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Subject: Lower Barrier Supportive Housing Projects in Vancouver and across the region

Hello Mayor and Council,

We had a request for data on "homelessness response" supportive housing in Vancouver and across the region. Please find some information below from Margaret Wittgens' team in ACCS Housing and Homelessness Services:

- There are 83 lower-barrier supportive housing projects (5,553 units) for individuals experiencing or at risk of homelessness with 24/7 support in Vancouver. These includes purpose-built projects (e.g., MOU sites), SROs, and converted commercial hotels.
- These buildings support a variety of tenants – some with higher support needs and some with lower support needs – and some buildings will have a specific tenant demographic profile (e.g., women and families).
- The tenant profile of support needs in each building is not homogenous and is dynamic as tenancies change so staff are unable to further define subgroups (e.g., those with MHSU conditions)
- Please note that non-profits generally seek to take a thoughtful approach to tenanting buildings to manage building dynamics.

Staff have reached out to BC Housing for the number of comparable housing projects outside of Vancouver and BC Housing has indicated they could provide the data to staff by early March.

Thank you,

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