# Alameda Center Senior Housing & Medical Respite

#### Service Challenges

#### Homeless individuals face:

- Risk of dying alone on the streets
- Poor heath due to chronic stress, hunger, assault, poor sanitation and exposure to elements and infections
- Illness that may have led to job loss & homelessness
- Challenges managing health conditions, such as diabetes and heart disease
- Life expectancy typically 20 years shorter than general population
- Isolation, stigma, loss of family and friends

#### Service gaps:

- Poor integration between housing and medical/social services
- High cost and inefficient health care system for homeless patients, who tend to use emergency services for medical care and have longer hospital stays
- Limited recuperative care for homeless individuals with high medical acuity
- Unnecessary and costly institutional care for some elders who could live more independently



### Alameda Point Collaborative (APC)

An Alameda nonprofit, APC has helped hundreds of families overcome homelessness through supportive housing, children & youth programs, and employment initiatives. APC has been awarded federal surplus property near Crab Cove for the proposed project.

### Caring for Vulnerable Elders & Homeless Individuals with Health Conditions in Alameda County

Nonprofit, public and health care partners working together to create a Center to care for homeless seniors and individuals with acute medical needs

#### **Proposed Center**

**Senior Housing** — 80-90 units of senior housing and care for homeless and medically vulnerable elders. Case management, primary medical care, mental health services, assistance with activities of daily living, peer support, social and wellness programs, and palliative care.

Medical Respite – 50-bed recuperative care program providing compassionate and cost-effective care for homeless adults departing hospitals or undergoing intensive medical treatment. 24/7 medical care, mental health services, case management with linkages to housing, health and community resources. Focus on resolution of acute issues and stabilization of chronic conditions.

**Primary Care Health Clinic** – on-site medical and mental health clinic.

Resource Center – outreach, support and emergency supplies for City of Alameda residents experiencing homelessness or a housing crisis. Housing placement services to connect clients to safe and suitable housing.

#### **Beneficial Outcomes**

**Clients** will improve their health, housing status and quality of life in a dignified and supportive community environment.

Health care providers will improve homeless patient health outcomes and attain cost savings through reduced hospital readmissions, emergency room utilization & unnecessary skilled nursing placements.

The **surrounding neighborhood** will benefit from the transformation of vacant buildings into well-designed, landscaped and attractive facilities.

City of Alameda and Alameda County will expand resources for vulnerable residents and attain cost savings across systems (police, ambulance, mental health, hospital and long-term care).

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# Alameda Medical Respite and Wellness Center

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### Desired Innovations

Addressing the health and housing needs of the growing aging, homeless population

- Medically-enriched campus
- Trauma-informed, recovery-oriented and culturally responsive care
- Complementary housing options, health care and supportive services



Number homeless any given night Alameda County: **5,629** - City of Alameda: **204** 

### Proposed Continuum of Resources

### Alameda County - Homeless Residents/Medically Complex Conditions

- Housing for homeless seniors
- Medical Respite
- FQHC Satellite Medical and Behavioral Wellness Clinic
- Coordinated Entry System intensive linkages to housing

### City of Alameda - Homeless Residents

 Resource and Drop-in Center – emergency supplies, resources and support



### Project Site: Existing Conditions







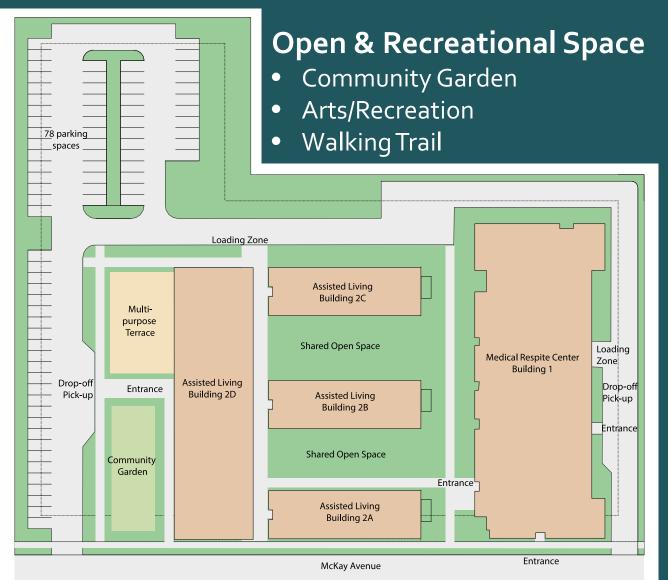
### Project Site: Proposed Adaptive-Reuse

#### **Building 1**

- FQHC Satellite Medical & Behavioral Wellness Clinic
- 50 Medical Respite Beds
- Resource Center & Coordinated Service Entry

#### **Building 2**

- 90 Units Senior Housing
- Supportive Services
- Kitchen/Dining Hall
- Community Spaces



