Quixote Village

Permanent Supportive Housing - Olympia, WA



Highlighted Development



The Quixote Village Tiny Homes model was a new project concept developed by residents of a homeless camp and their supporters in Olympia, WA. The cabins have small bathrooms with a sink and toilet; bathing and kitchen facilities are located in the community building along with a large dining room, a large meeting room and office space. The total project cost is less than half of the typical per unit cost of permanent supportive housing. The Village is self-governed, building on the structure of management of the camp. Quixote Village is the first known example of micro housing for homeless adults constructed with public funding. The project has received national recognition from the New York Times, ABC News, Al Jazeera, and MSNBC. Most recently, Cooper Hewitt, the Smithsonian Design Museum, included Quixote Village as part of an exhibition in its series on socially responsible design.

Owner: Panza

Population Served: Chronically homeless adults

Size: 30 units - small cottages with shared kitchens and bathing

facilities in a community building

Amenities: Community building, community garden, communal

kitchen and bathing facilities

Completion Date: December 2013

Total Budget: \$3,047,000

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