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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Early Detection for Kidney Disease**

**Victoria, BC** One in ten British Columbians are affected by chronic kidney disease, and many are unaware of the condition. Early detection can make a significant difference in your overall health and well-being. The Kidney Foundation of Canada is providing a Screening Clinic at Silver Threads Services (2340 Richmond Road) on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> – appointments are 15 minutes and will provide you with valuable information on your own kidney health.

During the appointment you will have your body mass index, blood pressure, blood glucose and creatinine (kidney function test) measured by qualified health care professionals. Results are discussed immediately with each participant. Those with impaired kidney function are encouraged to connect with their family doctor. All people being screened must fall into one or more of the at-risk categories: be age 55 or better, have diabetes, have high blood pressure, have a family history of kidney disease, and /or be of Asian, Aboriginal, Hispanic, Polynesian, or African ancestry.

Silver Threads Service has been serving the community since 1956. Our Mission: Silver Threads Service is a charitable, not for profit society that enhances social connections and well-being for seniors. We do this by providing programs and services that are accessible to all. Our Vision: Seniors in Greater Victoria are engaged and supported, enhancing their quality of life.

There is no cost for the screening. Space is limited, please call 250 388-4268 to reserve.

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