



**Independent
Living BC**

A Housing for Health
Partnership

Call for Expressions of Interest To Non-profit Societies Campbell River, BC

Vancouver Island Health Authority

BC Housing, in partnership with Vancouver Island Health Authority (VIHA), has issued a call for Expressions of Interest to non-profit societies interested in providing 35 units of assisted living and independent housing with support services through the *Independent Living BC* program. This development must be located at 1351 Ironwood Street in Campbell River. This site will be made available by VIHA to the successful non-profit society, through a long-term lease at a nominal amount.

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

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 and site visit on:

Tuesday, May 4

11:00 a.m.

1351 Ironwood Street
Campbell River

Expressions of interest must be made in the prescribed format and received by **2:00 p.m. June 24, 2004**, forwarded to the attention of the Coordinator of Program Implementation at:

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

The Expressions of Interest document and format, 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 1-800-257-7756 ext. 4761.