

Housing Development

DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE QUARTERLY UPDATE

Thank you for your continued interest in our work. We are pleased to share the progress being made to build and preserve affordable housing for people in our community.

In Development:

AHA recently received the Award of Merit from the National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) for achieving innovative financing, community partnerships, and tenant successes through the development of Linnet Corner and Estuary I. AHA is currently competing nationally with other awardees for an Award of Excellence!

Estuary I and Linnet Corner are fully leased and continue to operate smoothly during the transition to long-term operations. Both projects celebrated their one-year anniversaries this summer; they created a warm and stable community that has allowed tenants to prioritize their health, stabilize their finances, and obtain employment. The tenants (and their pets!) have become part of the neighborhood and are enjoying the fruits of the first season of the resident gardening program.

Estuary II remains ready for construction while AHA works to forge a path forward amidst constraints on federal resources for vouchers needed to be able to serve vulnerable formerly homeless populations. We continue to apply for funds and hope to start construction in 2027-28 at the earliest. Staff efforts to obtain final funding for the project has resulted in an additional \$1.4 Million award from the Federal Home Loan Bank San Francisco Affordable Housing Program (FHLBSF AHP) to the project.

Eagle Village and Parrot Village – AHA is taking a second look at these two important properties, with over eighty family townhomes. Staff plans to begin a year long process of analyzing financial and physical needs and opportunities in order to propose a refinancing and renovation package to the Board for their consideration.

Poplar - Given the constrained environment for construction sources, Poplar is focused on obtaining entitlements and land use readiness for creating 50-60 family apartments at this site. In the meantime, the site is newly fenced and will soon benefit from the completion of the City's active transportation upgrades for bike and pedestrian safety, a new park, and streetscape upgrades along adjacent Tilden Avenue. More information on the project is available at <https://www.alamedahsg.org/project/poplar/> and the Island City Development

(ICD) website: <https://islandcitydevelopment.org/project/the-poplar/> There is also an interest list for families and individuals who are interested in living at Poplar : [Sign up for Poplar Interest List](#)

Construction In Progress:

Property upkeep is a core part of our work, ensuring our communities remain safe, functional, and long-lasting. Recent improvements include:



*Fire Suppressant Powder
being released from an
Auto-Out Device onto open
flames.*

- Water heater replacements and code compliance projects at Esperanza
- Electrical upgrades for Esperanza
- Installation of rangehood fire suppression devices at Independence Plaza and Anne B. Diamant for increased protection and safety.

The Independence Plaza has been undergoing restoration from a fire and flood; staff are using the opportunity to upgrade existing units affected by these events. These new upgrades will increase the quality of living and accessibility of the units. At the same time, the building's main lobby is moving forward on the planned ADA renovation and just received permits from the City of Alameda for the work that is planned for 2027.

The CIP and Operations teams at AHA continue to assess and work together on existing property upgrades, repairs, and renovations.

Events

With 2026 well underway, we are taking a moment to highlight a few key moments from this past year.

In August and September, Linnet corner and The Estuary I received site visits from staff at the office of Congresswoman Lateefah Simon's and the City of Alameda's Housing & Human Services Department. AHA staff guided visitors around the properties while explaining services being provided and additional programs run by the AHA that supplement the daily lives of residents.

The Housing Authority had several community events over the past months all focused on increasing services to residents.

- AC transit agreement renewed for 189 residents.
- Alameda Food Bank began serving homebound residents at Esperanza.
- Friend of the Alameda Animal Shelter (FAAS) hosted a third wellness clinic for AHA resident Pet owners.
- The Housing Development team welcomed two new staff to the department, a Project Manager and a Development Management Fellow.
- National Night Out was a great success thanks to the Alameda Fire department, Alameda Police Department, and Service provider LifeSTEPS.



People enjoy National Night out, hosted by AHA and several local entities.



Group picture from the Visit of Staff from the office of Congresswoman Lateefah Simon's.

Interested in Housing?

Poplar Interest Form: [Sign up for Poplar Interest List](#)

Doorway Housing Portal Bay Area Affordable Housing Lists: <https://housingbayarea.mtc.ca.gov/>

Procurement

AHA continues to seek qualified vendors and consultants for a range of services. Interested firms can register through Bonfire to view opportunities and submit proposals:

- <https://www.alamedahsg.org/contracting-with-aha>
- <https://alamedahsg.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities>

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