

# Neighbourhood Update

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## 621 Cranbrook Street North, Cranbrook

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Dear Neighbour,

We are writing to share that BC Housing has purchased **621 Cranbrook Street North** (Lazy Bear Lodge). In this building, we plan to create 30 homes with support services for local seniors and adults experiencing or at risk of homelessness. This project is an important part of our continued effort to address the urgent need to offer housing to people experiencing homelessness in the community.

This site will require rezoning and renovations. We currently expect this housing to open in early 2025. We will share more details about this project as they are available.

We will offer these homes mainly to older adults and vulnerable seniors. This will include some of the guests currently at the temporary shelter at Cranbrook Travelodge (1417 Cranbrook Street North). Any remaining shelter guests at the Travelodge will be able to access spaces at a new 40-space shelter planned for 209 16th Avenue North. This shelter is also expected to open in early 2025.

### Supportive housing

Supportive housing is for adults who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and need additional supports to maintain their housing. People living in supportive housing can be adults, seniors, people with disabilities, or anyone who has experienced trauma, poverty, or struggled with the high cost of housing. Supportive housing typically includes services such as meals and referrals to health and community supports. Many also provide culturally informed services.

### About the operator

Community Connections Society of Southeast BC (CCSSBC) will operate this housing and provide services to the residents. CCSSBC is an experienced non-profit charitable organization who has been providing valuable programs and services to people in the Cranbrook and East Kootenay region since 1982. Learn more about CCSSBC by visiting [ccscranbrook.ca](http://ccscranbrook.ca).

### Questions?

A caring community can contribute greatly to the success of supportive housing residents. We will continue to share updates with neighbours and keep lines of communication open throughout this project. Find more details by visiting [letstalkhousingbc.ca/cranbrook-621-cranbrook-street-north](http://letstalkhousingbc.ca/cranbrook-621-cranbrook-street-north).

For questions about development and renovations, please contact BC Housing by emailing [communityrelations@bchousing.org](mailto:communityrelations@bchousing.org). For questions about the housing program, please contact Community Connections Society of Southeast BC by emailing [executivedirector@ccsseb.com](mailto:executivedirector@ccsseb.com).

Kind regards,

BC Housing

City of Cranbrook

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