

Buchanan Gardens Moves Forward

On February 20th, the Arlington County Board voted unanimously to approve a loan of approximately \$4 million in Affordable Housing Investment Fund (AHIF) for the renovation of Buchanan Gardens Apartments. The \$4 million is in addition to \$7 million that was initially approved in November. The Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing (APAH) acquired this multi-family rental property in the Columbia Pike corridor in December 2009. The property consists of 11 colonial style, walk-up garden apartment buildings and is located on Buchanan Street, one-half block north of Columbia Pike.



The renovations will allow for the preservation of 111 committed affordable units. The affordable housing plan includes 55 1-bedroom units, 33 2-bedroom units, and 23 3-bedroom units through the use of bump-outs to increase the number of bedrooms and the size of the units. Eleven of the one-bedroom units will be restricted to households

with incomes at or below 50% of Area Median Income (AMI) while the remaining units will be restricted to households with income at or below 60% of AMI.

The renovation will create office and community space. The energy-efficiency aspects of the renovation allow the project to receive the Earth-Craft designation by the Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA). The renovations will include efficient windows, insulation, and individually controlled electric and gas options. For more information, contact Marie Randall at (703)228-7948 or at mrandall@arlingtonva.us.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Home Show and Expo

When:

Saturday, April 10th 10:00 am – 4:00 p.m.

Where: Walter Reed Community Center 2909 S. 16th St.

Housing Fair

When:

Saturday, May 8th
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where:

Kenmore Middle School
200 S. Carling Spring Rd.