

Comments from Program Participants:

*"Having the support and the guidelines of
not using, that's what's helping me."*

*"Feeling safe and secure at home
helps me stay in recovery."*

*"It's nice to feel positive about my living
situation, to feel respectable."*

*"I'm just really grateful for the landlord
accepting me and supporting me."*

How Can I Get More Information or Make a Referral?

Lower Mainland West Regional Office
1296 Station Street
Vancouver, BC V6A 2X3
604-694-2600

or

Lower Mainland East Regional Office
800 - 5945 Kathleen Avenue
Burnaby, BC V5H 4J7
604-525-3033

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A partnership between
BC Housing and Vancouver Coastal Health



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What is the Addiction Recovery Program?

This recovery program is a partnership between BC Housing and Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH).

The program provides transitional supported housing to people in recovery from problematic substance use. The program also offers education services to BC Housing staff and consultation for tenants with problematic substance use.

Program Coordinators funded by VCH are responsible for the clinical assessment and placement of applicants in BC Housing subsidized units.

What Services are Available Through This Program?

SUPPORTED HOUSING PLACEMENTS

- Clients who meet the program criteria are referred by a support recovery facility funded by VCH.
- The Coordinators meet regularly with clients to review their personal recovery plan and support services.

CONSULTATION

- The Coordinators assist tenants with problematic substance use problems by recommending appropriate treatment and support services. Tenants may refer themselves or be referred by BC Housing staff.
- The Coordinators work closely with BC Housing Health Services to help tenants with mental health and substance use issues.

EDUCATION

- The Coordinators provide educational support to BC Housing staff to help them understand key issues related to addictions and provide information about the support and treatment services available.

What are the Program Criteria?

INDIVIDUALS REFERRED TO THE PROGRAM MUST:

- Be residing in a support recovery facility funded by Vancouver Coastal Health.
- Have a demonstrated commitment to recovery for at least three months.
- Have no other appropriate housing options available to them.
- Be committed to an alcohol and drug free lifestyle, which may include the use of prescribed medications and opiate replacement therapies as part of their overall recovery plan.
- Have substance use and mental health treatment and support services integrated into their ongoing recovery plan.
- Have a relapse prevention plan in place.
- Have a personal recovery plan, which includes social reintegration, job skills or education training and/or employment counselling.
- Have the skills and abilities to live independently with minimal supports.