

# Developing Mixed-Income Communities











### **About EYA**

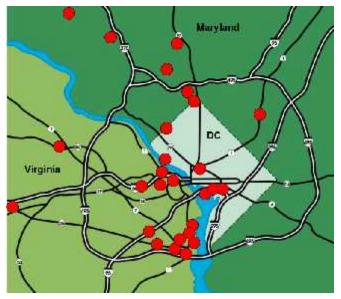


- Founded in 1992 with the vision of building innovative urban neighborhoods
- EYA Team Fully integrated acquisition, entitlement, planning and design, land development, construction, and sales
- Public Private Partnership Experience Montgomery County, MD (4),
   Washington, DC (3), Alexandria, VA (4).

39 Communities, and over 4,500 homes in premium locations around the

region

- More than 300 National & Regional Awards
  - Developer of the Year
     (Maryland Building Industry Association, 2016)
  - National Housing Quality Gold (2015)
  - America's Best Builder (2000, 2009)
  - ULI Award of Excellence (Winner 1998 / Finalist '97, '99, '02, '06)
  - Project of the Year Grand Award (NAHB)
- Transit-oriented walkable communities: "life within walking distance""



# Free Land is Not Enough



Typical Development Costs	3BF	R/2BA HOME	1,500 SqFt
Architecture/Engineering/Misc Consultants	\$	18,000	
Legal/Entitlement/Review	\$	10,000	
Site Development Costs	\$	55,000	
Unit Construction Costs	\$	135,000	\$90 per SqFt
Contingency (5%)	\$	6,750	
Settlement & Transfer Costs	\$	2,500	
Administration, Insurance, G&A	\$	6,200	
Loan Fees	\$	2,335	1%
Interest	\$	15,000	4.50%
Permits & Fees	\$	12,000	
Real Estate Taxes	\$	2,200	
Marketing, Advertising & Sales	\$	7,500	6%
Total Development Costs excl Land & Profit	\$	272,485	
Required Income at 3.5x	\$	77,853	71% of AMI

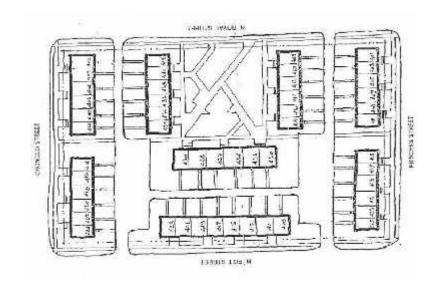
# James Bland Homes Alexandria, VA











### Alexandria Crossing Alexandria, VA







8 Market-Rate Units
10 Workforce Housing Condos
12 Affordable Apartments



48 Affordable Apartments (West Glebe)

# Old Town Commons Alexandria, VA









Three blocks to Braddock Metro

Units: 379 total: 159 TH, 86 condo, 134 affordable rentals

Unit Size: 1 BR flats to 4 BR luxury townhomes

Site Size: 8.5 acres



## Mixed Income Concept

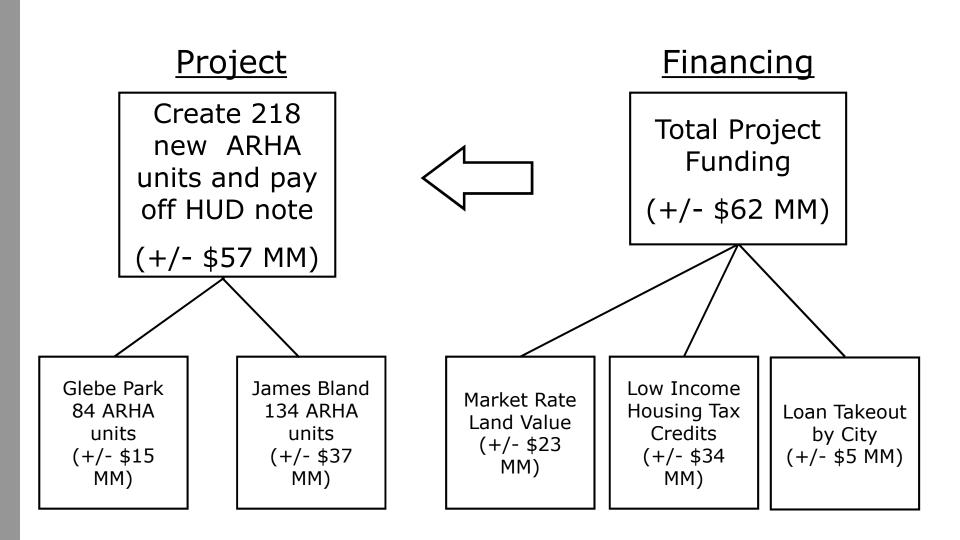






### **Financing Old Town Commons**





### **Component Financing**



#### Glebe Park

Uses

Build Public Housing: \$15,000,000 Repay mortgage \$5,000,000

Total Uses: \$20,000,000

Sources

 Tax Credit Equity:
 \$9,800,000

 City Loan
 \$5,000,000

 Land Sales Proceeds
 \$1,440,000

Total Sources: \$16,240,000

DEFICIT: \$3.8MM

#### **Old Town Commons**

Uses

Build Public Housing: \$37,000,000 Repay City Loan: \$5,000,000

Total Uses: \$42,000,000

Sources

Tax Credit Equity: \$25,000000 Land Sales Proceeds: \$21,300,000

Total Sources: \$46,300,000

SURPLUS: \$4.3MM

### City Investments



Glebe Park Mortgage Takeout

\$5MM



Alexandria Crossing Land Loan

\$1.44



Old Town Commons Park Expansion

\$1.31MM



### **Partner Commitments**



#### **EYA**

- Advance all pre-development costs (\$4.2MM)
- Commit to 'build first' strategy and bridge loan for 50% of Phase 1 deficit.

#### <u>ARHA</u>

- Commit to fund half of the bridge loans
- Escrow all land payments until project completion

#### <u>City</u>

- Additional height and density in Historic District & form based approval
- New Community Center
- Purchase 16 'scattered site' units
- Financing assistance for workforce housing buyers.

### **Lessons Learned**



- Workforce Housing must be sold
  - Workforce housing = market rate buyer
  - Units and program must be financeable
  - Flexibility in program requirements and sales strategy
- Keep restrictions simple & clear
  - Household size / Bedroom count
  - Residency requirements
  - First time home buyer
  - Control periods / covenants
- Moderate income households have unique needs
  - Household size
  - Financial capacity
  - Preparation / training

### **Factors for Success**



#### Design

- Indistinguishable by income level
- Efficient size to control costs
- Finish level consistent with price point
- Appropriate ratio of income levels
- Unique parking and open space needs.

### Financing

- New market rate land value to replace affordable and public housing
- Reduced fees, allocation of soft costs and LD
- Fannie/Freddie pre-approval of covenants / terms

### Marketing

- Sell the location and lifestyle
- Focus on consistent quality
- Buyers comparison shop home & program
- Equal or greater sales effort & expense

#### Implementation

- Community orientations for all residents
- Integrated HOA's and Condo boards
- Appropriate HOA fees
- Well functioning buyer/renter qualification system
- Clear priorities & acknowledgement of tradeoffs

### Mixed-Income Development Tools



- Infrastructure improvements
- Supplemental Investments (e.g. community center/transit/park)
- PILOT/TIF Financing
- Density, height, use, zoning flexibility
- Permit relief and 'green tape' processing
- Bridge financing











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