

The latest news and updates for Burnaby Neighbourhood House Members 55+

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#### Sabrina Lou Housekeeping & Food Programs Supervisor

I am the Housekeeping and Food Program Supervisor. I am responsible for registering new clients to the housekeeping program and scheduling cleaning services. Additionally, I assist seniors who speak Cantonese / Mandarin with their grocery shopping.

Outside of work, I enjoy spending time with my children, playing board games and cooking together.

I liked singing when I was younger and even participated in a few singing contests during high school.

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## **MEET THE TEAM**



Alexis Haig Manager of Seniors' Services



Hilda Eng Kitchen Coordinator



Greg Oudman QUEST+ Project Lead



Gaby Rodriguez Senior Peer & Caregiver Support Coordinator



Blenn Dioces Caregiver & Dementia Programs Coordinator



Justine Tsui Seniors Community Connector



Tina Nguyen Seniors' Volunteer Supervisor



Lea Kovalchuk Seniors' Social and Day Programs Coordinator

#### **TAPS TEAM**



Zeinab Ahmadizadeh Seniors' Social and Day Programs Activity Supervisor



Shahnaz Gozal Kitchen Supervisor

#### **BC HOUSING TEAM**



Lynn Leong BC Housing Coordinator - Doug Drummond



Dee Batt BC Housing Coordinator



Sara Martinez BC Housing Seniors Activity Supervisor

#### **BETTER AT HOME TEAM**



Emily Chan Better at Home Coordinator



Cynthia Lu Seniors Food Program Supervisor



Kathy Bobicki Seniors Transportation Supervisor



Sabrina Lou Housekeeping & Food Programs Supervisor

## \*\*\*\*\* Pet Feature \*\*\*\*\*\*

Meet Vinny - Juliana's dog!

His name is Vinny and he is a Shih-tzu. His favorite treat is peanut butter and he loves to dance.

> We got him from the breeder in 2020 and he has been a part of our family since.

Showcase your beloved pets and spread joy by featuring them in our upcoming newsletters. Contact Tina Nguyen at seniorvolunteer@burnabynh.ca

## JOIN US FOR Fresh Healthy SOUP & BUN



## 11 AM - 1 PM MONDAYS

4908 Hastings St (604) 294 5444 www.burnabynh.ca



\* or pay what you can

## Community Creative Workshop

Connect with a community of creative friends and dive into this creative hobby. Perfect for all skill levels!

### February 18th - March 18th, 2025 (5 sessions) Tuesday 2:30 - 3:30 pm

BNH North House (4908 Hastings St, Burnaby)

More information / Register: Marina Ho @ <u>events@burnabynh.ca</u>



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## Seniors Memory Club



SENIORS MEMORY CLUB is a FREE, multicultural social event that provides support for persons with memory loss and their care partners.

When: Most Saturdays, 10:00-11:30 am Where: 2055 Rosser Avenue, Burnaby What happens at Seniors Memory Club?



- We enjoy conversations, entertainment and fun activities in a safe and welcoming environment.
- We share stories and experiences in a supportive space.
- We participate in various social and cultural events that help keep our brain and body healthy.

For more information about this program and how to participate, contact Blenn Dioces at: 2368894065













#### TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Sharing Cultures Dinner

\*Dinner served around 6:15pm

4460 Beresford Street, Burnaby (South House) - 3rd floor

# A celebration of **NOWRUZ**

Food, Music, and Children's Activities

#### Buy tickets in advance at the South BNH Reception or call (604) 431-0400:

Adults	(19+)	\$8
Youth	(13-18)	\$8
Childrer	ר (4-12)	\$5
Under 3		Free

\*Tickets are non-refundable unless cancelled by BNH\*



<u>Menu:</u>

Appetizer: Shirazi Salad Main Dish: Shirin Polo (Chicken) Basmati Rice (Vegetarian option available) Dessert: Masghati (Pudding dessert)



\*\*Dishes contain Almonds and Pistachios\*\*

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### **1-3 PM ON THURSDAYS**

Drop in, relax, chat, engage in activities/games, and build connections in the community!

#### Upcoming Special Workshop: "GET YOUR BENEFITS & CREDITS!"



THURSDAY: March 6, 2025 1:30PM - 2:30PM SOUTH HOUSE -3RD FLOOR (4460 BERESFORD ST.)

PRESENTED BY: CANADA REVENUE AGENCY (CRA)

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#### GET YOUR BENEFITS AND CREDITS!

