



Big News For SSHH

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We need houses Mixing up the solutions.

The scattered site shelter program is generating quite the buzz. Last month, the Midtown Association graciously hosted a networking event for SSHH and local relators, developers, and landlords. Housing Acquisition Specialist Patti Uplinger, Director of Community Outreach Ken Bennett, and Executive Director John Foley spoke to why leasing to SSHH is the ethical and financially effective way to serve our community.

“Hosting events like this, helps SSHH to rally support for our new programs, expand stakeholders, and crowd sources our search for affordable housing” - Patti Uplinger



Special thanks to the Midtown Association, Realty ONE Group, Sacramento Association of Relators, SSHH Board Members, Local Property managers, and Civitas for sending representation!

Expanding HART

The homeless assistance resource teams, HART in your neighborhood or by assisting HART, is expanding this spring. Thanks to YOUR support we have 5 successful all volunteer HART groups actively engaged in assisting the homeless in their respective communities, Elk Gove, Rancho Cordova, Citrus Heights, Carmichael and Folsom, their example and success.

There are people with a heart for the homeless all over the area that are eager to find a way to help. You can become a part of the HART movement by joining an existing

with starting a new HART. We have already been contacted by people in North and South Sacramento as well as Mid-town, Arden Arcade and Sac State that are interested in starting new HART groups. If you are interested in participating in any one of these areas please contact Ken Bennett from Sac Self- Help Housing who is helping coordinate these expansion efforts.

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Full Service Rehousing Shelter Update Leo & Jet

Leo and his dog Jet lived in a tent by the American River. They had together been homeless for the past 7 years.

Following the winter months, when SSHH and the county sheriffs department found them, Leo was in critical condition, suffering from serious mental and physical disabilities.

“We were lucky to have found Leo when we did. He might not have made it another month living by the river” Said Operations Specialist Mike Kennedy.

Leo, Jet, and the other members of their encampment, qualified for our new scattered-site emergency shelter program partnership with the Department of Human Assistance. They were the first group successfully moved into one of our new houses.

A month has now passed, and Leo and Jet’s transformations are incredible.

Jet can be found sitting on the red coach in the living room or greeting the case works on arrival. Leo is almost fully recovered, and making headway to secure permanent housing.

Without YOUR support, the success of Leo and Jet would not be possible.



Imagine, living in a tent for 7 years. Then imagine the surreal feeling of moving into your own home. Safe from the elements, able to heal, and move on, accompanied by your pup.

Follow the link to our Facebook page to see how Leo likes his new home. <https://www.facebook.com/sacramentoselfhelphousing/>

“They loved the place so much, they were already planning their 4th of July BBQ.”

—Bryan Kenney

Save the Date! And room for desert....

Because on July 12th we will be eating cake!

Last year, Let them Eat Cake raised over \$20,000 in unrestricted donation, from supporters like YOU!

Stay tuned into our website and Facebook page for sponsorship levels and further event information.



From the Community

My Experience with SSHH

“In 2011, I purchased my first residential income property in Sacramento County and rented it to SSHH. Since that time, I have been able to purchase ten more residential income properties in Sacramento County, all of which I rent out to SSHH. I would not have been able to do this if not for the very beneficial relationship that has developed between me and SSHH. The benefits of renting to SSHH fall into two categories: practical and psychological.

Some practical benefits of renting houses to SSHH significantly reduce my workload as a landlord. By providing tenants and managing many of their needs, SSHH provides me property management services that I do not have to provide for myself. SSHH's maintenance staff also monitors the status of maintenance needs of my properties, another work item that I do not have to perform.

Another practical benefit of renting to SSHH has been to make it easier to acquire financing to purchase additional properties. Being able to show a very steady and reliable income stream from a single

tenant has increased the amount of financing banks are willing to loan me for properties I plan to purchase and rent to SSHH.

Just as important as the practical benefits are the psychological ones. The people at SSHH are extremely pleasant to work with. The relationship is much more akin to a partnership--both sides cooperating working together--than it is to a traditional landlord/tenant relationship.

In addition, contributing to help SSHH accomplish its mission--providing housing to those who otherwise would not have it - also provides some reward.

I would recommend renting to SSHH to any owner of a residential income property--the benefits are real.”

Robert Spurlock

Upcoming **HART Meetings**

Rancho Cordova HART

Thursday, May 17, 2018 12PM
Sun River Church, Rancho Cordova

Carmichael HART

Thursday, May 17, 2018 6:00PM
Christ Community Church, Carmichael Room M2

HART of Folsom

Tuesday, May 22, 2018 6:30PM
Harbor Church, Folsom

Citrus Heights HART

Thursday, May 24, 2018 12PM
Holy Family Church, Citrus Heights

Elk Grove HART

Thursday, June 14, 2018, 4:00PM
Elk Grove City Council Chamber



A note on giving **Big Day for SSHH**

On May 3rd, Sacramento Self-Help Housing will take part in the single largest, non-profit fundraiser in Sacramento County, the Big Day of Giving. BDOG is a 24-hour giving challenge that brings together the region's community to shine a spotlight on the work nonprofits do to improve the place we call home.

With your support today, BDOG can expand the capacity of local nonprofits to have a greater impact tomorrow.

For donation information, head over to our donation page here. <https://www.bigdayofgiving.org/sacselfhelp>

***Support our
mission , donate on
May 3rd.***

Call for submissions

Share YOUR story

YOU are our foundation.

Tell us what drives your continued support.

Send submissions to dcorea@sacselfhelp.org



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