



GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY TO CELEBRATE THE START OF MAJOR RENOVATION FOR SACRAMENTO FAMILY HOMELESS SHELTER

Groundbreaking ceremony:

Who: Next Move Sacramento President and CEO Carolyn Brodt, Sacramento County Supervisor Phil Serna, U.S. Congresswoman Doris Matsui, Assemblyman Roger Dickinson, Beth Kang of Home Aid Sacramento, Goodwill Industries President Joseph Mendez, USA Properties Fund Senior Vice President Michael McCleery, the California Department of Housing & Community Development and families staying at the shelter

What: **Groundbreaking for the expansion and renovation of family shelter**

Where: Next Move's Family Shelter Campus
4516 Parker Avenue, Sacramento, CA
South of 14th Ave & West of Stockton Boulevard

When: **Monday, September 22, 2014**

VISUALS: Pre-Demolition Site Tours at 11:30 AM

Groundbreaking ceremony and press conference at Noon

One-on-one interviews available / Spanish speaker available

Why: Once completed in spring 2015, the nightly capacity will increase from 55 to 85 people and include three new classrooms, a commercial kitchen, dining room, computer lab and new space for the Head Start Program.

See more details about the project in the news release below:

LOCAL AGENCIES COME TOGETHER TO HELP RENOVATE AND EXPAND FAMILY HOMELESS SHELTER THAT WILL PROVIDE HOUSING FOR 85 MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN NIGHTLY

SACRAMENTO – An emergency homeless shelter that has served the Sacramento community for more than 40 years will be rebuilt to host more families and offer additional services.

“There is a great need for emergency housing in Sacramento, especially for families,” said Carolyn Brodt, President and CEO of Next Move Sacramento. “Each month we turn away 150 homeless families who are in desperate need. Now we will be able to provide more families with a safe and clean environment every night.”

According to the latest count, Sacramento Steps Forward found there are 2,538 homeless people in Sacramento County, a third are without any kind of shelter. The number of homeless families increased by nearly a third from 2009 to 2013.

“We are thrilled to be able to step up and help those in need,” said Senior Vice President of USA Properties Fund, Michael McCleery. “This expanded and completely renovated shelter will provide new hope to families and give them a chance at getting back on their feet.”

The shelter first opened its doors on Parker Avenue in 1974 and provided emergency housing for 25 people in six rooms. An expansion in 1986 more than doubled the number of rooms and allowed the shelter to host 55 individuals each night. Once the new and renovated buildings open next spring, 30 new beds will allow Next Move to house a total of 85 people each night.

“We are committed to using the expertise of the homebuilding industry to help the families Next Move serves rebuild their lives,” said Beth Kang, Executive Director of Home Aid Sacramento which helped secure grant funding and coordinate builders.

Building of the additional rooms, three classrooms, commercial kitchen, dining room, computer lab and new space for the Head Start Program was paid for by generous donors.

On the heels of a \$1 million State of California EHAP CD grant, Goodwill has donated an additional \$1 million to the project, while USA Properties Fund has coordinated and will provide \$500,000 worth of in kind donations through their valued trade partners. Next Move also contributed over \$300,000 through fundraisers and private donations.

Services will continue to be provided for families housed at temporary locations while construction is underway.

The shelter is one of only two in the greater Sacramento area that allows the entire family to stay together in one room.

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About Next Move

Next Move (formerly Sacramento Area Emergency Housing Center) started as a family shelter program in 1972 to meet the basic needs of seven homeless families. The agency now serves an average of 600 people each day providing individual success plans; workshops on living skills, parenting, budgeting, housing, health and mental health care; housing relocation assistance; employment readiness and community support services. Next Move’s emergency shelters, transitional and permanent supportive housing programs, bolstered by an ever-growing list of services, continue to make visible and measurable changes in people’s lives.

www.nextmovesacramento.org

About HomeAid Sacramento

HomeAid Sacramento is a non-profit philanthropic organization formed in 1996 by the North State Building Industry Association as the homebuilding industry's charity of choice. Our mission is to serve the temporarily homeless by expanding a care provider's facility through remodeling or new construction. HomeAid Sacramento builds shelters for a diverse homeless population, from babies to families to veterans. We are continually working to give individuals and families the opportunity for a better life. Since 1996, HomeAid has completed 66 projects for area homeless shelters valued at more than \$13.5 million. For every dollar, HomeAid receives, we leverage three dollars in donated labor, services and materials. www.homeadsac.org

About USA PROPERTIES INC.

USA Properties Fund Inc. (USA), a California corporation, is a privately owned real estate development organization specializing in the creation of outstanding senior and family communities. Founded in 1981 and headquartered in Roseville, USA Properties Fund provides a full range of capabilities for community development, including financing, development, construction services, rehabilitation and property management. Our values, leadership and team structure reflect our success with the development/construction and acquisition/rehabilitation of more than 12,500 units of family and senior apartments in about 89 communities throughout California and Nevada. www.usapropfund.com

About Goodwill Industries

Established in 1902 in Boston and 1933 in Sacramento, Goodwill Industries is a community based non-profit that offers diverse job training and placement programs for the disabled, disadvantaged, and disenfranchised. Goodwill puts people to work in their own communities, helping to build self-sufficiency and human dignity. www.goodwillsacto.org

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