



**Canadian Mental  
Health Association**  
Kelowna

## **Community Advisory Committee - Meeting Minutes**

McCurdy Place | 130 McCurdy Road  
October 19, 2021, 6:00 – 6:30pm | Zoom

### **1) Welcome, land acknowledgement, roundtable introductions**

### **2) Update on McCurdy Place**

- CMHA Kelowna
  - i) Adult floor is full. The youth floor has 4 open beds. There were 3 move-ins this week, and two youth are moving out to more independent living situations.
  - ii) One participant found employment at UBCO, which is a significant move forward in their recovery journey.
  - iii) Residents built a gazebo for the backyard and continue to take pride and ownership in their home.
  - iv) Recent activities/ events include: Thanksgiving dinner, a new curling team, and participant led art classes.
  - v) One staff member at McCurdy Place has access to a bus and they have been able to use that to take residents on outings such as hiking.
- BC Housing – no updates

### **3) McCurdy Place – Roundtable Discussion**

- Challenges or concerns
  - i) Community Representative: Have noticed increased traffic of individuals with shopping carts etc. in the area. Possibly transporting stolen goods.  
Response: Some have noticed an increase in homelessness throughout Kelowna. Recommendation to contact RCMP if there is suspected illegal activity. Contact Information: Kevin Macdougall [kevin.macdougall@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:kevin.macdougall@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)

- **Opportunities**

- i) Community Representative: Have had nothing but positive experiences with the building and the residents. Nothing negative to bring up at all.
- ii) LECOH Representative: Residents within the building are really happy and enjoying the comradery and community feel of the building.
- iii) Tanya w/ Strong Neighbourhoods: Grant application deadline for winter intake is November 5<sup>th</sup> 2021. This is for projects that would occur between January and April 2022. If there are any ideas send them to Tanya. A block social might be a good way to find out what the community is interested in. Over winter some ideas include winter festivals, art projects, etc. Other creative suggestions are welcome. **More information on the website: [kelowna.ca/neighbourhoods](http://kelowna.ca/neighbourhoods)**

#### **4) Action items and next steps**

- Reminder to community representatives to review the terms of reference for this meeting. For confidentiality reasons individual residents and particulars of the residents cannot be discussed.

**Next Meeting Date: TBA**