ANSWERING THE CALL

Seattle's homeless crisis



Imagine waking up every morning in a car. Or tucking into a tent under the freeway in a driving rain. Or being turned away from a shelter.

Imagine that you fear for your safety every waking moment of your day.

The homeless crisis in Seattle continues to escalate and shows no sign of easing. In November 2015, Seattle Mayor Ed Murray declared a state of emergency on homelessness. As the King County homeless population continues to grow each month, there is a critical need for a rapid, responsive and scalable solution to accelerate access to affordable housing for the most vulnerable in our community.

COMPASS CROSSING



AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH

Compass Housing Alliance has a solution: Compass Crossing, an innovative steel-frame modular housing community. It brings together dignified housing and people-centered services to create 13 new housing units in Columbia City. Compass Crossing creates a supportive community for its residents that is respectful of racial diversity and gender equality.

HOLISTIC AND RESPONSIVE

Removing the barriers to offer dignified housing and people-centered services

Homelessness is a daily struggle to meet basic needs and access support and most services don't take into account the whole person. Compass Crossing is a responsive housing approach that removes the most pressing barriers to accessing shelter housing and services. Most importantly, it keeps individuals, couples and their pets together. The homes and services can easily be adapted to meet the specific needs of different homeless populations, including veterans and victims of domestic violence.

FINDING A HOME IN STEEL-FRAME MODULAR HOUSING

An adaptable, efficient and scalable solution

Women, children—entire families—are in search of a stable place to live but remain homeless due to the lack of adequate resources and affordable housing.

By the numbers

HOMELESSNESS IN SEATTLE/KING COUNTY

In early 2016, 10,668 individuals were unsheltered or in crisis response housing

At least 4,505 men, women, and children were without shelter—outside—during the three-hour street count, a 19% increase from 2015

In 2015, only 30 affordable housing options were available for every 100 very low-income households

Seattle/King County ranks 3rd nationwide in metro-area homeless populations

In 2016, Seattle rents increased 9.7%, faster than any other city in the U.S.

Sources:

King County One Night Count 2016; 2015 Washington State Housing Needs Assessment, Washington State Affordable Housing Advisory Board; U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; Zillow

COMPASS CROSSING

Compass Crossing's steel-frame modular housing solution is developed at one-third the building cost, in one-third of the time and uses one-third of the environmental resources.

The homes are constructed off site and can be installed rapidly, creating muchneeded housing while ensuring minimal disruption to the community. Units can be relocated, repurposed and reconfigured to meet evolving community and resident needs. Modular housing offers a dignified, scalable and responsive solution to an urban crisis.

AT A GLANCE

Located in Columbia City on corner of S. Angeline St. and 39th Ave. S

13 individual housing units:

- 6 double-occupancy units, each measuring 240 square feet
- 7 single-occupancy units, each measuring 160 square feet



SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION OUT OF HOMELESSNESS WITH AN INTEGRATED SOLUTION Secure housing within a supportive community

Compass Crossing residents are finally finding their way home. Yet the successful transition out of homelessness is a journey that requires the support of and respect for the surrounding community.

Steel-frame modular housing units are designed to integrate visually into the surrounding community while providing residents dignified and secure housing. Offsite construction followed by rapid installation means minimal disruption and low impact to the community. Onsite program and property managers offer individualized care to help the residents navigate pathways to stability and success.

Pet friendly

Individualized storage for the residents

Multi-purpose kitchen and community room

Shared courtyard and garden space On-site licensed mental health, case management professionals and property management

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OneBuild

ABOUT COMPASS HOUSING ALLIANCE

Founded in 1920, Compass Housing Alliance (CHA) provides emergency shelter, housing, and support services to homeless and low-income individuals. CHA touches the lives of over 10,000 individuals annually through 48 people-centered programs within 27 locations throughout the Puget Sound region.

www.compasshousingalliance.org

ABOUT ONEBUILD

Founded in Seattle in 2010 by Dale Sperling, OneBuild's vision is to become the West Coast's preferred supplier of off-site, manufactured building modules and components for the construction industry. OneBuild's Integrated Delivery System delivers a high quality and green product at a reduced cost from the site-built alternative.

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