

**CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE**

**Project Staff Report**

**2013 Second Round**

**September 25, 2013**

**Project Number** CA-13-100

**Project Name** Parkside Studios  
Site Address: 620 E Maude Avenue  
Sunnyvale, CA 94085 County: Santa Clara  
Census Tract: 5087.040

<b>Tax Credit Amounts</b>	<b>Federal/Annual</b>	<b>State/Total</b>
Requested:	\$1,062,065	\$3,540,216
Recommended:	\$1,062,065	\$3,540,216

**Applicant Information**

Applicant: Charities Housing  
Contact: Kathy Robinson  
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General Partner(s) or Principal Owner(s): Parkside Charities LLC  
General Partner Type: Nonprofit  
Parent Company(ies): Charities Housing  
Developer: Charities Housing  
Investor/Consultant: California Housing Partnership Corporation  
Management Agent(s): Charities Housing

**Project Information**

Construction Type: New Construction  
Total # Residential Buildings: 1  
Total # of Units: 59  
No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 58 100%  
Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%  
Federal Subsidy: HOME / CDBG  
Average Targeted Affordability of Special Needs/SRO Project Units: 40.00%  
Affordability Breakdown by Units and % (Lowest Income Points):  
30% AMI: 11 15 %  
40% AMI: 25 40 %  
45% AMI: 22 35 %

**Information**

Set-Aside: N/A  
 Housing Type: SRO - Single Room Occupancy  
 Geographic Area: South and West Bay Region  
 TCAC Project Analyst: Benjamin Schwartz

**Unit Mix**

58 SRO/Studio Units  
 1 2-Bedroom Units  


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 59 Total Units

<u>Unit Type &amp; Number</u>	<u>2013 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>2013 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>Proposed Rent (including utilities)</u>
11 SRO/Studio	30%	15%	\$266
25 SRO/Studio	40%	40%	\$710
22 SRO/Studio	45%	45%	\$798
1 2 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

**Project Financing**

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$21,153,106  
 Estimated Residential Project Cost: \$21,153,106

**Residential**

Construction Cost Per Square Foot: \$227  
 Per Unit Cost: \$358,527

**Construction Financing**

<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Wells Fargo Construction Loan	\$8,820,643
City of Sunnyvale	\$4,100,000
City of Sunnyvale Land Donation Value	\$750,000
MHSA/County of Santa Clara - MHD	\$1,154,000
City of Sunnyvale - HOME	\$850,000
County of Santa Clara - CDBG	\$632,407
County of Santa Clara - HOME	\$205,646
Accrued/Deferred Soft Loan Interest	\$236,792
Tax Credit Equity	\$2,550,852

**Permanent Financing**

<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
City of Sunnyvale	\$4,100,000
City of Sunnyvale Land Donation Value	\$750,000
MHSA/County of Santa Clara - MHD	\$1,154,000
City of Sunnyvale - HOME	\$850,000
County of Santa Clara - CDBG	\$632,407
County of Santa Clara - HOME	\$205,646
Accrued/Deferred Soft Loan Interest	\$236,792
Tax Credit Equity	\$13,224,261
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,153,106</b>

**Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis:	\$11,800,719
130% High Cost Adjustment:	No
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis:	\$11,800,719
Applicable Rate:	9.00%
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$1,062,065
Total State Credit:	\$3,540,216
Approved Developer Fee in Project Cost:	\$2,000,000
Approved Developer Fee in Eligible Basis:	\$1,400,000
Investor/Consultant:	California Housing Partnership Corporation
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$1.02000
State Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.67544

Per Regulation Section 10322(i)(4)(A), The “as if vacant” land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, will be used during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits.

Per Regulation Section 10327(c)(2)(C), Once established at the initial funded application, the developer fee cannot be increased, but may be decreased, in the event of a modification in basis.

**Eligible Basis and Basis Limit**

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis:	\$11,800,719
Actual Eligible Basis:	\$14,828,719
Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$8,916,166
Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$12,578,747

**Adjustments to Basis Limit:**

- Required to Pay Prevailing Wages
- Parking Beneath Residential Units
- Local Development Impact Fees
- 95% of Upper Floor Units are Elevator-Serviced

**Tie-Breaker Information**

First:	<b>Single Room Occupancy</b>
Second:	<b>52.391%</b>

**Cost Analysis and Line Item Review**

Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC’s underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations. 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 9.00% of the qualified basis, or, in the case of acquisition credit or credit combined with federal subsidies, 3.20%. Applicants are cautioned to consider the expected federal rate when negotiating with investors. TCAC's financial evaluation at project completion will determine the final allocation.

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

**Legal Status:** Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed that raised any question regarding the financial viability or legal integrity of the applicant.

**Local Reviewing Agency:**

The Local Reviewing Agency, City of Sunnyvale, has completed a site review of this project and strongly supports this project.

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

<b>Federal Tax Credits/Annual</b>	<b>State Tax Credits/Total</b>
<b>\$1,062,065</b>	<b>\$3,540,216</b>

**Standard Conditions**

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Carryover Allocation, any Readiness to Proceed Requirements elected, and a Final Reservation. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

TCAC makes the preliminary 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 as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a performance deposit and 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 preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

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 credit 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.

The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements of the proposed project. If points were awarded for service amenities, the applicant will be required to provide such amenity or amenities identified in the application, for a minimum period of ten years and at no cost to the tenants. Applicants that received points for sustainable building methods (energy efficiency) must submit the certification required by Section 10325(c)(6) at project completion. Applicants that received increases (exceptions to limits) in the threshold basis limit under Section 10327(c)(5) must submit the certification required by Section 10322(i)(2) at project completion.

**Additional Conditions:**       None

<b>Points System</b>	<b>Max. Possible Points</b>	<b>Requested Points</b>	<b>Points Awarded</b>
<b>Cost Efficiency / Credit Reduction / Public Funds</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>
Public Funds	20	20	20
<b>Owner / Management Characteristics</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>
General Partner Experience	6	6	6
Management Experience	3	3	3
<b>Housing Needs</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Site Amenities</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>
Within ¼ mile of transit stop, service every 30 min, 25 units/acre density	7	7	7
Within ¼ mile of public park or community center open to general public	3	3	3
Within 1.5 miles of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	3	3	3
Special Needs/SRO project within 1 mile of facility serving tenant pop.	2	2	2
Within 1 mile of medical clinic or hospital	2	2	2
<b>Service Amenities</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>SPECIAL NEEDS AND SRO HOUSING TYPES</b>			
Service Coordinator/Other Services Specialist, min. ratio 1 FTE to 360 bdrm	5	5	5
Adult ed/health & wellness/skill bldg classes, minimum 84 hrs/yr instruction	5	5	5
<b>Sustainable Building Methods</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>NEW CONSTRUCTION/ADAPTIVE REUSE</b>			
Develop project in accordance w/ requirements of: GreenPoint Rated Multifam	5	5	5
Develop project to requirements of: GreenPoint Rated Multifami 125	5	5	5
Energy efficiency beyond CA Building Code Title 24 requirements: 17.5%	2	2	2
<b>Lowest Income</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>52</b>
Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
<b>Readiness to Proceed</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Federal and State Policies</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
State Credit Substitution	2	2	2
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>148</b>

**Please Note:** If more than the maximum Site Amenity points were requested, not all amenities may have been scored and/or verified.

**DO NOT RELY ON SCORING IN THIS COMPETITIVE CYCLE FOR FUTURE APPLICATIONS. ALL RE-APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.**