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SEI and CDP breaks ground for displaced residents of N/NE Portland

Co-developed by Self-Enhancement, Inc. (SEI) and Community Development Partners (CDP), a 63-unit apartment community taking shape in Portland's Overlook neighborhood, will be much more than new apartments when it opens in late 2023. The new community is part of SEI's recent expansion into affordable housing. It offers an innovative model combining high-quality rental housing with on-site services and is part of a larger effort by partners SEI and CDP to renew a visible, thriving Black presence in North and Northeast Portland.

A groundbreaking ceremony emceed by longtime SEI supporter and Emmy Award-winning multimedia personality Tra'Renee Chambers was held at the site of the new community. Co-developers Tony Hopson, Sr., president and CEO of SEI and Eric Paine, CEO of CDP were joined by Commissioner Dan Ryan, City



Commissioner Dan Ryan, City of Portland, Tra'Renee Chambers (event emcee), Councilor Mary Nolan, District 5, Metro, Dr. Steven Holt, Oversight Committee chair, Portland Housing Bureau, Molly Rogers, interim director, Portland Housing Bureau, Tony Hopson, Sr., president and CEO, SEI, Eric Paine, CEO, CDP

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& Community Services (OHCS).

As one of Portland's leading multi-service organizations long focused on helping Black youth and families realize their full potential, SEI is expanding into a new role as an affordable housing developer.

The organization is joining forces with CDP, a mission-driven affordable housing developer, to co-develop and co-own 5020 N. Interstate.

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Tina Kotek is Now Oregon's New Governor

New Governor ready to get to work for Oregon

(AP) — Tina Kotek has been elected Oregon's next governor, extending long-time Democratic control of the state and dashing Republican hopes for a rare win in a top race on the West Coast of the United States.

Kotek joins Maura Healey of Massachusetts as the first openly lesbian elected governors in the United States. "It is an absolute honor," Kotek said. "I can tell you that being who I am is important to Oregonians across the state. Lots of young people have come up to me and said thank you for running and thank you for being who you are."

The former longtime speaker of the

Oregon House of Representatives had faced a stiff challenge from Republican Christine Drazan, who is also an ex-legislator. Kotek stood in front of a fountain in Portland Thursday morning a few steps from the Willamette River and told an invitation-only crowd of reporters and supporters displaying her campaign signs that she was ready to get to work.

She said she plans to travel around Oregon starting in January to talk to community leaders about issues facing the state, particularly the shortage of affordable housing and addiction. She said her priorities are addressing homelessness, expanding access to mental health and addiction treatment and working to bridge the divisions in the state.

Kotek told reporters she has spoken with Drazan and Johnson, a former state

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Tina Kotek, Oregon's Democratic gubernatorial candidate, greets supporters at the Democratic Party of Oregon's election party, Tuesday night, Nov. 8, 2022, in Portland, Ore. (Beth Nakamura/The Oregonian via AP)