

Welcome

Supportive Housing — District of North Vancouver

Neighbourhood Open House	Wednesday, November 8, 2023
Join the conversation about: • Homelessness and Housing in North Vancouver • Proposed supportive housing on East Keith Road at Mountain Highway • Complex Care Housing 	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Please visit stations around the room to chat with BC Housing representatives and project specialists. Help yourselves to refreshments.

We commit to:

- Come together in the spirit of community
- Share information openly and transparently

We ask that all participants:

- Use respectful, people-first language
- Ask genuine questions and allow space for answers
- Do not bring signs or placards into the venue



We acknowledge, with gratitude, that the area we are discussing today is the unceded and traditional land of the Tsleil-Waututh, Squamish and Musqueam peoples.

Housing and Homelessness in North Vancouver

Why supportive housing?

- Effective, evidence-based way to address homelessness
- Housing is a basic human right
- Provides access to the necessities of life (e.g. bed, food, hygiene, community)
- Provides access to services and supports (health care, counselling, education)
- Brings people indoors, increasing community cleanliness and safety
- Keeps people in communities they already know and live in
- Reduces health care and corrections costs by 33%*
- Reduces hospital stays by 50%**
- Reduces ambulance usage by 64%**

* Source: Patterson, Michelle, et al., 2008. **Housing and Support for Adults with Severe Addictions and/or Mental Illness in British Columbia**. Centre For Applied Research in Mental Health and Addiction, Simon Fraser University

** Source: Malatest & Associates Ltd., 2019. **Measuring Supportive Housing Outcomes Evaluation**.



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People facing or experiencing homelessness in North Vancouver*

Source: 2023 Report on Homeless Counts in B.C.



39%

increase since 2020

How do people become homeless?

Grab or download a copy of our FAQ Sheet: Community Benefits of Supportive Housing.

