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# HOUSING THAT CONNECTS US

The health and climate rationale for intergenerational 'sociable' design


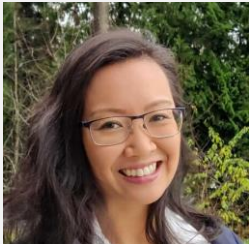

I am privileged as a settler to live and work on the  
unceded territories of the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əy̓əm  
(Musqueam), Sk<sub>w</sub>x<sub>w</sub>ú7mesh (Squamish),  
and səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

*Where are you joining us from?*

# 270 registrants!

1. professional interest
2. both
3. personal interest

# Today's agenda

9:30 – 9:45		<b>Michelle Hoar</b> Project Director Hey Neighbour Collective <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Moderator</li></ul>	10:25 – 10:55	Questions & Answers	
9:50 – 10:05		<b>Laura Chow</b> Senior Planner Vancouver Coastal Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Speaker</li></ul>	10:55 – 11:00	Closing	
10:05 – 10:25		<b>Madeleine Hebert</b> Senior Housing Specialist Happy Cities <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Speaker</li></ul>	<b>Next week</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Email follow-up with webinar video, slides, links, answers to extra questions</li></ul>		<b>Near future</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Case studies</li><li>• Research reports</li></ul>

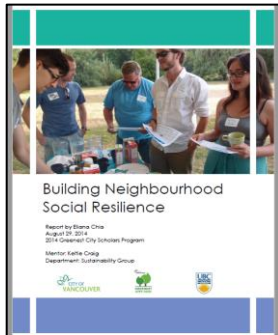
# Hey Neighbour history



## 2014 – 2017: Healthy City Strategy research & engagement

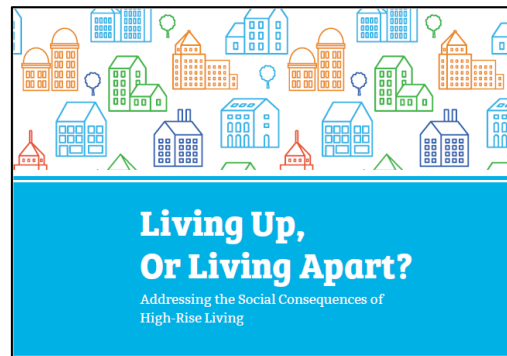
## 2018/2019: 12-month pilot

## 2019 - today



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- 2 rental buildings
- Small group of resident animators in each building
- City coordinator
- Landlord support

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CENTRE FOR DIALOGUE



- Brightside Community Homes Foundation
- Concert Properties
- Catalyst Community Developments Society

- BC Non-Profit Housing Association
- LandlordBC

- Building Resilient Neighbourhoods
- West End Seniors' Network
- Seniors Services Society of BC

- City of Vancouver
- City of North Vancouver
- City of New Westminister
- Metro Vancouver (regional government)

- Simon Fraser University  
(Urban Studies, Gerontology & Health Sciences)
- Happy Cities

- Vancouver Coastal Health



**VISION:**

A future where more of Canada’s multi-unit housing communities are *socially connected, neighbourly, health-promoting and resilient.*

**What supports these changes?**

- ✓ Engaged, Safe & Empowered Residents
- ✓ Pro-Active Housing Operators
- ✓ Improved Housing Design
- ✓ Supportive Policy

