



**North Shore
Community Resources**

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Mayor and Council
District of West Vancouver,
1750 17th Street
West Vancouver, B.C.

September 23, 2008

Community Dialogue Working Group Report

The Community Housing Action Committee would like to extend its appreciation to the Mayor and Council for its support of the recommendations from the Working Group on Neighbourhood Character and Housing.

We were impressed from the beginning with the quality of the volunteers, as well as the creativity and the thoroughness of the public participation process.

We were, of course, particularly interested in the recommendations related to affordable housing, because we thought we had sensed, as we attended the various events, a welcome shift in public attitudes, a recognition of the needs of seniors and young families.

When we were doing **Staying Power**, our 2004 mini-study of the housing needs on the North Shore, some of the saddest stories came from low income West Vancouver seniors; so it is heartwarming to know that the community wants their needs considered. We look forward to the first pilot project.

We hope that Council will communicate our thanks to the Planning Department as well as the Working Group. We look forward to more specific decisions based on the recommendations approved in principle.

Sincerely,

Donna Stewart, Chair
Community Housing Action Committee

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