines: For support in a crisis, or concerns about the safety of another person 	
BC Mental Health Support Line	310-6789
Interior Crisis Line Network	1-888-353-2273
Suicide Hotline	1-800-784-2433
Seniors Abuse & Information Line (SAIL) www.seniorsfirstbc.ca	
 Phone: Mon – Fri: 8am – 8pm; Sat: 10:30am - 5pm 	1-866-437-1940
Call re concerns about senior abuse or mistreatment TTY	1-855-306-1443
Report Concerns re Elder Abuse or Neglect to:	
Report Adult Abuse & Neglect (IHA) Mon-Fri: 8:30am-4:30pm	1-844-870-4754
Castlegar RCMP (re a crime)	250-365-7721
Police Based (RCMP) Victim Services 440 Columbia Avenue	250-304-6353
Offers victims of crime & tragedy crisis intervention, emotional support,	1-800-563-0808
justice system information, court orientation and referrals	(after office hours)
For Women: Safe shelter & support for women & their children affected by domestic abuse, violence & threats	
Safe Homes & Outreach <u>www.cdcss.ca</u> 1007 2 nd Street	250-365-2104
Women's Transition Houses: 24/7 safe shelter Nelson	250-354-4357
Trail	250-364-1543
Castlegar Connections Centre 1660 Columbia Avenue	250-608-5019
Help available to assist vulnerable low income folk, and those who are	
homeless or at risk of homelessness; Drop-in Thursdays: 9am – 5pm	
 Street Outreach services: Wednesday to Sunday: 11am - 4pm 	250-608-9763
Castlegar Community Harvest Food Bank Emergency Shelter	250-608-1047
• Phone/ text if in need of emergency support; See more info on page 2	
Castlegar Community Response Network (CRN) Sandi	250-608-0706
 Prevention & education to help end abuse, neglect and self-neglect of adults in BC; Also sponsors the IRIS program (page 14) 	

DRUG STORES / PHARMACIES

Pharmasave 1128 3rd Street	(delivers)	250-365-7813
Safeway Pharmacy 1721 Columbia Avenue		250-365-7141
Shoppers Drug Mart 1965 Columbia Avenue	(delivers)	250-365-5888
Shoppers Simply Pharmacy 117 - 1983 Columbia Avenue	(delivers)	250-365-3400
T.H.E. Pharmacy (Columbia River Pharmacy) 1002 Columbia	a Ave	250-365-0001
	(delivers)	

FOOD / MEAL SERVICES

*** FOOD BANKS**

Castlegar Community Harvest Food Bank	250-608-1047
 Anglican Church Basement, 614 Christina Place 	
 Mon, Wed & Fri: provides drop-in, lunches and hampers 	
 Register by phone or text 9-10:30am; pick-up 11:30am -12pm 	
 Generally, one hamper / person is given out each month 	
 Other supports available include shower & laundry coupons, harm reduction supplies, sleeping bags,clothing, hygiene kits, dog/cat food and emergency shelter support. Facebook page <u>https://www.facebook.com/Castlegarfoodbank/</u> 	

✤ FROZEN MEALS

There is a charge for these services

Dinners at Home	Susan	250-304-1269
 Order by phone & pick up from Talarico Place, 709 10th Ave Low cost, nutritious, frozen meals which can be re-heated at ho 	me.	or 250-304-1213
 Other Frozen Meals Suppliers (in addition to Grocery Stores) Marino Wholesale: 1883 Fifth Ave, Trail; Mon – Fri: 8am – 	1pm	250-368-6955

FOOD / MEAL SERVICES (continued)