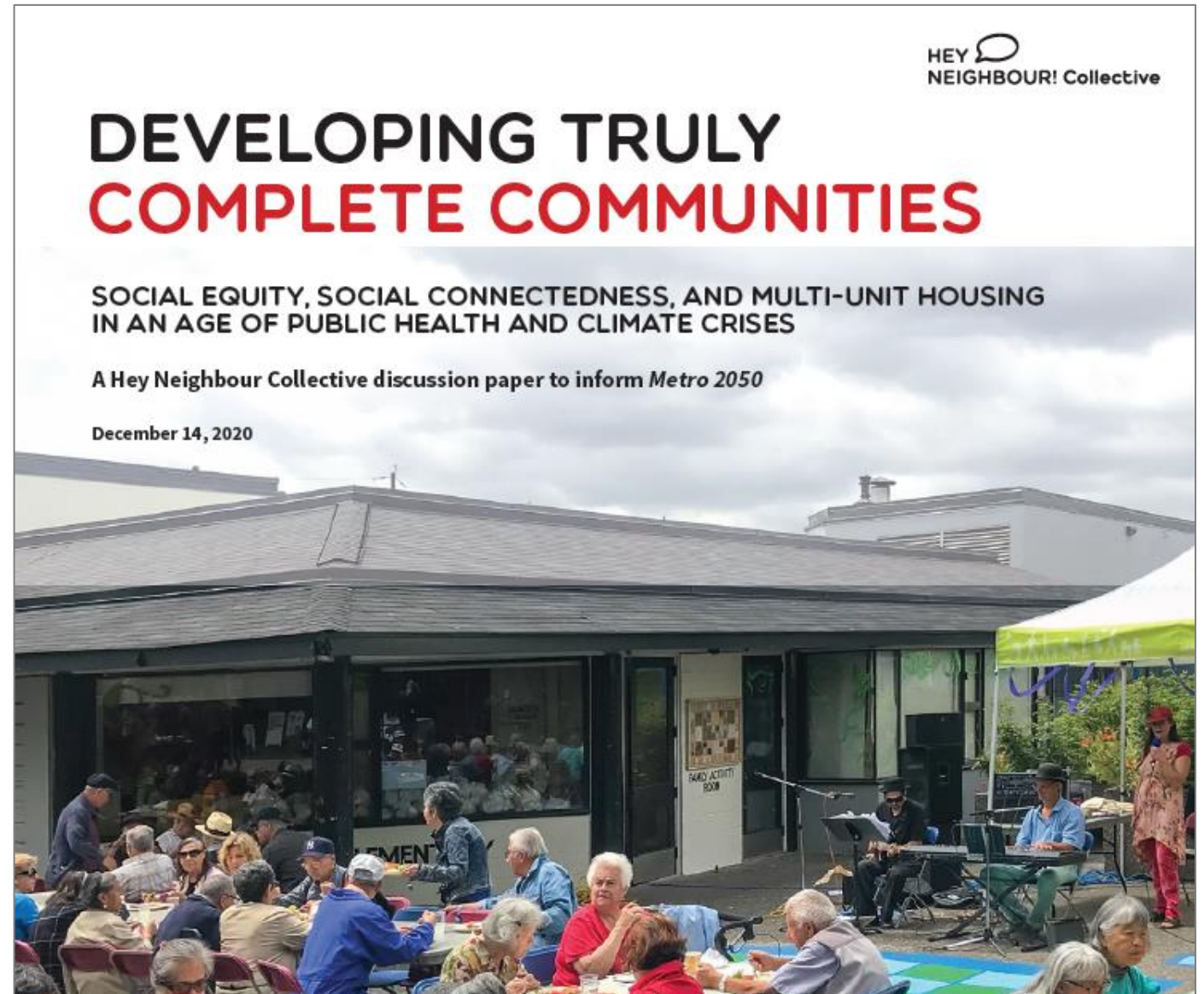


# Influencing Systems Change through Engaging the Housing Sector and Policy Makers

December 2020 →

Six major recommendations, including:

