DIALOG

NDDC'ADMAT CT STRATHCONA LIBRARY / YWCA CAUSE WE CARE HOUSE

We are all one – a community enhancer

Indigenous Collaborations, Mixed-Use Living



LOCATION

Vancouver, BC

CLIENT

YWCA Metro Vancouver, Vancouver Public Library, City of Vancouver

COMPLETION

2018

COLLABORATORS

Applied Engineering Solutions Ltd

B.R Thornson

Cobalt Engineering

Cornerstone

Haebler Construction

Introba

Letterbox

Lighthouse

RJC Engineers

RWDI

HAPA Collaborative

Recollective Consulting

Vertech

DIALOG SERVICES

Architecture

Interior Design

The Vancouver Public Library, the City of Vancouver, and YWCA Metro Vancouver worked with DIALOG to provide an inclusive gathering space and affordable housing for single mothers and their children in an integrated effort to find a unique solution and enhance Vancouver's Downtown East Side with civic services. This project pairs a public library with affordable housing. It is named nə´c'a?mat ct (Musqeum for 'We Are One'), and is the first building in Vancouver named in a Coast Salish language. Its novel progamme strengthens the neighbourhood's social fabric by providing safe amenities.