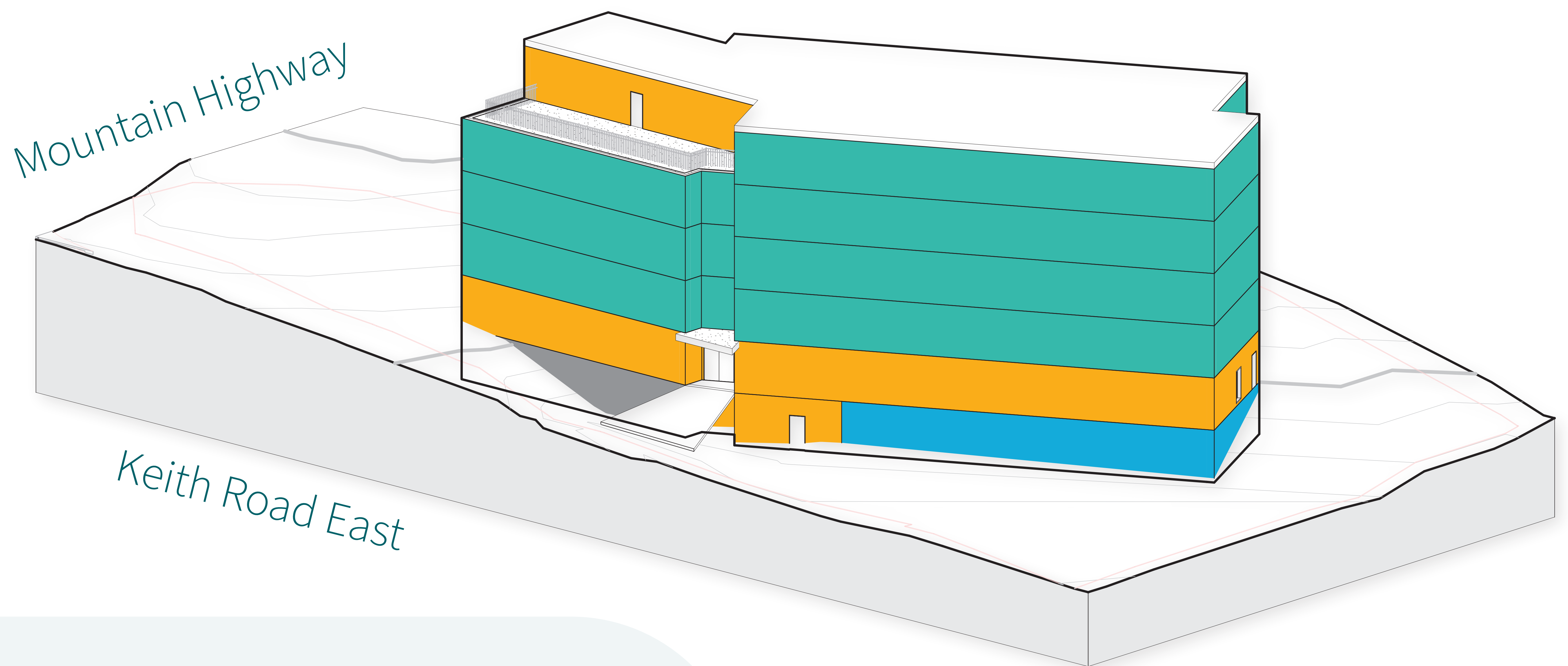


Location

East Keith Road and Mountain Highway

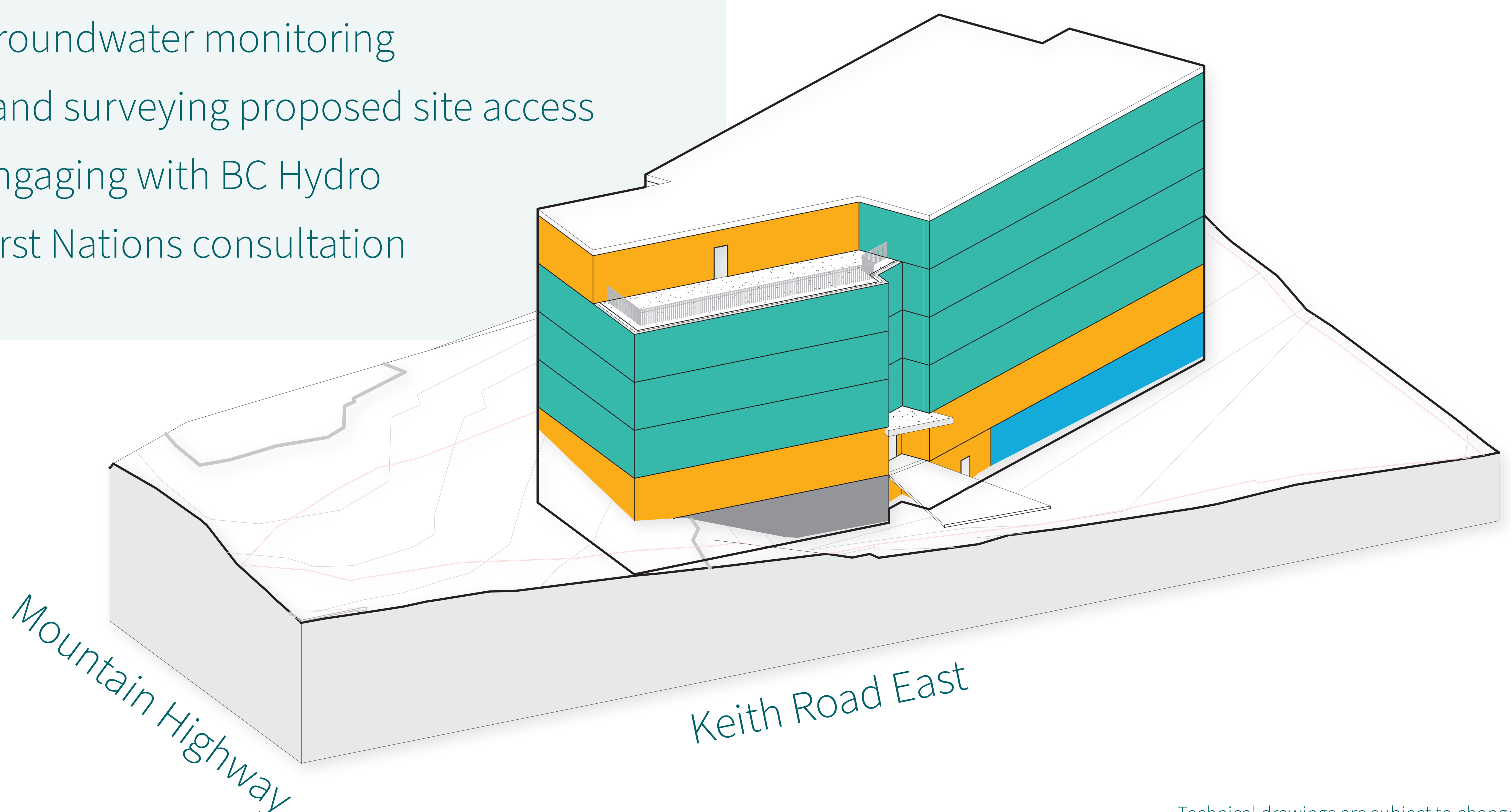


The Building



Development underway

- Architectural drawings entering schematic design phase
- Groundwater monitoring
