

Welcome



Mission Statement:

We provide a welcoming, safe space - an inclusive home that celebrates, nurtures and empowers the LGBTQ communities and our friends and neighbors in South Florida.





History

- Who We Are

In 1993, philanthropist and gay pioneer, Alan Schubert, conceived an idea of a Gay and Lesbian Community Center that would provide a place for all to meet in Fort Lauderdale. The goal was to provide a center that would work hand-in-hand with existing organizations and new groups in need of support to ensure that all facets of the gay and lesbian community would be served. The Pride Center at Equality Park has emerged as a bastion of pride, service and education.

For more than 23 years, The Pride Center at Equality Park has met the distinct health, social, educational, socio-economic and safety needs of the LGBTQIA communities.





History

Who We Are

The Pride Center owns 5 1/2 acres of property with **30,000 square feet of office space** that provide homes for individuals, programs and services, as well as synergy among organizations. Our Vision is to be the premier point of connection for our community.

- Last year, more than 35,000 adult and youth attended activities at the Center.
- Outreach activities over the past year directly impacted
 125,000 residents and visitors to South Florida.





History of Residences at Equality Park

- 2012 Gay & Lesbian Elder Housing first identified need in Greater Fort Lauderdale
- 2012 Pride Center Strategic Plan / Board of Directors set goal to evaluate project
- Next three years met with several developers to gather information and knowledge



History of Residences at Equality Park

- 2015 completed Charrette process to update Equality Park Master Plan.
- 65 community leaders/members participated in brainstorming process
- Top three projects identified: Multi-use Conference Space, Playground, Senior Affordable Housing



History of Residences at Equality Park

- November, 2015 submitted application for housing project for 130 units, 185 parking spots in structured parking and 11,000 sq ft of community space. Project not funded.
- February, 2016 submitted application for housing project for 48 units, 123 parking spots in structured parking structure. Project funded.
- Phase 2 seeking funding for 75 80 units, estimated 90 parking spots in structured parking and 11,000 sq ft of community space.



- 2010 Census:
 - 9,000 Broward County couples self-report
 - Williams Institute estimates it to be 24,500
 - Wilton Manors named "Second Gayest City"
 - Thousands of 55+ adults access Pride Center services.
- SAGE USA
 - LGBT older adults experience lower income
- Williams Institute
 - 30% subsidized housing self-identify as LGBTQ



- 2014 Our Fund Study of LGBTQ seniors in South Florida identified four issues:
 - Loneliness/Isolation
 - Housing
 - Healthcare
 - Financial Resources



- Institute for Multigenerational Health
 - 47% of LGBTQ seniors in US living with disabling condition.
 - 60% of transgender older adults reported having a disability.
- Equal Rights Center
 - In Florida, LGBTQ testers received adverse differential treatment in 9 of 20 tests. 45%
 - Told fewer available apartments and told of additional application requirements.



- Broward County
 - 22,000 adults living with HIV
 - 2015 largest spike in new infections among gay and bisexual men over the age of 55.
 - HIV/AIDS among older adults have increased more than 61% from 2001 – 2007.
- City of Wilton Manors Commission
 - October, 2015 Commission expressed its support for the conceptual plan. All other approval processes are required.



Application & Screening Process

- Crossroads Management, LLC
 - Not-for-profit subsidiary of Carrfour
 - 67 employees specializing in management of supportive housing.
 - Manages 23 properties including 1,868 units
 - Largest property management company in Florida specializing in supportive housing.
 - Responsible for managing all aspects of the property management and maintenance.



Application & Screening Process

- Crossroads Management, LLC
 - 48 units in Phase 1
 - 100% of units for 55+
 - 100% of units affordable housing
 - 60% of AMI \$35,000 annual income or less
 - 70% of units (34) supportive housing for individuals with disability, such as HIV/AIDS
 - SSI, SSDI, VA
 - Physical disability but able to be independent
 - Mental disability but able to be independent



Application & Screening Process

- Fair Housing Act: prohibits housing discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, and familial status.
- FHA does not specifically include sexual orientation and gender identity. However, discrimination against LGBT person may be covered if it is based on non-conformity with gender stereotypes.



