Welcome

New Housing Proposed for Penticton

Community Open House  Monday, September 10, 2018

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Please drop in to learn more about the proposed supportive housing and talk with representatives from ASK Wellness Society, BC Housing and the City of Penticton. We look forward to working together with the community on a plan for this essential housing.
Housing Needs in Penticton

According to a 2018 homeless count:

- Nearly half have been homeless for more than 1 year
- 108 people are experiencing homelessness in Penticton

People who are experiencing homelessness in Penticton currently have access to the following housing and services including:

- Outreach workers
- Rent supplements
- Winter response Shelter
- Supportive Housing
BC Housing, in partnership with local agencies and service providers, is planning for a range of housing to meet needs in the Penticton area.

**Highlights**
- The proposed supportive housing would address immediate needs in the community, allowing people to achieve and maintain stability in housing.
- The affordable rental housing in development in Penticton will provide options for residents who are ready to leave supportive housing.
New Supportive Housing for Penticton

Ensuring everyone has a place to call home.

**Proposed Project:**
Up to 62 studio homes with supports

**Proposed Location:**
594 and 600 Winnipeg Street

**Operated by:**
ASK Wellness Society with 24/7 staffing working closely with residents to connect them to support service

**Who is it for:**
People who have been homeless or who are 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
Services

All residents will have access to a range of supports on-site.

- 24/7 staffing and support services
- Safe place to sleep
- Meals provided
- Hot showers
- Laundry
- Social connection
- Accessible for a diverse group
- Connect to local community services
- Peer and low-barrier employment opportunities
- Referral to health care and mental health 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 and sets up apartment viewing and secure housing.
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

Resident Selection Process:

ASK Wellness Society 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 residents will pay rent to live in this housing.

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 residents in supportive housing have made a choice to work towards living a healthy, stable life.
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Concept Renderings A

Site Plan

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BC HOUSING

Wellness Society

Street, Housing, Health, Employment
Concept Renderings B

Landscape Plan

Bike Storage

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Concept Renderings C

**Streetscape**

North Side View

South Side View

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Partners

BC Housing would provide capital and operational funding for the modular supportive housing. BC Housing works in partnership with the private and non-profit sectors, provincial health authorities and ministries, other levels of government and community groups to develop a range of housing options.

ASK Wellness Society (ASK) will operate the housing and provide 24/7 supports for people experiencing homelessness. Their responsibilities will include property management, operations management and resident selection, in collaboration with BC Housing and community partners. Once residents move in, staff will remain on-site to support residents. ASK has extensive experience in providing outreach, housing, health, education, employment and emotional support services for the marginalized and persons at risk in communities across the interior region of BC.
Next Steps

The proposal will go through a municipal process with the City of Penticton.

1. Step 1: BC Housing purchases property
   September 2018

2. Step 2: Neighbourhood Open House

3. Step 3: BC Housing submits demolition and development permits
   Fall 2018

4. Step 4: Demolition and construction begins
   Fall/Winter 2018

5. Step 5: Housing opens for occupancy
   Early 2019
How Can I Learn More?

Email
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www.bchousing.org/penticton