

About the Bud Clark Commons

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, Home Forward, Transition Projects, and Multnomah County, the Commons will provide vital resources, shelter, and apartments for people experiencing homelessness in Portland.



hope. access. potential.

A new name for the Housing Authority of Portland



JUNE 2, 2011

OPENING
the GATES

Words of inspiration grace our opening gates...

If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am not for others, what am I? And if not now, when?

Hillel the Elder

What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like.

Saint Augustine

Be a lamp, a lifeboat, a ladder. Help someone's soul heal. Walk out of your house like a shepherd.

Mevlana Rumi

When you were born, you cried and the world rejoiced. Live your life so that when you die, the world cries and you rejoice.

Cherokee proverb

Just as the wave cannot exist for itself, but is ever a part of the heaving surface of the ocean, so must I never live my life for itself, but always in the experience which is going on around me.

Albert Schweitzer



BUD CLARK COMMONS

Hope for a
**MOTHER,
DAUGHTER,
FATHER, SON.**
Hope for community

THIS WILL BE A PLACE OF
SAFETY, COMFORT
**SMILES &
NEW BEGINNINGS**

WELCOME to this
warm
& secure
place
of hope
and
possibility

**MAY broken
DREAMS
BE MENDED**

We hope to create a
**WELCOMING
GATEWAY** to
THOSE IN NEED

I WISH
most of all
that this center
will provide
HOPE
to those who
might otherwise
lose sight of their
DREAMS

**MAY MY
MOM,** wherever she finds herself, be welcomed to a center
as warm, thoughtful, & caring as Portland's
BUD CLARK COMMONS

a place of
SECOND CHANCES FULFILLED

**MY BROTHERS
& SISTERS**
from the
homeless
community
want to thank you

**MAY THIS
PLACE**
of WARMTH
& SHELTER
be a MODEL
of CARING for
COMMUNITIES
throughout the
NATION

These words of hope were gathered from community members who attended the construction groundbreaking on November 20, 2009, and unveiled at the grand opening held on June 2, 2011.

Bud Clark Commons Opening Celebration

Being Human?

By Leo Rhodes
Columnist, Street Roots

I am the voice you never hear
If I spoke would you listen?
I am the ugly duckling
Visible in your pretty little world
I am the criminal when I try to sleep
I am the nuisance
Trying to keep dry out of the rain
I am the homeless person
Looking for dignity and a safe secure place

WELCOME

Nick Fish, Housing Commissioner for the City of Portland

CREATING HOPE

Barry Sanders, Writer-in-Residence, Pacific Northwest College of Art
Leo Rhodes, Columnist, Street Roots

CREATING COMMUNITY

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CREATING HOME

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CLOSING REMARKS

Nick Fish

**Chinese Lion Dancers Lead the Way
to the Ribbon Cutting**

Self-guided Tours

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Multnomah County - Health and Human Services
Transition Projects

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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
U.S. Veterans Administration

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ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY PARTNERS

(during development and on-going operations)

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Better People
Cascade AIDS Project
Cascadia Behavioral Health
Central City Concern
Chinese Consolidated
Benevolent Association
Coalition of Community Health Clinics
Corporation for Supportive Housing
DePaul Treatment Centers
JOIN
LifeWorks NW
Lions Club
Multnomah County Health Department
Multnomah County Library
Multnomah County Transition Service Unit
Multnomah County West Side Clinic
Native American Rehabilitation Association
New Avenues for Youth
Northwest Pilot Project
Old Town Chinatown: Neighborhood
and Business Associations
Oregon Department of Human Services
& Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Oregon Food Bank
Oregon Nikkei Endowment
Outreach Services
Outside In
Pacific Northwest College of Art
Pacific University
Pearl District: Neighborhood
& Business Associations
Planned Parenthood
Pongo Fund
Portland Animal Welfare Team
Portland Business Alliance
Project Clean Slate
Quest
Salvation Army Female Emergency
Shelter (SAFES)
(Seattle) Downtown Emergency
Service Center
Sisters of the Road
Street Roots
TriMet
University of Portland School of Nursing
University of Western States
Volunteers of America
West Coast Bank

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for catering; and
**Northwest Dragon
and Lion Dance
Association** for their
dancers. In the words
of the building's
namesake:
Whoop, Whoop!

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Home Forward (Board of Commissioners)
JOIN
Loaves and Fishes
Multnomah County District Attorney's Office
neighborhood business owner
neighborhood business owner
neighborhood resident
neighborhood resident
neighborhood resident
Old Town Chinatown Business Association
Old Town Chinatown Business Association
Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association
Old Town Chinatown Neighborhood Association
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Oregon Nikkei Endowment
Pacific Northwest College of Art
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Pearl District Business Association (Wilf's Resturant)
Pearl District Neighborhood Association
Pearl District Neighborhood Association
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currently Portland Police Bureau
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