

Vancouver Harbour Light

THE PROJECT

Streetohome is partnering with Salvation Army to redevelop and renew Vancouver Harbour Light that will continue to bring transformation and hope to vulnerable individuals with lived experience of homelessness or at-risk for homelessness in the Downtown Eastside. The Salvation Army is the largest provider of direct social services outside of the Canadian Government, and the Vancouver Harbor Light is Salvation Army's largest and most active facility in Canada. Current services include a community meal program, shelters, detox, addiction treatment housing, a correctional halfway house, education and vocational training, and low-income housing.

Innovating to Fill Gaps

The buildings date back to the 1920s and are physically and functionally obsolete, expensive to maintain and are not aligned with current and future client needs. In the new facility, programs will be expanded to better support individuals in moving along their preferred life path. Intending to build on its successful track record in culinary training, both hospitality and barista services training will be added. The introduction of the Homestead Program will bring innovative, evidence-based, time-tested addiction treatment for women to compliment the men's treatment program. Further, a Recovery Community Centre, a first-in-kind in Canada and adapted from successful U.S. models, will support recovery self-care, recovery social programming, and peer leadership opportunities.

**Streetohome is fundraising
\$560,000.**

Help us fund it!



Vancouver Harbour Light WILL:

- **Fill current gaps** in the addiction service system including women's treatment, employment training, and aftercare support options to enhance its ability to build better futures
- **Avoid duplication** – Salvation Army will continue to work with a wide variety of community service providers (e.g., foot care, hearing, eye care, infectious disease, dental care, mental health, food bank, and Streethome's seed funded employment agency – **WorkWithUs**)
- **Consolidate the treatment housing continuum** in one building to support warm transitions that better meet the needs of patients and ensure fewer fall out of the system at program hand-offs
- Monitor individual outcomes to **ensure successful transition plans** including maintaining stable housing, employment and long-term recovery from substance use disorder
- Participate in a digital Community of Practice with organizations considering the ARCH model to **share successes, challenges, lessons learned** and plans for continuous quality improvement.

This project construction is expected to start early 2020, with a targeted completion in 2022.

Help bring transformation and hope to the Downtown Eastside

Vancouver Harbour Light's redevelopment and renewal aligns with Streethome's innovative, research-based Addiction Recovery Community Housing (ARCH) model and its design and practices will inform similar models unfolding across the province to change lives and build better futures.

