

SPOTLIGHT REPORT: 2011 ASQ CGW PROJECT

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President and Executive Director's Message

After several years in the planning stage seeing our two new supportive housing projects start construction was a definite cause for celebration. The 62 units being built at 1601 West 7th Avenue is a partnership with MPA Society who will provide the tenant support services. The project will include a 10,000 square foot community resource centre. Building completion is expected in March of 2012. Our second project at 215 West 2nd Avenue with Raincity Housing and Service Society got underway in June. The additional 147 units are expected to open in early spring of 2013. BC Housing sponsored a ground breaking ceremony for each project. Representatives from all four funding partners, BC Housing, the City of Vancouver, Vancouver Coastal Health and Streethome Foundation expressed their excitement about having these two projects join the other eight supportive housing apartments that got underway in 2010. With the generous support of these partners, over 1,500 units of supportive housing will be developed on the 14 parcels of land donated by the City of Vancouver.

In preparation for our growing portfolio we acquired new property management software called Yardi Voyager that will allow us to integrate our property management and accounting systems.

We have also been working together with the Vancouver Chapter of the American Society for Quality (ASQ), a non-profit organization of quality professionals to improve our operational efficiencies. ASQ has been providing their services pro-bono to assist us with our business process transformation since November 2010. We are very grateful for their support.

Once again we would like to acknowledge all our board members and staff whose hard work make it possible to carry out our mandate of providing quality housing for people with mental illness and addictions.

Sincerely,

Dane Jansen
President

Bonnie Rice
Executive Director



Bonnie Rice and Dane Jansen