* MEAL PROGRAMS / DROP-IN

 Castlegar Better at Home Monthly Coffee & Drop-in "Toonie Tuesday" (last Tuesday/month) 9 – 11:30am Call to register New Life Church 602 7th St (enter around back in basement) Castlegar Community Harvest Drop-in & Lunch Program Anglican Church Basement, 614 Christina Place; Drop-in & Lunch Mon, Wed & Fri; 9am – 12:30pm For lunch (or a hamper) Register by phone / text: 9:30 – 10:30am Eat in or take-out: 11:30am – 12pm 	250-365-2104 ext 225 250-608-1047
 IRIS Program (Increasing Recreation Involving Seniors) Sandi 1250 26th Street Offers seniors 60+ many no-cost (donations welcome) opportunities for recreational and social activities including meals, coffee gatherings, lunch and learn activities, cook & share projects and exercise classes Phone for more information & schedule A program of the Castlegar Community Response Network (pg 1) Located in the Kinnaird Park Community Church Building 1250 26th St 	250-608-0706
 Operation Feast New Life Church 602 7th Street Free hot dinner Thursdays 4:30pm (mid-September to end of June) Meals can be picked up or are delivered (when possible). Phone to register (phone only <u>after September 1</u>) Betty Church Office open Monday to Thursday: 10am to 2pm 	250-551-3075 250-365-5212

FOOT CARE

Dr Alumbaugh Podiatrist	http://drdanapodiatry.com	
Clinic location: 1686 2 nd Ave, Trail: Monda	ays & Thursdays	250-364-1516
Dee's Home Foot Care	Dee	250-365-0244
Feet First Foot Care	Tara	250-505-0842
Foot Care by Bonnie	Bonnie Thompson	250-365-3492
Oasis Foot Care	Anita	250-368-1342
Pampered Sole Foot Care	Miranda	250-777-4337
Sole Comfort Advanced Foot Care	Lori	250-231-0112
Ten Digit Foot Care	Joan	250-365-1857

FRAUD / FINANCIAL

Banking	
 Contact your Bank or Credit Union to set up services such as 	
Automatic Deposit, Bill Paying, Internet, Telephone Banking	
Better Business Bureau of Mainland BC www.bbb.org/mbc	1-888-803-1222
 Services include business info, scam warnings & receiving complaints 	1-604-682-2711
 Open: Monday to Friday: 9am - 4pm 	
Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre	
• Contact re any scams / suspected fraud. Mon-Fri: 6am-1:45pm PST	1-888-495-8501
Credit Counselling Society <u>www.nomoredebts.org</u> Kelowna Office	1-888-948-8960
 Free credit & debt counselling & personal budgeting services 	1-888-527-8999
Castlegar RCMP	250-365-7721
 Contact re any concerns regarding possible financial abuse 	

GOVERNMENT SERVICES / ADVOCACY / SUPPORT

 Advocacy Centre 205 Hall Street, Nelson www.advocacycentre.org Help with issues connected with income supports, disability benefits, tenancy, debt, other government programs & provides info re legal aid. Staff travel to Castlegar Community Services 1007 2nd St and Community Connection Centre 1660 Columbia Ave twice a month. Call for an appointment: 	1-877-352-5777 250-608-0589
 BC Housing Subsidy: Shelter Aid for Elderly Renters (SAFER) A rent subsidy for those over 60 living on an unsubsidized low income See website re qualifying for program www.bchousing.org 	1-800-257-7756
Community Volunteer Income Tax Program1007 2 nd Street• Free tax filing services in March & April for those on a low income• Year round assistance re taxes as needed• Forms picked up & dropped off at Castlegar Community Services	250-365-2104
 Income Assistance Service BC Centre,1520 Bay Avenue, Trail; Mon – Fri: 9am – 4:30pm An income supplement or other support available to eligible seniors 	1-866-866-0800
SeniorsBC www.seniorsbc.ca • Website offers a comprehensive description of health care and other services for seniors & includes the on-line Seniors' Guide	
 Service <u>BC</u> Centre (Government Agent / Access Centre) 1520 Bay Avenue, Trail: Mon to Fri: 9am – noon; 1 - 4:30pm Walk-in or make an appointment BC government forms, information, services, licences & assistance applying for a wide variety of programs such as MSP, Pharmacare, seniors' subsidies for housing & transportation as well as income & disability (welfare) services 	250-364-0591
 Service <u>Canada</u> Centre 101 - 1101 Dewdney Avenue, Trail Office Hours: Tuesday to Thursday: 8:30am – 4pm TTY Federal Government forms, information & assistance re a variety of services & programs including CPP, OAS & GIS, passports, EI, Veterans Affairs, etc <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/</u> 	1-800-622-6232 1-800-926-9105

