

TENANT FOCUS

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TWIN RIVERS CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE PLANNING GRANT

Earlier this year, the Housing Authority was awarded a \$300,000 Twin Rivers Choice Neighborhoods Initiative Planning Grant from HUD to develop a comprehensive approach to neighborhood transformation and revitalization for the 218-unit Twin Rivers development in the River District – Rail yards Planning Area. The funding will allow the Housing Authority to develop a Transformation Plan over the next 18 months to revitalize the area into a complete neighborhood with energy-efficient and mixed-income housing, well-functioning services, high quality public schools and education programs, public transportation and improved access to jobs.

The Housing Authority has developed task forces focused on housing, people, education and

neighborhoods and have held monthly resident meetings in an effort to develop well-thought strategies. Additionally, the Housing Authority has just completed a comprehensive resident needs assessment for Twin Rivers in which about 90% of the households provided their input on housing, education, job training and services needs. The results of the assessment will be used by the task force teams to develop the Transformation Plan, scheduled to be completed in the Summer of 2013



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PRESERVING OUR CENTRAL CITY HIGH-RISES BY SHRA

In 2010, the Housing Authority received disposition approval from HUD for two Central City high-rises (Washington Plaza and Sutter's View) and are now part of the non-public housing inventory. Those developments received project based vouchers for all residents and over the next few months we will seek financing to renovate both

developments. The three remaining high-rise buildings (Capitol Terrace, Comstock and Sierra Vista) also require significant capital improvements necessary for long-term use by residents and therefore an application for disposition approval has been submitted to HUD.

NOTICE:



Sacramento Resident Advisory Board

Quarterly Meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2012 at 1:30 pm in the VIBE Community Room 1725 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95811

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SCHOOLBOOK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Our book scholarship program opens again in August!

- We have budgeted \$1000.00 for the program
- Scholarships are issued on a first come first served basis (when all requirements are met)
- There is availability of \$200.00 per person for books for those who live in conventional housing
 - We can issue a reimbursement check
 - We can order the books and you can pick them up at our office
 - We can 'rent' books from Chegg

- We also can get books for Kindle or Nook
- If you drop the class within three weeks of the beginning of the semester; we want our money back
- There is an additional \$100.00 book scholarship for tenants of other SHRA managed properties (non-ACC)

- You must provide your class schedule
- You must submit the original receipts
- You must provide current address and phone number

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Program requirements:

- You must live in housing served by the funding source
- You must provide proof of registration for the classes
- The books must be 'required' by the course (We do not fund optional books)

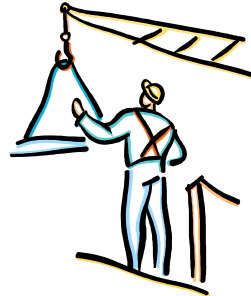


626 I STREET MODERNIZATION PROJECT UPDATE BY SHRA

626 I Street is a 12-story mixed-use building built in 1975. Over the years, reduced federal funding and insufficient annual public



housing capital funds delayed the renovation of major systems including roof, plumbing, electrical and asbestos abatement.



In 2009, the HA received a \$10 million American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant to modernize the building.

Funding for the project also includes tax increment and CDBG funds. The modernization project began in 2010 and is expected to be complete by August with leasing of units to begin in September.



ALDER GROVE/MARINA VISTA DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES BY SHRA

The Housing Authority plans to release a Request for Qualifications this summer for a developer to assist the housing authority in developing a new mixed income development to serve the residents of Marina Vista and Alder Grove.



The Housing Authority is looking forward to your input and participation in the resident engagement process. Resident meetings will be held the week of July 16th, so be on the look-out for invitations the next couple of weeks.

WHAT DO THESE PEOPLE HAVE IN COMMON?

Along with others whose photos we did not receive, here are some the \$50.00 REAC award recipients. We congratulate each of the winners and SHRA for the great scores this year!



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GROCERY BUS

The grocery bus has a new schedule this year. In an effort to control costs, our vender has moved most the bus trips to Wednesdays. The Wal*Mart bus will begin picking up at 8:45am at the Gibson Oaks stop. After 75 minutes, the bus will return shoppers to their homes. Then at 1:00 the bus will begin picking up for the Winco trip.

These trips are scheduled:

- July 7, 2012 (Saturday)
- August 8, 2012
- Sept 5, 2012

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