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FORT WAYNE HOUSING AUTHORITY TO PARTNER IN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Posterity Village project will house FWHA residents and create access to affordable state of the art housing

FORT WAYNE – The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority has awarded the Fort Wayne Housing Authority (FWHA) more than \$882k in Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) and a \$500k from the Developmental Fund to support the construction of Posterity Village, the third phase of Posterity Heights, located on the site of the former McMillian Park Apartments.

In receiving the award, FWHA announced the creation of a partnership with BWI, LLC who will be involved in all phases of the construction processes. Prosperity Village will feature lease to own homes and unique supportive housing solutions to families dealing with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities. The partnership will also include support from Joshua's Hand who will serve as a community connector, identifying potential residents and services that will enhance the quality of life for residents.

Upon completion, Posterity Village will consist of 58-unit development using a creative construction mixture of duplexes, cubes, brownstones, and cottage style one and two-story single-family homes. The development will feature a sustainable design concept and provide services geared toward continued education, health & wellness, and job training for all residents. Residents will have access to an onsite primary health clinic, cash-less grocery store, restaurants, and the University Life Development Center dedicated to Ivy Tech and Indiana Tech where residents wishing to pursue higher education or certifications will have access to classes and free workshops.

"The Fort Wayne Housing Authority continuously seeks partners who will support our mission of providing safe, affordable and quality housing to our community," said George Guy, FWHA executive director. "The partnership with the BWI, LLC will strengthen our efforts. Posterity Village will bring innovative construction concepts that will support our affordability efforts and essential supportive services that our families will need on a daily basis. We look forward to working alongside all of our community stakeholders and partners who will be instrumental to bringing this development to our community," he added.

Construction will begin in Spring 2019 and with plans for residents to begin leasing homes in Fall, 2020.

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About the Fort Wayne Housing Authority

FWHA remains committed to the revitalization of the city of Fort Wayne by building and developing safe, quality, affordable housing options, while providing programs to foster community, alleviate poverty and encourage long-term economic self-sufficiency.

About BWI, LLC

BWI, LLC is a construction, real estate development, property management, consulting and electrical firm in the greater Indianapolis area that focuses on not only construction management of general, large development projects, but also niche, energy-efficient urban revitalization projects. BWI has extensive capabilities helping clients design, develop and manage their projects with a special emphasis in electrical and eco-friendly, sustainable development.

About Joshua's Hand

Joshua's Hand assists the community in helping mid to low-income persons replace the destructive effects of poverty and homelessness with positive, supportive and transformative services designed to promote self-leadership, hope and well-being while transitioning into safe, decent and affordable permanent housing.