



**Estítkw place
“Safe Place”
Supportive Housing**



At Hiyám Housing, we believe that every Sḵwxwú7mesh member is worthy of being housed precisely as they are. Hiyám Housing is here to meet the members where they are at. We want our members to feel valued and cared for, regardless of their circumstances or situation.

Estítkw Place is a 55-unit development that delivers supportive housing for vulnerable Sḵwxwú7mesh Nation members. These homes will be exclusively for Sḵwxwú7mesh Nation Members, with priority given to People with disabilities, LGBTQ2SIA+ (Two-spirited), people experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness, and people dealing with mental health and substance use issues.

It will be built on two pillars: culturally supportive housing and decolonized harm reduction. Culturally supportive housing includes Traditional plant and medicine gardens/teachings/gatherings, Elders and cultural mentor support, access to traditional foods, and traditional skills building. Decolonized harm reduction includes land-based healing, an Indigenous-led Wellbriety Recovery Program, and traditional ceremony.

Our focus will be on providing culture as a catalyst for healing: culture saves lives. Our goal is to reduce the insidious impacts of past and present colonial policies by providing healing pathways deeply rooted in culture, land-based programming, and de-colonizing practice.

The site will be staffed 24/7 and 2 cold meals and 1 hot meal per day will be provided as part of this housing model.



How to apply for Support Housing at Estítkw Place (“Safe Place”):

Location: 239 Lower Capilano Road
West Vancouver, BC
V7P 1N9

*Behind The International Plaza/Staples Building
at Capilano Rd. and Marine Dr.

Step 1 – Get a copy of the housing application

1. You can download a copy of the application on our website at www.hiyamhousing.com/apply-for-housing/
2. Pick up a copy of the application at the Hiyam Housing Society
3. Call our office at 604-210-9126, and we can have the application emailed or mailed

Step 2 – Fill out the application form

1. Type in your information, or you can handwrite your information
2. Please make sure all the information is filled in
3. If you need help with the application, please call our office at 604-210-9126

***Important:** If your application is missing information, a Hiyam Housing Society staff member will contact you directly via phone or email, and it remains inactive until all required information is received.

Step 3 – Submit your application in one of these ways:

1. In person during office hours at 336 West 4th Street, North Vancouver; **or**
2. By email E-mail: applications@hiyamhousing.com; **or**
3. By regular mail to 336 West 4th Street, North Vancouver, V7M 1J1

Step 4 – What to expect after you submit your application:

1. You will receive a letter confirming we have received your application, and it will have a reference number.
2. If you are missing information on your housing application, we will contact you by mail, email, or phone.

Before you send us your application, please make sure to:

1. Answer all questions to the best of your ability
2. Clearly print if you are filling your form in by hand
3. Give us a mailing address or email address so we can send you a “Letter of Confirmation”