HEALTH CARE SERVICES: GENERAL INFORMATION

Advance Care Planning www.gov.bc.ca/advancecare • Website provides links to the planning document "My Voice" & information on planning re future care, support and other needs Ambulance Billing Services Info Line Monday to Friday: 9am - 4pm • For Billing information: http://www.bcehs.ca/about/billing Health Insurance BC https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health • Medical Services Plan, Pharmacare & Fair Pharmacare • Forms and other information also available at the Service BC Centre in Trail (page 5)	1-800-665-7199 1-800-663-7100
HealthLinkBCToll free• Navigator or Nurse: 24 hours / 7 days a weekDietician or Exercise Professional: Monday to Friday: 9am - 5pm• Pharmacist: 7 days a week: 5pm-9amInformation and links to services: www.healthlinkbc.ca• Special Line for Hearing Impaired persons:Toll free	811
 Nidus Personal Planning Resource Centre & Registry https://www.nidus.ca/ Comprehensive online information, forms & support for all aspects of Personal Planning which includes; Legal and Financial planning including the creation of an Enduring Power of Attorney document Health and Personal Care planning including the creation of a Representation Agreement document Estate Planning including creating a Will. 	
 Office of the Seniors' Advocate Information & Referral Line Monday to Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm Www.seniorsadvocatebc.ca Offers BC Seniors information and referrals to relevant services Monitors and analyzes seniors' services and makes recommendations to government and service providers to address systemic issues in five areas: health care, housing, income support, community support and transportation. See the website for a number of reports and studies re all these areas; Includes the online Seniors' Guide & BC Long Term Care Directory 	1-877-952-3181

HEALTH CARE SERVICES: INTERIOR HEALTH (IHA)

***** CASTLEGAR & DISTRICT COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

o 709 10th Street, Castlegar **250-365-7711**

 Urgent and Primary Care Centre Team based care for urgent, non-life threatening illnesses or injuries that need attention within 12-24 hours: 7 days/week: 8am to 8pm only For after-hours emergency services: KB Regional Hospital in Trail 	250-365-7711 250-304-1289 1-866-368-3314
 Home Health Services Central Intake /Assessment Castlegar Home Health Provides nursing care and self-management teaching for chronic and acute conditions, Ambulatory Care Clinic visits (by appointment) and palliative care & navigation with support for families Also offers case management for seniors and families to assess needs and develop care plans. Services include Home Support, Adult Day Program, Facility Respite, Advanced Care Planning and reviewing eligibility for Assisted Living and Long Term Care New clients must phone the Central Intake/Assessment line 	1-800-707-8550 250-365-4333
 Home Support Services Central Intake /Assessment Castlegar Home Support A scheduled, subsidized service (income dependent) providing simple meal preparation, help with managing personal health care needs, caregiver respite & palliative home support. Does NOT include bulk meal prep, cooking, housekeeping, driving, shopping Home Support Scheduling 7 days/week: 6:30am - 8pm 	1-800-707-8550 250-365-4333 1-800-707-8550
 Medical Laboratory Book online <u>www.labonlinebooking.ca</u> or Book by phone Limited walk-in services available Mon-Fri 9am to 3pm Lab # 	1-844-870-4756 250-365-7711 ext 2
 Mental Health & Substance Use (MH&SU) Services Office Supports those with mental health and substance use concerns Assists seniors (& caregivers) with mental health issues associated with aging 	250-304-1846 or 310-MHSU(6478)
 Public Health / Promotion & Prevention Services Provides a wide range of public health services for all ages 	250-365-7711

HEALTH CARE SERVICES: INTERIOR HEALTH (IHA) (continued)

✤ RESPITE /DAY PROGRAMS

Day Program at Castle Wood Village 525 Columbia Avenue	
For a referral from Home Health (IHA) call: Intake /Assessment	1-800-707-8550
Private pay participants call Castle Wood Village for details & register	250-365-6686
Talarico Place 709 10th Street	250 365-7221
Respite Care, Convalescent Care & Palliative Care Bed	
Referral required from Home Health (IHA) Intake /Assessment	1-800-707-8550
See page 11 Home Services & page 12 Hospice for other possibilities	

HEALTH CARE SERVICES: OTHER

* MOBILE

ervices	
 Free BC program serving isolated seniors in the Castlegar Area 	
Offers home visits, health assessments, referrals, basic care	
ity nurse	
https://krdh.ca/	
Noel	250-304-5754
)	ar Area care ity nurse <u>https://krdh.ca/</u>

