



Frequent Questions about Pat's Place Temporary Village

What is Pat's Place?

- It is ***not*** a tent encampment. This project is totally different. Understandably, some people were concerned that it would be like the fairgrounds tent camp because the permit falls under the municipal code allowing temporary tent encampments. **Here are the facts . . .**
- Pat's Place will provide carefully monitored transitional housing for 12 to 20 residents as a temporary use of a vacant lot. After removal of the village, the long-term plan is for development of 24 two-bedroom affordable apartment units.
- The village will have eight 8'x12' wood shelters for single people and two 10'x16' shelters for couples or people with a caregiver. It will have a kitchen/commons building and on-site bathrooms and showers. All buildings will be removed when the permit expires.

How was the location chosen?

- The neighborhood is zoned R-IV (High Density Multi-family Residential) which specifically encourages affordable housing. The village will provide transitional housing while Bayside seeks funding to build 24 affordable two-bedroom apartments on the site.
- Bayside Housing approached the land owner, as the parcel was zoned for multi-family use. Bayside has a two year lease with option to purchase the property.
- It's within walking distance of essential services for village residents: grocery store, medical offices, social services, bus stop, etc.
- Municipal code allows a temporary use permit for up to 180 days with the possibility of an extension for up to 60 days (total 240 days) if all permit conditions have been met.

How will it be managed?

- Pat's Place will have an on-site, live-in security manager, as well as security cameras.
- A full time Case Manager will be assigned to this village, vetting applicants through a stringent process and criminal background check. The Case Manager will conduct daily visits, weekly whole village meetings, and personal one-on-one assistance helping residents find jobs, longer term housing and other services to make their experience in homelessness as safe, dignified, and brief as possible.

- To minimize impact on the neighborhood, every resident must sign an agreement to follow village rules which will be enforced by a case manager from Bayside. These rules include:
 - quiet hours from at least 9 pm to 9 am;
 - no alcohol, drugs, weapons or violence anywhere on the village grounds;
 - no overnight guests and limited visiting hours for immediate family only;
 - no loitering in the neighborhood;
 - all possessions except bikes must be kept indoors or in the resident's vehicle;
 - the village and its immediate vicinity must be kept clean and litter-free;
 - no RV's or camping in any vehicle;
 - no hot plates, camping stoves, smoking or open flames in the shelters; and
 - weekly checks of each shelter to ensure that rules are being followed.
- Residents will pay 20% of their income for rent and one meal a day. The people most likely to be the village's first residents are currently employed but their wages are not enough for them to afford Port Townsend's rental market.
- There will be 14 on-site parking spaces and a fenced dumpster/recycling area. Some of the wooded areas around the property will remain.
- Bayside manages a similar village, Peter's Place, which opened in January next to Community United Methodist Church in Port Hadlock. It has earned the support of neighbors, county sheriff officers and the church's Pastor Scott Rosekrans. As he says, "I haven't heard a single person complain. We've come to know our neighbors as people and enjoy our relationships with them."
- Bayside has provided more than 38,000 bed nights of transitional housing over the past 5 years without any major incident. It has helped many homeless people become productive tax-paying citizens with jobs and permanent housing.

Do you have other questions?

- Please send your questions about the project to info@baysidehousing.org.
- More information is also found on our website: baysidehousing.org