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Legion Cottages opened doors to its first residents this week, the culmination of a partnership effort between Homes for Good, Post 32 of the American Legion and the University of Oregon School of Architecture BILDS program. The 384-square-foot tiny homes will provide safety and security for area veterans who lack housing.

Cottages from A1

an interview with *The Sentinel* this February as the first home’s walls were raised.

“We were struggling as a post just to keep afloat with our finances, so it was an opportunity for a win-win that we could actually help some veterans by giving some housing, yet we could get some cash back and so it was finding the right organization to partner with us to do it,” said Gowing.

The city invited Homes for Good to look at the vacant .16-acre parcel owned by American Legion, after which the housing agency purchased the property and secured a \$225,000 grant from Lane County to help with construction of the new homes.

Homes for Good then

partnered with the University of Oregon’s School of Architecture Oregon BILDS program to design and construct the village. The program offers university architecture students the chance for real-world application of their skills in local housing developments.

In doing research for Legion Cottages, students took stock of the surrounding neighborhood’s other homes and aimed to blend historic and modern elements in the design process.

The initial idea behind the project also involved the students working on the buildings themselves.

However, the coronavirus pandemic and resulting restrictions prevented further work from students following March lockdowns.

After a couple months of volunteer work to keep the

project moving, Homes for Good put in a bid for construction assistance and contracted with Springfield-based Dorman Construction to help finish the job.

Ochs said the project has attracted the aid of many others as well.

“I can’t even begin to think of the amount of contractors, people and everybody that have given time, materials and labor to this job,” he said. “So it’s been absolutely great.”

The project was initially scheduled to be done by August and the change in time and labor plans has raised the cost of the project. Still, Ochs said rent prices would not be affected.

“We were lucky in that ... there’s nobody telling us what we need to set the rents out here, which is unusual for us,” said Ochs. “Usually, there’s somebody

restricting it. In this case, we just set it at the kind of the minimum amount so that when the VA comes in, they’re going to use VASH (Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing) vouchers.”

VASH vouchers pair with Section 8 housing assistance to set individuals’ rent costs based on income. Though rent prices at Legion Cottages are \$654 a month, occupants will only pay 30 percent of their income, the rest covered through the voucher program.

For more information on the project, contact Homes for Good Real Estate Development Director Steve Ochs at 541-682-

2530 or by email at sochs@homesforgood.org.

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cgfirstbaptist.com

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