PRIMARY CARE

> FOR THOSE WITHOUT A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER

Kootenay Boundary Health Connect Registry	HealthLink BC	811
 For those KB residents looking for a physician or nu 	rse practitioner	
Register by phone or online: <u>www.healthlinkbc.ca/hea</u>	Ith-connect-registry	

> MEDICAL CLINICS

Castlegar Medical Associates 1008 Columbia Avenue	250-365-2161
Castlegar Medical Clinic Downtown 1101 3rd Street	250-365-7717
Castlegar Medical Clinic Uptown (Kinnaird) 1840 8th Avenue	250-365-7255
IHA Urgent & Primary Care Services (page 7)	250-304-1289

HEALTH CARE: NAVIGATION / SUPPORT / COMPLAINTS

✤ INTERIOR HEALTH (IHA)

 IHA Patient Care Quality Office Assists patients through the complain have received from Interior Health s 		1-877-442-2001
KB Regional Hospital, Trail - Soci	al Work Department	250-364-5163
 Provides psycho-social care for hos support, practical assistance, advoc 		or 1-866-368-3314

✤ OTHER (NON-IHA)

 Aboriginal Patient Navigator Kootenay Boundary Area Provides a range of culturally sensitive support to Aboriginal patients, caregivers and their families while in the health care system Funded by IHA; A Circle of Indigenous Nations (COINS) program 	250-399-0699 250-304-5621
<u>https://www.coinations.net</u> COINS Office	1-877-904-2634
KB Mental Health & Substance Use Consumer, Family & Peer	250-364-2326
 Support Trail FAIR Centre, 2079 Columbia Ave <u>https://www.trailfair.ca</u> Provides support, education & resources to individuals (& families) with 	Ext 225
long-term mental health & substance use (addiction) concerns	1-877-364-2326
Nav-CARE Program Castlegar Hospice Society www.castlegarhospice.org	250-304-1266
 Trained volunteers support those diagnosed with life-limiting illness, help navigate services, find resources, and anticipate future needs 	
Office of the Seniors' Advocate Monday to Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm	1-877-952-3181
Phone & website offers BC seniors information, resources and	
referrals to relevant services. See page 7 for more information	
West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support Coordinator	1-888-212-2337
Education, resources, groups for caregivers http://wkbcaregiver.org/	
See pages 15 - 18 for additional services for specific conditions	

HEALTH / MEDICAL EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES

✤ NON-PROFIT

Health Equipment Loan Program (HELP) 1250 A 26th Street	250-365-3911
 11am to 2pm Mon – Thurs; closed Friday; 	
Requires a referral from a health care professional	
Offers a wide variety of medical equipment for up to 3 months	
 No fees; Donations welcome; A Canadian Red Cross Program <u>https://www.redcross.ca/in-your-community</u> 	

✤ PRIVATE

Drug Stores / Pharmacies	
• Several carry medical supplies & equipment. (page 2)	
Hearing Tests / Hearing Aids All offer free screening for seniors	
 Connect Hearing 104-1101 Dewdney Ave, Trail www.connecthearing.ca 	250-368-5105
Kootenay Hearing & Audiology 4-425 Columbia Ave, Castlegar Merged with Dynamic Hearing <u>www.dynamichearingsolutions.ca</u>	778-901-9038
Kootenay Columbia Home Medical Equipment	250-365-7772
 130-630 17th Street, Castlegar <u>www.kchomemedical.ca</u> Rents, sells and repairs a wide range of medical equipment 	1-866-515-7772
Personal Emergency Response Systems/ Medical Alarms	1-888-832-6071
Lifeline <u>www.lifeline.ca</u> Kootenay contact: Rhandean Lacktin	250-364 2524
Respiratory Tests & Equipment	
Independent Respiratory Services <u>www.irscanada.ca</u>	
865 Columbia Avenue, Castlegar Appointment	1-877-365-6952
MedPro Respiratory Care https://www.medprorespiratory.com/	1-888-310-1444
3 – 425 Columbia Avenue, Castlegar	
See pages 15 - 18 for additional services for specific conditions	

HOME SAFETY

Castlegar RCMP	250-365-7721
 Responds to seniors' safety concerns, financial & other abuse 	
BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptation (BC RAHA)	1-800-257-7756
 BC Housing funds low income seniors or persons with disabilities (or landlords) for home adaptations to support living safely in the home or rental unit <u>https://www.bchousing.org/housing-assistance/BC-RAHA</u>. 	

