

Joint Release:**City of Campbell River | Second Chance | Turning Point Recovery Society Partners****June 30, 2022****NEW TREATMENT OPTIONS COMING TO CAMPBELL RIVER**

The City of Campbell River, Turning Point Recovery Society (Turning Point) and North Island Supportive Recovery Society (Second Chance) have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), to support the development of an addiction recovery centre and second-stage housing development on City owned land located at 1720 Willis Road.

The City owns the land and buildings at 1720 Willis Road and is looking to enter into a long-term lease for a portion of the lands with the Turning Point and Second Chance recovery partners to facilitate the project.

“In the face of complex societal problems, we must work together to help our community,” says Mayor Andy Adams. “By coming together with community partners such as Second Chance and Turning Point to provide the proposed addiction recovery centre, we can address these urgent issues to help those in need.”

Second Chance has been operating addiction recovery programs for men in Campbell River for 40 years. They have partnered with Turning Point Recovery Society, who in addition to operating similar models of care, have successfully developed a number of support recovery and housing projects throughout BC.

“We are looking to relocate and expand our men's programs and add critically needed addiction recovery beds for women,” said Phil Salter, Chairperson at Second Chance. “The development proposal also includes supportive aftercare housing for individuals advanced in their recovery. We are excited to be partnering on this innovative and unique collaborative effort to address the addiction recovery needs in our community.”

The proposal would see a 20-bed recovery facility built and approximately 36 second-stage housing units. Staff would be present on the property 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Support Recovery is a safe and supportive abstinence-based residential environment to facilitate the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual recovery of the individual. It includes the provision of accommodation, including a bed, food, prescribed medications, and counselling services provided by qualified staff. Support Recovery offers evidence-based, culturally appropriate and trauma informed individual & group counselling & life skills training to help individuals transition back into the community and aftercare.

“I often see people in emergency at the hospital, in dire condition, asking for help. They are admitted, cared for and stabilized for drug addiction, but then they are discharged with no place to go,” says Peer Support worker and Campbell River Community Action Team member, Andy Speck. “I am very excited about the possibility of more treatment options and supportive recovery housing coming to Campbell River.”

For more info on the project, please visit www.campbellriver.ca.

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