#### You may be eligible for benefits and credits – That's money in your pocket!

#### Join our free information session

Date: March 6, 2025

Time: 1:30pm to 2:30pm

Location: Burnaby Neighbourhood House – South House 4460 Beresford St, Burnaby

#### The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) is hosting a presentation to share information on:

- Information about benefits and credits
  - Canada Child Benefit (CCB)
  - GST/HST Credit
  - Disability Tax Credit (DTC)
  - Canada Worker's Benefit (CWB)
- Ways to do your taxes
- Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP)
- Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Services and Tools
- How to be Scam smart

For more information contact: Carina Fu at 604-431-0400



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#### Supporting older adults who identify with the 2SLGBTQIA+ community

This café is an opportunity to come together and connect with fellow 2SLGBTQIA+ older adults.



2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Tuesday | March 25, 2025

**BNH South House** (4460 Beresford Street) Banquet Hall 1, 3rd floor

> REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED!

It will feature Indira (Indi) Riadi, who will be presenting the methods and findings of her PhD research project, focusing on exploring the social determinants of mental health of 2SLGBTQ+ seniors who live in Vancouver's West End. Their findings touched on a few key themes including the importance of communitybased services to improve mental wellbeing, social isolation, digital literacy during and after COVID-19, and current gaps in services. We will have time at the end for Q&A and open discussion.

For more information about us and what we do, or RSVP, please email:





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## Community Chinese Dance Program

The program will include Chinese folk dance and classical dance as the basic content.

Everyone is welcome! No previous dance experience needed.

South House - 4460 Beresford St. Thursdays | 1pm-2:30pm Apr 10 - June 19, 2025 (except April 24, May 29) \*Registration required, no drop-ins.

## To register, please email Carina at volunteer@burnabynh.ca

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Burnaby Neighbourhood House TAICHI & SWORD CLASSES (55+)

**Tai Chi 24** - **Intermediate** Wednesdays 10:00 am – 11:00 am

**Tai Chi Sword** Wednesdays 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Tai Chi 24 - Beginner** Fridays 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

**Tai Chi - 48 Advanced** Fridays 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

#### TO REGISTER:

Contact Lea at (236)-668-1712 or leak@burnabynh.ca







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## 55+ PROGRAMS

## **North House**

#### Soup Lunch

Enjoy a bowl of healthy soup with a fresh bread bun (\$2), and connect with your neighbours. Mondays | 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

#### **Community Cafe**

Drop in to chat and relax, or take part in the activities and games going on that day. Bring your favourite game to share with others or learn something new. Fridays | 1:00 - 4:00pm

### **Brentwood House**

#### **Qi Gong Classes**

Qi Gong is a personal practice that leads to fitness, flexibility, and internal peace. It combines the physical benefits of exercise with the spiritual qualities of meditation.

- Mondays | 2:00pm 3:00pm
- Saturdays | 2:00pm 3:00pm \*at the Amazing Brentwood Mall\* (temporarily facilitated by Arsenio)

## **South House**

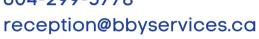
For the program guide, contact Lea at: leak@burnabynh.ca

#### Senior's Social & Games

Join us Wednesdays (12:00-2:00pm) and Fridays (10:30-12:00pm) for coffee or tea and a range of activities from BINGO to birthday celebrations!

#### **English Conversation Circle with Rowena**

Every Friday morning (10:00-11:00am) continue developing your language skills and explore a variety of topics and themes!



4908 Hastings St

northinfo@burnabynh.ca

604-294-5444











2055 Rosser Ave

4460 Beresford St.

604-431-0400







#### Movement for Health

Enjoy different physical activities to help improve your health!



2-2:45pm

Yuanji Dance **Fridays**: 3-4:45pm

<u>Tai Chi</u>

10-11am

Wednesdays 10–11am Tai Chi 24 (Intermediate) 11am-12pm Tai Chi Sword

Fridays 1-2pm 24 Tai Chi 2-3pm 48 Tai Chi

#### **Digital Cafe with Mal**

Need help with your phone or computer? Drop by our Social on the first Wednesday of each month and get support with your device!

#### Workshop - Burnaby Public Library

On Wednesday, March 12th, 2025, enjoy a talk with Andrea, BPL's community librarian!

#### **Friday Lunch**

Meet new friends and enjoy a delicious meal (\$6) Register on Friday from 10:30AM - 11:45AM.

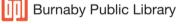
#### Sew Fun!

Practice your sewing skills every Friday afternoon (1:00-3:00pm)!



#### **TAPS Community Day Program - Thursdays!**

Join TAPS and have fun chatting, playing games, and enjoying meals with others! Transportation supports are available. Cost: \$6 for lunch To register, contact Lea at 604-431-0400 or leak@burnabynh.ca.





















#### Where?

#### A new, low-cost, social activity day program for Burnaby seniors!

#### Why Should You Join?

- Meet new friends and socialize in a supportive environment.
- Engage in safe low impact physical activities.
- Participate in creative programs including music, art and brain games.
- Meet experts and learn about the latest health and wellness topics.