- Land surveying proposed site access
- Engaging with BC Hydro
- First Nations consultation



Technical drawings are subject to change.

Timeline



Similar Supportive Housing Projects



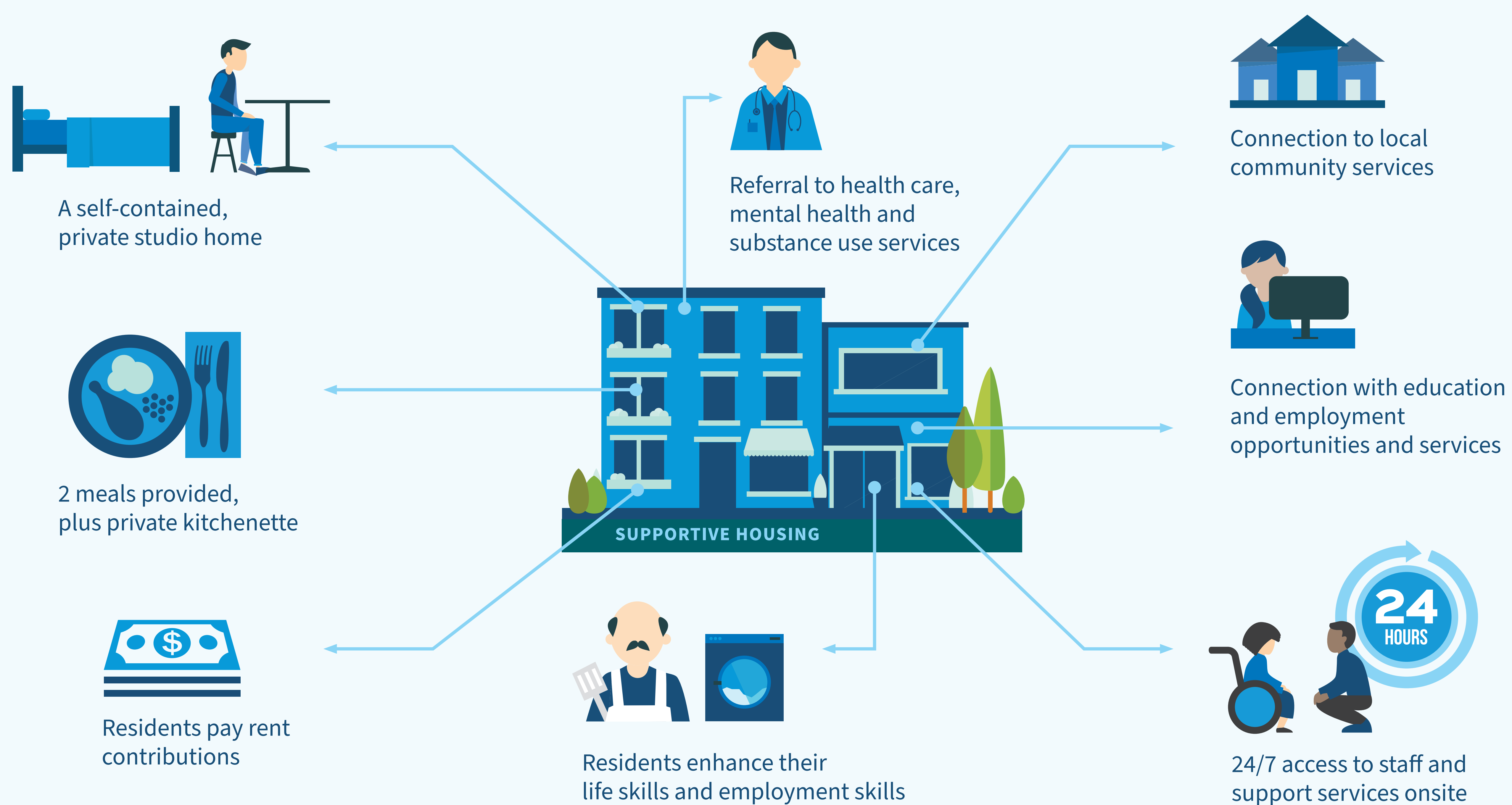
Supportive housing at 210 Gorge Road, Victoria



