



## **Low-cost Commercial Kitchen & Dining Space Available Request for Proposals**

### **About ROSE Community Development**

ROSE Community Development is dedicated to **Revitalizing Outer South East Portland** neighborhoods, through the development of quality, affordable homes and community-building programs for residents. We are rooted in the belief that access to affordable housing gives people the opportunity to build better lives. ROSE has developed over 500 affordable homes in outer southeast Portland, and currently provides services and programs for over 450 households. Our neighborhood initiatives include:

- Lents Youth Initiative-A teen internship program focusing on social and environmental justice
- Baby Booster Initiative-A collective impact group that connects families with children under two with priority placements in our affordable housing

Our resident services are designed to support resident success. ROSE Resident Assets Coordinators work at ROSE housing properties to build connected communities where residents thrive, with an emphasis on opportunities for children and supporting family resiliency. Through partnerships with other non-profits and community groups ROSE provides unique opportunities for residents to enhance their connection to nature, healthy food and learning experiences.

### **New Partner Opportunity**

ROSE is looking for a new partner to provide services and community engagement with the Lents Village residents. Lents Village is an affordable housing community for seniors located at 10325 SE Holgate in Portland.

Services may include a nutrition program, on-site meals, food service, nutrition education, cooking classes, and volunteer opportunities. Additional services may include breakfast service, food to-go, community engagement activities such as celebrations, recreational activities, health and wellness activities, workshops or classes. Partners may coordinate with resident services coordinators for shared events. Any meal services must be affordable for residents. The previous partner used a 'Pay What You Can' system, with no senior turned away for lack of funds. **The space is provided at no-charge, but will include a garbage fee of approximately \$20 per month.**

### **Space and Equipment**

The new partner will have access to:

- Commercial kitchen (approx. 640 square feet)
  - Commercial dishwasher, refrigerator, freezer, convection oven, grill/stovetop
  - Storage room for non-perishable storage
  - Additional kitchen equipment and smallwares
- Dining room (1,300 square feet)
  - Maximum capacity: 85
- Office space (140 square feet)
- Access to outdoor patio and a garden bed for growing herbs, fruit and vegetables
- Loading dock and parking located on the north side of the building

## Lents Village History

Lents Village is a 63-unit affordable housing property for seniors age 55+. Amenities include 1 and 2 bedroom apartments with balconies, community gardens, a communal dining area, and courtyard space. Our previous partner provided free and low-cost meals and meal services during the week to residents and low-income seniors from the community.

## Resident Demographics

Residents at Lents Village are 55+. The average annual income for a Lents Village resident is \$22,909. The maximum income for a resident is \$50,655. The community is 78% white, 10% Asian, 6% African American, 5% Hispanic, and 2% did not disclose. Residents have a range of disabilities and levels of independence. Many residents utilize in-home care services to assist with housekeeping. Six units have two occupants, and the remaining 57 units are single occupancy. Residents have access to Store to Door, Ride Connection/Tri-Met, and Meals on Wheels. Resident services have included workshops, exercise programs, game and movie nights, potlucks and BBQ's, gardening, arts and crafts, and holiday celebrations.

## Proposals

Please submit a brief outline of your proposal for services and your experience with affordable housing, seniors, low-income, and/or under-represented communities. Additional details of organizational history and demographics served. Please include at least two references. Describe your program's rental history, if applicable. Please include staff qualifications. Partners will be expected to manage their own volunteer program-please include experience managing volunteers.

## Scoring Criteria

ROSE is committed to equity, diversity, and inclusion. Scoring criteria will include measuring community benefit and experience serving low-income communities.

**Please submit your proposal to Bree Guardado via email at [bree@rosecdc.org](mailto:bree@rosecdc.org) by Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 5:00pm PST.**

## Photo Gallery



Grill and stovetop, convection oven, prep table and storage



Commercial dishwasher, additional refrigeration, storage closets.

Dining room area with seating, food donation tables, doors to the outside patio space and parking lot