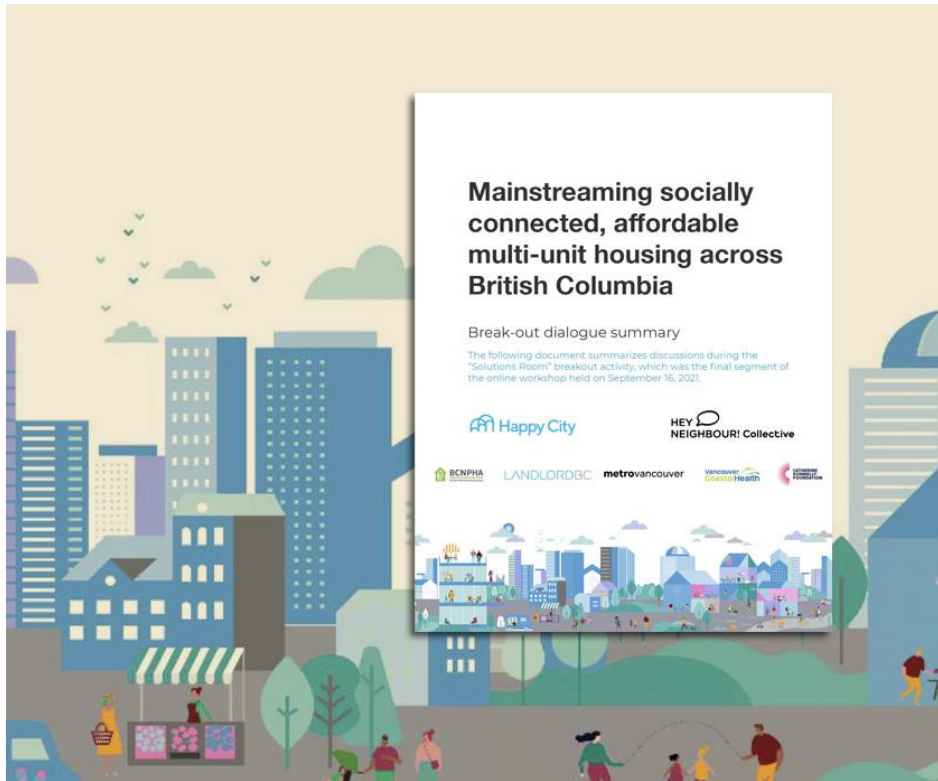
**Foster design education and dialogue for social connectedness in multi-unit housing**



