

Supportive Housing Development

3201 24th Avenue, Vernon

Dear Neighbour,

We are writing to share that BC Housing and Turning Points Collaborative Society are developing 48 supportive homes at 3201 24th Avenue (site of the former Polson Park Motel). This project is a major part of our effort to address and prevent homelessness in Vernon.

Continue reading or visit letstalkhousingbc.ca/vernon-24th-street for more information.

About the development

This 5-storey wood-frame building will include 48 studio and 1-bedroom apartments, each with a private bathroom and kitchenette. There will be a central kitchen, dining area, lounge, staff offices and spaces for health and wellness programming. There will also be one-level of underground parking.

Development

BC Housing purchased this property in March 2022, and the Polson Park Motel has reached the end of its life. Since 2022, Turning Points has operated 28 supportive homes in the building. In March 2026, BC Housing will begin demolishing the motel and clearing the site for the new supportive housing.

- All previous Polson Park Motel residents have been supported to find safe, alternate housing during construction.
- Temporary fencing has been installed on the property to secure the site to ensure safety during site preparation.
- We will follow all local bylaws and share notices regarding any expected traffic or noise disruptions.
- We will follow all guidance from archaeological experts during demolition and site preparation. Please note archaeological findings could impact the delivery timeline.
- The site is already zoned for multi-unit residential use. The project aligns with Vernon's Official Community Plan.
- We currently expect this housing to open in 2028.



Rendering subject to change

About supportive housing

Supportive housing is subsidized housing with on-site supports. Residents are adults (19+) who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness and in need of support services to maintain housing. This can include seniors and people with disabilities. Typical supports include:

- 24/7 staffing
- Daily meals
- Life skills and employment training
- Access to health supports
- Connections to community services

All residents apply to live in supportive housing, sign tenancy agreements and pay rent. A community-based assessment process is used to match people with supportive housing. This process considers each person's individual needs, their current housing situation, and the types of support they require to live safely and successfully in housing.

Operator

Turning Points will manage the new building and provide services to the residents. Turning Points is an experienced housing and outreach provider serving Vernon and the Okanagan. Learn more by visiting turningpoints.ngo.

Community Engagement

Staff will be available on-site 24/7, work to build positive relationships in the community, and address any issues quickly and collaboratively.

Questions?

We will continue to share updates with neighbours as this project moves forward. We welcome questions about this project at any time by email to communityrelations@bchousing.org.

Sincerely,

BC Housing