



The Gateway shelter is funded by the provincial government to provide emergency shelter in the Vernon area for the absolute homeless who may be suffering from economic downturn, illiteracy, addictions and/or mental health challenges.

Gateway is conveniently located in the downtown core across from the Real Canadian Wholesale Store and two short blocks from the Upper Room Mission, which has been contracted to provide meals for Gateway residents.

*The Gateway Shelter is a satellite of Howard House run by the John Howard Society of the North Okanagan & Kootenay Region. Gateway residents may be eligible for residency and programs at Howard House, 2307 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, Vernon, BC V1T 6K7. The Women's Floor (women's only services) are subcontracted to & run by the Vernon & District Woman's Center Society.*

# Gateway Vernon Men's Shelter

**2800 33 St.**

Vernon, BC V1T 5S5

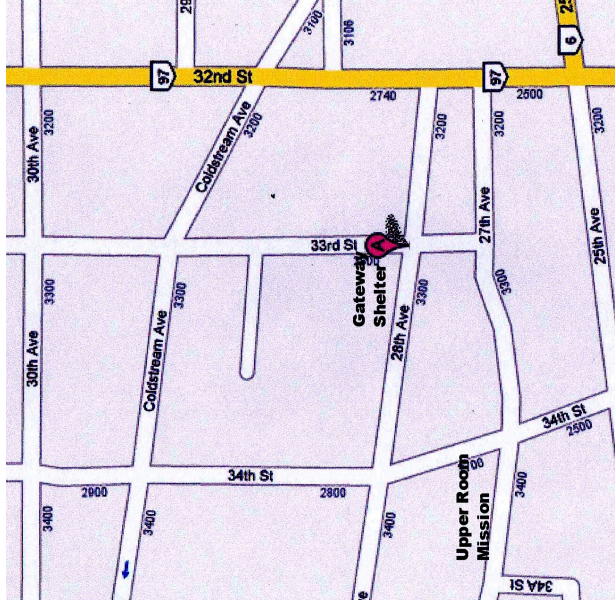
**Tel: 250-260-2792**

Accommodation  
Meals  
Support Services

## Our Commitment is to:

- Safe, clean accommodation
- Individual support and assistance
- Respectful and helpful service

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A map of the south side of downtown Vernon. The shelter is close to the juncture of Highway 6 and 32 Street.

# For Your Information

## Who can stay at the Gateway Men's Shelter?

The shelter is open to men who are at least 19 years old and who are homeless, transient, or temporarily in need of accommodation.

Everyone who stays at the shelter is expected to comply with all house rules. No alcohol or drugs are allowed on the premises.

## How much does it cost?

Emergency shelter beds are provided at no charge, the shelter is funded by B.C. Housing.

## How long can I stay?

The maximum stay allowed at the shelter is 5 days. Special arrangements for longer stays can be made if you are working or looking for work, waiting to get into detox or treatment. Length of stay may vary depending on the client's needs. Shelter staff make the final decisions regarding length of stay and conditions.

## Can I store my backpack and other possessions?

Yes, we have 1 locker per person for backpacks and bags.

## What about meals?

Everyone who stays at the shelter receives breakfast, lunch and dinner served at the nearby Upper Room Mission.

Breakfast is at 9:00 am, Lunch at 12 noon, and Dinner at 4:00 pm

## What other services do you have?

- Access to a variety of community outreach workers & programs
- Bathroom & Shower
- Laundry room (washer and dryer)
- TV and small library
- Telephone for local calls (10:00 am to 4:00 pm)
- Licensed and insured vehicles can be parked in our parking lot. Bike storage outside.

## What is the daily schedule?

Intake consultation is available from 10 am to 4 pm in the basement, and from 5 to 11 pm in the men's dorm (1<sup>st</sup> floor).

New registrations are taken on a first come, first served basis.

7:00 a.m. Wake up call

9:00 a.m. Men's floor closes

10:00 a.m. Resource room (basement) opens

4:00 p.m. Resource room closes

5:00 p.m. Men's floor opens

9:00 p.m. Mandatory check in

11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Shelter curfew

**Your responsibility is to abide by all house rules, respect the authority of staff members, act civilly and courteously at all times, and contribute to the cleanliness and order of the house.**



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