




Seniors & Elders Housing Questionnaire

Senior and Elders face different housing needs and have distinct housing challenges. At the Mount Waddington Health Networks (MWHN) *Seniors and Elders Better Living Advisory Committee (SEBLAC)* our group of caring seniors and elders leaders and partners in health want to understand these challenges better. Please do this short questionnaire, and add your voice to the plan for better housing options for seniors.

If you want to do another survey on housing affordability, you can also do the "*Housing and Homelessness: A Service Needs Estimation*" which asked more detailed questions on those at-risk of losing housing, and addresses the circumstances of those people spending more than 30% of their monthly income on housing. [The *Housing and Homelessness: A Service Needs Assessment* survey is available by clicking here >>>](#)

This survey is completely anonymous. No personal information is recorded.

1. Knowing the purpose of this survey and that your information is kept completely confidential, are you willing to take this survey right now?  0

Yes

No

2. If answering no for this survey, for which reasons?  0


- I don't have time today
- I have taken this survey before
- This survey is too long
- This survey is too personal
- This survey doesn't relate to me
- I don't think this will help
- I don't understand how this will help

3. What town or municipality do you live in?  0

- Alert Bay
- Sointula/Malcolm Island
- Port McNeill
- Port Alice
- Port Hardy
- Woss
- Coal Harbour
- Telegraph Cove
- Hyde Creek
- Holberg
- Winter Harbour
- Indigenous Community

4. What is your age group?  0


- 55-60
- 61-65
- 66-70
- 71-75
- 76-80
- 81-85
- 86-90
- 91+

5. Who do you live with? (select all that apply)  0


- I live alone
- my spouse or partner
- a child under 12, youth, young adult or grandchild
- my adult offspring
- another family relation
- a friend
- other
- hired help

6. If you have a spouse or partner living with you, please indicate the age group of your partner or spouse.  0

- I live alone
- 55-60
- 61-65
- 66-70
- 71-75
- 76-80
- 81-85
- 86-90
- 91+
- I prefer not to answer


7. Does anyone in your home (including yourself) have a health condition lasting for six months or more that makes it difficult to get around inside the house, and into and out of the house?  0

- Yes
- No

8. Overall, how do you feel about your current housing situation?  0

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- I don't have an opinion
- I need help understanding my current housing situation

9. This question addresses affordability in the context of housing. You may choose not to answer.

What category best described your gross household income from all sources last year? (remember, this survey is completely anonymous.)  0

- less than \$10,000
- \$10,000 to \$25,000
- \$25,001 to \$50,000
- \$50,001 to \$100,000
- Over \$100,000
- I prefer not to answer
- I am not sure

10. Do you own or rent your current home?  0

- Rent
- Own
- I live with family
- I live in an Recreational Vehicle or Boat

11. How do you feel about the status your home? (please select all that apply)  0


- My home is ideal for my needs
- I feel safe aging-in-place without any changes to my house
- My house is going to need a lot of work to upgrade it for aging and emergent mobility considerations
- My home is too big for the number of occupants
- I have too much stuff to consider moving
- I have trouble keeping up with maintenance
- I cannot find anyone to help with yard work
- I cannot find anyone to help with house work
- I cannot afford to hire anyone to support me with housework, or yard work
- I worry about the condition of my house, the roof, leaks, rot, or mold
- My house has a number of places I have to be careful not to slip, trip or fall
- I have a lot of stairs
- My home is too small for the number of occupants
- I prefer not to answer this question
- Other comments on my house

12. Do you have or need any of the following in your home? (Select all that apply)




	Have	Need	Don't have and don't need
At least one point of entry with only one or no steps	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A ramped entrance (instead of, or in addition to steps)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A front door wide enough for wheelchair passage (at least 32" clear)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A bathroom door wide enough for a wheelchair	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Room to move a wheelchair in the bathroom	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Room to move a wheelchair in the kitchen	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Grab rails in the tub or shower	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Grab rails need the toilet	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A washroom on the main floor	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A lifting device between floors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

13. Do you either need or want to live in Senior's Housing at this time?

(Senior's housing being a place with social activities, meal options, and housekeeping services.)  0


- Yes, I would like to have some seniors housing supports right now
- No, I do not need support right now but I would like it in the future
- No, I will never want or need supportive housing
- I prefer not to answer this question

14. If in the future you did need supportive services (like meals, housekeeping, yard work or social activities) would you prefer to move to a smaller space to receive those, or stay in your own home and receive services there?  0


- I want to downsize when the time comes
- I want to stay in my own home and receive support services there

15. If in the the future you anticipate downsizing and moving to a place with increased supports, when do you anticipate that may be?  0


- Within 1 to 2 years
- In 3 to 5 years
- In 6 to 10 years
- Over 10 years

16. If you anticipate downsizing in the future, to either supportive housing or smaller independent living units, would you rather rent or own?  0

