



**Seasons Greetings from  
the Woodward's Social  
Housing Coalition and  
the Woodward's Squatters.**

**IN THIS SEASON OF  
SHARING  
WE WISH TO  
THANK YOU  
FOR THE SUPPORT  
AND  
RESOURCES WHICH  
MADE THE  
DIGNIFIED  
HOUSING OF  
THOSE AROUND  
WOODWARDS A  
REALITY,**

# Thanks to your Support

The successes we have realized while encamping around the Woodward's building are attributable not only to the determination and strength of the squatters but also to the broad base of support we got from neighbours, churches, unions, student organizations and other citizens from across the province.

We wish to take this moment to express our thanks for your part in our mutual victories.

As we pull away from the squat we have been asked if we won anything.

Our original goals were to draw the public's attention to the fact that the provincial Liberal government had secretly placed the Woodward's building on the open market, and by virtue of that secrecy had entered into a 'sweetheart deal' with a group of developers. We have far exceeded those goals. With support from the community we drove away the speculators, exposed a civic government as both compassionless towards the needs of the homeless and incapable of standing up against the provincial government, and replaced it with a city council which, as one of its' first acts, set into action a plan to offer dignified housing to the homeless around Woodward's, and committed to work towards solving the homeless problem in Vancouver and secure the Woodward's site for social housing.

During these three months, Gordon Campbell's provincial government has insisted that they will not talk with our delegates as long as we surround the Woodward's building.

We have strategically brought down our squat. We expect that Gordon Campbell will immediately allow his colleagues to enter in discussion with the Woodward's Social Housing Coalition about the reinstating of a social housing program which includes Woodward's, as well as setting up of an adequate and dignified program to address the homelessness problem across this province.

***We will need your continued support in our upcoming campaign***