

Mutual Housing California Receives Large Grant from NeighborWorks America

Mutual Housing California recently received \$438,000 for affordable housing from NeighborWorks America—a congressionally chartered nonprofit organization that supports community development nationwide.

The grant included operating costs that allows the Sacramento nonprofit to continue improving energy efficiency, sustainability and longevity at their properties.

“As Sacramento continues to grow, it is critical that our region offers sustainable housing options for residents,” said Congresswoman Doris Matsui, 6th District. “I will continue to do everything I can to ensure that we are making investments in our region that allow us to respond to the needs of families and build for the future.”

The \$300,000 capital grant will be used for renovation and energy upgrades of Sacramento’s Mutual Housing at Foothill Farms and the Owendale Mutual Housing Community in Davis.

The grant will help the nonprofit build the region’s first LGBT-welcoming senior affordable housing, Lavender Courtyard by Mutual Housing.

“NeighborWorks America is pleased to be able to support Mutual Housing in its drive to bring energy-efficient, sustainable housing to people who would not be able to afford it otherwise,” said Joe Dabek, (acting) Pacific regional vice president, NeighborWorks America.

An operating grant of \$138,000 will support Mutual Housing’s current programs that build strong communities through resident training and participation by using data to track results in these leadership-development and community-support programs.

“As our programs continue to expand, we are moving toward more data-informed, outcomes-based approaches to our services,” said Rachel Iskow, Mutual Housing chief executive officer.

Nonprofits such as Mutual Housing California generate \$260 billion in economic activity annually and rank as California’s fourth-largest industry based on employment, a study done at the University of San Diego, found.

Founded in 1988, Mutual Housing California develops, operates and advocates for sustainable rental housing for the diversity of the region’s households.

Mutual Housing California develops housing that is affordable to a diversity of households. Our housing builds strong and stable communities through resident participation and leadership development. For more information, call (916) 453-8400 or visit our website at mutualhousing.com.

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A member of the NeighborWorks network—Mutual Housing owns and manages properties that are home to more than 3,000 residents, nearly half of whom are children.

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