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A DAY FOR  
CHURCHES TO  
EXPLORE DEVELOPING  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING

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SAT APRIL 2, 2022 • 9:30- 12:30 PM  
IN-PERSON @ ST. ANDREWS HALL (UBC)  
OR ONLINE VIA ZOOM

\$20 (IN-PERSON) OR \$50 FOR A TEAM (UP TO 5 PEOPLE)  
\$10 (ONLINE) OR \$25 FOR A TEAM (UP TO 5 PEOPLE)

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The Covid-19 pandemic has exposed how little some church buildings are used and accelerated discussion of how to steward these buildings and land in a better way. For some churches, building affordable housing provides one pathway to better utilize these physical resources and to address the growing affordability crisis in our cities across Canada. Building affordable housing can also be a piece of a plan leading to a renewed presence and purpose for a church in its neighborhood.

The goal for this gathering is to initiate church leadership teams in the process of developing affordable housing and to encourage groups to commit to a serious exploration of that process.

To accomplish these goals, we will seek to:

**a.** Provide a theological vision for why developing affordable housing is a viable and responsible use of the lands we hold.

**b.** Provide a step-by-step process in order to foster understanding and to reduce fears around creating affordable housing.

**c.** Through telling affordable housing stories; providing competent responses to questions; and connecting church groups with non-profit developers, civic officials and financial institution reps, we hope to inspire church leaders to take a step forward in their commitment to creating affordable housing.

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SCHEDULE

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- 9:30 Welcome / Prayer - *Al Chu (Director of Center for Missional Leadership)*
- 9:40 Framing the Day: Why developing affordable housing is both a viable and suitable response to the Church's mission today? *Tim Dickau*
- 10:00 Stories of affordable housing projects:  
1. Emmaus Place / Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church –  
*Pastor Kristin Steele*  
2. Co:Here Housing – *Rebecca Pousette*
- 10:15 Presenting the Process for Exploring Land Development: *Rebecca, Marko, Andy* – Co:here, Anglican Property Development, The Nest
- 10:30 Break
- 10:40 Panel discussion – see Panelists Page
- 11:10 Questions from participants
- 11:30 Breakout Discussion: What are one or two next steps for your group to explore developing affordable housing?
- 11:50 Feedback
- 12:15 Next steps
- 12:30 Ending / Lunch for those in-person

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PANELISTS

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**CHRISTINE  
BOYLE**

First term City Councillor with OneCity Vancouver,  
and an ordained United Church Minister.

**ANDY  
LAMBKIN**

Chair, The Nest Housing Society  
Pastor, Simple Churches

**IRENE  
GANNITSOS**

Senior Manager Strategic Initiatives and Investment  
Vancity Community Foundation

**REBECCA  
POUSETTE**

Project Manager  
Co:Here Foundation

**MARKO  
CIMCIC**

Cimcic and Uhrich Architects  
Member of Anglican Property Development Committee

**TIM  
DICKAU**

Director of Citygate and associate at the Center for  
Missional Leadership

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