Studio Home at 7439 Heather Street,
Vancouver (Reiderman Residence)



What is Supportive Housing?



Who will live here?

- Individuals over the age of 19
- Seniors and people with disabilities
- Residents of the North Shore
- At risk of or experiencing homelessness
- In need of supports to maintain housing (supports available to residents only)

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Supportive housing in
Parksville



I have more questions!

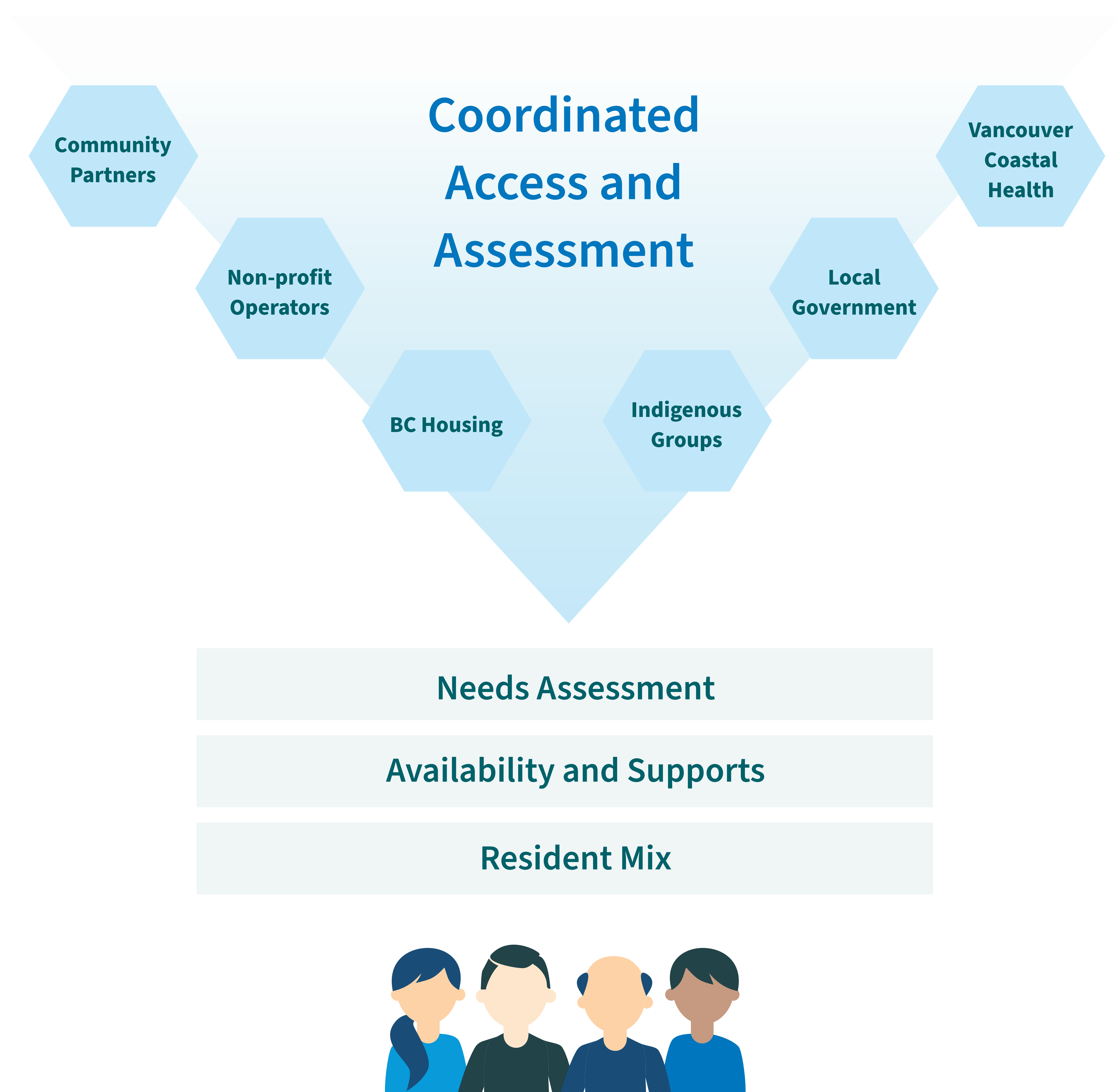
- Is it worth the cost?
- What will happen to property values?
- What about nearby schools?

