

Introducing Digitally Accelerated Standardized Housing (DASH)

DASH is a new approach to housing design and building that helps deliver more homes, faster across British Columbia. If you're an architect interested in helping shape the future of housing delivery, now is the perfect time to get involved. Read on to learn more about DASH and BC Housing's latest Request for Pre-Qualification (RFPQ).

What is DASH?

[DASH](#) offers a modern, practical way to address the pressures facing Canada's housing sector by using digital tools and modern construction methods. It's a set of open source, publicly accessible digital building tools and permit-friendly designs that can be used by architects, designers, and developers to build homes faster, and easier.

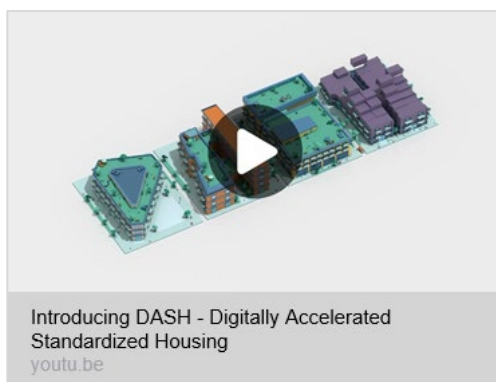
Most importantly, DASH is intended to support, not replace, the professional expertise of and legislated requirement for architects on multi-unit residential building. The DASH platform provides a strong digital foundation that reduces repetitive work and helps teams focus on the design decisions that matter most.

DASH standardizes common building elements and supports the use of prefabricated components and a coordinated supply chain. This helps architects to:

- Speed up the design process with ready-made unit layouts
- Save time on repetitive tasks to focus on creative work
- Improve accuracy
- Use data to guide decisions and improve project outcomes

By simplifying design and supporting more streamlined approvals, DASH aims to reduce complexity and help industry deliver more homes, faster and more cost effectively across British Columbia.

Watch this [short explainer video](#) to learn more:



Get Involved: Request for Pre-Qualification Open Now

Architects will play an important role in delivering future housing projects. BC Housing has opened a Request for Pre-Qualification (RFPQ) for architectural firms and prime consultants across British Columbia.

This RFPQ invites qualified professionals to apply for inclusion on a pre-qualified roster for housing projects throughout the province, as opportunities arise.

The RFPQ includes two streams:

- General Stream – Architectural and consulting services across a range of housing projects
- DASH Stream – Firms with demonstrated experience in prefabricated/panelized construction and Building Information Modelling (BIM)

Apply to the stream that matches your expertise, or both.

Key Dates

- Inquiry submission deadline: June 29
- RFPQ closing date: July 22

Apply Now: bcbid.gov.bc.ca/page.aspx/en/bpm/process_manage_extranet/230763

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