



Anishinabe Wakiagun

Opened in 1996 in a neighborhood on the edge of downtown Minneapolis, Anishinabe Wakiagun is 40 single room occupancy units in a 3-story building.

Owner/ Sponsor: American Indian Community Development Corp.

Developer: Project for Pride in Living.

Property Management: Project for Pride in Living.

Service Provider: American Indian Community Development Corporation.

Tenant Profile: Chronically intoxicated homeless men and women.

Service Approach: Services are voluntary.

Key Features and Innovations:

- Case management services include new tenant orientation, daily living skills assistance, entitlement program assistance and benefits counseling, peer-to-peer mentoring and support and crisis intervention.
- There are many recreational and socialization opportunities available to residents such as movies, Pow Wows, community gardens, and arts and crafts.
- Common rooms include a commercial kitchen and dining facility, and an arts and crafts room
- Psychological and medical services are provided on site for the residents in coordination with AICDC programs and through networking with outside community organizations.

Financing

Capital

Low Income Housing Credit Equity	\$1,100,000
FHLB Affordable Housing Program	\$200,000
Philanthropy	\$300,000
HOME	\$265,000
MHFA	\$825,000
City Neighborhood Revitalization Program	\$195,000
HUD Supportive Housing Program	\$400,000
Other	\$100,000

Total

\$3,400,000

Operating

HUD SHP	
Operating Reserve from Equity Funds	\$600,000
Group Residential Housing	\$737 per client per month

Services

HUD SHP	\$80,000 annually
Group Residential Housing	\$700 per client per month
Total GRH Funding	\$1,475 per client per month

About American Indian Community Development Corporation (Owner, Service Provider)

American Indian Community Development Corporation (AICDC) is an outgrowth of the American Indian Task Force on Housing and Homeless, which formed around 1991 to identify housing needs for the homeless American Indian population in Minneapolis. The Task Force determined that the sub-group of chemically dependant single adult American Indian men and women were the most underserved in the Twin Cities. In response to that need, the AICDC was incorporated in 1992. Their mission statement is “To provide culturally unique initiatives, housing, and entrepreneurial programs that strengthen American Indian communities.” AICDC was formed to focus primarily on housing and community development. However in recognizing the inability of the American Indian population to successfully achieve adequate housing or maintain residence, staff began to develop programs that would successfully provide housing and support services while addressing chemical health issues for these individuals and families.

About Project for Pride in Living (Developer, Property Management)

Project for Pride in Living (PPL) founded in 1972, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping lower-income families develop the tools they need to achieve self-sufficiency. PPL’s earliest activities were devoted to increasing the supply of affordable, quality housing as a stabilizing force in the inner city neighborhoods of Minneapolis. Today it offers affordable housing and support services to people in poverty, and owns or manages more than 800 units of affordable housing. PPL’s mission is to assist lower-income individuals and families to work toward self-sufficiency by providing housing, jobs and training. They create opportunities for growth through several integrated programs: affordable housing (rental and ownership), jobs and employment readiness training, personal and community support services, and youth development.

About CSH and Anishinabe Wakiagun

Anishinabe Wakiagun was one of the first supportive housing projects that CSH assisted with in Minneapolis. CSH helped conceptualize the project, identify development partners, formalize partnerships, identify funding sources including securing under used GRH programs through out the state, and helped to build political and community support for the project. CSH provided capacity building grants and predevelopment funds for the development.

About CSH

The Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) is a national, nonprofit organization that helps communities create permanent housing with services to prevent and end homelessness. CSH advances its mission by providing high-quality advice and development expertise, by making loans and grants to supportive housing sponsors, by strengthening the supportive housing industry, and by reforming public policy to make it easier to create and operate supportive housing. CSH delivers its core services primarily through eight geographic hubs: California, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, and Southern New England (Connecticut, Rhode Island). CSH also operates targeted initiatives in Kentucky, Maine, Oregon, and Washington, and provides limited assistance to many other communities.



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