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Food Truck Gala at Our Place

Most vulnerable offered day of great food with dignity

VICTORIA, B.C. – Local businessman Scott Burley doesn't hide the fact that he enjoys a good lunch served from one of Victoria's gourmet food trucks. So when he decided to do something special for Our Place, the idea of a Food Truck Gala was a natural.

"I want everyone to be treated with kindness and respect, regardless of their income or station in life," says Burley who owns and operates 2 Burley Men moving company. "All the local food vendors I approached were eager to get onboard, and I know it will be both a fun and eye-opening event."

The fresh-made food includes burritos from **Taco Justice**, pulled pork sandwiches from **Judy's Snack Shack**, and giant slices of pizza from **Ali Baba Pizza**. For dessert, Burley has secured over 1,000 gourmet ice-cream sandwiches from **Cold Comfort**, plus Judy's Snack Shack is bringing Snow Cones, Cotton Candy and more.

"Scott is an inspiration to so many people, and to witness the joy and energy as he gives back to the less fortunate of Greater Victoria is incredible," says Don Evans, executive director of Our Place. "We are grateful for the number of local businesses that are stepping up to help us address poverty in our city. Our Place offers businesses a great opportunity to get involved and make a difference in the lives of the most vulnerable."

What: Food Truck Gala for Victoria's Most Vulnerable

When: Thursday, June 11th from 11am to 1pm

Location: Our Place, Courtyard, 919 Pandora Avenue

Photo/TV Op: Set-up will begin at 10:00am; Lunch at 11am

Our Place is a unique inner-city community centre serving Greater Victoria's most vulnerable: working poor, impoverished elderly, mentally and physically challenged, addicted and the homeless. Individuals and businesses provide the majority of financial support for its programs and services. Our Place provides over 1,500 meals per day, hot showers, education, job skills, free clothing, counseling and outreach services, plus 45 transitional housing units. Most importantly, it provides a sense of hope and belonging to our neighbours in need.

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