## BC Housing Waste and Recycling

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#### **Overview**

BC Housing develops, manages and administers a wide range of subsidized housing options across the province.

- Directly managing over 70 developments and assisting almost 200 group homes across the province, overseeing the day to day operations of Riverview
- We work with about 800 housing providers and help more than 104,000 households in 200 communities across British Columbia.

#### Who we serve includes but limited to:

- Individuals who are homeless
- Individuals with disabilities
- Indigenous individuals and families
- Women and children at risk of violence
- Low-income seniors and families



### **Challenges**

- Guidelines for Different Municipalities
- Different Types of Properties
  - High Rises
  - Town Homes
  - Riverview
- Engagement
- Contamination



#### **Contamination**

# Diversion of Soft Plastic From Recycling and Organic Bins

Pilot @ Doug Drummond









#### **Before**





Soft Plastic Contamination in Recycling and Organics Bins



## **After**









**Different Types of Properties** 





## **Examples of Current Enclosures**







### **Alternate Location for Enclosure**





### **Redesigned Enclosure**

- Transparent
- Ventilation
- Easy to clean
- Inexpensive
- Easy to maintain





#### **ENGAGEMENT:**

## Waste and Recycling Workshops and Presentations

- Mandatory half day workshop on Waste and Recycling for staff
- Participants discover the importance of Recycling
- Short presentations to both residential tenants and commercial tenants
- Door to door surveys
- Events with education pieces for tenants and staff



## **Tenant Engagement Event**







#### **Riverview**







### **After**













