



Island Community Mental Health is excited to be offering, for the first time, in partnership with Ready to Rent BC, the following 6 week housing readiness training program!

What you can look forward to:

- Find out what landlords are looking for in a tenant.
- Identify some issues that may affect your ability to get the housing you need
- Learn about banking, credit and finance
- Create short and long term financial goals
- Determine your housing budget
- Figure out housing needs and wants
- Understand how to complete a rental application
- Learn about tenant and landlord housing rights and responsibilities
- Fire safety & insurance
- Find out about existing community resources
- Learn communications skills that will help you in relationships with landlords, neighbours and roommates.
- Graduates receive a Ready to Rent certificate recognized by housing providers.

What we don't do:

- The program does not offer rent assistance or help with security deposits.
- We do not have rental units nor do we find housing for you.
- The Ready to Rent facilitators are here to help, but are not lawyers and therefore cannot give legal advice.

Start date: Tuesday Sept 22nd

Graduation Date: Tuesday Oct 27th

Location: 1035B North Park (Cubbon Center multiple purpose room)

Time: 1pm-3pm

Ready to Rent BC...

...is a 6 week 2 hours per week for a total of 12hrs housing readiness training program for families, young people, and vulnerable populations who may have difficulty obtaining or maintain housing for a number of reasons.

Ready to Rent is well respected among both tenants and housing providers. Within the Capital Region District a Ready to Rent graduate certificate is now being accepted as a reliable and trustworthy housing reference.

Please note – in order to graduate, participants must attend and complete all 6 sessions. We are aware that sometimes 'life happens', therefore the opportunity to complete a missed session is often made available during another Ready to Rent course at a later date.

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*Coffee, tea, and light meal provided!