

# Nonprofit affordable housing developer receives grant for green renovations

Mutual Housing California has received a \$5,000 grant from the Bank of Sacramento that will help the nonprofit rehabilitate Greenway Village Mutual Housing Community and 54 South Sacramento apartments that house low-income families, including ones from St. John's Shelter Program for Women and Children.

"We have an ongoing collaboration with St. John's to help homeless women and children become permanent residents of Greenway," said Rachel Iskow, Mutual Housing California CEO. "Maintaining this crucial resource for them is of utmost importance to us."

Originally acquired and renovated in 1994, the apartments have one- to five-bedrooms that house 160 people.

Green renovations of the 16 two-story buildings include:

- Installing solar thermal panels to reduce the nonprofit's operating costs and resident utility costs;
- installing a new storm drain system, with drains throughout the courtyard and planter areas;
- replacing exteriors with environmentally sustainable and extremely durable siding;
- replacing all roofs and windows;
- replacing the heating, ventilation and air conditioning system (HVAC) with a high-efficiency, forced air split-system;
- updating appliances, cabinets, countertops, bathroom and kitchen fixtures, bath tubs and surrounds, and floor and window coverings with healthier, green materials.

"Bank of Sacramento is proud to support Mutual Housing of Sacramento's important efforts," said Julieanne Martin Robinson, Bank of Sacramento SVP/Chief Administration Officer.

Residents will be temporarily relocated during the year-long renovation.

Founded in 1988, Mutual Housing California develops and operates well-designed rental housing for the diversity of the region's households. The communities have nearly 3,000 residents, nearly half of whom are children.

Through its focus on leadership, the nonprofit also provides training and mentoring as well as educational programs, community-building activities and services for residents and neighbors.



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](http://mutualhousing.com).