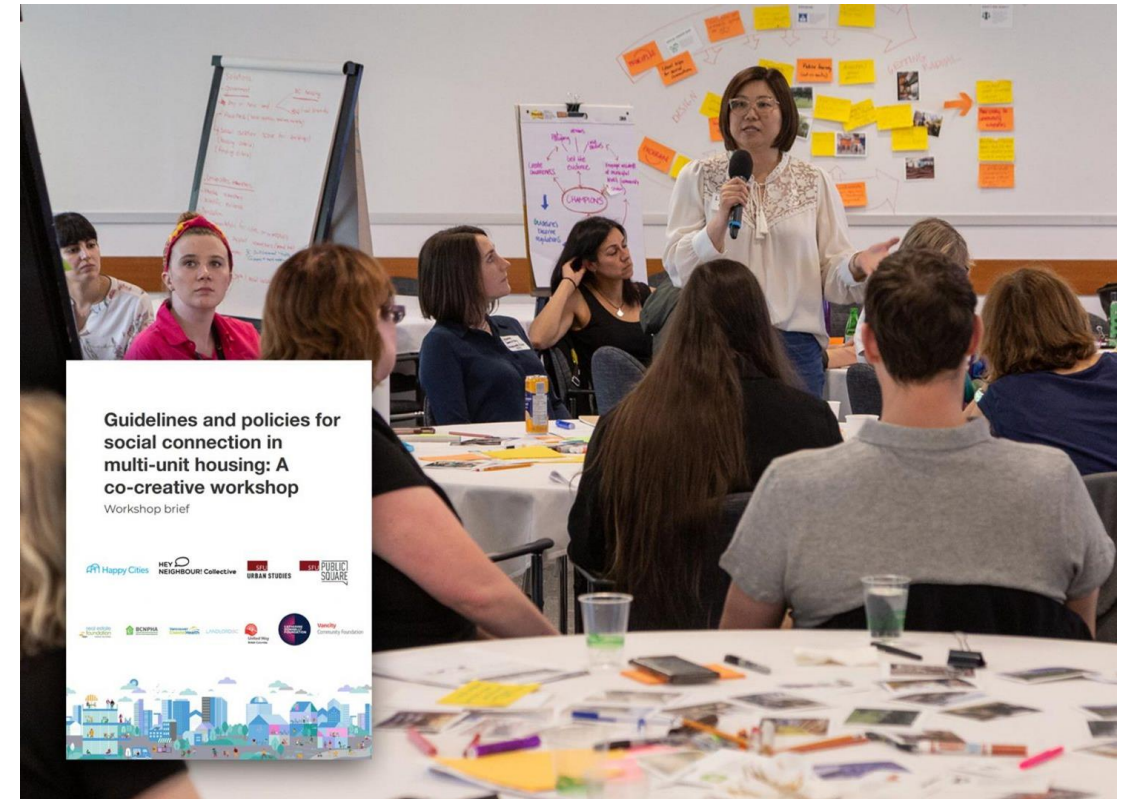


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## Sept 2021

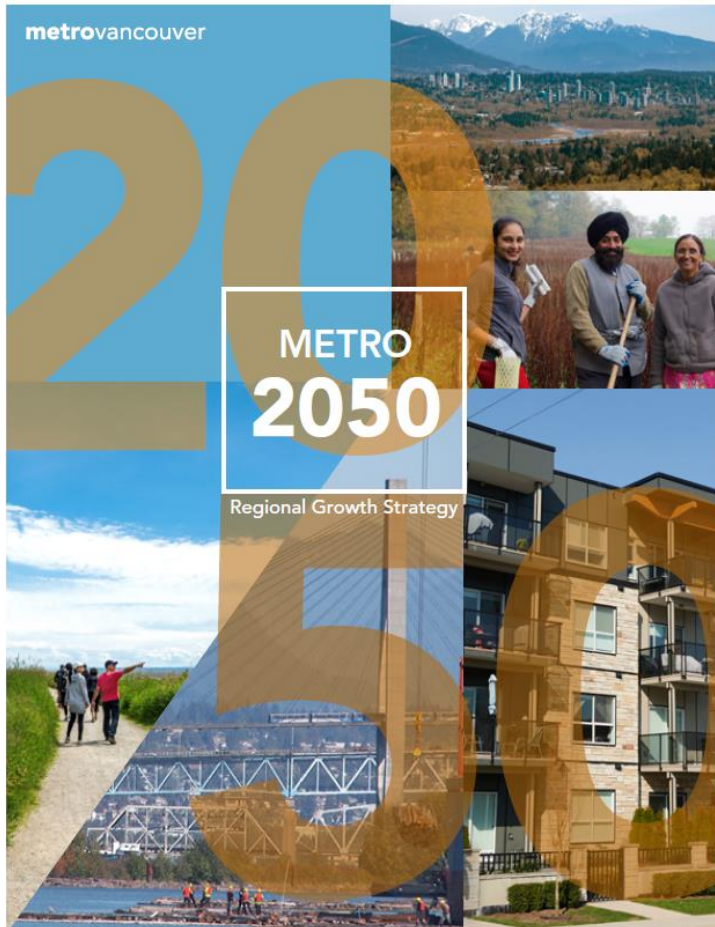


## June 2022





February 2023



#### **4.1.8 Member jurisdictions will adopt regional context statements that...**

c) Identify policies and actions that contribute to the following outcomes:

**vi) Increased social connectedness in multi-unit housing**



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## Summer 2023 – Summer 2024

- **Phase 1:** Measuring the impact of the City of North Vancouver's *Active Design Guidelines*
- **Phase 2:** Co-creating housing design policies to support wellbeing in multi-unit housing
- **Phase 3:** Developing the *Building Social Connections* policy and design toolkit

## Core participants:

**Burnaby, New Westminister, North Vancouver, Surrey, Vancouver, Tsawwassen First Nation**

## Other funders / sponsors:

CMHC, Vancity Community Foundation, BC Healthy Communities (PlanH), SFU Community Engaged Research Initiative, BC Non-Profit Housing Association, Metro Vancouver

## Webinar tips & requests

- **Technical questions:** Mariah (SFU Comms)
- Please stay muted but we'd love to see your face!
- Please be respectful in the chat

## CHAT question

**What was the friendliest place you've lived to date?**

**What do you think made it that way?**

*Please feel free to share examples of how relationships with neighbours have impacted you.*

Moving right along....

**Ryan – please fire up our poll!**