



Direct Access to Housing

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Luxury Apartments? Yes! Housing for Chronically Homeless? Yes!



- \$24 million development
- \$1 million annual subsidy
- 106 chronically homeless individuals off the street
- 106 people with beautiful new apartments with a profound sense of hope

What are We Trying to Accomplish?

- Improve the health and well-being of a frail and vulnerable population
- End the widespread phenomenon of people sleeping on the streets
- Reduce costly over-utilization of emergency services

Direct Access to Housing (DAH) The Fundamentals

- Low entrance threshold
- Active engagement
- Permanent housing
- Experienced on-site behavioral health and medical services

Direct Access to Housing(DAH) The Practice

- Master leasing
- Contracting for property management
- Strict control of access
- Third party rent payment

Access Points

- Acute and psychiatric hospital
- Intensive case management
- Primary care clinics
- Street outreach teams
- Emergency shelters

Summary of DAH Sites

Pacific Bay Inn (1999)	75
Windsor Hotel (1999)	92
LeNain Hotel (2000)	86
Broderick St. RCF (2001)	33
Star Hotel (2003)	54
Camelot Hotel (2003)	53
Civic Center Res. (2004)	60
Empress Hotel (2004)	90
West Hotel (2004)	40
Folsom/Dore (2005)	40
Plaza Hotel (2006)	106
Total	729



Financial Information

\$400 Support Services
 \$400 Lease
 \$400 Property Management
 \$1,200 per unit per month

Residents pay fifty percent of their income towards rent.
 (avg. rent paid is \$300)

Housing and Urban Health Clinic An FQHC Site

- Health clinic dedicated to residents of supportive housing
- Services delivered in housing and at clinic
- Daily Drop-ins
- Up to 700 encounters monthly
- 79% Medi-Cal

DAH Healthcare Outcomes*

- 58% reduction in emergency room use
- 57% reduction in hospital inpatient bed use
- Reduction in length of psychiatric hospitalization

*Kessel and Kushel, UCSF, 2003

Health Care Costs Tracked for 71 Residents

- Cost for health care for the year before getting into DAH housing: \$1,445,520
- Cost for health care during the first year in DAH housing: \$283,600
- SAVINGS OF OVER \$1MILLION IN HEALTH CARE COST IN ONE YEAR

WINDSOR HOTEL



Date Started	1999
Location	238 Eddy Street
Number of units	92
Access Points	Primary care clinics, institutional settings, street outreach teams
Supportive Services Provider	Housing & Urban Health
Supportive Services Staffing	Nurse manager, nurse practitioner, nurse, social worker

PACIFIC BAY INN



Date Started	1999
Location	520 Jones Street
Number of units	75
Access Points	Street outreach teams, emergency shelters, intensive case management teams, primary care clinics
Supportive Services Provider	Episcopal Community Services
Supportive Services Staffing	Site supervisor and 3 case managers, employment specialist

Who Else Is Interested in Our Approach ?



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