HOME SUPPORT SERVICES:

May include one or several of: Health & Personal Care, Housekeeping, Laundry, Meal Preparation, Respite, Shopping, Transportation, Yard Care, etc....

* NON-PROFIT / PUBLIC

Castlegar Better at Home www.cdcss.ca or www.betteratho	me.ca	250-365-2104
 Castlegar & District Community Services 1007 2nd St. 	Sandi	ext 223
 Non-medical supports (housekeeping, friendly visits,etc) for seniors 65+ living at home; Fees based on income 	Michelle	ext 225
Interior Health Home Support Services: See page 7		

✤ PRIVATE

Confluence Home & Family Services	250-304-5420
Dreamgarden Home Help Services Liz	250-359-2275
Hair at Home by Angela	250-304-5734
Neighborhood Nursing www.neighborhoodnursing.ca	250-693-2299
(re)Fresh Cleaning Services <u>https://refreshcleaning.ca/</u> Amanda	250-509-0215
Spectrum Home & Family Care www.spectrumcares.ca	250-265-3842
Tiziana's Home Care will come to Castlegar if 4 hours of work available	250-226-0050
Trixie's Cleaning & Junk Removal www.trixiecleaners.ca	250-365-9313

HOSPICE / GRIEF / CAREGIVING

 Castlegar Hospice Society Castlegar & District Community Health Cent For end-of-life care or for those with a life-lin Provides needs assessments, trained volunt family respite, palliative equipment loans, co Offers a resource library, education and a gr Nav-CARE services provides trained volunt diagnosed with life-limiting illness, help navig resources, and anticipate future needs 	re, 709 10 th Street niting illness teers for companionship or ordination of care rief support group eers to support those	304-1266
 Bereavement BC Helpline Mon to Fri: 9am Connects callers to grief support services with 	• •	779-2223
 West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Sup Education, resources, caregiver support Call for information about online & local in-p Castlegar contact: <u>castlegar@wkbcaregiver</u> 	http://wkbcaregiver.org/ erson support groups	212-2337

HOUSING / RESIDENTIAL ACCOMODATION

✤ INDEPENDENT (UNASSISTED) RENTAL HOUSING; PRIVATE PAY

SAFER Rent subsidies may be available from BC Housing (see page 5)

 Maranatha Court 601 8th Street Rosewood Manor 1008 2nd Street Apply Only through BC Housing www.bchousing.org Housing managed by Canadian Mental Health Association Call for information or concerns (no applications) Subsidized housing (rent geared to income) for low income processing for low income	ersons	1-800-257-7756 250-365-5055
Cedar Manor 2204 6 th Avenue; Senior friendly	Robert	250-365-3034
Rota Villa (Castlegar Villa Society) 711 11th Street		250-365-7010
Selkirk Manor 2117 Columbia Avenue; Senior friendly	Robert	250-365-3034
Woodland Park Housing Co-op 1-1692 Silverwood Cresc.; S https://woodlandpark		250-365-2677

HOUSING / RESIDENTIAL ACCOMODATION (continued)

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING; PRIVATE PAY (SAFER rent subsidies may apply) Independent living with support; may includes meal(s), housekeeping, etc

Castle Wood Village525 Columbia Avewww.goldenlifemanagement.ca250-365-6686

✤ ASSISTED LIVING: SUBSIDIZED

Supportive housing with a higher level of personal care: eligibility based on care need, <u>not</u> financial need; **Access only through Home Health 1-800-707-8550**

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✤ ASSISTED LIVING: UNSUBSIDIZED

Supportive housing with a higher level of personal care – contact provider

Castle Wood Village 525 Columbia Ave	www.goldenlifemanagement.ca	250-365-6686
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*** LONG TERM CARE: SUBSIDIZED**

For 24/7 "complex care": Only through Home Health 1-800-707-8550

Castleview Care Centre 2300 14	^h Avenue	www.chantellegroup.com	250-365-7277
Talarico Place 709 10 th Street www	w.interiorhealth.o	ca/locations/talarico-place	250-365-7221

LONG TERM CARE; UNSUBSIDIZED

For those needing 24/7 "complex care" Contact provider directly

Castleview Care Centre 2300 14 th Avenue	www.chantellegroup.com	250-365-7277	
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LIBRARIES

Castlegar & District Public Library https://castlegar.bc.libraries.coop	250-365-6611
• 1005 3 rd Street, Castlegar See website or phone for library hours	
 Offers book and video loans, educational programs, computer and internet access and other services. 	
 "Homebound" Service offers free delivery and pick up of books for those who lack transport or because of illness or disability. 	