**Burnaby Neighbourhood House Community Hall** 5024 Rumble St., Burnaby

#### Cost

Lunch: \$6/day Annual BNH membership fee required (\$5 per year)

#### **Current Schedule**

Thursdays 10 am - 2 pm



#### Who Can Come?

- Burnaby residents age 55+
- Able to independently take part in activities
- Experience barriers accessing community programs due to lack of support, transportation, mobility, or health challenges.

To Register, **Please Contact:** 

Lea Kovalchuk **TAPS** Coordinator (236)-668-1712 leak@burnabynh.ca

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## **Dementia Programs -**South and Brentwood House



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#### Burnaby Dementia Cafes - Brentwood and South House

Join others living with dementia and their families & friends as we socialize and participate in workshops by guest speakers.

- Dementia Friendly Café: Brentwood House
  - 2nd Thursday of the month
  - 1:00PM-2:30PM
- Dementia Friends Café: South House
  - Last Thursday of each month
  - 12:30PM-2:30PM

#### Seniors Memory Club - Brentwood House

Join our dementia-friendly and multicultural event - a weekly opportunity to play games, exercise, socialize, sing, share stories, and celebrate our togetherness.

• Most Saturday from 10:00AM-11:30AM

To register, contact Blenn at dementiacaregiver@burnabynh.ca or 604-431-0400

## **Peer and Caregiver Support -**Across Burnaby

#### **Caregiver Support**

Enjoy a nutritious lunch, guest presenter, and a self-care activity every month with other family and friend caregivers!

- Caregiver Lunch Brentwood House
  - First Thursday of each month | 1:00PM-3:00PM
- Family Caregiver Journey South House
  - Third Tuesday of each month | 10:30AM-2:00PM

#### Senior Peer Support

Trained volunteers provide one-on-one support to seniors who are experiencing anxiety, social isolation, frustration, or difficulties because of life changes.

To register, contact Gaby at SeniorPeerCaregiver@burnabynh.ca or 604-431-0400

### Caregivers lunch Workshop " Public Pension "



Secure your future with a reliable Public Pension March 6, 2025

12:30-1pm: Lunch (Deli Sandwich)

1pm-2pm: Public Pension by Mariah Baldonero - Services Canada

2pm-3pm: Activity: Art by Razi

#### Free: For unpaid Caregivers

To register, contact Gaby:

Brentwood House 2055 Rosser Ave Stone Soup 2nd. floor

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## Caregivers lunch Workshop "Vision Board"



Turn your dreams into reality with a Vision Board—a powerful visual tool to inspire, focus, and manifest your goals!

MARCH 18, 2025 10:30 – 12pm: Vision Board by Gaby Rodriguez 12pm – 1pm: Lunch (Finger food) Activity, Meditation Music

Free: For unpaid Caregivers

To register, contact Gaby:

604-375-5778

seniorpeercaregiver@burnabynh.ca

South House 4460 Beresford St. Banquet room 2, Third floor



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## **BNH Services Spotlight:**

#### **Seniors Form Filling and Information & Referral Clinics!**

Need help completing your CPP, OAS, GIS, BC Housing Registry, SAFER, or BC Bus Pass Application? Trained volunteers will assist you with completing forms and provide information about local resources and services to help meet your needs. By appointment. Contact **Tina Nguyen at 672-336-6280** or **seniorvolunteer@burnabynh.ca** 

#### Grocery and Meal Delivery Program

We provide food hampers, prepared meals, and grocery shopping & free delivery to seniors in Burnaby.

For information on food hampers, contact 672-377-5608

For information on prepared meals and grocery shopping, contact **Cynthia** at **672-377-5608** or **seniorshopping@burnabynh.ca** 

#### Digital Literacy Program

Would you like learn to use email, create files and documents, use excel, search the Internet or practice typing and writing skills on a computer? Volunteer Computer Instructors are available to help community residents with their computer learning needs. We offer support in multiple languages. Drop in to this in-person program at the North , South or Brentwood House. No registration required.

You can use one of the Neighbourhood House devices or bring your own device. For more information, email us at **computercafe@burnabynh.ca** (See poster for more details).

#### Settlement Services:

If you are a newcomer, immigrant or refugee in Canada, welcome! We are here to answer your questions and support your settlement and integration in your new community. Services are available in Arabic, Mandarin, Farsi, Dari, Pashto, Tagalog, and Spanish. To *learn more*, contact **settlementprogram@burnabynh.ca** or **604.431.0400** 

#### **Sharing Cultures Dinners**

Every month, BNH will host "Sharing Cultures" community dinners to bring neighbours together and learn about the diverse cultures that build our multicultural community. Attendees will enjoy a delicious dinner, participate in engaging activities, and connect with neighbours from different backgrounds and ages. BNH will welcome community members who would like to attend the dinners or who want to help with the organization of the event.