Analysis of Community Impact

- Project will be designed under City's Transit
 Oriented Corridor Zoning District
 - New construction to the street line to encourage pedestrian activity
 - Will meet requirements of pedestrian amenities to further encourage the walking link between neighborhoods like the Central Area to the East Side and Dixie Highway



Analysis of Community Impact

- \$1M Dixie Highway improvements already completed:
 - New bike lanes
 - New sidewalks
 - New crosswalks directly in front of Equality Park
 - Improved street lighting
 - New raised intersection at Dixie and 20th Street
 - New landscaping



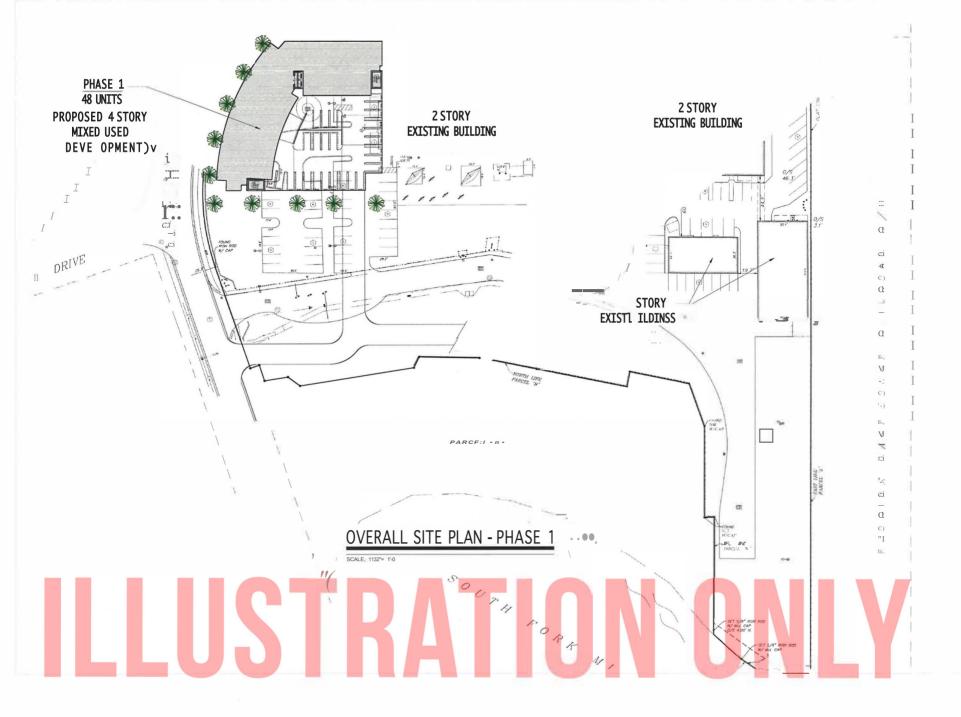
Resident Amenities

- Clubroom
- Laundry Facility
- Computer lab
- Library
- Linkage of care to services and programs
- Pride Center programs and services



Impact fees to City of Wilton Manors

- Parks and Recreation \$976.51 per unit
- Police \$91.50 per unit plus \$61 per 1,000 SF of non-residential space
- Fire \$60 per unit plus \$40 per 1,000 SF of non-residential space
- Exempt from Affordable Housing Fee





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OVERALL SITE PLAN - PHASE 2

SCALE: 1/32 = 1/3

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2STORY

EXISTING BUILDING

2 STORY

EXISTING BUILDING

1 STORY

EXISTING BUILDINGS

PHASE 1
48 UNITS
PROPOSED 4 STORY

MIXED USED

DEVELOPMENT

PHASE 2 74 UNITS

PROPOSED 5 STORY

MIXED USED
DEVELOPMENT

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