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Orting Veterans Village Groundbreaking Event to House Homeless Veterans in Pierce County

Orting, Washington – Quixote Communities and the Puget Sound Veterans Center will host a groundbreaking event for the new Orting Veterans Village on October 1st, 2019. The event will take place at 1pm. The Orting Veterans Village, a tiny house village, will house 35 homeless veterans living in Pierce County and will be located on the Washington Department of Veterans Affairs’ Soldiers Home campus.

Quixote Communities, a nonprofit known for Quixote Village, a tiny house village supporting 30 individuals in Olympia, will operate and manage the new project for veterans in Orting. The Puget Sound Veterans Hope Center has been instrumental in developing the project and will continue as a supportive partner for the village. Community Frameworks, a nonprofit affordable housing developer, that also worked on Quixote Village, serves as the contracted developer of the Orting Veterans Village.

“We have seen so many successes at Quixote Village in Olympia and are thrilled to be able to bring this model of permanent supportive housing to veterans in Pierce County,” says Jaycie Osterberg, Executive Director of Quixote Communities. “We will not only provide housing, but these 35 individuals will have one-on-one staff support as well as a built-in community surrounding them.”

In addition to the fully furnished tiny homes, there will be a large community building with a spacious double kitchen, dining area, multipurpose room, staff offices, as well as laundry facilities. Quixote Communities plans to partner with the WDVA and local resources in the community to provide a variety of services to the villagers. This will include transportation, care coordination, behavioral health services, and life skill classes. The village uses the Recovery Housing model, which provides a clean and sober living environment to its residents.

Quixote Communities received capital funding from the Washington State Housing Trust Fund, Pierce County, the Federal Home Loan Bank, the United Way, and Project-Based Vouchers from the Housing Authority of Pierce County. They also received support and land from the Washington Department of Veteran Affairs.

In addition to the funding partners, the project team includes MSGS Architects as the architect, Buchanan General Contracting Company as the general contractor, JMJ Team as the civil engineer, and Carriage Houses NW as the modular manufacturers.

The Orting Veterans Village is set to open in the summer of 2020. For additional information on the Orting Veterans Village please contact Jaycie Osterberg at (360) 791-8999 or visit www.quixotecommunities.org.
About Quixote Communities

Quixote Communities is a 501c3 nonprofit organization. Their mission is to provide housing opportunities for people experiencing homelessness. They strive to create communities that promote access to the care and services their residents need to help them achieve their goals. They currently own and operate Quixote Village in Olympia, which opened in 2013.

About Puget Sound Veterans Hope Center

Founded in 2015, the Puget Sound Veterans Hope Center (PSVHC), a 501c3 nonprofit organization is focused on serving homeless Veterans in Pierce County, Washington. Their mission is to end Veteran homelessness in Pierce County by providing resources, one-on-one support, and solutions to long term homelessness. Located at the Tacoma Rescue Mission (TRM) the PSVHC offers emergency housing to Veterans who find themselves homeless by providing short term shelter while seeking to obtain long term housing.

About Community Frameworks

Community Frameworks is a 501c3 nonprofit organization and a NeighborWorks® America Chartered Member whose mission is to create affordable housing as a catalyst to help communities thrive. To accomplish this mission, Community Frameworks (CF) develops affordable multi-family and supportive housing, provides homeownership opportunities for hard working families, and teaches and counsels families on budgeting, credit, and homeownership topics. With offices in both Spokane and Bremerton, Washington, CF works with other nonprofits by providing technical assistance, financing, or by developing affordable housing for them.

Community Frameworks is the developer for Orting Veterans Village and was the developer for Quixote Village in Olympia.