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Gray's Landing Receives NAHMA Award

South Waterfront building receives national recognition for quality design and financing

PORTLAND, Ore. – June 7, 2013—[REACH Community Development](#) today announced receipt of The [National Affordable Housing Management Association \(NAHMA\)](#) Affordable Housing [Vanguard Awards for New Construction](#) for Gray's Landing. These awards were created to recognize newly developed or significantly rehabbed affordable multifamily housing communities that showcase quality design and financing.

The Vanguard Awards celebrate success in the multifamily affordable housing industry by recognizing and benchmarking new, quality, multifamily affordable housing development or significant rehab. Judges of this year's Vanguard Awards were distinguished NAHMA members from across the United States, representing various regions of the country.

Gray's Landing, a \$50 million dollar project, is a collaborative development between REACH, [City Commissioner Nick Fish](#) and the [Portland Housing Bureau](#). It is the first affordable housing located in Portland's emerging South Waterfront neighborhood. Situated on the street car line, its transit-oriented location is ideal for residents, providing convenient access to jobs, health care, shopping, restaurants, and amenities. The project provides innovative services to residents that focus on economic stability, budgeting, workforce training, access to emergency food and supplies, and access to service agencies. Forty-two of the 209 units are reserved for formerly homeless veterans through a collaborative partnership with Home Forward and U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Gray's Landing achieved a LEED for Homes Mid-Rise Platinum certification for its innovative design and is home to REACH's new headquarters.

"REACH is very grateful to have received this high honor that is shared with all of the partners involved," says CEO Dan Valliere. "Gray's Landing is a wonderful addition to the South Waterfront community, providing homes and a strong foundation for working families and veterans."

"Gray's Landing is more than a building," says City Commissioner Nick Fish. "It's a reflection of our shared values. A green building in a strong neighborhood, owned and operated by a great non-profit partner, and named for a distinguished veteran. It represents the best of Portland."



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About REACH CDC

For 30 years, REACH has built innovative and affordable housing for low-income families and individuals in the Portland metropolitan region. REACH develops and manages affordable housing and provides supportive services to our residents, as well as free home repairs to senior homeowners. Today, REACH's portfolio includes 1,658 units including single family homes, apartment buildings, and mixed-use developments located across the region. REACH has won numerous state and national awards for its creative approach to building healthy communities and its innovative housing projects. More information at <http://reachcdc.org>.

About NAHMA

NAHMA is the leading voice for affordable housing management, advocating on behalf of multifamily property managers and owners whose mission is to provide quality affordable housing. NAHMA's mission is to support legislative and regulatory policy that promotes the development and preservation of decent and safe affordable housing. NAHMA serves as a vital resource for technical education and information, fosters strategic relations between government and industry, and recognizes those who exemplify the best in affordable housing. NAHMA is the voice in Washington for 19 regional, state and local affordable housing management associations (AHMAs) nationwide. More information at <http://www.nahma.org/content/vanguard2013.html>

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