



# Supportive Housing Project – Beaverton Update

October 28, 2020

# How did we get here?

- Region of Durham: Service System Manager for Housing & Homelessness.
- Responsibility to the homeless population.
- Need for broader housing options.

# Responding to the community

- As we respond to meeting the needs of vulnerable residents, we are also responding to the Beaverton community as a priority and have;
  - Posted all answers to questions we have received on our website and continually keep it updated.
  - Responded to phone calls and emails.
  - Community information night
- There remains a lot of misinformation circulating about this project which requires clarification.

# Beaverton Housing with Supports

## Housing Choice

Residents will choose to live in Beaverton. Lack of income and requiring supports to live with dignity should not preclude Durham residents from choosing where they want to live.

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## Client Selection

Residents who require supportive housing, who already live in the North and CHOOSE to live in Beaverton's supportive housing building will be given priority. This project provides an option for those already in the north to choose to stay in the north. Clients will be those currently unsheltered or at risk of becoming unsheltered.

Not everyone needs supportive housing and we will continue to serve these clients as we have always done.

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## **Priority for the North but Serving All**

While this project will allow those in North Durham, who require supportive housing to stay in north Durham it, like all other housing and homelessness programs will be an option for all Durham residents who need it.

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## **Supportive Housing does not have to be located in Urban Areas**

The Provincial Best Practices Guide to Supportive Housing includes ensuring supportive housing is available in a range of settings, including both rural and urban environments.

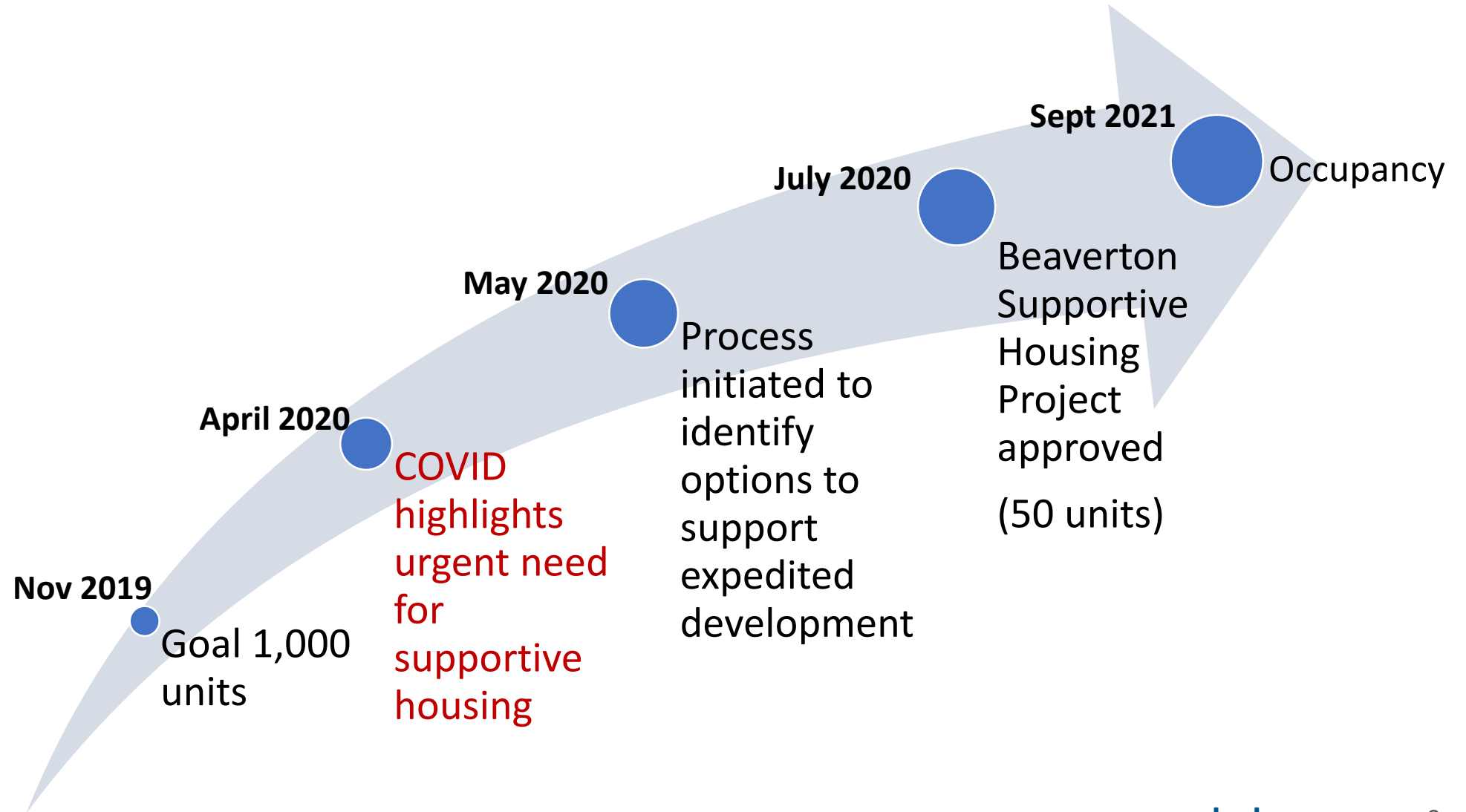
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## **Expedited but not at the Expense of Due Diligence**

Covid-19 has highlighted that it is absolutely unacceptable for residents of Durham to not have a roof over their head. This impacts the health of homeless residents and the health of our community.



# Durham's need is urgent – Expedited Process



# Beaverton Housing with Supports

## **A home is the first step to a better life.**

This project will provide urgently needed housing for those who need extra support and want to use this opportunity as a stepping stone to more independent living, or need ongoing support, and want to live in a rural community.

