



Village on Sage Street FAQ

1. Who is responsible for creating the Dorms on Sage Street Project?

The Dorms on Sage Street is a community project. Public, private, and social entities have come together to capitalize on the availability of the dorm structures and create a bridge housing solution. The City of Reno, EDAWN, Volunteers of America, The Abbi Agency and private developers are working with the Community Foundation of Western Nevada to make this happen. The Community Foundation is the hub for the collaborating partners and donors.

2. Who chose the site and owns the land?

The City of Reno chose this site and gave it to the Community Housing Land Trust to be used for affordable low-income housing. * The Village on Sage Street is a self-paid community and is not subsidized housing.

3. What is the fundraising goal?

We need \$2.5 million. Cash, appreciated securities or property, and pledges payable over multiple years are welcomed gratefully. Contributions to the Community Foundation of Western Nevada, a 501(c)3 charitable organization are tax deductible.

4. Who do I contact to make a contribution?

Call Chris Askin, Manager, Community Housing Land Trust
775-333-5499 or email: caskin@nevadafund.org

Mail a check: Community Foundation of Western Nevada
50 Washington Street, Suite 300
Reno, NV 89503

write check to CFWN and indicate Village on Sage Street in memo.

5. How is the money allocated?

\$700,000: Transporting the modular structures from Wyoming to Reno

\$250,000: Disassembly and reassembly of the structures

\$700,000: Utilities, hookups, and fees

\$2.6 million: Site preparation (demolition, grading, utility lines, permits)

Site improvements (fencing, rock walls, parking lot, landscaping, and outside amenities)

6. Who is the General Contractor for the Project?

Q & D is the General Contractor.

7. Who is leading the publicity efforts for fundraising?

The Abbi Agency is working with the Community Foundation, the City of Reno and VOA to take the lead on PR.

8. How many people in the Truckee Meadows qualify for Dorm Housing?

Any single adult without a criminal history earning approximately \$1,300 to \$3,000 will meet

income qualifications.

According to the Washoe County Community Health Needs Assessment sponsored by Washoe County Health District, and Renown Health. January 1, 2015 – 2017.

- a. More than 21,000 seniors have unaffordable housing costs.
- b. An analysis of county wage data shows that the majority of workers in Washoe County earn less than the median wage of \$16 an hour.

9. Who are the preferred residents?

Any adult fitting the income qualifications, passing a criminal background check, and looking for a safe, shared housing situation is welcome. There is no age restriction. We envision the dorms to be open to the working poor and to seniors who may be evicted from weekly motels and on waiting lists for senior housing. There is no time limit to the length of residency.

10. Will meals be available? What is the plan for the shared kitchen?

The kitchen needs to be renovated and will not be immediately available. Plans call for the removal of the large commercial kitchen, to be replaced with a number of work stations that include stoves, sinks, counter space, microwaves. Residents will be responsible for their meals.

11. How many single rooms to a bathroom in the residence buildings? There are eight restrooms and showers in each building, a ratio of about one to every six single rooms.

12. Are pets allowed?

Yes! Restrictions may apply.

13. Will a rental deposit be required?

Yes, a \$400 rental deposit will be required

14. Who will process the applications, screen, and select the residents?

Volunteers of America will operate the Villages on Sage Street.

15. How do I apply for a room rental at the Village on Sage Street?

Visit: <https://www.voa-ncnn.org/sagestreet> and complete online pre-application form. VOA anticipates beginning review of this information within the next 30 days. Pre-applications will be reviewed in the order received and additional information will be required to complete that application process. In addition to income, there are several eligibility requirements that are reviewed during the qualifying process which will including a background check.