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Dear Cedar Place Tenant,

On behalf of BC Housing I would like to provide you with an update on future plans for Cedar Place and invite you to attend an information session next week.

As you are probably aware, the existing buildings at Cedar Place are old and require extensive and on-going repairs. After careful consideration, BC Housing is pleased to confirm that we will be replacing Cedar Place with a new development directly across the street on the old Safeway property. Construction of the new Cedar Place will begin in the spring of 2016, through a partnership with Ledingham McAllister, an experienced Lower Mainland developer.

I want to assure you that as a current tenant of Cedar Place, you will be given the opportunity to move into this new affordable housing building once it is completed, in 2017. You will not have to move during the construction process. Once you and all other Cedar Place tenants have relocated to the new building, the existing Cedar Place townhomes will be demolished.

Here's what we want you to know:

- Tenants moving into the new Cedar Place will continue to pay the same rent as before, unless their income or family size has changed.
- You will continue to have the same rental agreement as you do now and BC Housing will continue to be your landlord.
- Each apartment will include brand new in-suite laundry, a dishwasher, in-suite storage space, and access to a storage locker.
- The new building will have improved common areas, a new playground, community garden, and more space for programs.
- You will have the opportunity to choose between two different options for finishing touches (for instance, colours of paint).

BC Housing is committed to keeping you informed during the construction and relocation process.

Information Sessions:

BC Housing will be hosting three open house information sessions next week in unit 128, 7225 14th Avenue, Burnaby.

Dates and Times:

- Tuesday, January 20, between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, January 21, between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday, January 22, between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

In addition, a BC Housing representative, Marie Palladino, is available to answer any questions you might have about the existing Cedar Place or new building. Marie will maintain an office in unit 128, 7225 14th Avenue over the next few weeks, and can be reached at 604-694-8343 or by email at cedarplace@bchousing.org.

We see this new building as an exciting opportunity for tenants of Cedar Place, the City of Burnaby, and BC Housing. We hope that you will join us at the tenant open house to learn more about this initiative.

For more information please visit our website, www.bchousing.org/Initiatives/Redeveloping/Cedar Place.

To learn more about the City of Burnaby's rezoning approval process for Cedar Place, visit http://www.burnaby.ca/City-Services/Planning/Rezoning.html

Yours sincerely,

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