

Annex 2: Youth Housing

THE PROJECT

Streethome is partnering with Pacific Community Resources Society (PCRS) to create housing that meets the needs of homeless youth including those who are indigenous, identify as LGBTQ2S, and/or are transitioning out of foster care or juvenile detention.

The project includes the purchase of a six to seven bedroom home in East Vancouver and will build on the success of the Annex that PCRS has operated since 2008.

WHY ANNEX 2?

PCRS operates the Annex in East Vancouver – a seven-bedroom home, six for participants and one for a live-in caretaker. PCRS owns and operates two similar homes in Surrey. 139 unaccompanied homeless youth (under 24 years of age) were counted in Vancouver in 2016. There is a need to support these youths in their development of life skills, goal setting and overall transition to adulthood and self-sufficiency.

Streethome
has committed
\$140,000

Help us fund it!



PCRS ANNEX 2 HOUSING WILL OFFER:

- **A small grouping of young people** that support each other while a youth worker facilitates an individualized and holistic development plan with each young person
- **Connections to PCRS Broadway Youth Resource Centre** and associated housing, health, education and employment services and supports
- **Individualized support** with youth encouraged to move at their own pace towards independence – up to a two-year process for vulnerable youth.
- **Sustainable operations model** with PCRS contributing on-going operating and support service costs. Youth will contribute no more than 30 percent of their income to rent.
- **An adaptation of the evidence-based Foyer Housing model** that has an extensive body of evaluative research behind it well as numerous adaptations around the world

Streethome Foundation is working to leverage pathways out of homelessness in Vancouver. By the end of 2015, our funding has directly helped more than 2,300 vulnerable people through new supportive housing and homelessness prevention programs.

