



YW SHERIFF KING HOME REDEVELOPMENT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHY IS YW REDEVELOPING SHERIFF KING HOME CRISIS SHELTER?

Our intention has long been to redevelop the 40 year old Sheriff King Home facility, as the current facility is rapidly approaching the end of its lifecycle. In addition, the intention has been to build permanent and affordable housing for women and children experiencing domestic violence adjacent to the shelter facility. This will allow us to better meet the needs of women and children and support them as they take steps to breaking the cycle of abuse.

In addition, the availability of permanent housing that is safe, appropriate, affordable, and allows women to regain autonomy in their lives falls short of the need. Sadly, there are limited options for women and their families once their shelter stay (limited to 21 days by funder guidelines) has expired.

WHAT WILL BE DIFFERENT FROM THE CURRENT SHERIFF KING HOME?

The current YW Sheriff King Home has 15 shelter units with communal and play areas for families, women, teenagers, children and counselling; the intent is to add five units to the shelter capacity for a total of 20 units.

The communal spaces and ancillary support spaces will continue to be part of the facility. Access to YW Hub facility for other supports will also be part of the long term operations.

WHY ARE YOU BUILDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING?

Calgary has a significant shortage of safe, appropriate and affordable housing. To help address this gap, YW made the decision to build 20 units of affordable housing, specifically for women and children who have experienced domestic abuse and require housing options beyond their stay in shelter.

WHERE WILL THE TWO BUILDINGS BE LOCATED?

The housing building will be located adjacent to 20 Ave SE and the shelter will be located adjacent to 16 St SE.

HOW BIG WILL THE FINAL STRUCTURES BE?

Both buildings are being designed to three stories to align with the current zoning for the site. They will be laid out on the existing site in a way that will create synergy with the surrounding neighbours. Neither facility will cast shadows on neighbouring homes or businesses.

WHAT WILL THE EXTERIOR LOOK LIKE?

Utilizing the same design drivers as the YW Hub facility, both buildings will fit with and enhance the aesthetics of the community. Finishes for the building will be similar to that used on our Hub facility



(1715 17 Ave SE). Our new facility and will be a significant improvement on the existing site and will add enhanced landscaping opportunities for this area.

HOW DO I CONTACT SOMEONE ABOUT THIS PROJECT?

Feedback can be submitted by email at YWDevelopment@ywcalgary.ca, on the project website - ywcalgary.ca/sheriffking or by calling 403.705.5779.

WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THE CRISIS SHELTER PROGRAM?

Employees and clients of Sheriff King Home crisis shelter will be relocated to a temporary facility where supports will continue throughout construction.

WHEN WILL CONSTRUCTION START AND END?

Demolition of the existing structure is scheduled for August, 2021.

Construction timeline is dependent on financing but the intention is to begin construction on both components, the crisis shelter and housing facility, in spring 2022.

Construction is expected to be complete by the end of 2023, pending financing.

HOW WILL THE COMMUNITY BE AFFECTED DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD?

Limited impact to property owners along 20 Ave SE and business owners along 16 Street is expected during the construction process. The peak construction period is expected to take less than 15 months.

During the construction period, there will be some increased traffic, noise and temporary road closures. Construction hours will comply with City of Calgary bylaws. Hoarding will secure the site.

YW Calgary is committed to keeping neighbours informed of any significant impacts, such as road closures, as early as possible to reduce the impact on the community.

HOW WILL YOU MANAGE PARKING FOR CONSTRUCTION VEHICLES?

YW is working with neighbouring organizations to develop opportunities for off-street vehicle parking during construction.