

GET INVOLVED!

Volunteering as an ESS responder is a rewarding experience.

Help people in your community during a crisis or emergency.

Work with a team of other dedicated volunteers.

Making a Difference: You will be part of a team that provides shelter, food and a shoulder to lean on when disaster forces people from their homes.

Training: Offered through the Justice Institute, your local municipality and the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako.

Recognition: Volunteers form the backbone of Emergency Support Services. Recognition of their efforts may take many forms, including volunteer appreciation events, certificates and awards.

Protection: All ESS volunteers receive WorkSafe BC and liability insurance coverage while on assignments.

For more information on how you can become an ESS volunteer, contact the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako at:

1-800-320-3339

or visit

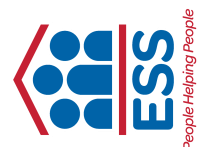
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BULKLEY NECHAKO
EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES
Responding to Disasters in your Community



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EMERGENCY SUPPORT SERVICES

Emergency Support Service (ESS) provides temporary support and assistance to residents who are displaced due to an emergency event. All British Columbians are eligible for ESS services.

ESS ASSISTANCE

ESS Volunteers respond to emergencies and disasters to provide:

- ✓ emergency accommodations or shelter;
- ✓ food and other necessities such as clothing, incidentals and medication; and
- ✓ the distribution of current event information.



ESS PROGRAM

Emergency Support Service (ESS) is a service provided by member municipal ESS Teams and in partnership with the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (RDBN). ESS programs are administered through trained volunteers who dedicate time to their community.

ESS Volunteers are considered Public Safety Lifeline Volunteers through the Province of BC.

COMMITMENT

Until activated by an emergency, being apart of your local ESS team is a relatively low commitment. Each team is managed by a local Emergency Support Services Director (ESSD). ESS volunteers make the following commitments:

- ✓ attend ESS training provided by your local government and the Province of BC;
- ✓ attend monthly meetings;
- ✓ be available to respond to emergency events when possible; and
- ✓ participate in occasional volunteer appreciation, recruitment and public education events.

—The Heart of Disaster Response

