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Better at Home announces more potential sites

Following the announcement of the first 18 Better at Home sites last fall, United Way of the Lower Mainland has been working in consultation with partners across BC to identify more potential communities. We have based the selection of communities on consultation with provincial health authorities, regional United Ways and local organizations serving seniors, as well as demographics and local conditions. We know that almost every community in British Columbia could benefit from this program. As you can imagine, it has been a challenging process to select 56 sites.

The new Better at Home sites are:

Ashcroft/Logan Lake/Cache Creek, Burnaby, Campbell River, Castlegar, Central Okanagan including Kelowna, Chilliwack, Comox, Courtenay, Cowichan Tribes, Delta, Fort Langley/Aldergrove, Gitxsan, Hope, Mission, Nanaimo, Pemberton/Whistler/Mount Currie, Port Alberni, Powell River, Prince George, Saanich, Salmon Arm, Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) and Tsleil-Waututh Nation, Terrace/Kitimat, more sites in Vancouver, Vernon, and Victoria

We hope that the five CASI (Community Action for Seniors Independence) pilot sites will transition into operating as Better at Home programs in the coming months. CASI was the pilot project undertaken by United Way of the Lower Mainland in partnership with the Government of British Columbia that laid the groundwork for our Better at Home Program.

Starting this spring the first five Better at Home sites will offer services; an important milestone in our goal of helping seniors across the province remain independent and connected to their communities. I am sending you the [media release and more information](#) on sites that have completed the community engagement process, selected a non-profit organization, and will start to offer non-medical home support services.

We appreciate your input on site selection, the phone calls we have received to share your thoughts and insights, and your participation in the community engagement processes to date. Thank you for your continuing support to address the needs of our seniors. Together we will make a difference.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christien Kaaij'.

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