YAKIMA HOUSING AUTHORITY
— Yakima, WA

Yakima Housing Authority (YHA) seeks to build stronger communities through their commitment to safe and affordable housing. Established by the City of Yakima in 1977, the YHA administers multiple U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs, which provide affordable housing to a range of populations in the city. In addition to real estate development and property management, they also offer rental assistance, Section 8 voucher programs, and subsidies for healthcare, substance abuse and job training.

Team:
Susan Wilson, Development Coordinator
Beth Boram, Deputy Development Director
Ellen Lohe, Housing Developer

ROSEBUD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION — Mission, SD

The Rosebud Economic Development Corporation (REDCO) was established in 1999 by the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Government to begin reclaiming their right to economic self-determination. Designed as the economic arm of the Tribe, REDCO seeks to generate revenue and create economic opportunity for the Sicangu Lakota Oyate nation. Over 150 years of oppression, over-regulation, and systemic discrimination by the federal government has stifled economic development for the nation, leading to persistent poverty and other socioeconomic challenges. REDCO has worked in policy and community development, invested in real estate and local markets, and undertaken government contracting to make the Rosebud Sioux Tribe more self-sufficient.

Team:
Red Dawn Foster, Community Development Coordinator
Kelly Arguello, Project and Design Manager
PROJECT SUMMARY
The Veteran Supportive Housing and Service Center will be a 41-unit supportive housing community for homeless veterans and their families. It will also provide 12,000+ sq. ft. of social service space for homeless veterans in the wider community. Situated on a former 4.64 acre U.S. Marine Corp armory, the project will rehab existing buildings, as well as construct new townhouses and multi-family housing units. The service facilities provided will include a primary care clinic and space for the Veterans Administration Supportive Housing and Supportive Service for Veteran Families.

PROJECT SNAPSHOT

NEIGHBORHOOD TYPOLOGY
✓ Urban
☐ Suburban
☐ Rural

SPECIFIC POPULATIONS
☐ Seniors
✓ Veterans
✓ Supportive
☐ Families

DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY
✓ New Construction
✓ Rehabilitation
☐ Transit-Orientation
☐ Large Site Redevelopment

HOUSING TYPOLOGY
✓ Multi-family
☐ Single Family
✓ Mixed Use
✓ Supportive Housing
INSTITUTE GOALS

- Redefine how the new construction and retrofitted Marine Corp armory building can best serve residents, as well as the broader veteran community and neighborhood
- Learn how to lead collaborative sessions with stakeholders and community through the design process
- Develop skills and methods to solve design challenges in an increasingly cost-constrained environment

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Meeting the housing and service needs of diverse populations, including veterans, farmworkers, and people who are homeless, disabled, and/or elderly