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Easter Celebration at Our Place

Local politicians join Our Place to serve over 1,000 Easter meals to the city's homeless and working poor on April. 17

VICTORIA, B.C. – Local politicians will be joining Our Place volunteers and staff to make everyone feel like family this Easter.

Around 1,000 of Victoria's most vulnerable citizens are expected to join Our Place's family table for a special Easter meal on Thursday, April 17 through the generous support of donors, community groups and volunteers. Local politicians and special guests will be rolling up their sleeves to dish out a full meal of turkey, potatoes, garden veg and all the trimmings.

"Easter is a time of transformation, celebration and belonging," says Don Evans, executive director of Our Place. "Serving a special meal to those who might otherwise go without is just one small way of showing that we are here to listen, share and support."

The kitchen at Our Place expects to serve a hearty meal consisting of 1,000 lbs of turkey, 500 lbs of potatoes, 250 lbs of stuffing, 200 lbs of vegetables, 25 gallons of gravy, 55 lbs of cranberry sauce and 1,500 cups of coffee.

Great Photo/Video Opportunity: On Thursday, April 17, local politicians and special guests will help dish up a delicious meal from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. that is expected to serve around 1,000 members of Victoria's less fortunate citizens.

Event: Easter Community Meal

When: Thursday, April. 17, 2014, 11:30am - 2pm (Prep in kitchen at 10:30 onward)

Where: Our Place Society, 919 Pandora Ave, Victoria

Website: www.ourplacesociety.com

Our Place is an inner-city community centre serving Greater Victoria's most vulnerable: working poor, impoverished elderly, mental and physically challenged, and the homeless. Individuals and businesses provide the majority of financial support for its programs and services. Our Place provides 45 transitional housing units, over 1,200 meals per day, hot showers, free clothing, counseling and outreach services. Most importantly, it provides a sense of hope and belonging to our neighbours in need.

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