RECREATION / ADULT EDUCATION

Castlegar & District Recreation 2101 6th Ave www.rdck.bc.ca	250-365-3386
Phone or see website for Castlegar Leisure Guide seniors programs	
Leisure Access Program offers reduced fees to those on a low income	
Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy www.cbal.org Rhonda	250-687-4983
• 140 – 1402 Columbia Avenue; Mon-Thu:10am-2pm; Fri: 12 – 2pm	
• Free programs to help adults with basic math, computer & ipad use,	
other literacy skills, settlement services and citizenship	
Selkirk College Castlegar Campus 301 Frank Beinder Way	250-365-7292
 Offers many programs & courses including community education <u>https://selkirk.ca/ce/</u> 	
Seniors Health & Wellness Institute Workshops	
• Over forty 60 – 90 minute workshops on various topics and concerns	
of interest to seniors. Available free of charge to any seniors' group	
For info: <u>www.seniorshelpingseniors.ca</u> or contact Theresa	250-367-9791

SENIOR'S SOCIAL GROUPS, ASSOCIATIONS & COORDINATION

Castlegar Better at Home Monthly Coffee & Drop-in	
 <i>Toonie Tuesday</i> (last Tues/mo) 9 - 11:30am; Pre-register: Michelle New Life Church 602 7th St (enter around back in basement) 	250-365-2104 ext 225
 Castlegar Senior Citizens Association Branch 46 Centre Located in the Castlegar & District Community Complex, 2101 6th Ave Open Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm Various scheduled activities during the week 	250-365-3386 Ext 5250
 Kootenay IRIS (Increasing Recreation Involving Seniors) Sandi Kinnaird Park Community Church Library, 1250 26th Street Offers seniors 60+ many no-cost (donations welcome) opportunities for recreational and social activities including meals, coffee gatherings, lunch and learn activities, cook & share projects and exercise classes Phone for more information & schedule A project of the Castlegar Community Response Network (pg 1) 	250-608-0706

Addictions / Substance Use	
 Alcohol & Drug Information & Referral Line (24/7) 	1-800-663-1441
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) - District 75	
Phone for help & detailed info about AA meetings in Castlegar & West	1-250-800-4125
Kootenay or see website <u>https://aawestkootenays.org/</u>	
Various meetings every day except Wednesday in either:	
 Castlegar United Church 809 Merry Creek Rd or 	
 Casalano Club 925 Columbia Ave (Back of the Arena) 	
 Al-Anon Area meetings: <u>www.bcyukon-al-anon.org</u> 	
 Mon 7:30pm: 2404 Columbia Ave; Wed 12 noon:online mtng May 	250-608-4207
 Castlegar Mental Health & Substance Use Services 	250-304-1846
WK Narcotics Anonymous <u>www.bcrna.ca</u>	
 Sun 7pm Castlegar United Church 809 Merry Creek Rd 	
 Wed 7pm 925 Columbia Ave (Back of the Arena) 	
 Nar-Anon Family Group <u>www.naranonbc.com</u> 	
• Fri 7pm Trail United 1300 Pine Ave, Trail Joyce	250-364-0066
Quit Now (smoking): phone & online support <u>www.quitnow.ca</u>	1-877-455-2233
 Smoking Cessation Program: Talk to a local pharmacist 	
ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis) Society www.alsbc.ca	
 Info, clinics & support groups; Phone: Monday to Friday: 8am to 4pm 	1-800-708-3228
Alzheimer & Dementia Helpline: Monday to Friday: 9am - 8pm	1-800-936-6033
Alzheimer Society of BC <u>www.alzheimer.ca/bc</u>	
Alzheimer West Kootenay Resource Centre Toll free	1-855-301-6742
Call or check the BC website for information re resources, local family	or
caregiver support groups, workshops & other services	778-774-2133
Arthritis	
Society Info Line https://arthritis.ca/ Mon to Fri: 9am-4pm	1-800-321-1433
ArthritisBC & Me: Info & services https://arthritisbcandme.info/	
Bereavement BC Helpline Mon - Fri: 9am - 5pm; Sat: 9am - 1pm	1-877-779-2223
Connects callers to grief support services within BC. <u>www.bcbh.ca</u>	

