



SOME is building a 320,000 square foot green facility that will be the first in the District to combine affordable housing, job training and health care in a single location. Located at 4414 and 4430 Benning Road, NE, the LEED certified building will occupy a full city block and is located directly across from the Benning Road Metro. Construction will take two years.

The new, multi-use facility will provide:

- **300 adult students annually with job training at SOME's Center for Employment Training (SOME CET).**

At Benning Road, SOME CET will expand to serve 300 adult students per year, more than three times as many as it served just three years ago. Students will qualify for, obtain and keep good jobs that reward work with family-sustaining income, benefits, stability and career advancement. SOME's highly successful job training program has been in operation for over 15 years and offers six months of full time technical hard and soft skills training, basic education and job placement and retention services. In 2014, 92 students graduated from SOME CET; 88% of graduates were placed in jobs.

- **30 homeless and low-income families and 172 homeless and low-income single men and women with service enriched affordable housing.**

Safe, affordable, rental housing enables low-income and homeless individuals and families to stabilize their lives. Affordable housing also yields significant public savings. With a stable home and accessible health care, individuals and families no longer need to rely on emergency rooms, shelters and other costly institutions to meet their fundamental needs.

- **A comprehensive Medical and Dental Health Center operated by our partner, Unity Health Care.**

Combining medical care and affordable housing dramatically improves the health and well-being of vulnerable men, women and children. The Medical and Dental Health Center, operated by Unity Health Care, will provide a full range of high-quality health services, including internal medicine, family medicine, mental health care and specialty care.

- **SOME staff offices and a retail space.**

Need

Combining affordable housing, job training and health care in a single location will enable low-income and homeless D.C. residents to simultaneously address the core challenges that they face. Nearly 110,000 D.C. residents live in poverty – approximately 7,300 of them, including 2,049 children, are homeless. Half of D.C.'s affordable housing has disappeared over the past decade and nearly 30,000 D.C. residents are unemployed, many lacking the skills needed to secure a decent job. Many low-income Washingtonians, including those in Benning Heights, live in federally designated Medically Underserved Areas – overall, almost half of primary and mental health care needs in the District are not being met.

Partners and Funding

SOME is working with local and national public and private partners to create this first-of-its-kind project. Through SOME's Building Hope Capital Campaign, SOME is raising the \$20 million needed to leverage approximately \$70 million in approved public funding, tax credits, tax exempt bonds, and low-interest loans.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the D.C. Housing Finance Agency (DCHFA), the D.C. Housing Authority (DCHA) and the D.C. Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) are helping to finance the project. Support and financing is also being provided by the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), the National Equity Fund (NEF) and the Healthy Futures Fund (HFF), an initiative of LISC, Morgan Stanley and The Kresge Foundation. Citi Community Capital, City First Bank, DC Housing Enterprises, Northmarq and US Bank are also investing in the project.

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