COUNTY KICKS OFF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WEEKEND WITH GRAND OPENING OF NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

King 1101 Offers Affordable Housing for Veterans and Persons Experiencing Homelessness

Los Angeles, January 18, 2019 – In commemoration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, officials from the Community Development Commission/Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (CDC/HACoLA) joined State Assemblymember Reggie Jones-Sawyer, Los Angeles County Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Los Angeles City Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson, and representatives from the developer, Clifford Beers Housing, at the grand opening of King 1101.

Located near the intersection of Vermont Avenue and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, King 1101 is a brand new, mixed-use, 25-unit affordable housing development, serving both veteran and homeless populations. The CDC/HACoLA provided $1.5 million in Affordable Housing Trust Funds for construction and permanent financing. All units, with the exception of the manager’s unit, are being subsidized with Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing or Project-Based vouchers, administered by the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles.
King 1101 is a four-story residential building with ground-level parking for 23 cars. The residential unit mix includes seven studio units, 11 one-bedroom units, and eight three-bedroom units. Residents will enjoy a community room, community kitchen, container garden, laundry room, and offices. In addition, the building engages Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard in an exciting way with a sloping rooftop garden and ground-floor storefronts.

Emilio Salas, Deputy Executive Director for the CDC/HACoLA stated, “Dr. King’s messages centered on ensuring dignity and showing respect for all people. Our agency is proud to play a role in developing quality housing for the County’s most vulnerable residents, and empowering them with the tools to help them progress with dignity.”

Due to its mixed population, six different agencies will assist in providing supportive services at the site including: The People Concern, St. John’s, Portals (a Division of Pacific Clinics), Exodus Recovery, Inc., SHARE!, and the Department of Veteran’s Affairs. Collectively, the support team will offer basic mental health care, medication support, life skills training, medical services, substance use disorder treatment, employment readiness and placement services, and self-help support groups.

For Clifford Beers Housing, as an affordable housing development, King 1101 serves to fulfill Dr. King’s vision of “justice for all.”

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