



OFFICE OF NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS BEST PRACTICES



24 Units

Two-story
3-bedroom units
in pods of four

12 Units

Single-story
3 & 4 bedroom
triplexes

9 Units

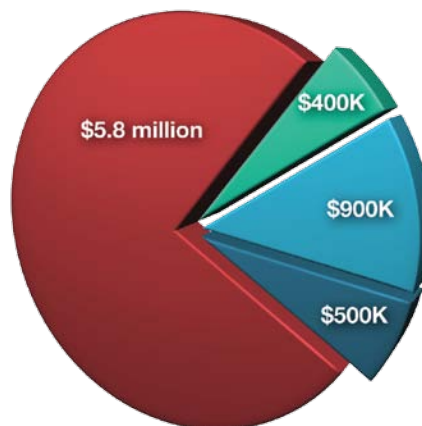
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Lummi Nation Housing Authority's Sche'lang'en Village

45 housing units for Native American families seeking sobriety, to regain children from foster care, in a safe gated community offering wrap-around supportive services in Bellingham, Washington.

76% Leveraged Funds

This HUD Title VI-funded project opened to families with children and elders in summer 2017. The total cost of \$7.6 million includes a \$5.8 million loan, and IHBG and ICDBG funds of \$1.4 million.



● Title VI Loan

● Proceeds of Sale

● IHBG

● ICDBG



“Transformational housing is intended for individuals and families making transformational life changes.”

- Diana Phair, Executive Director

Sche'lang'en means “way of life”:

- ▶ Housing is transformational not transitional.
- ▶ An on-staff behavioral health counselor meets on-site with residents, leads weekly meetings, and lives in the community.
- ▶ The wrap-around committee, made up of program staff and partners, meets weekly to check on resident progress and to discuss important admissions and occupancy issues.



In its first year, the housing development experienced **no calls** to law enforcement for service and **retained about 86% of families** who joined the program.



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Community Features:



A shared covered alcove encourages families to get to know and support one another.



The community garden offers elders an opportunity to pass on traditional methods of canning and storing food.



Private counseling offices overlook the playground.