Campbell River & District Coalition to End Homelessness

Monthly Meeting Thursday, August 1, 2019 from 12:00 – 1:00 PM Campbell River Public Library

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Role of Membership & Advisory Agencies- Tabled
- 3. BC Housing Workshop- Partnership with Whistler Centre for Sustainability with Cheeying and Malcom from BC Housing- agencies to bring strategic plans and meet with BC Housing to identify capacity and potential housing projects- dates TBD (either September 10 & 11 or October 8 & 9)
- 4. City of Campbell River Update/Cleo
 - a. Thank you to Coalition! 21 Letters of Support received in total
 - b. Next steps for Supportive Housing- land to be procured
 - c. Funding for Housing Needs Assessment UBCM \$30 000- for thorough inventory of local housing stock; where are the units, what type, etc...
 - d. Housing 2030 Strategy
 - e. Homelessness Count City completed in 2015 & 2018; PiT count via BC Housing in 2018; will recommend to City Council not to organize homelessness count for fall 2019; await PiT Count in 2020
 - f. Social Grant Fund- \$85k available in the fall 2019
 - \$5k minimum for seed or project based funding
 - workshop will be hosted to support applications for funding; more formal process for 2020
 - nonprofits who receive tax exemption CAN apply for Social Grant Funds

5. Secondary Suites-

- a. Council passed first reading of bylaw
- b.Frequently Asked Questions document to be mailed to Coalition
- C. Campbell River one of the last cities in BC to legalize secondary suites
- D. average 20% uptake in communities
- E. Currently at 5% existing secondary suites
- F. Reduced process & cost- potential amnesty program to encourage legalizing pre-existing illegal suites
- G. Concerns with parking- one required on-site parking with secondary suite
- H. ACTION ITEM- Coalition members can attend Open Houses, write letters of support and news releases to support the process, distribute survey- to share with extended networks
- 6. Indigenous Housing Update
 - a. Alynne- difficulty housing larger Indigenous families
 - b. CMHC may revisit National Housing Standards

- c. Any federally funded housing- could ask permission for exemption
- d. Engagement with Indigenous Housing Group- October 28 & 29 @ Thunderbird Hall-M'akola hosting
- e. Looking at what kinds of housing needed, looking at projects from other communities
- f. Next Indigenous Housing Meeting- August 21 from 10:00-11:30 at KDC
- g. BC Housing looking for Indigenous Housing projects in Campbell River

7. Second Chance Recovery Update-

- Looking to move and expand; searching for an accessible house; searching for renovation funding
- b. Day program for men who are parenting (attending 9:00-3:00)
- c. Looking at hosting women's services with partnership agency

8. Shared Housing Update-

- a. Meeting to discuss systemic causes of racism within landlords/real estate/property management
- b. Meeting first Tuesday of the month from 1:00-2:30 at the library

9. Lockers Update-

- a. Looking to find hosting space downtown
- b. Next meeting August 14th @ 1:00-2:30 at the library
- 10. Good News Story! Elaine from JHSNI shared that 7 people housing in July, supported 22 over the month and has budget for further supports

11. Updates-

- a. Habitat for Humanity- subjects came off on adjacent lot to current build
 - 30 homes projected to be built in the next 3-5 years
 - Currently has 12 homes in Campbell River
 - Looking for shared COO role email Pat
- b. Salvation Army current job posting for Light House contact Sue