

Company Name: Scansa Construction Ltd.

Project Name: Sooke Drennan Housing

Project Value: \$45,415,952.99

Sooke Drennan Rental Housing, designed and built by Scansa Construction Ltd. and funded by M'akola Housing Society in partnership with BC Housing, is in Sooke, BC on the traditional territory of the T'Sou-ke first nation. The project was developed to provide 170 efficient, durable, family friendly mix of affordable rental housing units in the Sooke region. The development sits on 3.41 hectares of land in a medium density community, centrally located with schools, services, parks and waterfront all nearby. The site provides convenient access to regional transportation and connections via car, transit, and bike. Structures include two (2) identical five (5) story wood frame buildings, each housing eighty-five (85) rental units, and an amenity building with community garden space which centers the development. Also included is a public pathway extension that now provides useful, family friendly pedestrian connection to the SEAPARC Leisure Complex.

Scansa along with Studio 531 Architects led the consultant team, creating schematic designs and conducting public presentations to secure a development permit. Working within BC Housing's guidelines and construction standards, the buildings were designed to meet the BC Energy Step Code Level 3.

A phased construction approach allowed for efficient progress, beginning with land clearing in early 2021 and prefabricated wood framing commencing by late 2021. Scansa's top-down finishing strategy minimized trade damage and ensured timely completion, achieving an occupancy permit as planned in November 2023 resulting in the timely delivery of affordable rental housing, showcasing a commitment to sustainability, innovation, and community collaboration.