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MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT PROPOSED HOUSING PROJECT VALLEY SHARED HOUSING CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

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The Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH), as required under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), is opening a public review and comment period for the proposal submitted by *Affordable Living for the Aging (ALA)*, project sponsor of *Valley Shared Housing*, which is proposed to be funded through the MHSA Housing Program. Through this program, LACDMH was allocated \$115,571,200 for capital development and operating subsidies for permanent supportive housing for individuals with psychiatric disabilities who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. As required by the program, the funds were transferred to the California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA), who will administer the funds and underwrite the loans. The project is located in Service Area 2 and Supervisorial District 3 and will target of both chronically homeless adults and homeless older adults with mental *illness*. They are requesting an MHSA Capital Development loan of 1,133,994 and a Capitalized Operating Subsidy of 483,994 for the 9 MHSA funded units of a 9 unit project, which will be dedicated to individuals with a psychiatric disability.

The public review and comment period will run from *February 4, 2016* through March 4, 2016. The documents under review will be posted on the LACDMH website, <u>http://dmh.lacounty.gov/wps/portal/dmh/press_center/announcements</u>, and hard copies are available from LACDMH Countywide Housing, Employment & Education Resource Development, 695 S. Vermont Avenue, Suite 1020, Los Angeles, CA 90005. Any member of the public may request a hard copy of the document by contacting Reina Turner, Division Chief, at (213) 251-6558.

Please e-mail your input, recommendations and comments to <u>MHSApubliccomment@dmh.lacounty.gov</u> or submit written comments to Reina Turner, Division Chief, Countywide Housing, Employment & Education Resource Development, 695 S. Vermont Avenue, Suite 1020, Los Angeles, CA 90005 or by fax to (213) 637-2336.