

# **BUD CLARK COMMONS**

### ONE BUILDING, THREE ELEMENTS OF SERVICE

The Bud Clark Commons is a cornerstone of the City of Portland and Multnomah County's Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness. An innovative partnership between the Portland Housing Bureau, the Housing Authority of Portland (HAP), Transition Projects, and Multnomah County, the Commons will provide vital resources, shelter, and housing placement services to people experiencing homelessness in Portland.

Centrally located at the west-end of the Broadway bridge, the Commons will be a hub for information and referrals, bringing together services and providers in one location.



- 130 apartments for the most vulnerable people experiencing homelessness. The building, as well as the permanent supportive housing units, will be managed by HAP.
- Day resource center, operated by Transition Projects, will offer services to address basic needs, as well as connections to a wide range of community resources.
- A 90-bed men's shelter that will be managed by Transition Projects

### FOCUSING ON SUCCESS

The Bud Clark Commons will focus on helping people experiencing homelessness move toward stability. The center willoffer the opportunity for change by providing services that engage and support people in transition from homelessness to housing.

**BASIC NEEDS.** The day center focuses on addressing the survival needs of people experiencing homelessness, including: lockers, laundry, and showers. A large court-yard provides a safe place for people to be off the streets and opportunities for engagement.

**TRANSITIONAL SUPPORT.** For people ready to move beyond basic needs, community partners will provide case management, housing assistance, addiction and mental health support, and a learning center for job and housing search.

**HOUSING SUCCESS.** The development includes 130 studio apartments providing permanent supportive housing for very low-income residents. Operating subsidies will include a combination of public housing and Section 8 funding. On-site services will help ensure tenant success in housing and build a new residential community designed for chronically homeless people who are most medically vulnerable. We will also provide housing placement and retention throughout the community.

Learn more about the project at: http://portlandonline.com/phb/BCC

#### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The Commons is funded primarily by tax increment funds from the City of Portland River District URA. As the building's developer and owner, HAP has made a significant financial investment in the development

Uses of Funds in	\$ millions
Construction Costs Development General Fees Loan/Financing Fees Interest Reserves/Contingency	\$29.8 1.4 8.3 1.9 1.3 4.2
Total Uses	\$46.9
Sources of Funds in	\$ millions
TIF - River District LIHTC Recovery Act Competitive Grant Cash Other	\$29.5 11.7 3.3 1.9 0.5
Total Sources	\$46.9

#### **INVESTING IN COMMUNITY**



Construction of the Commons has kept development moving forward in Old Town Chinatown during the worst economic recession of our lifetime. Since we broke ground on the project in November 2009, the development has:

- Awarded over \$5.5 million in contracts to women and minority-owned businesses.
- Employed 125 construction workers during a time when the economy is contracting.
- Hired community members in apprenticeship programs, including people experiencing homelessness.

## STRONG PARTNERSHIPS, QUALITY DESIGN

- Project partners, the Portland Business Alliance, homeless advocates, the Portland Police, business, people experiencing homelessness, and neighborhood associations have all participated in designing the building and developing program offerings.
- The project is anticipated to be LEED<sup>®</sup> Platinum: incorporating grey-water harvesting and a rooftop solar hot water system. The building's sustainable elements achieve considerable energy cost savings.