### Senior Housing

#### **Elder Care with Enriched Supportive Services**

- Recovery and wellness programs
- On-site health care
- Hospice care
- Healing options art, community gardening, yoga and acupuncture
- Assistance with personal care activities of daily living

### Medical Respite

### Safe and Restorative Environment for Recuperation

- Service access 24/7
- Medical and behavioral care provided on-site by FQHC
- Intensive housing placement
- Linkages to primary care health home
- Trauma-informed care
- Holistic health services



Supporting healing and improved health for high medical acuity conditions

### Resource Center

## Drop-in Center for City of Alameda Residents Experiencing a Housing Crisis or Homelessness

- Advocacy and case management
- Intensive housing search and links to other services
- Access to on-site medical clinic
- Essential supplies food, water and blankets

# Project Timeline

Date	Milestone	
April 28, 2017	HUD determines parcel suitable for homeless accommodation	
May 29, 2017	APC files an expression of interest	
August 8, 2017	APC files application for Center	
December 13, 2017	HHS conditionally approves property transfer	
Spring 2018	Developer selection and start	
Spring/Summer 2018	Advisory group	
Spring/Summer 2018	Health partnerships	
Fall 2018	Operator selection	
Fall 2020	Occupancy and start-up	

### HHS Conditions of Approval

### Grants APC a 3-year lease acquisition

Renewal options to not exceed a period of 20 years

Property to be conveyed as no-fee public benefit conveyance to APC upon completing:

- HHS further review of financial plan
- City Council approval to remove the "G" overlay zoning
- Environmental Analysis (EA)

# Homelessness, Aging & Health

- Structural challenges lack of affordable housing, racism, economic disparities
- Medical, substance use & mental health conditions
- Exposure to infectious disease, assault, hunger
- High emergency and acute care use
- Reduced mobility, cognitive and daily living skills
- 3-4 times mortality rates & die earlier (by 25 years)
- 44% of older homeless adults: first episode homelessness after 50 years old (Home-Hope study)



Some homeless individuals fall out of our system of care and die alone and without care

### Cost of Homeless Health Care

acute care \$15,242 - 2012

Alameda County 2010-2012

Cost of hospitalization (2 years)	\$39,095,728
Cost per hospitalization (medical & psychiatric)	<b>\$11,</b> 898 average
Average length of stay	7.3 days homeless 5.3 days general population
Average cost for added 2 day stay per hospitalization	\$3,804
Average cost per homeless	\$15,000 - equal to one year

of supportive housing

### Beneficial Outcomes

#### Clients

- Recuperative care and recovery
- Improve health and well-being
- Access to on-site health care
- Improve housing retention
- Linkages to housing resources and primary health care home
- Serene and dignified environment
- Mutual support and community

#### Hospitals

- Access to safe discharges
- Improve health outcomes of vulnerable populations
- Achieve cost savings
- Decrease hospital stays
- Reduce hospital readmissions
- Decrease reliance on emergency departments

### Alameda City/County

- Expand resources for aging, homeless persons with health conditions
- Improve health outcome and housing status of vulnerable populations
- Address service gaps, i.e. limited skilled nursing facilities for population
- Cost savings across multiple systems



# Medical Respite – Reducing Health Costs

#### **SACRAMENTO**

\$1.07 million total annual cost avoidance for 119 patients

#### **CHICAGO**

Average reduction of 4.7 hospital stay days (12-months of follow-up)

#### **BOSTON**

50% reduction in readmission (90 days post-discharge)

### SAN DIEGO

\$800,000 total annual cost avoidance for 20 patients

### CINCINNATI

\$6.2 million annual cost avoidance for three hospitals

#### **PORTLAND**

\$3.5 million cost avoidance over three years for one hospital

# Circle the City Medical Respite, Phoenix

Achieved **50 percent reduction** in the per-patient cost to the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid 12 months after medical respite.

Post Medical Respite Stays: Per-Patient cost went from \$2,220 to \$900 monthly average — **saving over \$4.8 million annually** (309 patients)

92% discharged to housing option, not to streets or shelter

97% transition to long-term housing primary care provider

### Supportive Housing for Homeless

1st Year Reductions – Los Angeles County

Source: Rand Researchers

For every \$1.00 Los Angeles
County invested in
Permanent Supportive
Housing, the County saved
\$1.20 by reducing health
care and other social
services costs.

TYPE OF SERVICE	CHANGE OF USE		
Health Services			
Emergency room services	-68%		
Inpatient stays	-77%		
Outpatient visits	-25%		
Mental health			
Inpatient stays	-2 %		
Crisis stabilization services	-6o %		
Outpatient visits	-25%		

**Healthcare providers** 

Neighboring residents

Nonprofit service agencies

Stakeholder Engagement

Local small business owners

**Clients/ Consumers** 

Alameda County

City of Alameda