No one should go to bed without a roof over their head.

## Next Steps:

- Comprehensive Suitably Study to be included in Council Information Package (CIP) Friday October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- A virtual information session is being held on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> to present an update to residents on the progress of the project and get feedback on the types of services they want to have better access to through the new HUB.

**A place to call home...**

# Beaverton Supportive Housing Residence and HUB





# South Court





# Exterior Approach





# Hub Building



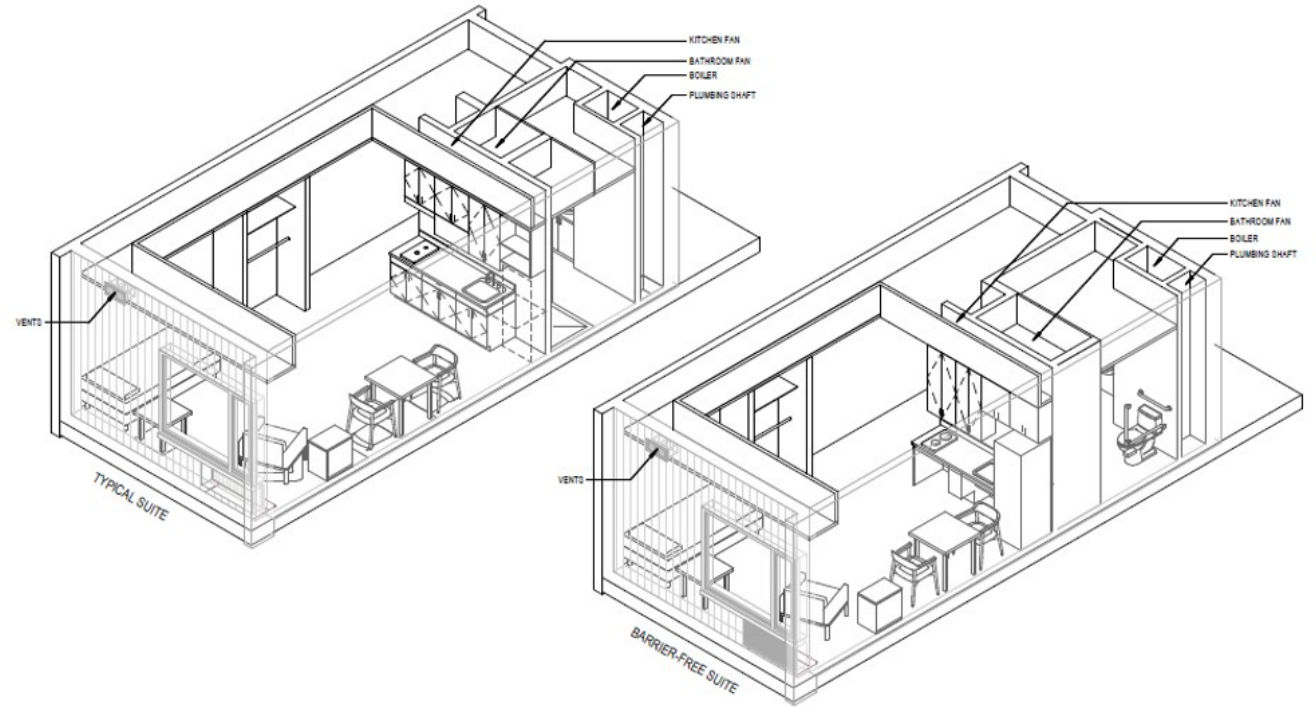
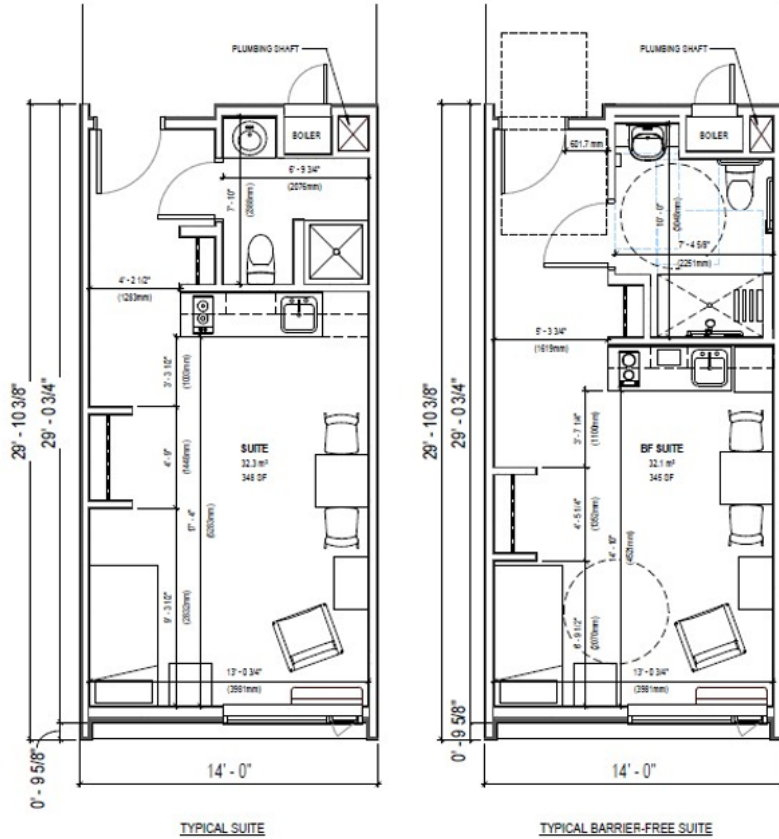


# Arial Rendering





# Unit Plan





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