

### March 2019

## Chinese New Year Celebrations in Collingwood – Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

Thank you to all of our participating businesses and organizations and sponsors and the Hon Sing Athletic Club. (See ad in this issue for the list of participants)

There was a bit of rain at the beginning and then remained cloudy. Last year due to snow we had to move the Lion Dance to March.

# Homelessness in Vancouver: What you should know and how you can help

In the 2018 homeless count, 2,281 residents are facing homelessness in the city. The lack of access to affordable housing and support for mental health and addition are contributing factors to the issue.

#### How you can help:

- Contact a Homelessness Services Outreach Team: Collingwood Neighourhood House
  604.435.0323
- 2. Report an encampment on private property, non emergency police line 604.717.3321
- 3. Someone at risk of overdose call Vancouver Coastal Heath Overdose Outreach Team 604.360.2874 or 9-1-1 immediately if someone is overdosing.
- Vancouver Coastal Health's Access & Assessment Centre for mental health concerns 604.675.3700
- 5. Call 2-1-1 for information on community, social and government services
- 6. Needle pick up: Call the BIA 604.639.4403 or Coast Heath Foundation 604.872.3502

## **Upcoming Events**

**APRIL 27** 

Jr. BIA Case Study - Telus

APRIL 27 – Neighbourhood Clean Up 10 – 2 p.m.

**APRIL 29 - MAY 1** 

BIABC Conference in Surrey

**MAY 25** 

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