

Seniors Housing Options Grid

INDEPENDENT LIVING

93% of BC's seniors will live out their lives in an independent living arrangement. This housing classification includes living independently, in a supportive housing or in assisted living. Most independent living arrangements for the purposes of consumer protection are covered under the Residential Tenancy Act (RTA) or your tenancy agreement. Assisted Living facilities must be registered with the Assisted Living registrar.

RESIDENTIAL CARE

7% of BC's seniors will require the 24hour/day care services of licensed care facilities governed by the BC Community Care Facility Act.

INDEPENDENT HOUSING		SUPPORTIVE HOUSING	ASSISTED LIVING		RESIDENTIAL CARE	
Housing where there usually are no on-site supports, in which case services may be delivered to your home. Some Subsidized Independent Housing buildings may include intermittent supports such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Meals □ Social and recreational activities 		Housing with a combination of onsite support services. Services may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Housing keeping □ Emergency response □ Meals There are very few public supportive housing units, <i>access to those units are through referral from your local health authority</i>	Provides housing, hospitality and personalized assistance services for adults who can live independently, but require regular assistance with daily activities. Services may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Help with bathing, grooming, dressing and mobility □ Meals □ Housekeeping, laundry □ Social and recreational opportunities 		Residential care is for people who need 24-hour professional nursing care and can no longer be supported in their own homes. Services may Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ assistance with meals □ medication supervision □ personal assistance with daily activities □ a planned program of social and recreational activities □ respite 	
Public	Private	Private	Public	Private	Public	Private
OPTIONS INCLUDE: Rental housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ subsidized rent geared to income or low fixed rent 	OPTIONS INCLUDE: Rental housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ private market rental □ private market rental geared to older tenants □ co-ops □ single room occupancy hotel's (SRO). Purchased housing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Strata-titled retirement communities, equity co-ops and co-housing, life lease 	No referral required. <i>Rates vary, rent portion may qualify for SAFER</i> INCLUDES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Congregate Style Larger scale apartment style □ Abbeyfield Style Smaller scale housing option. Usually 8-10 seniors living together in a home with their own bedroom and ensuite bathroom, shared meals and congregate areas. 	Requires referral through your local health unit. <i>Cost is 70% of after tax income</i>	To apply contact the building directly. <i>Rates vary from \$1400-6000/m.</i> May contain some publicly funded units	Clients with the highest need and urgency have priority for the first available, appropriate bed, as determined by BC's residential access policy. Requires referral through your local health unit. <i>Rates a monthly rate per the Ministry of Health</i>	May provide all levels of care including residential care. To apply contact the building directly. <i>Rates vary from \$3500-6000/m.</i>



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