

RELATED NORTHWEST AND DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS JOIN FORCES WITH LOCAL FOOD PANTRY



On Tuesday, November 10, Related Northwest and its development partners joined forces with the Immigrant & Refugee Community Organization's (IRCO) Mill Park Food Pantry to acknowledge the groundbreaking of Crescent Court Apartments and provide groceries for those experiencing food insecurity. Employees from Walsh Construction, Related Northwest and U.S. Bank filled a cargo van with nonperishable grocery items while representatives from Related Northwest, Walsh Construction, Central City Concern and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Portland distributed bags of food at the drive-thru pantry. Teens from the Boys and Girls Clubs filled and organized 100 bags with donated food, including bags of rice, jars of peanut butter and cans of tuna. In addition, they included handwritten notes of encouragement and hope in each bag. Ankrom Moisan Architects, Related Northwest, and U.S. Bank made significant cash donations to the pantry. The partnership's combined donations will cover three months of the pantry's operational costs and enough food for 100 food-insecure households for the next few weeks.

To make a donation to IRCO's Mill Park Food Pantry, please click <u>here</u>. If your organization is interested in holding a food drive, please email IRCO at <u>fundraising@irco.com</u>.



(From L-R) Laurie Linville-Gregston, Senior Associate Architect Ankrom Moisan Architects; Imani Muhammad, Area Director East County Boys & Girls Clubs of Portland; Nami Bigos, Fundraising Coordinator Immigrant & Refugee Community Organization; Stef Kondor, Vice President Development Related Northwest; Ryan Hood, Project Manager Related Northwest; Rachel Maas, Sustainable Development Manager Central City Concern; Meghan Herteg, Project Manager Walsh Construction Co.

"Affordable housing and food security are top issues in this community."

- Stef Kondor, Vice President of Development, Related Northwest



When Crescent Court Apartments is completed in 2022, the Boys and Girls Clubs of Portland will provide a safe and positive place for kids and free after-school activities for school-aged residents in their new 1,700 square foot club inside Crescent Court Apartments. "Our goal is to create healthier communities by combining housing and services so we can provide our residents with the skills, resources and support to maintain stable housing and break the cycle of poverty," stated Kondor. "We've intentionally forged partnerships with local organizations who are dedicated to making a difference in the community." IRCO will provide services to immigrant and refugee families and Central City Concern will be the primary provider of intensive onsite services. For more information on Crescent Court Apartments, please contact Ryan Hood at rhood@related.com.



