- Rent
- Own

17. If you prefer to own your next home as a senior, what size and kind of home would you like? (With no additional supports)  0

- A condominium
- A bungalow or small rancher
- A townhouse or split level
- I would like under 1,000 square feet
- I would like between 1,000 to 2,000 square feet
- I would like more than 2,000 square feet

18. If you would prefer to own your next home as a senior, what is your price range? (With no additional supports.)  0

- \$175,000 or less
- \$175,000 - \$250,000
- More than \$250,000
- It depends on how much I can sell my current house for

19. If you prefer to rent, which would you prefer?  0

- An apartment or condominium in a multi-unit building
- A townhouse or slightly independent unit
- A bungalow or rancher

20. If you prefer to rent, how many bedrooms do you need? (with no additional supports)  0

- 1 bedroom
- 2 bedrooms
- 3 or more bedrooms

21. If you prefer to rent, how much can you pay per month, not including utilities? (with no additional supports) 0

- \$750 or less
- \$751 to \$1,000
- \$1,001 to \$1,350
- \$1,351 to \$1,500
- \$1,501 to \$2,000
- Over \$2,000


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22. If seniors housing that you wanted or needed were available in your community or on the North Island, you would be likely to stay in the area? 0

- Yes
- No

23. If you want to leave the area for later-in-life care and seniors housing, what is your reason for leaving? 0


- I want to be closer to family
- I prefer to be in a larger urban centre
- I prefer to be in a more rural setting
- The transportation options here are too limiting for me
- Other (please specify)

24. Please indicate the type of dwelling you are most interested in for seniors housing?  0


- Single Story House
- Unit in a shared or multi-unit residence

25. If you moved into a shared or multi-kit seniors residence, what size housing unity would you need?  0


- Bedsitting unit with en-suite bathroom
- One bedroom unity
- Two bedroom unity

26. If you moved into a shared or multi-unit seniors residence, would you prefer to keep your car?  0


- Yes
- No

27. In senior's housing, what are your needs or preferences for meal preparation?  0


- My own kitchen to prepare meals
- A kitchenette, or access to a shared kitchen so I can prepare light meals or breakfast, but have more meals prepared for me
- All meals prepared for me
- I don't know
- I prefer not to answer
- Other (please specify)

28. With your income, what are you able to pay (or willing to pay) per month for senior's housing including services such as meals, housekeeping, and social activities?  0

- \$1,000 or less
- \$1,001 to \$1,500
- \$1,500 to \$2,000
- \$2,001 to \$2,500
- \$2,500 to \$3,001
- \$3,001 to \$3,500
- Over \$3,500
- I prefer not to answer

29. What kind of payment or financing arrangement are you interested in for senior's housing?  0

- I would be interested in month-by-month payments
- I would be interested in purchasing a housing unit
- I would be interested in pre-purchasing a unit in a senior's housing project
- I would be interested in investing in a senior's housing project, which would give me some financial return

30. If you own your own home: Do you need to sell your house before you can make decisions about what kind of seniors housing you can live in, or understand what kind of financial commitments you are able to make?  0


- Yes, I need to sell my house before I make any decisions
- No, I can make decisions before I sell my house
- I have trouble understanding my options
- I prefer not to answer

31. "Affordable housing" for rental properties refers to units will rents that are 65%-80% of the going market rate. These units are modest in size, design and amenities in comparison with market-rate units, and are rented to people with lower incomes.

If affordable housing for seniors were available, are you likely to apply for it?  0


Yes

No

32. What is important to you about a location for seniors housing?  0

	Not Important	No Opinion	Somewhat Important	Very Important	N/A
Within 5 minutes walk to stores	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Within 10 minutes walk to stores	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Within 20 minutes walk to stores	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Close to the beach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Has an ocean, mountain or forest view	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Close to the hospital	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is in a quiet setting near parks or nature	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is in a residential setting surrounded by other homes and people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify)

33. Please indicate if you are currently receiving any of the following supportive care services from an organization or from individuals. If you are not currently receiving supportive care but would like to, please indicate which services: (Remember: this survey is anonymous.)  0

	Currently Receiving	Not Receiving	Not receiving but would like to
Meals delivered	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Housework	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Laundry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Home and Yard Maintenance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Driving and Transportation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Personal care (eg, bathing, dressing, hair, feet)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Medication supervision and other advanced home care assistance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Shopping for essentials (eg groceries)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Socialization program or Seniors Club	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other services you are not receiving but would like to:

Thank you for taking the time to take this survey on Seniors Housing Needs on the North Island!

If you feel as though you have affordability issues, problems with the condition or size of your house, we have a further survey you may wish to do that will help us in our advocacy efforts and/or funding requests for increased supportive housing. Please click this link to take our 5-8 minute "[Housing and Homelessness: A Service Needs Assessment Survey.](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XQT73T3)"

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