

# Proposed Complex Care Housing

McGill Crescent, Prince George

Small Group Conversation

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## Introductions

- **Kirsten Baillie** – Sr. Manager, Regional Development Services, BC Housing
- **Heidi Hartman** – Associate Vice President, Supportive Housing & Homelessness, BC Housing
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- **Jody Stuart** – Director, Regional Operations, North & Thompson Cariboo, Community Living BC
- **Trudi Beutel** – Senior Communications Advisor, BC Housing

# For our time together

## We commit to:

- Come together in the spirit of community
- Share information openly and transparently
- Balance time for sharing information and answering questions



## We ask that all participants:

- Use respectful, people-first language
- Ask brief, genuine questions and allow space for answers



# Project overview – McGill Complex Care Housing (CCH)

- **10 studio apartments** with Complex Care Housing Services
- Complex Care Housing offers **health care and other services** to people under one roof and in their own home.
- The current zoning of 3177 McGill Crescent permits the proposed use of supportive housing and Complex Care Housing. **No rezoning is required.**
- All CCH residents **sign program agreements** and **pay rent.**



DRAFT Artist rendering of McGill Crescent CCH

## Why this location?

- This site was selected after **thorough discussions** between **BC Housing and Northern Health**.
- The site was **vacant and available**, allowing us to expedite the delivery of much-needed housing.



# What is Complex Care Housing (CCH)?

- CCH provides people with access to health, social and cultural supports within their own homes.
- CCH combines safe housing with integrated health-care supports
- CCH creates opportunities for residents to develop skills that promote independence and allow individuals to live with dignity in a supportive and supervised setting.
- Learn more by visiting [gov.bc.ca/complexcarehousing](https://www.gov.bc.ca/complexcarehousing).

## Staffing

A non-profit operator (TBD) will provide 24-hour services (meals, housekeeping and overnight support).

Northern Health will provide nurses, social workers, vocational/recreation workers, peer supports and specialized clinicians to provide on-site support during days and evenings.

# Who lives in Complex Care Housing?

- Adults (19 +) including:
  - All genders
  - Seniors
  - People with disabilities
- Residents will have a demonstrated risk of homelessness or unstable housing
- Not a population for whom substance use and/or addiction is a primary contributing risk factor
- In need of supports to maintain housing
- All residents pay rent and sign a residency agreement around expectations and behaviours

## Access & Assessment

Clients will be referred from health, housing and community partners, assessed and matched to services based on their needs.

Partners will seek an appropriate mix of residents to ensure all needs are met and the site can be managed effectively



# Community Engagement

## What we've done:

- ✓ **Notification to neighbours** (August 2024)
- ✓ **Email invitations** (August 2024) to local stakeholder group to meet with project partners
- ✓ **Let's Talk project webpage** for public information and feedback
- ✓ **Ongoing support** for questions and comments via [communityrelations@bchousing.org](mailto:communityrelations@bchousing.org)

## What's to come:

- **FAQ** containing more details about this project available on BC Housing's Let's Talk page
- **In-person community open house** (early 2025)
- **Ongoing communication** with key interested parties
- **Who To Call | When To Call** info sheet with key contacts will be shared with neighbours when housing opens



# Questions

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