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British Royalty to serve lunch at Our Place

HRH Countess of Wessex to mingle with city's homeless

VICTORIA, B.C. – From the street-entrenched to the working poor, Our Place is home to the most vulnerable citizens of Greater Victoria – and now, it is also hosting royalty.

Her Royal Highness The Countess of Wessex has selected Our Place for a tour to better understand the needs and challenges of Victoria's most vulnerable: the working poor, impoverished elderly, mentally and physically challenged, addicted and the homeless. Along with a tour of the facility, the Countess and the Lieutenant Governor will also be helping to serve lunch.

"It is a real treat to host British royalty in our inner-city home," says Don Evans, executive director of Our Place. "Not only is it a unique experience, but it raises our profile in the community and shines a light on how Our Place is improving the lives of Victoria's impoverished."

To give the honoured guests an idea of all that Our Place offers, the facility will be open from 11am – 2p.m., with hot showers, computer lab, haircuts, foot care, acupressure, clothing, nutrition bar and, of course, a hot lunch.

Event: Royal Visit to Our Place

When: Saturday, Sept. 13, 2014, 11:30am – 12:45pm Where: Our Place Society, 919 Pandora Ave, Victoria

Website: www.ourplacesociety.com

General Instruction

Media personnel are asked to behave according to the guidelines and instructions set out for each event, and follow instructions of officials onsite. At Our Place, Grant McKenzie will be your contact (C: 250-217-2406).

Media arrival time: 11:30am.

To conduct news coverage, media personnel are asked to assemble at the designated locations and times, in accordance with the contents of this advisory.

During any event, coverage via tracking persons, whether by vehicle or on foot, is not permitted. Media are not permitted to call out to Her Royal Highness nor point a microphone towards her. The use of a boom microphone is not allowed.

Identification: All media wishing to cover events will be required to show media identification indicating their affiliation along with photo identification. Identification indicating media affiliation must be visible at all times.

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