



## ***Reception Centres***

Reception Centres are sites (staffed by Emergency Social Services (ESS) volunteers) where evacuees may be received during a disaster. They may be a facility such as a recreation centre, church hall, school, hotel lobby, or even a tent - it depends on what is available in the community or what is needed.

Reception Centres should be flexible for multipurpose use. Space may be required for use as a gathering and information centre, a staging site for volunteer disaster relief workers, a site where insurance adjusters can operate, an emergency day care centre, etc.

Reception Centres are set up in order to provide for essential needs of people affected by a disaster.

For more information on emergency preparedness, contact the main fire station at (250) 469-8801

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