

Neighbourhood Update

January 14, 2025

2245 6th Avenue, Castlegar

Dear Neighbour,

We are writing to share an update about the year-round shelter planned for 2245 6th Avenue. We first wrote to you in June 2024 to share that BC Housing purchased the property with plans to open a 20-bed shelter. Once open, this would replace the temporary winter shelter at 1660 Columbia Avenue. You can find more details about this project by visiting letstalkhousingbc.ca/castlegar-2245-6th-avenue.

Development update

This project will require a Temporary Use Permit from the City of Castlegar and the building will need renovations. If all permits are approved, we currently expect the shelter to open later in 2025.

Information sessions

We are pleased to share that we will be hosting in-person information sessions for interested neighbours. Here, neighbours can learn more about the supports and services to be offered at the shelter, find out about project timelines and renovations, meet project partners, ask questions, and find out how to get involved and support the project.

Date: Wednesday, January 22, 2025

Available session times:

- 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Location: Mercer Celgar Board Room at The Confluence, 1995 6th Ave, Castlegar

Each session will have a maximum of 15 neighbours so that we can answer everyone's questions. Priority will be given to direct site neighbours followed by the wider community. If the sessions fill up, we may add one additional session.

Please RSVP for a session by visiting 2245-6th-avenue-shelter.eventbrite.ca or by scanning the QR code below. **Registration is required to attend.**





About the operator

BC Housing selected Castlegar & District Community Services Society (CDCSS) through a fair and open process to operate the shelter and provide services to guests. CDCSS is an experienced non-profit operator that has been working with the most vulnerable in the community for over 40 years. Learn more about CDCSS by visiting cdcass.ca.

CDCSS would like to express heartfelt gratitude to all the individuals, businesses, and organizations that continue to and have supported the organization in the years prior to support our programs that help the unhoused and vulnerable. CDCSS is committed to continuing community engagement and collaboration with local partners to make a positive impact on the lives of those who need it most.

Questions?

A caring community can contribute greatly to the success of people transitioning out of homelessness. We commit to keeping lines of communication open throughout this project.

We look forward to meeting you at our upcoming information sessions. You can also continue emailing communityrelations@bchousing.org at any time with questions.

Kind regards,

BC Housing

Castlegar & District Community Services Society