



The Recovery Café

Recovery Café Vancouver - Opening Spring 2021!

Streettohome is partnering with The Kettle Society in Vancouver, and the Recovery Café Network in Seattle, to bring a flagship recovery pathway to Vancouver. The model provides a refuge for individuals seeking recovery from homelessness, poverty, isolation, substance use and other mental health challenges. It is a welcoming space where individuals find community, service navigation and support to move along their preferred life path.

Recovery Café at a glance:

The Recovery Café is a free membership model that provides additional supports for vulnerable individuals: living on the street, in shelters and supportive housing, or exiting hospitals and corrections with no fixed address.

Members are:



required to participate in a weekly **recovery circle** with a trained facilitator and 8-10 peers, and



encouraged to **prioritize their goals** (E.g., health, education, employment, housing, legal, etc.).

Subsequently, members become accountable for achieving their own goals, as well as helping peers to achieve theirs.





The Recovery Café will:

- Become the 20th Recovery Café in North America (the first in Canada) and replicate a proven, evidence-based, participatory, low-cost and efficient model.
- Provide an opportunity for individuals to engage in meaningful daily activity as they participate in running the Recovery Café (e.g., food prep, cleaning, leading activities, joining running/walking clubs, etc.), alongside personal development.
- Add a 'helping hand' that will be welcomed by overburdened emergency departments, healthcare workers, housing support workers, and emergency responders in Vancouver.
- Introduce a new referral destination that will be open most days, provide communal meals, a variety of free visiting services (e.g., veterinary, legal aid, employment assistance, etc.) and life skills development workshops.
- Demonstrate an impactful peer-facilitated model that can readily be replicated in other neighbourhoods in Vancouver, across BC and Canada.



Streethome is fundraising operations seed funding of \$250,000.

Partner with us to build a better future!

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