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Resident Selection

- Supportive Housing residents are selected through a process called **Coordinated Access and Assessment**
- Collaboration with local service providers
- Residents are individually matched with appropriate homes and services
- Ensures a balanced resident mix



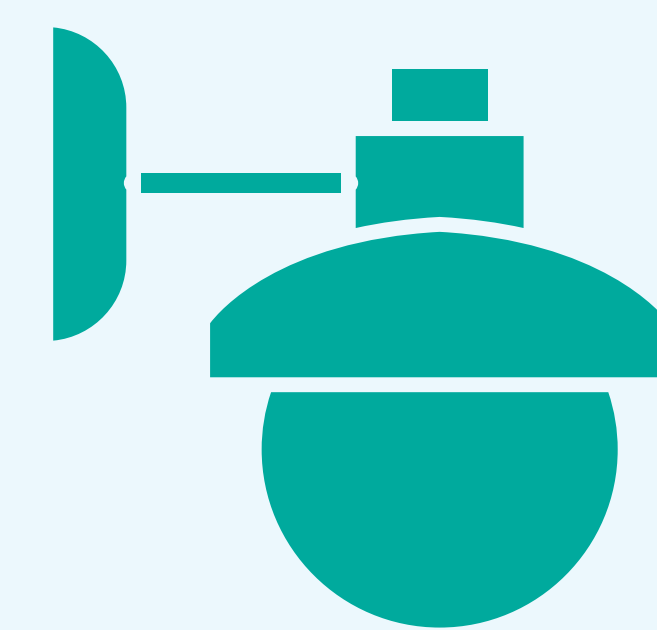
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- Selected as housing operator through a fair and open process (RFP)
- 40 years' experience operating 1,700+ affordable homes
- Residents are not required to be Indigenous



Safety and Security

- Single, secure entry (fob access)
- 24/7 onsite staff
- Landscaping and gates
- Lighting
- Resident agreements
- Guest policies
- Regular perimeter checks
- Cleaning and property maintenance
- Contact numbers shared with neighbours
- Ongoing, open communication with the surrounding community



Safety for all

People experiencing homelessness are our most vulnerable neighbours, and most often the victims of crime rather than perpetrators.

Bringing people indoors from streets, parks and trails increases their personal safety and well-being immensely.

By extension, this increases the safety of the entire community.

Complex Care Housing (CCH)

The Need

- Residents have increasing health care needs (mental health, substance use, other health-related concerns.)
- Increased risk of evictions and homelessness
- Traditionally handled by referrals



The Response

- CCH incorporates personalized health care into housing
- Variety of services based on individual needs
- Culturally safe
- Reduces hospital visits and increases housing stability



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Thank you!

Thank you for joining us today and showing interest in this project.

You input is being heard. All community feedback from our neighbourhood information sessions is being collected into a community engagement report for District Council. This report will inform their decision about the proposed housing project.

Stay in Touch

We commit to keeping lines of communication open throughout this project, answering questions, and addressing any concerns.

Let's Talk Housing BC webpage

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