

# THE JOURNEY TO INCLUSIO



## What is Inklusio?

Inklusio is the name of our new 45-unit home in Capitol Hill. Inklusio is the Latin word for inclusive, which means that something is open to everyone, without limits. Inklusio will be a place where individuals can thrive, dream and engage in their city. Inklusio is replacing the 11-unit structure that seeded Accessible Housing's formation, our Fourth Dimension group home.

## Why is Inklusio being built?

There is a need for more affordable and accessible housing in our city. By 2019, an estimated 200,000 Calgarians over the age of 15 will be living with a disability. Individuals with disabilities are four times more likely to use subsidized housing and twice as likely to use homeless shelters compared to those without disabilities. Just one to three per cent of Calgary's affordable housing is also accessible.

## How is it being built?

Accessible Housing is building Inklusio as part of the RESOLVE Campaign. RESOLVE is a unique collaboration of nine Partner agencies raising \$120 million to build affordable and supported rental housing for 3,000 vulnerable and homeless Calgarians.

This home for 45 Calgarians with limited mobility will be made possible in part by generous donations from: the Government of Alberta, Charlie Guille & Family, Bill Kujat & Family, Centron Group of Companies, RGO Group of Companies, BMO Financial Group and Trico Homes.

## How much will residents pay to live at Inklusio?

Residents will pay rent based on their income so that it's affordable.

### Who will live at Inclusio?

The future residents of this building will be like the previous residents at the Fourth Dimension group home. The future residents are generally confined to wheelchairs full-time. They have a spinal cord injury, a progressive illness like multiple sclerosis or a congenital disorder. Many of these residents come to this home directly from hospital after an accident while others come from care-facilities where their needs can no longer be met.

Some individuals might transition to Inclusio because their family can no longer manage their care themselves. The residents will receive 24/7 health care support as well as meal service. Many residents stay with us for several years while they learn to self-manage their care and then move onto more independent living in the community. Others live with Accessible Housing much longer, with the average length of stay being 7.9 years.

### Where are the residents from Fourth Dimension currently living?

The 11 residents that previously lived in Fourth Dimension are now living at Westview Community with RESOLVE partner Silvera for Seniors. The residents will live at Westview Community for approximately 14 to 20 months while their new home is built.

### Will the site be landscaped?

As part of this one-of-a-kind project, we are heavily landscaping the surrounding property with many large trees, shrubs and plants. This property overlooks Confederation Park, a much-loved park within Calgary's core. We are creating this welcoming and rejuvenating landscape to help blend the building into the adjacent park setting, and also to offer the residents an opportunity to spend time in nature, which is therapeutic.

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