

THE WCR LEARNING COMMUNITY

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The outside of Atira's apartment building
Photo: Ward Perrin, PNG

Atira wins award 🏆

Atira is an organization. Atira helps women in Vancouver, Surrey and White Rock.

Atira builds homes for women. Atira owns 13 buildings. They house 1,200 women.

The homes are safe places. The homes are low-cost.

They built a new apartment in downtown Vancouver.

They used old shipping containers. The building has 12 apartments.

The address is 502 Alexander Street, Vancouver.

The Canadian Home Builders' Association liked the apartment building. They gave Atira a prize for the building.

It is the first apartment in Canada built with shipping containers.



Shipping containers travel by train.
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What is a shipping container?

Shipping containers are large metal boxes.

They hold goods shipped by train, truck and ship.

Adapted from *The Vancouver Sun*

Links

Go to *The Westcoast Reader* website for links to more information and videos.

www.thewestcoastreader.com

Answer key

A) Unscramble the letters

homes, safe buildings, cost women, containers, prize, apartments

B) Put the word in the right sentence.

1. homes; 2. buildings; 3. women; 4. safe;

5. cost; 6. containers; 7. apartments; 8. prize



Shipping containers travel on ships.

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Scrambled letters

A) Unscramble the letters to make a word.

hmeos _____

easf _____

bildgnsiu _____

tocs _____

nemow _____

erstaincon _____

ezpri _____

mentsapart _____

B) Put the word in the right sentence.

1. Atira builds _____ for women.
2. Atira owns 13_____.
3. They house 1,200_____.
4. The homes are _____ places.
5. The homes are low-_____.
6. They used old shipping _____.
7. The building has 12 _____.
8. They gave Atira a _____ for the building.

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