

At a glance

Total development cost:

\$38.2 million

Metro bond funds: \$11.3 million

Bond funds per unit: \$151,000

Project type: new construction

Developer/owners: SEI,

Community Development Partners

Architect: Holst

General contractor: Colas

Construction

Other funding: Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC), SDC waiver, energy efficiency tax credits

Construction begins:

April 2024

Anticipated completion:

August 2025

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Strong Family Site

N Alberta & N Williams - Portland - SEI, Community Development Partners

The Strong Family Site affordable housing project is located at a prominent intersection in the Humboldt neighborhood of North Portland. Purchased from the Strong family, longtime residents of the area, the property embodies a visual and historical significance for Portland's Black community. The site is being developed specifically to advance the goals of Portland's N/NE Preference Policy, which seeks to bring families that have been displaced due to discrimination and rising housing costs back to the neighborhood.

The project will create 75 new homes, 54 of which will be family sized with two or three bedrooms. Eleven apartments will be made available to households earning 30% area median income, with the remainder regulated at 60% area median income. Residents will benefit from close proximity to grocery stores, transit, schools, the Dishman Community Center and culturally specific service organizations. The DHS building adjacent to the site offers SNAP, child welfare assistance, and job search and training opportunities.

SEI will lead resident services and include offerings rooted in selfactualization and trauma-informed practices with the goal of overcoming persistent race-based disparities.

Building and site amenities include a 3,500 SF courtyard, a 2,000 SF private play area, shared laundry facilities, a community room, secure bike storage, a generous lobby and front porch area. The project is pursuing Earth Advantage Platinum certification, focusing on energy efficiency.

Development program

The Strong Family Site affordable housing project will create 75 new homes, including 21 one-bedroom apartments, 32 two-bedroom apartments and 21 three-bedroom apartments.

Unit size	Number of units	AMI%	Square feet/unit
1 BR	3	30%	640
1 BR	18	60%	640
2 BR	5	30%	833
2 BR	27	60%	833
3 BR	3	30%	1,110
3 BR	19	60%	1,110
Total	75		

Amenities

- courtyard
- private play area
- shared laundry facilities
- community room
- generous lobby and front porch
- proximity to transit