New Supportive Housing For The Comox Valley

Ensuring everyone has a place to call home.

Proposed Project:
46 studio homes with supports

Proposed Location:
988 8th Street

Operated by:
The John Howard Society of North Island with 24/7 staffing working closely with residents to connect them to support services

Who is it for:
People who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness

Housing Type:
Safe and secure self-contained (own bathroom and kitchenette) studio, with shared amenity space

Key Factors in Site Selection for Supportive Housing:
• Close to amenities and transit
• Close to community services and employment areas
Who will live in this housing?

People who apply to live here need to:

• Be over the age of 19
• Have a history of homelessness
• Need additional support services to maintain housing
• Be a Comox Valley resident

Tenant Selection Process:
The John Howard Society of North Island and BC Housing would lead the resident assessment and selection process with local service providers to ensure an appropriate mix of residents. All supportive housing residents have made a choice to work towards living a healthy, stable life. All residents would sign a program agreement (similar to a tenancy agreement) and would 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