Welcome

Neighbourhood Open House for Proposed Supportive Housing at 45944 Yale Road

Neighbourhood Open House | Tuesday, May 8
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5:30 pm - 7:30 pm | Please drop in to learn more about the proposed housing and talk with representatives from BC Housing, Fraser Health and RainCity Housing. We look forward to working together with the community on a plan for this essential housing.

- Ensure comments and discussions are respectful;
- Recognize that the issues are complex and we need thoughtful discussion about how to meet community needs;
- Share your thoughts – fill out a comment form, join the conversation tonight or email communityrelations@bchousing.org. All comments received by May 9 will form part of a summary report provided to the City of Chilliwack.
Housing Need in Chilliwack

Homelessness is usually the result of many factors including a lack of adequate income, access to affordable housing and medical services, experiences of discrimination, traumatic events and personal crisis, physical health problems or disabilities and mental health concerns.

According to the 2017 Fraser Valley Regional District Homeless Count, there were 221 people experiencing homelessness in Chilliwack, which was a 203% increase from 2014.

People who are homeless in Chilliwack currently have access to the following BC Housing funded services:

- Outreach workers
- Rent supplements: 55
- Year-round shelter beds: 57
- Temporary shelter mats: 36
New Supportive Housing proposed for Chilliwack

Ensuring everyone has a place to call home.

**Proposed Project:**
46 self-contained units of supportive housing, with space for an Intensive Case Management team. Daily breakfast and hot meal; life-skills training and access to health services.

**Proposed Location:**
45944 Yale Road.

**Operated by:**
RainCity Housing with 24/7 staffing working closely with tenants to connect them to support services.

**Who is it for:**
People experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

**Housing Type:**
Safe and secure self-contained (own bathroom and kitchenette) studio, with shared amenity space, and staff on-site 24/7.

**Timeline:**

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<td>April 2018</td>
<td>Zoning Amendment Application submitted to City of Chilliwack</td>
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<td>Public Hearing</td>
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<td>Summer 2018</td>
<td>If application is successful, development will begin on-site.</td>
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<td>Early 2019</td>
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Who will live here?

People who apply to live here need to:

- Be over the age of 19
- Have a history of homelessness in Chilliwack
- Need additional support services to maintain housing

Tenant Selection Process:

RainCity Housing will work with BC Housing and local service providers to ensure the needs of a potential resident are well matched to the types of support services provided. People are assessed through the Vulnerability Assessment Tool, which helps determine the support services they need to remain housed and live a more healthy, stable life, while ensuring a healthy resident mix within a building. All tenants will pay rent.

Why do people experience homelessness?

Homelessness is usually the result of many factors including:

- A lack of adequate income
- A lack of access to affordable housing and medical services
- Experiences of discrimination
- Traumatic events and personal crisis
- Physical health problems or disabilities
- Mental health concerns

All tenants in supportive housing have made a choice to work towards living a healthy, stable life.
Support Services

- 24/7 professional support staff
- Safe and secure place to sleep
- Breakfast and one hot meal a day
- Private Washrooms
- Laundry
- Social Connection
- Accessible for a diverse group
- Connection to local community services
- Peer employment opportunities
- Referral to health care, mental health and addiction services
- Trauma-informed support and care to assist people in stabilizing and creating plans to move from homelessness to successfully housed.
- Outreach worker assists with income issues, apartment viewings, securing housing and liaising with landlords to support stable tenancies.
Fraser Valley Intensive Case Management (ICM) Team

The Fraser Valley Intensive Case Management (ICM) Team works to improve health, social functioning, and access to care. The ICM team is a wrap-around service including outreach and services in the community where people live. Clients are engaged via multi-disciplinary teams, integrating the provision of direct services with the coordination and navigation of services and systems to support individuals and families in the community.

Team includes

Outreach Support Workers | Nurses | Addiction Specialist
Addictions Medicine Physician | Psychiatrist | Peer Support Worker
Indigenous Cultural Liaison Worker

Services are 7 days a week, 24 hours a day

| Services | 
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Housing brokerage and support | Substance use counselling and/or access to treatment |
| Provide up to 40 rent supplements | Life skills support/skill building |
| Assessing need for and facilitating access to medical care, including primary care (NP/GP), dental care and specialist care | Mental Health Assessment, treatment initiation, connection to ongoing care |
| Social and recreational events | |

Supporting short and long-term goals related to health, housing, finances and food security

Connecting clients to income assistance and benefits services

Supporting integration and connectedness of people in their community

Medication administration

Clients must be:

- 19 years of age or older
- Experiencing problematic substance use
- Facing complex health, mental health, housing, and/or poverty challenges
- Continuing to have unmet health and housing needs despite available health care services

Fraser Health partners with RainCity Housing in ICM service delivery, and partners with BC Housing in funding.
Renderings

1st Avenue Elevation

North Elevation

Yale Elevation

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Yard 1

Yard 2

View from Yale Entry

View from 1st Avenue

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Housing Planned for Chilliwack

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<td>57 shelter beds</td>
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<td>45603 Yale Road</td>
<td>80 units of affordable rental housing</td>
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**Highlights**
- Creation of 46 new supportive housing units in the community
- Allows people to move from shelter beds into stable housing with support services
How Can I Provide Input?

Fill out a comment form tonight*

Email: communityrelations@bchousing.org*

Attend the public hearing on May 15 or provide a written submission to Council**

Learn more at a neighbourhood advisory committee

* all comments submitted by May 9 will form part of a summary report submitted to the City of Chilliwack.
** Written submissions must include full name and address, to the Corporate Services Department at 8550 Young Road, Chilliwack, BC, V2P 8A4 or by email to clerks@chilliwack.com no later than 4:00 p.m. on the date of the Public Hearing – May 15. All submissions will be recorded and form part of the official record of the Hearing.