Brain Injury	
• Kootenay Brain Injury Ass'n Room 3 – 1250 26 th St, Castlegar	
 Offers outreach support & activities <u>www.kootenaybia.ca</u> 	778-460-4500
 Participants need to provide documents re injury or a referral 	
Acquired Brain Injury Services (Interior Health) Intake	1-800-707-8550
• Office: Castlegar Health Centre M-Th:8:30am - 4pm Coord	250-365-9547
Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) www.cnib.ca	1-800-563-2642
• Support & services to help with vision loss Kelowna office:	250-763-1191
Cancer	
 BC Cancer Agency: Cancer Care for the Southern Interior 399 Royal Avenue, Kelowna http://www.bccancer.bc.ca/our-services/centres-clinics/ 	1-888-563-7773
 Prevention, screening & early detection, diagnosis & treatment services, Pain & Symptom management clinic, support, etc Southern Interior Rotary Lodge 330 Strathcona Ave, Kelowna Offers a safe, supportive, reasonably priced lodge for cancer patients while accessing treatment at the Cancer Centre Canadian Cancer Society www.cancer.ca 	1-877-712-2203
 Information Helpline: Open 6am to 4pm PST 	1-888-939-3333
Caregiving: West Kootenay Boundary Caregiver Support	
 Provides education, resources, information, groups & 	1-888-212-2337
other supports for caregivers. http://wkbcaregiver.org/	250-505-4272
Chronic Disease Management	
 Support and Information programs for chronic disease Intake management at the Castlegar & District Community Health Centre Self-Management Program: A free, 6 week program (on-line & in communities) offering info & skills to manage various chronic health problems, pain, cancer & diabetes <u>https://www.selfmanagementbc.ca</u> 	1-800-707-8550 250-365-7711 1-866-902-3767
 Chronic Pain Management & Local Resources Pain BC Support: Mon–Fri: 9am –2 noon; 1–4pm <u>https://painbc.ca/</u> Local Info: <u>https://divisionsbc.ca/kootenay-boundary/chronic-pain-tools</u> 	1-844-880-PAIN (7246)

CIUIII	's & Colitis Canada www.crohnsand	Icolitis.ca	1-800-513-8202
• (Call or see website for information & resour	ces	
Deaf 8	Hard of Hearing	www.wavefrontcentre.ca	1-888-736-7391
	Vavefront Centre for Communicati		1-604-736-2527
Denta	: West Kootenay Community TEE	TH Clinic	778-463-2232
	ower cost dental care for those living on a		
	Aake appointment to apply/register Comm		250-608-1047
Diabet	es		
	Diabetes Education: resources/ suppor lealth Centre: 709 10 th Street	rt at Castlegar Community	250-365-7711
• A	Also see Chronic Disease Manageme	ent (page 16)	
• [Diabetes Canada Info & Support	10:30am – 9:30pm	1-800-226-8464
	 BC Regional Office 	www.diabetes.ca	1-800-665-6526
End of	f Life / Palliative Care		
• (Castlegar Hospice Society 🛛 🛛 💆	www.castlegarhospice.org	250-304-1266
	See Hospice (page 12) for full description of		
• }	Home Health Services (IHA) (page 7)) Central Intake	1-800-707-8550
Fibron	nyalgia & Chronic Fatigue Syndror	ne	
• N	ME/FM Society of BC	www.mefm.bc.ca	1-888-353-6322
Heart			
• 5	See Chronic Disease Management	(page 16)	
• •	leart & Stroke Foundation <u>www.hear</u>	rtandstroke.ca BC Office	1-888-473-4636
Kidne	y (Renal) Disease		
• *	Kiro Kidney Care & Clinic: Psychoso	cial support, Intake	1-800-707-8550
r	eferrals, info and resources for non-hospita	alized patients. Clinic	250-364-6270
Kidney Foundation of Canada <u>www.kidney.ca</u>		1-800-567-8112	
	See website for information, support, support, resources		

