

UMPQUA COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK

Roseburg, Oregon

Grandview Homes

Grandview Homes are located in Douglas County, Oregon, a rural and isolated area with a population of only 100,000 spread out over 5,000 square miles. Grandview Homes is the first and only development in the county providing permanent housing to mentally ill homeless families.



The mentally ill in the area find it virtually impossible to locate and maintain housing in the community because of their limited resources, a situation made all the worse by the public's lack of information on homelessness and mental illness coupled with ignorance and fear.

UCAN actively educates the public about the mentally ill homeless in its community and ways to assist in addressing their needs.

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Douglas County is an economically depressed area due to the cyclical nature of the timber industry on which it depends. It is critical, therefore, to establish community partnerships to maximize available resources. To this end, UCAN collaborates with Douglas County Mental Health and other social service agencies to ensure that quality mental health services are offered to the residents at Grandview.

A social service based property management approach is used. This ensures that property management interacts on a regular basis with the resident service team for both initial tenant placement as well as problem resolution.

Much care was taken to ensure that residents felt safe and secure at Grandview. Calming colors were used throughout the project and the community building; skylights are incorporated to provide residents with ample access to natural light; and none of the units face each other, thereby increasing privacy.

Grandview was developed with a creative mixture of funding from county, state, and federal resources as well as local community and state foundations.

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SPONSORING ORGANIZATION

Umpqua Community Action Network (UCAN) is a private nonprofit organization that began providing services in Douglas County in 1969. UCAN's mission is to *create solutions to poverty, improving the lives in our community.*

FUNDING FOR GRANDVIEW HOMES

- Oregon Housing and Community Services
- HOME
- Cow Creek/Umpqua Indians Foundation
- Oregon Community Foundation
- Housing Trust Fund
- HUD Continuum of Care

CREATIVE APPROACHES TO SERVICE DELIVERY

- Housing designed to provide an optimal environment for the psychiatrically disabled to feel safe in
- Partnership with Douglas County Mental Health and other service providers to deliver an array of services
- Ample access to play space for the children and use of natural light throughout buildings



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IN 1988, TO COMMEMORATE FANNIE MAE'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY, the Fannie Mae Foundation announced the Awards of Excellence Program, which seeks to encourage and recognize nonprofit organizations working to develop and maintain housing for low-income Americans. The program also is intended to encourage more corporations and foundations to be involved as funding and investment partners. The Awards were renamed in honor of David O. Maxwell, who retired in 1991 after 10 years of service as chairman and chief executive officer of Fannie Mae and chairman, Fannie Mae Foundation.

FOR THE 17TH MAXWELL AWARDS PROGRAM, the Foundation, in collaboration with the Partnership to End Long Term Homelessness, is awarding up to \$75,000 to each selected nonprofit organization.

THE FANNIE MAE FOUNDATION creates affordable homeownership and housing opportunities through innovative partnerships and initiatives that build healthy, vibrant communities across the United States.

THE PARTNERSHIP TO END LONG TERM HOMELESSNESS was created to galvanize the philanthropic leadership and dollars needed to end long-term homelessness in America. Serving as an open knowledge network for funders, the Partnership shares strategic thinking, wide-ranging experience, and expertise to prevent and address

