



**Independent
Living BC**

A Housing for Health
Partnership

Request For Qualifications Non-profit Societies

**Richmond, BC
Vancouver Coastal Health**

BC Housing, in partnership with **Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH)**, has issued a Request For Qualifications to **non-profit societies** interested in providing 50 units of assisted living through the *Independent Living BC* program. VCH is prepared to make available to the successful proponent a site which may be appropriate for this development at 5411 Moncton Street, Richmond. Alternatively, proponents may propose to develop the units on another site they control in Richmond.

Specifically designed for seniors and people with disabilities who have low to moderate incomes, *Independent Living BC* offers tenants self-contained apartments along with hospitality services such as two meals daily, weekly housekeeping and some laundry, social and recreational opportunities, 24-hour response system, and personal care services.

Independent Living BC is facilitated by BC Housing in partnership with the federal government, regional health authorities, and the non-profit and private sectors. Funded in part by the Canada-British Columbia Affordable Housing Agreement, *Independent Living BC* will create 3,500 new independent housing units

with support services and assisted living units across the province. This is part of the provincial government's New Era commitment to provide an additional 5,000 new intermediate and long-term care spaces by 2006.

All interested proponents are encouraged to participate in an information meeting on:

Thursday, August 5 at 10:00 a.m.

Ralph Fisher Auditorium
Main Floor, Westminster Health Centre
The Richmond Hospital
7000 Westminster Highway, Richmond

Submissions must be made in the prescribed format and received by **2:00 p.m. September 9, 2004**, forwarded to the attention of the Coordinator of Program Implementation at:

BC Housing
601-4555 Kingsway
Burnaby, BC V5H 4V8

The Request For Qualifications document, along with the *Independent Living BC* Design and Construction Standards, Program Guidelines and other supporting documents, are available on the BC Housing Web site at **www.bchousing.org/ILBC** or can be obtained by contacting BC Housing at 604-439-4761.