



Thompson-Nicola Regional District

TNRD Evacuee Reception Centre Moving to Sandman Centre

For Immediate Release (July 15, 2017 – 9:00 p.m.): The TNRD has relocated our Emergency Social Services (ESS) Reception Centre from Thompson Rivers University (TRU) to Sandman Centre. Almost 500 cots have been set up in Sandman Centre for group lodging and we are looking to expand group lodging capacity by another 200 beds.

The Sandman Centre is located at 300 Lorne Street and will stay open tonight to receive evacuees. Evacuees will be accommodated on a first come, first served basis. Four Paws Food Bank will also be open to receive small animals.

Due to capacity limits with group lodging, we encourage evacuees and those on alert to plan ahead and arrange their own accommodation if possible and stay with friends and family.

Kamloopsians have opened their doors. We have setup a Facebook group ([TNRD Donations and Lodging Group](#)) for evacuees to connect with generous residents willing to help. It is important to note that TNRD is not responsible for Facebook posts and will not provide logistics for exchanges. TNRD does not inspect accommodations, nor does it take responsibility for accommodations or arrangements.

Regardless of where you stay, all evacuees need to register with Red Cross at 1-800-863-6582.

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