

Annual Report on the Public Interest Disclosure Act

Fiscal Year 2024-25

Subject: Public Interest Disclosure Act Report - Fiscal Year 2024/25

Background Description

B.C.'s Public Interest Disclosure Act (PIDA) is provincial legislation that provides a safe, legally protected way for current and former public sector employees, including BC Housing employees, to report serious or systemic wrongdoing.

Employees and former employees may seek advice or report wrongful or unlawful conduct in a confidential reporting process to: their direct supervisor; BC Housing's Designated Officer; or to a neutral third-party service contracted to enhance the confidentiality of complaints. Individuals may additionally raise their concerns directly with the Office of the BC Ombudsperson.

Current Situation

Disclosures

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Number of Disclosures Received	0	0	0	1
Number of Referrals of Disclosures	0	0	0	1
Number of Known Disclosures Received by the Ombudsperson	0	0	0	0
Number of Investigations Commenced as the Result of a Disclosure	0	0	0	0
Number of Disclosures Acted On	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Number of Disclosures Not Acted On	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Results of Findings by BC Housing of Wrongdoing

Description of Wrongdoing	2025 – 001 (Q4): Cannot be considered by designate due to not meeting the scope of the Act's application to employees or former employees of a public body.
Recommendations (Including of Those from BC Ombudsperson)	Not applicable.
Corrective Actions Taken in Relation to Wrongdoing	Not applicable.
Reasons Why No Corrective Action Was Taken	Not applicable.

Notes

The BC Housing Public Interest Disclosure Act (PIDA) intake process continues to be supported by a third party, The Neutral Zone, to increase staff confidence in the anonymity and confidentiality of the disclosure process. This remains the most common pathway for inquiries about the PIDA program and potential disclosures.

During Fiscal Year 2024/2025, the program received **65** total contacts with **6** pertaining to the BC Housing PIDA program. These contacts tend to be disclosures or information queries around the purpose and scope of the BC Housing PIDA program. In 2024/25 only **one** of these contacts was to disclose under PIDA, but the disclosure could not be considered under the *Act*.

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