

### **NEWTON ARMORY RESIDENCES**



# Planning Office for Urban Affairs

#### A R C H D I O C E S E OF B O S T O N

#### Mission

Develop high quality housing where people can live with dignity and respect in homes that they can afford, in order to create inclusive and vibrant communities

#### Overview

- Formed in 1969 by the archdiocese of Boston
- Affordable, workforce and mixed-income housing
- Commercial and community development
- Neighborhood and community revitalization
- Focus on building vibrant and inclusive communities

#### Experience

- Completed 3,000 units to date with financing over \$650M
- Projects throughout the Greater Boston region
- Provided for a wide range of affordable rental and homeownership opportunities throughout a variety of income levels













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#### Mission

To foster economic and cultural diversity in the City of Newton through the development and management of affordable and mixed-income housing communities

#### **Resident Focus**

Comprehensive Resident Services program addresses the various and changing needs of residents through a range of supportive services and activities that promote self-worth and dignity, enrich lives, affirm diversity, encourage community spirit and sustain independent living

#### Experience

- Founded in 1968
- Developed & owns six properties throughout Newton
- Property management for itself and others (e.g. West Suburban YMCA, Needham Housing Authority)





"... services and programs that are provided to residents [are] varied and creative. The grounds of the building are immaculate and lovely. It is always a pleasure to see residents enjoying the property and surrounding area with pride and respect."

- Letter of support from a neighbor of NCDF's Weeks House

"With their breath and depth of experience of the local housing issues as well as local, state, and federal regulations, NCDF has been a critical component of our delivery and service system. Beyond the technical aspect... their social service team brings quality services to individual residents. They are a highly skilled, yet empathetic and compassionate organization." - Jack Fucci, West Suburban YMCA





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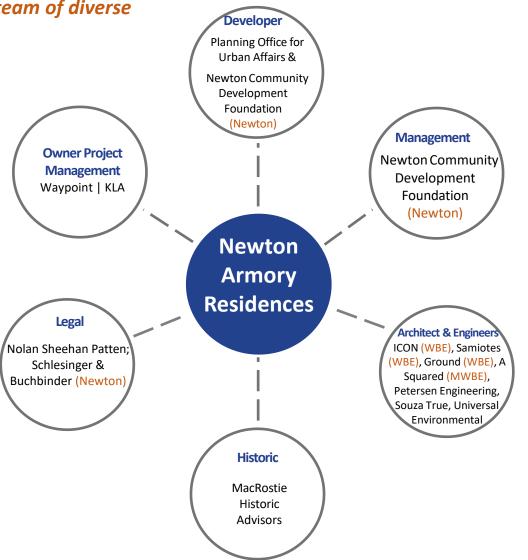


#### **Team Experience**

- More than a century of combined experience, including a half century managing affordable housing in Newton
- Design team are industry leaders in affordable housing, historic preservation, adaptive reuse, PHIUS, and the intersection thereof
- Newton-based zoning attorney has experience on multiple highprofile projects including Dunstan East

### **Diversity and Inclusion Plan**

- Development team includes substantial Minority and Women Business Enterprise (M/WBE) representation
- Comprehensive plan for construction-phase participation exceeding: 25% MBE; 10% WBE; 10% Section 3; 25% minority workers. Special outreach to Newton businesses and workers
- NCDF consistently exceeds employment goals during operations
  - 55% of NCDF employees are minorities



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Our Vision is to help low-income families gain access to the wealth of opportunities available in Newton while enhancing the Washington Street / West Newton community, advancing sustainable living, and celebrating the legacy of the historic Armory.

#### **Project Plan**

- 43 units for families
- Mix of one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments
- Three accessible units

### Affordability

- All units less than 60% AMI
- 8 units at 30% AMI, with MRVP

#### Amenities

- Community room
- Fitness room
- Outdoor patios and play-spaces
- Bike storage and 1:1 parking
- Laundry
- On-site management office

	30% AMI	60% AMI	Total
One Bedroom	3	13	16
Two Bedrooms	4	18	22
Three Bedroom	1	4	5
Total	8	35	43

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#### The site is designed to enrich the fabric of Newton now and into the future, in line with community-articulated frameworks and visions.

#### **Historic Preservation**

• Design retains and preserves iconic headhouse of the Armory

#### **Enhanced Sustainability**

• New addition will meet Passive House Standards, in-line with the goals of the Climate Action Plan

#### **Green Space**

- Attractive landscaping, a pocket park, and play space will define and enhance the Washington Street edge
- Preserves and enhances the tree canopy

#### **Balanced Transportation Plan**

• 1:1 parking, hidden from view, combined with ample bicycle storage and excellent transit access, advance the transportation goals of the Washington Street Plan



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#### **PUBLIC REALM**



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#### **DESIGN APPROACH**



Inviting + accessible main entry



Unit size based on windows and location in building





Distinction between old and new



Ground level residential entries provide activity along street edge

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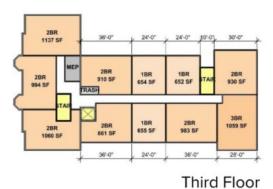




Fifth Floor



Fourth Floor





2BR 1137 SF

MER

36'-0"

2BR

1049 SF

2BR

861 SF

RASH

Play Area

24'-0"

1BR

748 SF

1BR

655 SF

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24'-0"

1BR

745 SF

2BR

983 SF

Second/ Main Floor

30'-0'

2BR

930 SF

3BR

1059 SF

OFFICES

373 SF

LOBBY

601 SF

2BR

1060 SF

First/ Ground Floor





Headhouse window openings maintained Grade change along Armory Street Materiality and massing steps down



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#### SUSTAINABLE DESIGN



- Sensitive Adaptive Reuse
- Passive House Addition
- 43 efficient family sized apartments
- Universal Design and visitable throughout
- Solar ready
- Low U windows, high R walls
- On site parking, including EV
- Residential Amenities: Community Room, Bike Storage

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#### Design and operational choices balance excellence with fiscal responsibility

Development Cost Summary			
Acquisition	\$60		
Construction	\$15,320,311		
Soft Costs	\$3,921,502		
Developer Fee & Reserves	\$2,055,511		
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT COSTS	\$21,885,552 (\$508,966 per unit)		

Sources of Financing		
DHCD Subordinate Debt	\$3,580,000	
City of Newton & HOME Consortium	\$2,500,000	
9% and State LIHTC Equity	\$12,315,552	
Permanent First Mortgage	\$3,490,000	
TOTAL FINANCING SOURCES	\$21,885,552	

Operating Expenses			
Management Fee	\$42,112		
Administrative Expenses	\$126,118		
<b>Operations &amp; Maintenance</b>	\$112,699		
Utility Expense	\$115,250		
Resident Services	\$14,655		
Taxes & Insurance	\$75,990		
Replacement Reserves	\$15,050		
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$501,873 (\$11,671 per unit)		

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