



Collaborative Village Inc. (CVI)

CVI provides 20 units of permanent supportive housing for families who were homeless before moving to CVI, and at least one head of household has a physical or mental disability. The program and housing were designed to serve and stabilize housing for families that were the highest shelter uses in Hennepin County. The building is a new construction that opened in July 2004.

Owner or Sponsor: Project for Pride in Living & Emerge Community Development-Emerge Villages

Developer/Property Management: Project for Pride in Living (PPL)

Service Provider: Emerge Community Development-Emerge Villages

Tenant Profile: Formerly homeless families with at least one head of household with a documented disability.

Service Approach: Onsite social services are provided and are designed from a harm reduction model of services, and therefore sobriety is not a requirement for tenancy at CVI.

Key Features and Innovations

- Services provided include employment and career counseling, on-site mental health counseling, advocacy and intervention, after school programming, support groups, and anchor family mentoring for new tenants.
- Anchor families are families that have overcome homelessness and act as positive role models for their neighbors.
- Housing units are clustered to create a collective or village atmosphere to facilitate community building and safety.
- Services at CVI are voluntary. Staff employ intensive engagement strategies to motivate tenants to utilize services as needed to maintain housing and keep their children safe.

Financing Information

Capital Financing Sources

Low Income Housing Tax Credits	\$2,842,219
MCDA	588,300
HUD Supportive Housing Program	400,000
MHFA- MARIF	1,200,000
Hennepin Co. ARIF	510,000
Family Housing Fund	150,000
FHLB Affordable Housing Program	80,000
Bremer Foundation	50,000
MCDA - Nonprofit Admin.	30,000
Total	\$5,850,519

Operating Financing Sources

MPHA
Section 8 Project Based

Services Financing Sources

HUD Supportive Housing Program
Supportive Housing Initiative Fund (Hennepin Co.)
Earned Income

About Emerge Community Development

Emerge Community Development (or Emerge) was created as a 501(c)3 nonprofit spin-off from Pillsbury United Communities in 1995. The organization, formerly known as New Unity Inc, changed its legal corporate name in March 2006 to Emerge Community Development in response to a 2005 strategic planning process that identified a need to re-brand and consolidate a rapidly growing portfolio of workforce, housing, enterprise and community development activities under one organizational entity. Effective January 1, 2007, all programs created and administered by Emerge staff under Pillsbury's corporate umbrella were spun-out and re-branded under Emerge Community Development's corporate umbrella. This significant change has created a unique and growing organization that offers a myriad of integrated programs and enterprises that are implemented by a diverse and highly committed staff.

The mission of Emerge is *to enhance the social and economic status of disenfranchised people*. Key organizational goals include eliminating chronic homelessness via innovative transitional and supportive housing initiatives; promoting self-sufficiency through myriad employment and training programs and services; and creating jobs and wealth through social enterprise and community development activities.

About Project for Pride in Living

PPL's mission is to assist lower-income individuals and families to work toward self-sufficiency by providing housing, jobs, and training. PPL creates 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. Founded in 1972, PPL is a non profit organization and 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. During the past 32 years, PPL has grown to be one of the most trusted affordable housing, employment, job training, and human service organizations in the Twin Cities.

About CSH

The Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) is a national non-profit organization and Community Development Financial Institution that helps communities create permanent housing with services to prevent and end homelessness. Founded in 1991, CSH advances its mission by providing advocacy, expertise, leadership, and financial resources to make it easier to create and operate supportive housing. CSH seeks to help create an expanded supply of supportive housing for people, including single adults, families with children, and young adults, who have extremely low-incomes, who have disabling conditions, and/or face other significant challenges that place them at on-going risk of homelessness. For information regarding CSH's current office locations, please see www.csh.org/contactus.



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