

RED/RAD News



What's New at Riverview

The upgrade and rehabilitation at Riverview Apartments on Hackberry St in East Walnut Hills is moving quickly and it seems that it is ahead of schedule. The construction began in mid-November and has so far finished and released 51 units to Property Management, which means that residents may move back into the apartments. Workers from Gorman & Company have been completing work on the fourth floor. The 16 units are expected to be released to property management during the week of June 21. The area where residents may access their mail is expected to be completed and released during this week as well. Construction will continue on the third, second, and first floors with final work expected to be completed in mid-September. In addition to the interior work on the units, there will be new concrete sidewalks surrounding the garbage station, waterproofing of the northern exterior wall, and an emergency generator was replaced on May 1.



Logan Commons Rising Up

The new building on Logan Street and Elder Street is coming along nicely. The exterior framing on the first through fourth floors is complete, and the interior framing is up. The roof truss and all roof decking have been installed. Plumbing and sanitary piping is continuing to be installed from the second through fourth floors, and the HVAC ductwork is progressing through the ceilings. The fire sprinklers are completed throughout the first floor, and progressing to the second floor. The steps in the northern stairwell are mostly built, and will be completed by early June. CMHA looks to have the building completed by the end of November, 2024.



Upcoming Events

Beechwood will begin construction for upgrades in October, 2024

Riverview/San Marco Grand Openings in Late October

Logan Commons Grand Opening in early December



NCRC Presentation and Tour

The National Community Reinvestment Coalition Conference visited Cincinnati in May. The CMHA Development Team spoke at the conference providing information about the development and construction processes that CMHA uses in building new properties and rehabilitating current properties. In addition, Mr. Gregory Johnson spoke at the luncheon sharing his background in public housing and his wealth of knowledge.



Following the luncheon, CMHA staff took about 30 attendees of the conference on a tour of three properties, Bennett Point, Park Eden, and West Union Square, where they were able to see, firsthand the expert touches that development and construction have added for the residents living experiences. The tour visitors were quite impressed with the amenities CMHA were able to provide to residents.





CMHA Builds Partnerships At All Levels

In cooperation with CMHA's efforts to create "sustainable funding models for quality affordable housing," we often work with community, regional, state, and federal partners to acquire additional funding for our new construction and rehabilitation projects. Congressman Greg Landsman is one of these partners that works tirelessly to assist CMHA in obtaining additional funds for projects. On May 13, he visited and toured The Beechwood in Avondale to gain a better perspective of the current conditions under which residents live. Most of the apartments in the 12-story building have decades old kitchen and bathroom facilities in addition to older dilapidated vinyl tile flooring. Congressman Landsman assisted CMHA in winning a \$1 million Economic Development grant through the federal government, which will provide additional funds for better quality and longer lasting materials.

The current projects in the works set to be completed this year are:

- Riverview Apartments in Walnut Hills – rehabilitation and upgrade of facilities
- San Marco Apartments in Walnut Hills – rehabilitation and upgrade of facilities
- Logan Commons in Over-the-Rhine – new construction of senior housing

Projects set to complete their financial closing by end of 2024, and construction completed 18 months after closing are:

- Marquette Manor in North Fairmont - rehabilitation and upgrade of facilities
- The Beechwood in Avondale - rehabilitation and upgrade of facilities
- Winton Terrace in Winton Hills Phase 1- rehabilitation and upgrade of facilities
- Anderson Township - rehabilitation and upgrade of facilities
- Race Street - rehabilitation and upgrade of facilities