

December 12<sup>th</sup> 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

RE: Development of 461 Quatsino Blvd, lot 13.

I am Rhonda Zantovsky, Support Worker for a Transition House in the Fraser Valley. I have read your proposed project, you stating it was designed with one goal- to ensure that women fleeing violence don't live in poverty or experience homelessness. If it was just that, what an amazing concept. But when I spoke with a long time resident I learnt that you plan to allow men (non violent) to house on these premises. As well as having a needle exchange assessable to all.

How is this acceptable to any woman and children who are fleeing domestic violence?! Not only are you putting these women and child at further risk, what about their mental state. This is not trauma informed practice. There should be no men living on these premises, non violent or not. Men should not be able to access any resources at this location. They should be two completely different identities. Two separate locations.

This project does NOT put woman and children fleeing domestic violence first. Their safety WILL be compromised, if men are allowed to access resources at this location. Please reconsider this project as it is.

Regards,

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