

April 1, 2020

Dear District of Barriere, Mayor and Council,

I am happy to share with you that as of today, Yellowhead Community Services (YCS) will be operating the North Thompson Better at Home Program (NTBHP) in our community! We are excited to offer these services as we already have a warm and established presence in Barriere.

Better at Home Programs provide supports to help seniors remain in their homes and connected to their community for as long as possible. All services are non-medical and do not allow for food preparation.

There are four criteria for eligibility,

1. Age of 65 years plus
2. Live independently or with another senior
3. Reside between Birch Island and Louis Creek
4. Have a need for the following services:
  - a. Friendly visiting or transportation – a service provided by volunteers
  - b. Housekeeping, yard work, snow removal or home repairs – services are fee based and subsidized according to the senior's previous years' tax return

April Christensen is our Better at Home Coordinator (email [NTBH@yellowheadcs.ca](mailto:NTBH@yellowheadcs.ca) or tel; 778-208-7365). Shilo Hillman and Annette Reinhard are contractors providing support to seniors at this time, they can be reached through April.

#### **COVID-19**

As it is important to keep senior's safe by social distancing we have temporarily suspended all in home services. We understand seniors may face some day to day challenges, therefore The North Thompson Better at Home Program will gather and deliver groceries and/or prescriptions from local businesses. All seniors can access this service, free of charge on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons by contacting April.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 250-674-2600 ext.227

With sincere thanks and gratitude,

Susanne Butcher  
Chief Operating Officer  
Cc: Board of Directors

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