For more information please email volunteer@burnabynh.ca or call 604-431-0400.

## Do You Need Tech Help?

#### North House

Mon: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Tues: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM \*new hours\*

(4908 Hastings St, Burnaby) 604-294-5444 computercafe@burnabynh.ca

#### Brentwood

Wed: 10 AM - 12 PM

(2055 Rosser Ave, Burnaby) 604-299-5778 computercafe@burnabynh.ca

#### South House

Mon: 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Thurs: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Sat: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (closed on long weekends)

(4460 Beresford St, Burnaby) 604-396-7307 computercafe@burnabynh.ca

#### **Computer Drop-in**

- Using laptops, phones, tablets
- Zoom, Google Search, Email basics
- Microsoft Suite Basics Multiple languages offered

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With funding from

No registration required





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## **Seniors Grocery** Shopping

Do you have difficulty grocery shopping for yourself?

Our grocery shopping and delivery program helps older adults maintain independence at home

Older adults 55+ who live in Burnaby For who? Member of Burnaby Neighbourhood House

We will call you once a week to obtain your grocery shopping list, place your order online and Superstore will do the shopping and delivery for you

## **Registration required**

For more information contact Cynthia 672-377-5608 seniorshopping@burnabynh.ca



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## FROZEN MEALS FOR SENIORS

### Do you have trouble cooking for yourself at home?

Our excellent kitchen team prepares, portions, and freezes home-cooked meals in our licensed kitchen!

Seniors 55+ who live in Burnaby Member of Burnaby Neighbourhood House

### Pickup

For who?

#### Delivery

BNH South House 4460 Beresford St

Last Thursday of the month

(Complete registration form)

### Meals are \$7 each Subsidy available

For more information contact Cynthia 672-377-5608 seniorshopping@burnabynh.ca



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## seniors first BC Free Community Legal Clinics

We provide free 30-minute legal consultations to eligible seniors (55+) <u>by</u> <u>appointment</u> at locations across the Lower Mainland for legal issues such as:

- Understanding legal proceedings and what to expect in courts or tribunals.
- Drafting advance planning documents. (e.g. wills, powers of attorney).



#### Language Interpretation Available!

#### Eligibility

- Gross income: \$40K + \$10K per additional household member
- Asset test for Advance Planning services determined during booking.

Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis.

We cannot prepare court documents, and we do not advise on family and criminal law issues.

To confirm eligibility and to book an appointment, call **604-336-5653**.

#### **Legal Clinic Locations**

- SFBC Office in Vancouver by appointment only.
- Kay's Place in Vancouver every 1st Wednesday of the month, from 10 AM to 12PM.
- Minoru Centre in Richmond every 4th Thursday of the month from 10AM to 12PM.
- Seniors' Services Society of BC in New Westminster every 3rd Friday of the month from 2pm to 4pm.
- Newton Seniors Centre in Surrey every first Tuesday of the month between 10am to 12pm.
- Burnaby Neighbourhood House South House every 2nd Tuesday of the month between 10am and 1pm.
- Burnaby Community Services every 4th Tuesday of the month between 10am to 1pm.
- VCH Deaf Well-Being Program in Burnaby two Thursdays each month in the mornings and afternoons. ASL interpretation provided.

#### Get in Touch with Us!



604-336-5653

- Info@seniorsfirstbc.ca
- 1281 W Georgia St #502, Vancouver
- SeniorsFirstBC.ca

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

## **DO YOU LIVE IN BURNABY?**



### **INTERESTED**?

Contact Gaby at seniorpeercaregiver@burnabynh.ca or 604-431-0400



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#### Settlement & Integration Program

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**Burnaby Public Library** 

Burnaby Neighbourhood House ocated on the traditional unceded territories of **Coast Salish Nations** 

### **Conversatorio** in Spanish

**Burnaby Public Library, Bob Prittie Metrotown Branch** 10:30am-12pm

Spanish speakers welcome to:

- Share your experiences in Canada
- Meet other people
- · Get reliable information about Canadian Taxation

\* For free \*With a specialized guest speaker

- February 25: Taxation I
  General information of Canadian taxation
  - · Get ready for filling taxes

#### March 25: Taxation II

- Taxation and Social Security
- Late tax filling

Book your spot by SMS, WhatsApp or e-mail e-mail: irerir@burnabynh.ca / Phone #: 604-396-6955

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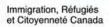
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4460 Beresford Street Burnaby, BC V5H 0B8 (In front of Metrotown Skytrain) (604)431-0400

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