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Pine City Inn to Provide Housing for Homeless Families and Single Adults

LIHI's 41-unit building will provide safe homes, convenient to downtown with rents affordable to a range of households at 0% to 30% of area median income

Seattle - The Low Income Housing Institute (LIHI) is proud to announce a funding award from the City of Seattle for the purchase of the Pine City Inn. The Pine City Inn will provide 41 new units of affordable housing for homeless families and adults and is located at 6188 Fourth Avenue South at the corner of Fourth Avenue and Michigan in the Georgetown neighborhood of Seattle.

The Pine City Inn will serve households earning from 0-30% of the Seattle area median income. The Pine City Inn is conveniently located on several bus routes and is only a short ride to downtown Seattle. Residents will be able to live at the complex for up to two years as we help them to stabilize their lives and secure permanent housing.

The project architect, Carolyn Geise, is known for quality work and most recently worked on the 81 Vine Building and Homesight's 21st Street Houses in the I-90 corridor. Ms. Geise and her staff are working on a design that will incorporate the addition of eleven kitchenettes to convert large units into family units. After building rehabilitation the unit mix will be 17 family units and 24 studio units for a total of 41 units plus manager's unit. Two family units plus one studio will be Type A barrier free. One family unit and one studio will have provisions for hearing impaired. Unheated carport space will be converted to a common kitchen, laundry room, barrier free restroom and garbage / recycle area. An addition off the common kitchen will provide a day room opening into a garden and children's play area. The office area will be enlarged into a portion of an adjoining unit to provide counseling rooms, and a computer room will be added under the second floor units near the office.

LIHI prides itself in providing affordable housing that not only maintains but enhances the appearance of the community. "Considering the desperate need for affordable housing for the working poor in Seattle, we hope that the Pine City Inn will offer homeless families and individuals a safe and convenient place to call home while they get on their feet." said Sharon Lee, LIHI Executive Director.

The Low Income Housing Institute is a private non-profit developer, owner and manager of affordable housing and has developed over 1,600 units of affordable housing in the Puget Sound region. For more information about the Lakeview Apartments or the Open House Celebration, contact Sharon Lee at 206-571-5730 or Karen Savage at 206-443-9935 x107.

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