

## **Housing support for Yukoners**

## Across the Yukon, there are numerous housing options with services currently available, including:

- Whitehorse Emergency Shelter (20 homes and up to 54 emergency shelter beds) provides low-barrier emergency shelter and drop-in services for vulnerable Yukoners based on the Housing First philosophy.
- Yukon Women's Transition Home Society (24 homes/beds) provides both emergency housing at Kaushee's Place (9 rooms, 15 beds) and transitional housing at Betty's Haven (15 apartments) with services for women and children responding to and resisting violence.
- Skookum Jim Friendship Centre Youth Emergency Centre (11 beds) –provides shelter and supportive services for youth between 17 and 23 years of age.
- **Dawson Women's Shelter** (9 beds) safe house for women and children experiencing violence, abuse and homelessness.
- **Dawson Men's Shelter** (4 to 5 beds) provides short-term emergency accommodation program with priority to support Dawson City men (Trans, Two-Spirit and Cis).
- **Help and Home for Families** (9 homes) emergency and transitional housing for women and children in Watson Lake.
- The Housing First Residence in Whitehorse (16 homes) provides low-barrier, permanent housing to a moderate-to-high need client groups, with on-site support services 24/7 provided by Connective and the Council of Yukon First Nations.
- Options for Independence (14 homes) independent supportive apartments for people with fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD).
- Granger Haven (4 beds), Max's Place (3 beds), Aspen Group Home (5 beds), Aurora House (3 beds) and St. Elias Adult Group Home (10 beds) offers supportive placements for individuals with varying disabilities.
- Cornerstone Community (46 total apartments, 21 of which for those needing supports) provides affordable rentals and supported independent living services to tenants requiring supports.
- Nts' äw Chua (4 beds for youth aged 15-17 and 4 semi-independent suites for older youth aged 17-19) an innovative program to support young people transitioning out of care

## New housing with services being developed:

- Housing First Residence in Watson Lake (10 homes) The Yukon Housing Corporation and Health and Social Services are developing a new Housing First residence which will provide independent living units with supportive services.
- Normandy Living (84 homes) and Vimy Heritage Housing Society (75 units) once completed, these facilities will serve the needs of seniors who want housing with supports such as meals and assistance with day-to-day living. Some units will be reserved for Yukon Housing Corporation clients.
- **Safe at Home** (55 homes) The Safe at Home Society is converting the former High Country Inn into permanent, supportive housing for women, youth and Indigenous Yukoners.
- **New Indigenous Women's Shelter** being developed by the Council of Yukon First Nations, the new emergency shelter will provide vital refuge with culturally relevant supports and services to assist victims of family violence.
- **4**<sup>th</sup> **and Jeckell in Whitehorse** (47 homes) This project will bring much needed affordable housing options to downtown Whitehorse. The tenant allocation will follow a mixed-income model including seniors, families and single people.
- Jëjë Zho (10 homes/11 transitional beds and 3 emergency shelter beds) once completed, the Tr'ondëk Hwech'in new men's shelter and transitional housing will provide vital refuge with culturally relevant supports and services to assist men in need.