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PORTLAND HOMELESS FAMILY SOLUTIONS/CHRISTOPHER DIBBLE PHOTOGRAPHY

An old church near Southeast 92nd and Woodstock is converted into a permanent shelter for 25 homeless families with children thanks to Portland Homeless Family Solutions, a nonprofit supported by the community.

Home for Good

Portland Family Village Campus opens in Lents

A Portland nonprofit is celebrating the opening of its new Family Village Campus in southeast Portland to provide shelter for 25 homeless families with children.

Portland Homeless Family Solutions held an open house over the weekend to introduce the shelter to the community, located at 6220 S.E. 92nd Ave. in the Lents Neighborhood.

It's the first shelter in Oregon featuring trauma-informed design and architecture, eliminating open cots, for example, for the comforts of home – private sleeping spaces, food, showers, laundry,

computers and clothing.

Homeless Family Solutions says it relies on a team of over 800 volunteers to help provide supportive, compassionate services. According to its website, \$5.3 million was raised to make the shelter a reality.

Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler was there for the opening ceremony on Monday and praised all the community partners who made it possible.

"There's something unique about this community that drives us together to protect the most vulnerable people in our community, and that is homeless families who have small children," Wheeler said.

For more information about the shelter and Portland Homeless Family Solutions, visit pdxhfs.org or call 503-915-8306.



A local nonprofit serving the African American community is offering 20 new homes at affordable prices for qualified low and middle income buyers. The homes range from 1,200 to 1,453 square feet and feature three bedrooms and storage space.

Nonprofit Discounts 20 New Homes New construction priced below market rate

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A Portland nonprofit founded in 2014 by leadership in

Portland's African American community to help improve the quality of life for low-income urban families, is living up to

its promise. The National Urban Housing & Economic Commu-

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