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## Free Workshops on How to Draft Proof Your Home for RDN Residents

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) has partnered with City Green Solutions and Carbon Wise to deliver a series of free, skills-focused workshops showing RDN residents how to draft proof their homes, resulting in energy savings and improving home comfort. The two-hour, in-person workshops will be led by industry experts who will show participants how to locate and fix draft issues, air-sealing techniques and how to apply weatherstripping to their doors and windows. There will also be interactive displays for participants to get hands-on experience.

| Workshop Dates and Times            | Location                                                   |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| October 27, 2023, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.  | Cedar Community Hall (Main Hall), 2388 Cedar Rd, Nanaimo   |
| November 24, 2023, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. | Beban Social Centre (Room 2 and 3), 2300 Bowen Rd, Nanaimo |
| January 26, 2023, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.  | Bradley Centre (Cafeteria), 975 Shearme Rd, Coombs         |

Workshop spaces are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Residents are encouraged to register early by email to [sustainability@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:sustainability@rdn.bc.ca) or by calling 250-390-5422. For more information on the workshop, visit [rdn.bc.ca/2023-fall-outreach-series](https://rdn.bc.ca/2023-fall-outreach-series).

In addition to these workshops, the RDN has other programs and services related to sustainability and climate-friendly home upgrades including:

- The [Home Energy Navigator Program](#) connects participants with an Energy Concierge, who answers questions, provides support and gives local, expert advice to help them navigate the complex world of home energy retrofits. To sign up, visit [homeenergynav.ca](https://homeenergynav.ca).
- Rebates and incentives for switching to renewable energy systems, installing an electric vehicle charging station, completing a home energy assessment, irrigation upgrades, rainwater harvesting, wellhead upgrades and more. Rebates are available on a first-come, first-served basis, so be sure to check [rdn.bc.ca/rdn-rebates](https://rdn.bc.ca/rdn-rebates) for information on availability and how to apply.
- The [Sustainable Site Planning Guide](#) helps homeowners and builders lower the impact of construction, landscaping and major renovation projects on the natural environment.
- The [Rainwater Harvesting Best Practices Guidebook](#) provides guidance on the design, installation and maintenance of residential rainwater harvesting systems.
- [Home Energy Efficiency How-to: Rebates and Renovations](#) webpage provides step-by-step guidance on how to complete a home energy retrofit.

For more information on these and other programs, visit [rdn.bc.ca/energy-and-sustainability](https://rdn.bc.ca/energy-and-sustainability).

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