

Mutual Housing receives more than \$5 million for renovations

SACRAMENTO – Mutual Housing Association recently received more than \$5 million in grants and loans to make improvements and increase energy efficiency at four local multi-family developments.

“These funds help us continue the improvements that Mutual Housing is known for bringing not only to its own communities, but also to the neighborhoods they are part of,” said Rachel Iskow, Mutual Housing executive director. “The renovation work will ensure that our communities remain safe and well-preserved for decades to come.”

Construction will begin in October at Glen Ellen Estates, Foothill Plaza and Mutual Housing at Norwood in Sacramento. Construction is expected to start in November at Twin Pines in Davis.



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Glen Ellen Estates refinanced an existing loan and received loans of \$321,000 from Northern California Community Loan Fund and \$238,200 from NeighborWorks America for improvements at the 36-unit community that will include new dual pane low e-windows, replacement of exterior decks, paving and parking lot as well as interior apartment improvements.

“Because our communities were built prior to the latest in energy-efficient and green building materials, Mutual Housing has spent the past few years building our knowledge base in order to implement the most current technology,” Iskow said.

Thanks to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Foothill Plaza in North Sacramento received approximately \$1.5 million in a grant from the Department of Housing & Urban Development’s Green Retrofit Program to increase energy efficiency. The upgrades at the 98-unit complex will include new building insulation and recycled-content siding, Energy Star cool roofs as well as property-wide, solar hot-water heaters to reduce reliance on gas.

Mutual Housing at Norwood received \$3 million in loans from the Sacramento Housing and

Redevelopment Agency. With the funding, the association will replace roofs, gutters and downspouts, repair and replace parking areas and driveways, install security systems and cameras as well as improve stucco siding and paint. Interiors also will be upgraded.

In addition, walkways, ramps and parking areas at the Norwood complex will be made accessible to people with disabilities at the 87-unit development.

Davis’ Twin Pines received a \$155,000 grant from NeighborWorks America and \$100,000 from the City of Davis Housing Trust Funds for new paint, awnings and iron fencing as well as improvements to the community center and the community garden at the 36-unit property.

With 15 communities in the region, Mutual Housing develops and operates well-designed, affordable rental housing for the 2,600 residents, half of whom are children. Through Mutual Housing’s focus on leadership, the nonprofit also provides training and mentoring as well as educational programs, community-building activities and services for residents and neighbors. For more information, visit www.mutualhousing.com