

TEMPORARY MODULAR HOUSING

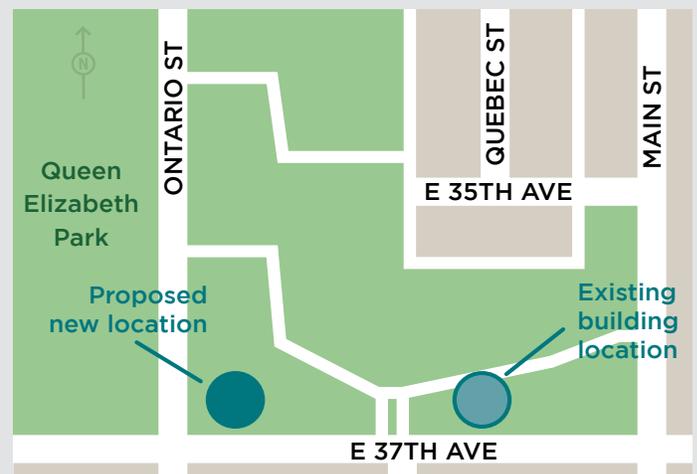
Relocating t̄ec̄ew (The Beach)

Managed by Coast Mental Health, the temporary modular housing (TMH) at 137 East 37th Ave, known as t̄ec̄ew (The Beach), has provided warm, safe homes with supports for more than 40 Vancouver residents over the past three years.

The lease for 137 East 37th expires this year so BC Housing and Coast Mental Health will begin to relocate the tenants. Later this spring, Vancouver Affordable Housing Agency, on behalf of BC Housing, will be applying for a new temporary Development Permit to relocate the building to 99 E.37th Avenue, shown by the blue circle in Map 1 below.

Proposed new location

If a temporary DP for the new site is approved, the building, once moved, would continue to be operated by Coast Mental Health. BC Housing, the City of Vancouver and Coast Mental Health would work closely with each tenant to ensure they are supported to move.



Map 1. Proposed new location for t̄ec̄ew (The Beach)

Potential proposed second building

VAHA and BC Housing are also exploring the potential for constructing a second TMH building beside the proposed site at a future date, shown as the blue circle in Map 2. Adding a second TMH building would require a separate temporary DP application and a separate engagement process.

Project partners are committed to keeping the community updated on the future plans for a second building once details are confirmed. It is anticipated more information will be shared by the end of 2021.



Map 2. Proposed new location for t̄ec̄ew (The Beach) and a second TMH building

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Proposed timeline for the relocation of t̓ə cec̓əw and a second building on this site



Welcoming feedback

The City will host a virtual open house for the new location for the t̓ə cec̓əw building for one week in June 2021. For more information visit:

vancouver.ca/your-government/shape-your-city

If you have any questions in the meantime, please share your comments with the project team:

- Send an email to supportivehousing@vancouver.ca
- Contact the Community Liaison at: 604-829-9321

About supportive housing

Temporary modular supportive housing for people experiencing homelessness

Vancouver is in a housing crisis and more than 2,000 people experiencing homelessness across the city continue to be the hardest hit. Creating warm, safe homes with supports for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness in our communities continues to be a top priority for BC Housing and the City of Vancouver. The creation in recent years of more than 650 temporary supportive homes has provided immediate relief for hundreds of the city's most marginalized residents.

Helping people in need

People who are at risk of or are experiencing homelessness are not all the same. They can be young people, seniors, people with disabilities, and

anyone who has experienced trauma, poverty, or struggled with the high cost of housing.

We know when people have access to housing and supports, they are more likely to successfully rebuild their lives. A home enables a resident to begin to heal from the damage caused by living outside, and re-connect to community.

A vital connection to programs and services

Each person requires a unique combination of services and programs to support their health and wellbeing. Trained support workers partner with each resident to develop a customized plan to meet their personal and housing goals. Some services are offered inside the building, while others are offered in the local community.

In addition to supporting caring for the residents, the non-profit operator is also responsible for taking care of the building and their property. Many non-profits organize courtesy neighbourhood 'Clean Teams,' employing residents to help care for the area.

Coast Mental Health and other supportive housing operators bring professional building management experience and expertise providing customized supports tailored to meet the unique needs of each resident.

All residents in supportive housing have made a choice to live there, pay rent, and are able to access the supports provided by non-profit housing operators, health care professionals and other community-based programs.

