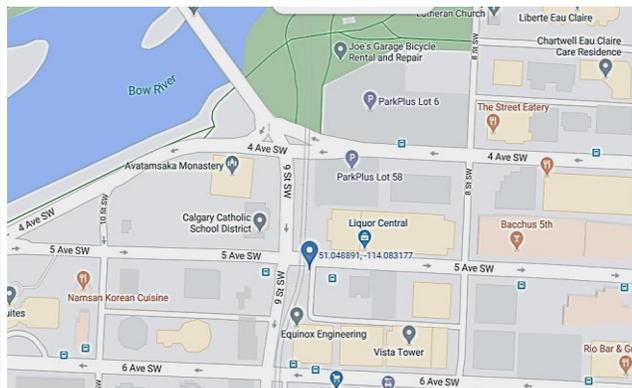


HomeSpace Downtown

933 – 5th Avenue S.W.
Calgary, Alberta



Description

This newly constructed, affordable housing building is owned and operated by HomeSpace and is located in the heart of downtown Calgary adjacent to the LRT. It will be **ready for rental occupancy in late 2020**. The building is a 7 storey, concrete construction with a total of 74 units. Each floor has 8 one bedroom and 2 studio units each with a kitchen. The kitchen has a stovetop, but no oven and no dishwasher. Microwave and small appliances can be added at tenant's expense. Laundry is shared. The second floor features common space including a community kitchen and patio. Commercial and retail space are on the ground floor. There will be security at the front entrance and 24/7 staff on the premises. Limited parking is available for support staff. Long-term parking for residents is available in the area for a fee.

Who is involved?

HomeSpace is an affordable housing provider who works with a variety of community agencies to help ensure that tenants in their buildings receive the supports that they need to live as independently as possible. In the Downtown Building, HomeSpace has partnered with The Sinneave Family Foundation, Autism Calgary Association, and Autism Asperger's Friendship Society to provide affordable housing and light supports for up to 20 autistic adults.

What are the costs?

- Rent from \$615 (studio 360 sq/ft) to \$740 per month (one bedroom 500-600 sq/ft)
- \$60 per month utilities (includes free laundry)



Living at HomeSpace Downtown Building

- Light support from Autism Calgary and Autism Asperger's Friendship Society is \$60 per month and is a requirement of tenancy

What is light support?

Autism Calgary will provide monthly phone check in's and as needed, in-person support visits to answer questions, help solve problems and provide community navigation. Autism Asperger's Friendship Society will offer a monthly social connection that may include social opportunities with others in the building or in the local community. Some support pets will be considered at the discretion of the landlord.

Is this building a good fit for me?

The HomeSpace Downtown Building may be a good fit if you are an autistic adult who is looking for sustainable affordable housing and are independent but would benefit from regular social connection and the ability to obtain support from time to time. The building will also have tenants who are supported by other agencies for example, seniors. Living in a low-income high-rise building may present challenges for some and it is important to discuss your unique needs with the support agency.

I am interested, what is my next step?

The Sinneave Family Foundation, Housing and Supports team are the entry point to this opportunity and will maintain an active waitlist for this building.

Step 1: Contact the Sinneave Family Foundation, Housing and Supports team and tell them you are interested in the HomeSpace Downtown Building by sending an email to housinginfo@sinneavefoundation.org or call (403) 681-4503. A quick screen and eligibility checklist will be conducted by phone. For those who meet the criteria, a referral will be made to Autism Calgary.

Step 2. Autism Calgary Association will meet with you to discuss the level of support you need and if this building may be the right fit for you at this time.

Step 3: You will be provided a lease agreement and support agreement for your review if it seems that this opportunity is right for you.

Step 4: Autism Calgary will connect you with HomeSpace to review and sign a lease agreement and set a moving date.

Step 5: Occupancy is projected for late 2020.

