

Suitable Living Environment

“Home is Where the Heart is” Group Home Project

DuPage County, Illinois

SNAPSHOT

Activity Type – Public Facilities and Improvements

Beneficiaries – Persons with developmental disabilities

Project Total – \$500,000

CDBG Funds – \$300,000

Leverage – 1:0.67

Key Result – A newly constructed Community Integrated Living Arrangement facility that houses six low-income adults with disabilities and enables them to further their independence and participate as full members of the community.

Words of Advice – Select an agency to partner with that has demonstrated they have the resources and past experience in development and construction management, and serves a population that has a high need for services in the community.

More Information – www.ucpsequin.org/

Project Profile



Front of group home.

PLACE

“Home is Where the Heart is” is located in a welcoming residential neighborhood of single-family homes, close to shopping, the library, and churches, as well as residents’ primary site for day program services.

PEOPLE

Instead of living in a congregate care institutional facility or sub-standard housing, six individuals can now receive high-quality direct services in a beautiful environment they can call home. In this home, residents are provided a safe, accessible, and functional space tailored to their special needs.

PROJECT

A new Community Integrated Living Arrangement (CILA) group home for six extremely low-income adults with severe intellectual and developmental disabilities. Residents of this group home receive much-needed housing as well as life skills training, enabling them to achieve their potential, advance their independence and participate as full members of the community.

PARTNERS

In addition to CDBG, this project was financed by United Cerebral Palsy Seguin of Greater Chicago. “Home is Where the Heart is” is also made possible by individual contributions from community members, and support from the Village of Villa Park, DayOne PACT, and the Illinois Department of Human Services.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

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