the waterstone mixed-use affordable housing

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client

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location

Chilliwack, BC

over/under budget

On budget

value

\$16 million

status

Complete 2019





mixed-use development providing affordable housing

evoking a sense of connection to the building's natural surroundings





The Waterstone is a six-storey mixeduse affordable housing development that features 80 residential units, large indoor and outdoor amenity spaces, and a commercial/daycare space. The vision for this project was to increase the stock of quality, affordable housing in Chilliwack for low-income families and singles.

Residents and visitors are greeted by immediate views of a large plaza and landscaped area. The landscape features rolling hills for the children to play on, people to sit on and spectate activities in the plaza, and as a barrier to the parking lot. Offices and the



amenity space overlook the play area for additional supervision.

Through a muted palette of earth tones, the aesthetics of this building evoke a calming sense of connection to the natural surroundings. Large windows and balconies provide views outside and opportunities for fresh-air and natural sunlight inside the living spaces. Large heavy timber elements support the sloping roofs of the building, reminiscent of tree canopies in the forest. The overall design of this project provides a comfortable, calming, durable building with expansive, bright, outdoor spaces.