

SENIOR HOUSING APARTMENTS

Piedmont Community Action, Inc.

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INITIATIVE OVERVIEW

Piedmont Community Action, Inc. is the owner and operator of three Section 202 senior housing apartment complexes developed to address a shortage of affordable independent housing for older Americans. With the population aging healthier and living longer, these HUD-subsidized apartments were designed for community members that cannot afford to live in traditional housing but wish to live alone.

LOCAL NEED ADDRESSED

The program helps expand the supply of affordable housing with supportive services for older Americans. It provides older Americans with very low incomes with options that allow them to live independently, but in an environment that provides support activities like cooking, transportation, and more.

ROLE OF CSBG FUNDS

The CSBG program partners with tenants to provide food and medicine as needs arise. Annually, CSBG provides nutrition classes and a food voucher to help residents get through the winter months. Project rental assistance funds are provided to cover the difference between the HUD-approved operating cost for the project and the tenants' contribution towards rent. Project rental assistance contracts are approved initially for three years and are renewable based on the availability of funds.

TRANSFORMATIVE IMPACT

The project is transforming the community by



providing housing for 150 senior citizens to live independently without displacement and maintaining housing stock in the community to prevent homelessness.

EVIDENCE-BASED OUTCOMES

Piedmont Community Action owns and operates three properties located in Greenville and Spartanburg Counties. Each property offers 48 one-bedroom apartments, each about 540 to 560 square feet in size. Private nonprofit organizations can apply to develop similar Section 202 projects. The organizations must contribute a minimum capital investment of 0.5 percent of the amount that HUD advances. Eligible residents of a Section 202 project must be at least 62 years of age and of very low income.

EQUITY LENS

This project collects and analyzes residents' demographic data. The program is open to senior citizens regardless of race and ethnicity.

CUSTOMER VOICE

To ensure customer voice, residents complete customer satisfaction surveys about how the program is impacting their lives.

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