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Lupus Society (BC) Offers an on-line support group www.bclupus.org	1-866-585-8787
Medication Concerns: HealthlinkBC: Pharmacist:7 days/wk: 5pm-9am	811
Mental Health	
 BC Mental Health Support Line (24/7) 	310-6789
Canadian Mental Health Ass'n (CMHA) <u>www.cmha.bc.ca</u>	1-800-555-8222
CMHA " <i>Bounce Back":</i> Free online, video or phone programs help manage low mood, stress & anxiety. <u>https://bouncebackbc.ca/</u>	1-866-639-0522
Here To Help: <u>www.heretohelp.bc.ca</u>	
Comprehensive website with resources & links to information re specific mental health illnesses, substance use & eating disorders	
• Castlegar Mental Health & Substance Use Services (pg 7)	250-304-1846
Mental Health & Substance Use Consumer & Family Support Trail FAIR Centre, 2079 Columbia Avenue, Trail	1-877-364-2326 Ext 225
Alzheimer / Dementia Support Information: (page 15)	
MS (Multiple Sclerosis) Canada <u>https://mscanada.ca/</u> Office	1-800-268-7582
Phone or see website for support & info MS Navigator	1-844-859-6789
Nutrition: Call the HealthLinkBC: Dietician Monday to Friday: 9am-5pm	811
Parkinson Society of BC www.parkinson.bc.ca	1-800-668-3330
Website has valuable information including education & supports	
Trail - Castlegar Area support group contact: Patti	250-367-9258
Respiratory (Lung) Disease	
 See Chronic Disease Management (page 16) 	
 Private Respiratory testing & equipment (page 10) 	
BC Lung Foundation https://bclung.ca/	1-800-665-5864
Scleroderma Association of BC <u>https://sclerodermabc.ca/</u>	1-604-371-1005
 For online toolkits & research info:: <u>https://spinsclero.com/</u> 	
Stroke Recovery Assn BC https://strokerecoverybc.ca/	1-888-313-3377
 Website offers many online groups and activities via zoom 	
• Support Group for stroke survivors and caregivers in Nelson Marg	250-354-4453

TRANSPORTATION

✤ MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS

Hope Air www.hopeair.ca	1-877-346-4673
Free air travel provided to low income Canadians who must travel to	
obtain non-emergency specialist medical care.	
Interior Medical Transport (IMT) <u>https://www.bcimt.ca/</u>	250-368-7978
Private service offering a variety of patient transport services options	
Travel Assistance Program (TAP) www.health.gov.bc.ca/tapbc	
Reductions on some carriers (eg Pacific Coastal) for eligible BC	
residents who must travel for non-emergency specialist care. Info	1-800-663-7100
West Kootenay Volunteer Driver Program Michelle	250-365-2104
 For medical appointments <u>only</u>; Cost by distance 	ext 225
Call Monday to Friday: 9am to 4pm Toll-free	1-877-304-2990

* REGULAR / DISABILITIES

BC Bus Pass Program	1-866-866-0800
 For low income seniors & Persons with Disabilities 	
Castlegar Taxi Service www.castlegartaxi.ca	250-687-0133
Kootenay Seniors Volunteer Driver Program Joanne	778-463-5247
 Medical & non-medical rides; cost /distance <u>https://kootenayseniors.ca</u> 	
Mountain Man Mike's Bus Service www.mountainmanmikes.ca	778-382-7729
• Travel WK- Vancouver return (2 days/wk) & to/from Calgary (1 day/wk)	
 Book online and/or phone for more information 	
Silver City Stagelines for support: email: support@fritztravels.com	(778) 760-1891
 Travel several days a week between Nelson and Kelowna 	(text only)
 Info & book online via the website <u>https://fritztravels.com/before/</u> 	
West Kootenay Transit Services & HandyDART	1-855-993-3100
WK Area bus services info https://www.bctransit.com/west-kootenay	
 handyDART: Register & Book: Monday to Friday: 8am -4pm 	
For those unable to use regular local transit due to disability/health	