



M'AKOLA

GROUP OF SOCIETIES

Our Vision: To provide homes, *primarily for Aboriginal people*, where they can have pride and **feel connected to traditional values** and a community.

Our Mission: To provide **affordable and appropriate homes**, primarily for Aboriginal people on Vancouver Island, and to *enhance community partnerships*.

About Us:

The Society was originally established to provide safe, affordable housing for families of First Nations ancestry who were in core need of housing in urban centres on Vancouver Island. Since that time the Society and its mandate have expanded into what is now the M'akola Group of Societies, consisting of seven Societies.

The Mis'kow'aao Development Society was incorporated March 18th, 1988 as a Non-Profit Society, we specialize in project development, and property management services for market and non-market developments.

Mis'kow'aao has provided development and project management services for over 30 affordable housing projects for aboriginal and non-aboriginal clients.

Our staff has significant depth and breadth in various disciplines including project and property management, accounting and administration, finance, development, and operations consulting.

We are a non-Profit, organization governed by an Volunteer Aboriginal Board of Directors with significant related experience, skills, passion, and understanding of the needs of both on and off-reserve Aboriginal Families.

Our Services:

- Planning & design
- Capital & operating budgets
- Development Consulting
- Project management
- Contract management
- Operations consulting
- Re-zoning & development approvals
- Risk management
- Communications/stakeholder engagement
- Strategic partnerships
- Joint venture development
- Municipal/community development
- Invitational request for qualifications, "IRFQ"
- Request for qualifications, "RFQ"
- Expressions of interest, "EOI"
- Request for proposal, "RFP"
- Full "Turn-Key" development
- Construction management
- New construction and renovation of single and multi-residential
- Major capital improvement projects
- Replacement reserve planning and management

Our Experience:

- Assisted Living – Elders/seniors and persons with disabilities
- Youth at Risk
- Market and Non-Market Housing
- Health Care Provisioning
- Hospitality Services
- Subsidized/Affordable and Special Needs Housing
- Property Management

Our Past and Current Projects:

- **60 units:** Assisted Living/ Independent Living BC Housing and Health Care Project – City of Langford
- **Youth at Risk:** 6 bed, “Youth at Risk” project – Victoria Native Friendship Centre
- **50 unit:** Assisted Living/ Independent Living, BC Housing and Vancouver



Island Health Authority Health Care Project – Cowichan Tribes Partnership – Design Stage

- **48 unit:** Affordable Rental – City of Langford – Initial Project Stage - Goldstream
- **40 unit:** Affordable Rental – City of Colwood – Initial Project Stage – Sooke Road
- **48 unit:** Affordable Rental – City of Langford – Initial Project Stage – Awesworth Road

Our Record:

- We manage **867 Housing units** on Vancouver Island.
- We have built and now manage **372 townhouse units** in Victoria, Duncan, Nanaimo, and Port Alberni through the Urban Native Program funded by CMHC.
- We manage **62 units in** Victoria, Duncan and Nanaimo.
- The M’akola Leasehold Housing Society manages

all developments under the Homes BC Program including a **42-unit townhouse development** in Courtenay, a 22-unit complex in Victoria, and 4 complexes totaling 151 units in Campbell River.

- We broke ground on our 41st project on June 8, 2004 in Langford BC. M’akola ILBC Housing Society is a partnership between the District of Langford, Homes BC, Vancouver Island Health Authority and M’akola Group of Societies.

Our Goal:

- We are *dedicated* to working with *all* Aboriginal Organizations in assisting them with their **own personal missions and visions.**
- Our experience and level of influence make us *an ideal partner for any organization.* Our dedication and understanding of the First Nations people make us the **perfect partner for you.**

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