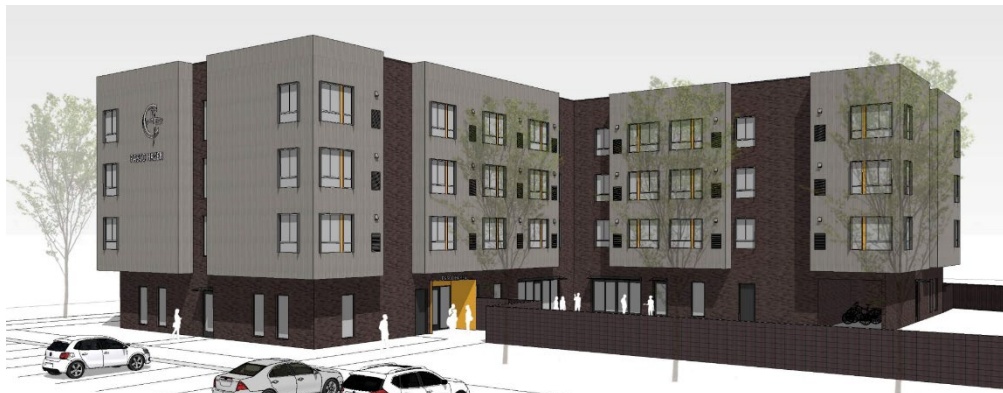




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CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNOUNCES TWO NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMPLEXES FOR FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS

Spokane, Wash., April 14, 2021 – Catholic Charities is moving forward with the development of Pasco Haven and Mother Teresa Haven, two new permanent, affordable, supportive housing projects in eastern Washington for families and individuals. Pasco Haven located in Pasco WA will serve individuals, and Mother Teresa Haven will open in Spokane for low-income families.

Pasco Haven is planned to provide 60-units of affordable housing for Pasco's most vulnerable residents. While each resident's situation is different monthly rent for these units will average \$196. Residents will have onsite access to services designed to help them improve their lives including counseling, case management, healthcare, and more. Catholic Charities is working closely with Greater Columbia Accountable Community of

Health and the Benton Franklin County Continuum of Care (CoC) to partner with local organizations to provide additional services for residents. The project will be funded through a grant provided by Benton County, a Housing Trust Fund loan from the State and 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) allocation. The project is anticipated to begin construction in 2021 and open in 2022.

Mother Teresa Haven is planned to be a 48-unit Permanent Supportive Housing project located in Spokane adjacent to Catholic Charities Sister's Haven (72-unit family affordable housing community) at the Holy Names Campus. The monthly rent for families will average \$245. Residents will have access to on-site services including counseling, case management, healthcare, recreational activities, and more. The project is funded by an allocation of 9% tax credits and through a loan from Catholic Housing Services Eastern Washington (CHSEW). The project is anticipated to begin construction in 2021 and open in 2022.

"Right now, low-income individuals and families are facing unimaginable hardships. People can't move forward in their lives unless they have a safe and healthy home to sleep in each night," said Catholic Charities President & CEO Rob McCann. "We will continue building housing throughout Eastern Washington until every person in need has a home to call their own."

Pasco Haven and Mother Teresa Haven are the latest affordable housing complexes built by Catholic Charities as part of its push to solve homelessness in Eastern Washington. Gonzaga Family Haven, another 72-unit affordable housing complex for families in Spokane broke ground last month and will be ready for families to move in before the start of the 2021 school year. These projects have all been helped by the Day 1 Families Fund grant awarded to Catholic Charities in Nov 2019. Pasco Haven and Mother Teresa Haven are the 12th and 13th new affordable housing projects from Catholic Charities to be built since 2012 (names are subject to change depending on naming opportunities in the community). All of these building projects are fully funded through the IRS, tax credits, and the State of Washington. Catholic Charities does not have to raise any private money or solicit donations for these properties.

About Catholic Charities Eastern Washington

Catholic Charities Eastern Washington affirms the dignity of every person, partnering with parishes and the greater community to serve and advocate for those who are vulnerable, bringing stability and hope to people throughout Eastern Washington.

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