#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

# Project Staff Report Tax-Exempt Bond Project July 8, 2009

Project Number CA-2009-812

**Project Name** Hudson Park I and II Apartments

Address: 431 East Ash Street

Shafter, CA 93623 County: Kern

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: Kern 2008 Community Partners, LP

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Sponsors Type: Joint Venture

**Information** 

Housing Type: At-Risk

**Bond Information** 

Issuer: CSCDA Expected Date of Issuance: 5/27/09 Credit Enhancement: No

**Eligible Basis** 

Actual: \$6,400,874 Requested: \$6,400,874 Maximum Permitted: \$21,637,789

**Extra Feature Adjustments:** 

55-Year Use/Affordability Restriction – 1% for Each 1% of Low-Income Units are Income Targeted Between 50% AMI & 36% AMI: 31%

Tax Credit AmountsFederal/AnnualState/TotalRequested:\$224,031\$0Recommended:\$224,031\$0

**Project Information** 

Construction Type: Acquisition and Rehabilitation

Federal Subsidy: Tax-Exempt/RHS

HCD MHP Funding: No

Total # of Units: 84 (2 manager's units)

Total # Residential Buildings: 9

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# **Income/Rent Targeting**

Federal Setaside Elected: 40%/60% % & No. of Targeted Units: 100% - 82 units 55-Year Use/Affordability Restriction: Yes

Number of Units @ or below 50% of area median income: 26 Number of Units @ or below 60% of area median income: 56

2009 Rents						
<u>Unit Type &amp; Number</u>		% of Area Median Income	<b>Proposed Rent</b>			
			(including utilities)			
4	One-Bedroom	50%	\$504			
10	One-Bedroom	60%	\$605			
17	Two-Bedroom	50%	\$605			
39	Two-Bedroom	60%	\$726			
5	Three-Bedroom	50%	\$698			
7	Three-Bedroom	60%	\$839			
2	Two-Bedroom	Manager's Units	\$0			

The general partner or principal owner is Kern Community Partners, LLC.

The project developer is WNC CPP, LLC.

The management services will be provided by Professional Property Management.

The market analysis was provided by Lea and Company.

The Local Reviewing Agency, the Housing Authority of the County of Kern, has completed a site review of this project and supports this project.

## **Project Financing**

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$7,561,514 Per Unit Cost: \$90,018 Construction Cost Per Sq. Foot: \$25

Construction Financing		Permanent Financing		
Source	Amount	Source	Amount	
Bonneville Multifamily – Tax-exempt	\$3,690,000	Bonneveille Multifamily-Tax-	\$2,365,000	
		exempt		
USDA RD Loan	\$2,835,477	USDA RD Loan	\$2,835,477	
Deferred Developer Fee	\$295,761	Deferred Developer Fee	\$295,761	
RD Reserves	\$161,016	RD Reserves	\$161,016	
Investor Equity	\$579,260	Investor Equity	\$1,904,260	
		TOTAL	\$7,561,514	

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#### **Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Rehabilitation Eligible Basis:	\$2,525,374
Requested Acquisition Eligible Basis:	\$3,875,500
130% High Cost Adjustment:	No
Applicable Fraction:	100%
Qualified Rehabilitation Basis:	\$2,525,374
Qualified Acquisition Basis:	\$3,875,500
Applicable Rate:	3.50%
Maximum Annual Federal Rehabilitation Credit:	\$88,388
Maximum Annual Federal Acquisition Credit:	\$135,643
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$224,031
Approved Developer Fee:	\$834,897
Tax Credit Factor: WNC & Associates	\$0.85

Applicant requests and staff recommends annual federal credits of \$224,031, based on a qualified rehabilitation basis of \$2,525,374, a qualified acquisition basis of \$3,875,500, and a funding shortfall of \$1,904,260.

### **Cost Analysis and Line Item Review**

The requested eligible basis \$6,400,874 is below TCAC's adjusted threshold basis limit \$21,637,789. The basis limit includes the adjustment for extraordinary features for 55-year use/affordability restriction for projects where each 1% of low-income units are income targeted between 50% AMI & 36% AMI. Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitation.

Annual operating expenses exceed the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations, and the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one.

Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 3.50% of the qualified basis. Unless the applicant fixed the rate at bond issuance, the Federal Rate applicable to the month the project is placed-in-service will be used to determine the final allocation.

**Special Issues/Other Significant Information:** None

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Committee make a reservation of tax credits in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal/Annual State/Total \$224,031 \$0

## **Standard Conditions**

If applicant is receiving tax-exempt bond financing from other than CalHFA, the applicant shall apply for a bond allocation from the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee's next scheduled meeting, if not previously granted an allocation; shall have received an allocation from CDLAC; and, shall issue bonds within time limits specified by CDLAC.

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The applicant anticipates financing more than 50% of the project aggregate basis with tax-exempt bond proceeds as calculated by the project tax professional. Therefore, the federal credit reserved for this project will not count against the annual ceiling.

The IRS has advised TCAC that the amount of tax-exempt bonds issued, equivalent to at least 50% of aggregate basis, must remain in place through the first year of the credit period or until eligible basis is finally determined.

TCAC makes the reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC an allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are anticipated to be the final project costs, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs, and certified costs of the buildings as completed.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credits when the project is placed-in-service.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

Additional Conditions: None.

Project Analyst: Elaine Johnson