

Welcome

Community Open House
1850 Boxwood Road, Nanaimo



BC HOUSING

Project Partners

Different agencies working together can provide the many different health and housing services that local residents need.



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Will lead the development of this site and project, and will hold the contract with the operator of the building



Will provide health care services, including nursing and primary care

TBD

An experienced non-profit housing operator will be chosen through a fair and open process

Project Overview: 1850 Boxwood

The proposed three-storey building will be designed to provide a welcoming, home-like atmosphere that fits into the local neighbourhood. It will complement new and existing health and homelessness services in Nanaimo.



On February 28, 2025, BC Housing applied to rezone this property for the proposed use

A Development Permit and Building Permit will also be required



Approximately 20 studio apartments with kitchenettes and private bathrooms



Health, social, and cultural services will be provided on site



All residents will have a care plan and pay rent



24/7 staffing will be provided on site





DRAFT Site Plan

What is Complex Care Housing (CCH)?



Complex Care Housing provides deeply affordable homes with supports for residents with complex needs.



Services include a robust suite of health, cultural, and social supports.



Many services are available to residents under one roof and in their own home, for as long as they need.



The services provided may vary between projects and are based on the unique needs identified in each community.

CCH: Filling an Important Housing Need

People with complex health needs often face **cycles of evictions, shelter stays, and emergency department visits.**

Through CCH, multiple agencies work together to **help people get the care and housing they need.**

Residents of CCH are **more likely to remain housed** and stay connected to services.



Services include:

- Primary care and nursing
- Specialized mental health and substance use care
- Supports with activities of daily living
- Daily meals
- Social, cultural, and recreational programs

Community Benefits



Housing staff will be on site 24/7. We will share a direct phone number to the building and address any neighbour concerns quickly and collaboratively.



Having CCH in a community means there are fewer vulnerable people sheltering outdoors. This increases their personal safety and well-being and supports community safety overall.



When CCH residents receive wraparound services onsite, they have fewer hospital visits and interactions with emergency services. This fosters long-term well-being for residents and benefits communities.

Who Would Live at 1850 Boxwood?

- Adults (19+) of all genders who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness
- Residents may also have other physical health challenges, developmental disabilities, or functional impairments
- People with complex mental health and/or substance use challenges, significant functional needs, or other health issues (e.g. brain injuries)



Engagement Next Steps



Ongoing support for questions and comments via:
communityrelations@bchousing.org

Let's Talk Housing BC project webpage for 1850 Boxwood Road
letstalkhousingbc.ca/nanaimo-1850-boxwood-road

